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MONTREAL, DECEMBER, 1844.

Sir,
I have the honor hereby to discharge the duty imposed upon me by law, of furnishing for the infur. mation of His Excellency the Governor Genoral, and nemort requir- tho other Brathes of the Legislature, a Report, upon c.f hy the Act. the state of the various Public Works in tho Province, which have been carried on under this Department, during tho past year; In it, I have ondeavoured to

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fir of the Seat or Giovernment to Montreal. embuily such gencral and detailed information rospecting them sererally, as will, I trust, alfiond a correct view of the present state of the Works, as well as of the progress, made since the date of the last Roport I had the lionor to furnish.

No new works having been ordered by the Parliamont during the last Scssion, the duties of this De partment have, from that period to the present, beon very much confined to those involved in the superintendence of the Works previously sanctiuned by the Legishature, to the cherkng of the Ros, \&c., and surements, arranging the maymonts, \&ce, and in reporting from day to day, for the information of Wis Excollency the Governor General in Council, upon the various matters, sent in reference, to this Olfice.

In addition however, to these its ordinary duties, this Department was called upon to prepare suitable Buildings for the reception of the several Branches of the Legistature, for the accommorlation of IIs ExselIency the Governor General, and for the various Public Departnents; the whole of which was reudered necossary by the transfer of the Seat of Government to this City.
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The destruction of the Court House of this Distrirt by an Inceudiary, also imposed upon this Department the preparation of a Building for the loolding of the several Courts, and for the accommodation of the Officers connected therewith.

All these extroordinary expenses I have endenvouted to restrict as much as possible, and the several amounts expended, will bo given hereaftor under the respective heals.

In my former Report, fron its being , the first sul)mitted aifter a commencement had been mado with the extensive Works, provided for by the Act 4 and 5 Victorin, chap. 28, it was incumbent on me to cnter upon, and explain a variety of points of a general nature, connected with them and their proposed management, to all of which it is obvious that on the present occasion, it is unnecessary for me to allude; but I feel il my duty to notice a feiy of those upon which no decision has as yet been come to, and upon
which, in my judgment, it is most desirable that some early Legislative enactinent should take place.

Notwithstanding the many and unusual precautions Failuro of prowhich have been adopted, wilh the sanction of His coutions taken Excellency the Governor General in Council, with a penceo on the the view to prevent and quell the spirit of riot and ontrage, me of tho which had been evincod upon several of the Works works, where large bodies of labourers had congregated, it is woll kunven and much to be hanented, that such precaulions have not been effectual.

From an early period, I apprehended that nothing Necossity for but the presence of a Military Party in the vicinity of a military par ench of the large Works, would be sufficient to keep ly when"a body o the penco. Thic fact of its being known that a Mili- ang are contary Parly was on the spot to aid the Civil Powor, gregated. would, I conceivo, in isself be a guarantee for quiet and order.

The exertions of the Reverends Messrs. Falvy and Tho moralin. MoDongh, aud (since the commenceinent of the duenec of cer Works Lolow Prescott) of the Reverend Mr. Clarke, Catholic Clet. and of Capt. Wetherall, with the Police under his gymen and tho commanil, have been mremilling and have no doubt polier of under tended to provent the more irequent occurrence of out- Copth. Weth. rage ; but tho determined and lawless spirit which erall ineffico unfortunately exisis so extensively among the labourers, has too often sel at naught the moral control of the former, and put at defiance the power at the disposal of the latter.

Experience has satisfied me of the correctness of the Causes assign caluses I assigned for the existence of this lurbulent ded in former spirit, and which I enumerated ia my former Report, epprit of riot ns follows: "That the Riots have arisen simply from correct.
" the fact of a great number of labourers having con"gregated at particular points, amongsi many of "whom, previous to their being so assembled, bitter " national or sectional feads had existed. The num-
"ber of men also who flocked over from the United
"States, on being thrown out of employment by the
"general suspension of the Public Works there,
"added considerably to the evil; more especially as "from their previous habits, and irregular modes of " life, (wandering from one work to another) they
"were little accustomed to logal restraint, and had
" but slight respect for the laws; and finally tho
" circunstance of crowis having remained at the Aduitional "Works over and above the number which could be, sigred, beeing " with any advantage, employed thereon, tended much fire quantity " to a disposition fur- riot." I would now add an fhe posmbsession alditional one, namely, the fact of a great quantity of of the labourfire arms being in the possession of the men; and I ers.' feel persuaded that until a registry of arms is made a recgsistry of necessary by law, and rigorously enforced on the line arms. Act

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of Public Works, with powers also confided to tho proper tuthoritics to search for and take up arms, when considered necessary, the Public Peace will continue to be jeopardized in the vicinity of extensivo Works.

Another important point, of a general character, to Which 1 feel it necessiary to refer, is the necessity of providing by Legislative Enactment, for the establishment of a proportionately uniform Schedule of 'Tolls upon tho Ronds and Bridges generally, which have been constructed at the const of the Province. Most of these Works are now in use, and I have no donbe will ho productive of considerable revenue. S'ho Toll Houses are erected, and it only remains to fix by law the Schertules, upon which those Tolls shall be colm lected, and the authority by which they shall be nad for grno- lecten, autho exacted. Upon snme of them Tholls nro now being rallegalaudhe exacted, t poll snme of them tolls nro now being
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cers superintendirig the several Works, have, by my directinn, taken sleps during the past sonson to asecrtain the probable present ayerige of the travel over them, the result of which is shoirn in the Appendix horeunto. A.

I am of opinion that the Rates being fixed, the sercral Cates, whether on Roads or Bridges should be munually put up to public competition, the lessees licing required to give undeninble security, and to pmy theid rent quarterly into the Receiver General's Office, of such lucal agent as ho may appoint. For presont and proposed Rates of Toll on the various Public Worlis, sco Appendix letter 13., 1, 2, 3, 4, Sce.

For the safety and proper protection of thoso Works, it appears to me to be necessary, among, other enactments, that the propriotor of each vohicle should be bound, under a penaliy, to have his name and address logibly painted on the sides thereof.

As circumstances may, from time to timo arise, rendering alterations in the rates advisable, it would seem that the Act slowded only name the maximum of the Rates to be levied, leaving to the Executive Govermment the fixing of the 'Jolls under it, and the adopition of such 1 by laws for the mangement of the Works generally as may bo found necessary.

With regard to the use of those Public Worlis, by section 2 of 4 and 5 Victoria, chaptor 28 , the powers of all Directors or Domenissinners "apointed by or under the nuthority of any of the Laws then in forco for authorizing the construction or carrying on of any of the said Works, were superseded and transferred to the Board of Works.

The 4 and 5 Victoria, clapter 38 , enacts, "That "the Board of Works may make sueh regulations for "the use of any Public Work of any kind, vestal in "the Board or under its control, as shall not be incon"sistent with the lav, or with the purposes of such "Work, but such Regulations" shall impose no fine, "unless the porver of imposing such fine shall be given
"to the Board of Works by some law relating to such "Work."

By the seventeenth section of the same Act it is further enacted, that "All Public Works which are " not or shall not herenfler be specially vested in other "persons, bodies or officers, shall be and are heroby "vested in the said Buard of Works, and placed under "its superintendence, management and control, ex"cepting always, that the Tolls, Revenue or Income
"derived fiom any Publio Work, shall bo und con"tinue to be recoived and accounted for by tho per"sons appointed or to be appointed for that purposo;
"but the amount of sucli Tolls, and the expenses of "rollecting them, und nll such other information as "tho Board may requiro from time to time shall be "reported and furnished to it by such persons on the "requisition of tho Secrelary or Chairman."

The powers which it would appear ware intended to be vested in the Board by tho twolfth section of the 4th and 5th Victorin, chapler 38, nbovo quoted, for the making of regulations for the carefulani proper use of nules for the the sail Works, aro inoporative, as thero is no penality proper ass of attached to the disregard of such ragulations; and the the works in $\begin{gathered}\text { oporative there }\end{gathered}$ provision of the seventeenth section of the same Act bepang no poryeplaces tha Bonrt of Works in this anomalous position, or to inpoees that although by the Acts just guoted, all former Com . missioners coased, and their powers generally wore transferred to tho Bund of Wurks; yet, ns in the cases of the Walland and Lachine Canals, the collection of the Tolls was vested in tha former rospectivo Commissioners, but in tho transfor of hoin powers to tho Board of Works, that portion of them nuthorizing tho receiving of T'ulls was specinlly excepted: the entire manngoment of these works is now under the Board of Works; still, for the legal recoipt of Tolls, the form of keoping up a distinet Lachine Canol Board of Commissioners, and a distinet Welland Canal Bonrd, of Commissioners is necossary.

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poard of Forent renans it wili cogent reasons, it will bo seen lhat a general revision sion, of ihe Board of Works Act sloulil Lako place, and if Neessity for the regislature should decillo on placing the mainten- the adoption of anco of all lhose Works apon it, provision should be ngearal sysmado accordingly without loss of time.
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tenar the public works.
Of those Roads which have been planked or gravel- 1 porion of let, a portion has been effected under the provisions of tha matadatho Acts 3 Willinm 4, chapter 37, anil 7 William 4, made under chapters 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, and the remainder under former Comthose of 4 and 5 Victorin, chapter 28 ; by tho former, missioners. tha Receiver General of the Province was authorized to raise by way of loan, the amounts voted for the ro- withmonins spectivo distriets, tho interest on which was to be horrowed, tho secured by the Tolls on the Rands, and not praid or irtirent socilchargeable ngninst the general Revenue of the ['ro- of tho toads, vince; but on tho passilig of the Union Act this au- and by amsergthorily ceasod, mil each of the Ronds so commenced ment on the was lefl and lins since remainet in an unfinished state. riets.
In most instances, the unfinished portions were about those roads the centre of the ronds, consequently the benefits derive left unfinished. able from the parts that were male, and from the expenditure which had taken place, were very much uthity and the restrictet, and the Ravenues much short of what they rerame frous would have been, hat the severnl roads been finished much cireu througliont. This was particularly the case with the scribod. Yonge Strect Road, the Napanee Road, the Hamilton and Brantforli Road, the Dundas and Waterloo lioad; and the Johnstown District Road.

That portion of the Road from Hamilton to London Main Provino comprehended in and approprinted for by 4 and 5 road, portion Vistorin, chapter 28, is uow compleled. It was un- Habston and dertaken and recognized by the Legislature as being Londoh. part of the Main Provincial Highway, and the several
Bridges required over the various large rivers (the st Maurice different branches of the Saint Maurice, the Batiscan, brilge, Batisthe Sainte Anno de lit Pernde and the Bayonne,) San bridgo, Anac crossing tho portion of this highway between Quebee Perule bridgo; and Montreal have beon builti In severalinstances, Bayonno the portions proviously completed by' the Districis, pridede, form parts of this same higliway. "See Appendix,
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Athitional powers recpurenco procuto the works.
'The system of maintenance I would consider most effectual upon the macadamized orgravelled Roads would be to lave regular depots for materials at convenient distances, ostablished along the lines of the Roads; the number and capacity of the depots to bo governed by the quantity of materials required for the annual maintenance of the Roads. The depot on ench Road filling of these depots to be let out by public advertizement from timo to timo as required, but care of course should be takon to regulate the periods for requiring tho furnishing of the materials with regard to their cheap' carriage, \&c. 'The distribution of the metal upon tho Ronds, may either be under the direction of working overseers, or by small contrncts, and in some cases when the Road it put into an effective state, it will be found adrantagedus to let out tho keepm ing of it in repair in portions of, say, from 3 to 5 miles, the materints to bo used being those laid up in the depots. It is important in my judgment, that for the purposos of repair, the matorial should be furnished by parties distinct from lloso subsequently to spread it. A periodical general insprotion to be mado of all the Roads by officers of the department under whose becomes more itnproved and suhdivided, it is very desirable, in my opinion, that some provision should be made by Jatw, authorizing tho obtaining from the adjoining lands, the mnterials required for the keeping in repair of these works. It does not uppear to mo unreasonablo that from all wild lands, it should be lawful, under proper restrictions, to take all such stone or gravel as is requirod for such public purposes withont any payment ; and when it is necessary to procure those matorials from improved land, I conceive the only compensation to be made should be for the damage done to the surfnce, at the rate per acre for which the land would be taken for farming purposes. The proMuch expense curation of these materials in many cases from craigs in oltaining trateriald ai present, even from land worthiess for furning purposes. and other equally unprofitable portions of furms', has been attended with yery heavy expense, although prior to their being required, the proprietors would have been happy to have got rid of them in any way. Such powers should not of course extend to the obtaining of stone or gravel froin quarries or gravel pits actually opened and worked, and the property of individuals. In' such cases, the value of the material should be arbitrated upon or agreed for.

System for tho The maintenance of the "Plank Roads for the first maintenance ronds suguce od.

Benides theso Roads which have boen gravelled or macndamized out of the Reventies of the Province and for which a system of maintenanco has been suggesed in the furegoing, thore is another class of Ronds, to which, in iny opininn", that system would not be ap. plicablo. I refer particularly to the Gosford Rond, which upens' a dirent communication between the Eastern Townsllips and Quobec; to tho Port Sarnim Road, which is an extonsion of the main Province Line from London to tho font of Lake Huron, and which, from the distance sayed by it will no doubt in a litile time become the thoroughifare of a considerable portion of the Western travel, and linally the London and Chatham and Amhorsiburg Rond being a direct continuation of tho main $\mathrm{P}_{\text {rovincial Highivay from London }}$ by Chatham, (where the travelling by it meets the steamboats) to Sandwich, opposito Detroit ; thus forming a continuous High-postrond from the Western extremity of the Province to Quebec.

The Roads I have just enumerated are, or will be slorily completed, so far as relates to drainge, formation and graling ; but the surface is furmed of tho nuturgl soil which on most of the Lines being of a rich vegetable nature will take a considerable time to consolitate, during which thoy will requiro constant ntlention, otherwise they will becomo impassable. It is gencrally considered that the imposition of tolls on Roads so incomptete would not be-just; their maintenance therefore must be otherwise provided fir: "In many cases, they pass throughin great extent of wild or unoccupied land; and their maintenance connut bo imposed on the scanty population adjoining. The Legislature must iberefore in its wisdom determine on a system for their maintenance.

The maintenance of the Bridges I conceive should Mantennice bo directly by the Department, and from their being of Bridgat closely attended to, and due care taken of them, the ir duration will be found far to exceed that of the Bridges generally herctofure constructed.

The system of maintenance for the Harbours, should," Maintenate " in iny opition, be the same as that suggested for the of Elarloursi Bridges.

The maintenance of the works of the Canals will, Maintenance Itrust, from the very permanent and durable nature of of Cananta their construction, be altended with but little expense. A stendy practical Overseer upon each, reporting weel. Iy to the department under whose charge the Works may be placed, and with sufficient experience to meat any emergency or accident that may nccur, will, with the periodical inspection of the Officers of, tho-Department, in my judgment, bo sufficient. - In connection with this part of the subject, I think it necessary to state, that a general system of proper Regisliation and
 Measurement of Vessels appears to me highly desirable meaturement and necessary for the prevention of fraud. How far such of $V$ esolls regulations could be made to bear on all Vessels; whem much required ther foreign or provincinl, passing through our Canals, is for the Lat Officers of the Crown to say.

## The foregoing are my views generally upon the "maintenince" of the Provincial Roads, Bridges,

 Harbours and Cannls.With respect to the maintenance of another very $\mathrm{tm}-\mathrm{Maintan}$ and pottant class of Works, the Light-Houses, Bioos, \&c., of Lifle
 be very much for the betefit of the Province and tend Montronl much to economy were a suitable Steam Yessel pro Gake H Iuron vided; by means of which the suphlies of every des-to hiverion' cription could te served out annubily to lie yarious bor vane Eight. Houses, anit the cost of the necessary annuat re pairs, whether of the Buildings or of the Lhmps; 'se availatle on the opening of

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and having them returned is as matters of detail, will be more fully treated of under the head of Light-Houses. As such a Vessel would be required for these purposes during but a small portion of the Spring and Fall of each year, her services could, I couceive, be very profitably made available during the greater part of the season towards the prevention of the extensive system of smuggling now admitted to exist, as well as for other public purposes.

## welland Canal.

The various portions of this most important work have heen advanced with unexampled rapidity during the past year.

The exertions of Mr. Power, the principal Engineer, and of Messrs. Thomas Keeler, Page, Pritchard and Slater, his Assistants, have boen as untiring as they were laborious; and I regret that the health of, I believe, prery one on the estiblishment bes been affected, consequenily, to a greater or less degree at differont periods during the season.

In their joint effurts to gain a point of most vital importance, that of having thic Works throughout in such a state of furwarduess befure the close of the scason, as would ensure the opening of the entire of the Canal to the Trade next spring upon the enlarged scale, they have been most effectually aided by the indefatigable and praiseworthy exertions of the Contractors ; to the co-operation of these gentemen, cordially given, although in several inslances under very great discouragements, it is entirely owing that the great point just mentioned has been accomplished, the value of which will be at once evident, when it is considered, that from returns carefully collected, the gross amnunt of sailing crift tonnage on the Lakes above the Welland Canal Grealalvanta- may be taken at aliout 20,400 Tons, of which very ges of enlarged litile over 7,000. Tons have ever been able to navigate thine Canal and the Callal, but on the opening of it in spring next, of thoir being owing to the large dimensions of the new Locks, all the canal in pass freely throurg; and three large Steam Propellers, spring acst. already built, whose aggregate tonnage amounts to upwards of 1900 tons, can commence their regular trips as Freight and Passenger Vessels, for which they were constructed, in anticipation of the completion of the Works.

The ndvantages and great incrense of the Revenuc to be safely calculated therefrom, enpecially in the early spring navigation before the Bufflo route is open, are apparent.
Besides the discouragement, (namely, inadequacy of price and certain and increasing loss,) to which 1 have alluded, and in consideration of which I consider the Contractors in several instances are the more entitled to credit and praise for the energy with which they lave prosecuted, and the highly satisfactory and workmanlike manner in which hey have put their work out of hands; I feel bound to add, that they have hal throughout to contend with unprecedented diffculties.
would be effected at a very reduced expense, compared with the past. At present, when Lamps get out of repair, which, from their very imperfect construction, constantly occurs, they are laid by for the remainder of the senson, and the efficiency of the light of course the seasn, and the eficiency of the tight of course
tion of the Proviuce, was a source of much and umanticipated loss to them. Being in the House of Assembly at the tine, I contendel for their being exempted from itsoperation, as was, I believe, the case with those having contracts under the Commissariat, but the House The Tarif. decided otherwise. The sudden and great rise in the rate of wages, which upon this work took plice, thitty wrages on the per cent at least more than on the others, was a source Welland Ca. of great loss to those Contracturs, whose prices, even ${ }^{\text {nal }}$ at the ordinary wages, were not adequate; the consequence is, that several of them, besides losing all the Capital of which they were masters on commencing the work, have heen compelled to borrow largely from the Banks and elsewhere, and will be utterly ruined unless Contractors' their cases meet with the favourable ronsideration of the Legislature, to which I am respectfully of opinion they have very strong and substantial claims.

I am greatly averse to the making of after allow- Ohicctions to ances to Contractors beyond their conitact price, upon making natier any plea of unexpected difficulties, increase of wages allowastews-" \&c., such a course, in my judgment, tends to drive out of competition honorable Contraclors, whose intention was to execule the work for the amount of their Tender. At the same time, cases may otcur, and this But in somo is one, in which claims for compensation may be made cases justifiand in justice acceled to, without infringing upon those able. principles. After the Contractors had made arrangements suitable for insuring the completion of the amount of work thoy had engaged for within the term of their respective cintracts, a very large increase was Great incresso made therelo, it having been decided, with the consent of wurk bor of Iis Excellency the Governor General in Council of ofigisual conupon the memorials and representations of several per- tract. suns extensively engaged in the forwarding Trade, to add considerably to the dimensions of the Locks, every inducenents was thefore, held out to urge the Con- Incrasas tractors to complete the works upon the increased size form pord wit within the same tine as they had contracted to finishl the time origithem on the original scale, this they have done, but not nally stipulatwithout loss to themselves.

The bencfits the Province derives therefrom are: Benefits to tho First, the having altogether got rid of the necessity of Provinco repairing and kecping up 27 of the old Locks, which Expense and would have been attended with the expenditure of risl: of minmany thousands of pounds-in fact, such is their taining olld dilapidated state, that the possibility of their being of. maintained al all for another season, at any expense, was very doubtful; Secondly, the increased Revenue, Increased rewhich will be hard next year, not only from the spring venuc form the business, but from that of the whole season, in conse- wotlaned. quence of the Canal being thrown open to tho Lake ressels gencrally.

As the amount which will be saved in repairs would abnut clear from debt the Contractors referred to, and as by this debt such considerable public benefit has Contractors' been oltained, I trust His Excellency the Governor claims cntilled General and the Legislalure will be disposed to grant consideation. the required relicf.

The Steamboat entrance Lock at Broad Creck, Broad Creck which is at once an entrance Lock to the Welland and entrance. Grand River navigation, being now coinpleted, and the Feeder to the Canal enlarged and deepened, the Port Colborma trade for the next year will be from Lake' Ontario to entranco will the junction and thence by the Feeder to Lake Erie, be tho nexed for entering the Lako by the Broad Creek Lock. This son, topermit arrangement is made in order that the portiou of the of cillarbeing Canal from the junction to Lake Erie at Port Colborne may be emptied, and the several works of the decpening and enlarging of that portion, building the guardlock, \&c., affected without interruption to the trade.

Newe werks avnilable in - epring next.

Upon the completion and hanging of the gates, the new works of masonry, available next spring will be the Broad Creek Lock, and twenty-three Locks between St. Callerines and Thorold; to open the line to the full seized vessels, the Lock at Allenburg and the Aqueduct over the Chippewa not being built, it is neces-

## Old Lack at

Allenburg to 'be altered for temporary purposse. sary to alter the old Lock at Allenburg and to repair the present wooden Aqueduct. All the masonry unfinished, can be completed next year ; the cause of delay in building the Lock at Allenburg has been a desire to afford an opportunity for an appeal to the Legislature, Proposition to by many persons who are anxious that that Lock should rnake lisis Lock be a steamboat Lock. Among many other advantages a Stenan-bout Lock.

Advantages they anticipate from it, would be that steamboats from either Lake could approach to within about five miles proposed the of each other, and that a short line of rail-road being by. laid for that distance, the rapid transit of passengers and a certain class of merchandize would be greatly facilitated; the extra cost of the enlarged Lock would be about $£ 5000$.

The progress made in the earth-work last winter and
Stcam Excavator, subsequently has been very satisfactory, and the steam excavator in operation in the deep cut is admirably adapted to its work. This portion of the Canal now presents a very workmanlike appearance; it is open- ed to its full breadth, the slopes increased and neatly dressed off, and the obtaining of the depth through it, suited to the Lake Erie level, is by means of the excavator proceeding steadily and without any apprehension of slides occiurring.

The vast importance of making Lake Erie the

Lahe Eric made the summit level of Une Canal. summit and supply, needs no comment; independent of the advantages to the Canal, others affecting the interests of the aljoining country are now occupying public attention in that quarter; among which is proLocal as well
as gencral ad- minent the construction of a water course to the Town as gencrat ad-
vantagses there- of Niagara for hydraulic purposes. zure.

I mean the defining distinctly of the rights and privileges of the several Lessees of Hydraulic Power along the line of the Canal.

As the Country from which the supply was derived when the surplus water was disposed of, betame cleared, and as the trade on the Canal improved, the amount of surplus would have been daily diminishing, but it will now by the aduption of Lake Erie as the summit level, be steady and limited only by the rate of its passing down being regulated, so as to present no obstacle to the trade.

The amounts and descriptiou of property passed through this Canal during the year, may be seen on reference to the Appendix (Letter D).

## ST. LAWRENCE NAVIGATION.

The portions of the River Saint Lawrence from Lake Ontario downwards to Montreal, that most required improvements, and for which appropriations have been made, are-

| The Galoppes | Rapids. |
| :--- | :--- |
| The |  |
| Point Iroquois | do. |
| Rapide Plat | do. |
| Farrens Puint | do. |
| The Long Sault | do. |
| The Coteau | do. |
| The Cearars | do. |
| The Cascades | do. |

And the enlargement of the Lachine Canal, by means of which the Lachine rapids are avoided.

The works upon each of the foregoing are now in progress, and may be expected to be completed next year.

## the galoppes rapids.

These Rapids are situate at about six miles below Prescott. The current in the River is very strong, varying from six to ten miles per hour. The fir'st class steam passage vessels can overcome these Rapids, as well as those at Point Iroquois, Rapid Plat and Farrens Point in the natural state of the River, but to enable the trade vessels generally to ascend the Galoppes, improvements are in progress, which con- Wotks in prosist of one Guard Lock; one Lock with a lift of gress at the. between seven and eight feet, and a lateral cut two Galoppes. miles in length. The works are all under contract and satisfactory progress generally has been made daring the season, impeded however by the turbulent and riutous spirit of the laborers, which has unfortunately been the case upon all the other Canals also.

The gross amount of work done on the Galoppes section may be stated at about-
312,500 cubic yards of earthwork.
17,300 do. of stoues in protecting
103,000 cubic feat of timber in work.
34,000 do. done:
81,500 superficial feet of plank,
exclusive of a large quantity of other materials pre-
pared for the Locks.

## POINT IROQUOIS.

These Rapids occur at about twelve miles below Point Iro. Prescott, to eutable the trade vessels to ascend them, quois, the works in progress are those of a Lock and lateral Worss in procut, the lift of the former about six feet, and the length gress at Point of the latter about three miles. The progress made roquois.

There is nother point connected with this work, which seems to me extremely deserving of attention,

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Work done.
has not been to the extent it should bave been, but the entire can be completed next year. The quantity of rock to be excavated is greater than the trial pits indicated. The gross a mount of work done on this sectun may be stated as about-

## 153,000 cubic yards of earthwork.

300 do. rock excavation.
1,700 do. do. in protection of foot of embankinents.
24,300 cubic feet of timber.
45,000 superficial feet of plank,
exclusive of considerable preparition in other materials for the Lock.

## the rapide plat.

Mapide Plat
These obstructions to the ascent of trade vessels are about nineteen miles below Prescott. The improve-
Works in pre
4
ments here consist of one guard Lock, one lift Lock of about eleven and a half feet rise, and a lateral cut of about four miles in lengh. The progress may be stated at about-

Work done.
365,600 cubic yards of earthwork.
19,100 do. of stunes in protection of
169,000 cubic feet of timber do. do. do.
63,000 do. divered.
12,000 superficial feet of plank,
and considerable preparation made in other materials
generally.

## farrens pornt rapids

Farrens Point.
Are about thirty-three miles below Prescott: The improvements here cousist of one Lock of four feet lifi, and a lateral cut of about one mile in length. They
Works in pro-have' progressed very satisfactorily, and the amount of
gress.
Work done.
133,000 cubic yards of earthwork.
1,807 do. stones in protecting banks.
169,000 cubic feet of timber in work.
12.000 do. do. delivered. 82,000 superficial feet of plank,
and wery extensive preparation in other materials for the work is made.

## LONG SAULT RAPIDS.

Long Sault,
Cornwall
Camal.

To avoid these serious, indeed they may more pro. perly be styled insurmountable olstacles to the trade, the Cornwall Canal was commenced and to a greal extent constructed under the Commissioners appointed previgus to the estallisthment of the Board of Works. Under the contrul of the latter it has been completen.

In my last Report, I slated the extent to which expenditure upon the repairs, and strengthening of the embankments had been neressary in order to insure the uninterrupted use of the Canal. I am glad to be able to state that the season has passed over withuul any sloppage in the navigation having faken place, and I trust with due attention, and a continued, but very much reduced outlay in strengthening a few parts of the banks which require it, that no further breaches will occur. In the very low water, some obstruction was experienced at the head of the Canal from a part of the old Coffer Dam which was not sufficiently remover, this will be attended to, so that no inconvenience shall again be caused by it.

The consideration and, audit of various claims for land damages on the line of this Canal has occupied the attention of the late Commissioners, with whom
this settlement was left by the Act, and those gentleinen having forwarded a schedule of the several claims (very much curtailed by them) to the Provincial claims Secretary a considerable time since, it is very desirable that no further delay should take place in making pro- Their setllovision for their liquidation. ment desirable.

The completion of the works of this Caual, upon its Cost of comcontrol being vested in this department was estimated pletion of tha. at $£ 57,670$ currency. These works together with works. some amendments to them found to be indispensable, but not anticipated were accomplished for $£ 57,110$, but after the Canal was filled and in use for a little time, the breaches which took place, and the indications of giving way which presented themselves in Further ox. many parts of the old banks, the causes of which, in penditure. my judgment, I enumerated in my last Report, rendered further expenditure unavoidable.

This expenditure amounting to $£ 9,925164$ was taken from the special appropriation for the Saint Lawrence navigation, but must next year be repaid, when the funds for the payment of the land and sundry conlingent expenses generally, are required.

## beauharnots canal.

The object of this Canal is to open a communication Benuharngis from Lake Saint Francis to lake Saint Louis, avoiding Canal. all the Rapils of the Coteau, the Cedars and the Cascades, which occur in the portion of the Saint Lawrence between those Lakes.

The various works have progressed most satisfac- Rapid progrégs torily, and with unexampled rapidity, and but for the of the works. liss of time, consequent upon the riots which occurred would have during the scason, but little if any work would now been now comremain wudune. As it is however, the Canal is in a pleted but for very forward state, and may be expected with confidence to be opened to the trade by the latter end of June next. upon which the mail and passage boats, can ply regularly between Lake Ontario and Lachine.
The works of this Canal comprehend-
13 Sections of earthwork.
9 Locks.
10 Culverts.
9. Turning Bridges.

2 Entrances with Piers, \&cc., exclusive of minor details.

Of the thirteen sections of earth work, nine are completed, and the other four very nearly so. The masonry of six Locks is perfected, and that of the others, may be said to be nearly so, inasmuch as the materials are on the spot and six weeks will be sufficient to finish them in. Eight of the pricipal Culverts are finished, and very litlle of the masonry of the two whers temains to be done. The Gates and machinery of four of the Locks are in their places, and those for the others are in readiness to be put together and hung. Three of the Bridges are framed and ready to be placed in their berths, the others are so far advanced as to insure their early completion.

## Lake St. Francis Entrance.

Since my last Report, considerable progress has Entrance to been made in the dredging of the points of the shoal, the Beaularwhich by their projections made the riatural deep-water from Lake St channel a circuitous one.

Francis now
Francis no
The channel is now of a breadth and depth propor- deep.
lioned to the canal, and suited to the wants of the
Trade. It can hereafter be widened to ariy further Can be widmextent that may be considered necessary; 'it is marked ed to any us-

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Curront near is, that the current is not within two miles an hour the entrance, equal to that of several parts of the same navigation not within 2 miles an hour above, and where no improvements have ever been of that of se-contemplated, or considered requisite; and thero is veral other every facility at moderate cost, to stop the channel parts of tho $n$ avigation and alogether below the entrance, by which the current canbechecked would be almost destroyed, and a convenient and caaltogether. , that the current is not within tivo miles an hur would be almost destroyed, and a convenient and ca-
pacious basin, created at the mouth of the canal. In
out distinctly by piers sunk on each side of it. The gap which the waters had made through the neck of land at Grosse Point, hás been eflectually stoppeil, and a pier constructed at that point, which besides boing required for the site of the Light-house, will be found very convenient for taking in wood at, and for other purpuses generally. The removal of the portions of the shoal, necessary to give a straight channel, has now proved undeniably the incorrectness of those who stated in evidence before the Conmittee of the House of Assembly, that being formed of connectod Rock or Quarry; it could not be removed. Since the channel has been deepened, the objection to it by those disposed to cavil, is chiefly that the current thare is too strong, and will prove inconvenient. The answer to which the present slate of the navigation and Trade generally, such improvement is not called for.

The entrance to the Canal from Lake St. Louis is Entrance to fully formed, but requires some dressing off to complete the Canal from it. One presenting more advantages and facilities of an excellent ingress and egress could not be had; fifteen Barges one. with valuable cargoes left it yesterday (111h Decr.) in tow of a Steamboat, whilst the ico at the proposed entrance to the canal on the north side of the river has Open a fort- been fixed and strong for the last fourteen days. The night after the groiss quantity of work done on the Canal may be River Was
closed on the stated at :north siluc.

| Earthwork | 1,500,000 | Cubic Yaris. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ruck. | 48,000 | do. |
| Masunr | 53,000 | do. |

Work done.

The new
chanicl. through the Celints not likely to be of the value stat ed from the shallowness of the other Rapids above and belu, thera.

The Snint
George, draw ing six feet water, piloted by Mr. H . Roebuck, strikes heavily

Durne the last Session of Parliament, "a now Channel" was discovered through the Cedars Rapids with a considerable' depth of water. The subject was mentioned in the House, and it was stated almost with certainly and generally believed, that no obstruction therefore existed to the passage of vessols drawiug from 8 to 9 ; feet of water down all tho rapids to Montreal. However, 1 am imformed by Mr. Mills, on the authority of Mr. Bethune, the proprietor of the Steamboat St. George, that early in September last (since which time the river has continued to fall) in condeavouring to pass that Boat drawing six feet of water, and under the immediate guidance of Mr. IH. Rocbuck', the Pilot, she struck so heavily in several parts of the Coteau and Cascades Rapids as to make it necessary to run her into the entrance of the Beauharmois Canal, to provent her from sinking, from which ifter having received the necessary temporary repairs, she was sent to Quebec for a general overhauling.

## The Laciina Canal.

The several Works of the enlargement of this Canal are all under contract, and are progressing satisfactorily with the exception of those at the Lachine end, where there hats been murh injudicious management on the part of the Contractors. . From the arrangements likely to be inmediately entered into, however, with the securities, I' am in hopes that by proper mnnagement and great exertion, that portion of the work may still be forced on'so as not to present any obsta-l

Progress satisfactory excep at Lachine end,

## Lachine

Canal.
cle to the general opening of the Canal in the spring Appendix of 1846.

So intimately connected are these new works of 1845. enlargement with thise of the original Canal, that no Much trouble lille pains and foresight have been necessary to pre- in proventing veit much annoyance to the trade during their progress, warkement enthat some inconvenience should be experienced it was from cansing impossible to avoid. Every exertion however, has interuption to buen made to lessen it, and to meet the wishes and convenience of the Forwarders as much as possible, and I have reason to believe that our endeavours are duly appreciated.

During the present winter, a great portion of the Work to be old banks will be removed, the Canal throughout done this widened and decpened, and a very extensive delivery wintor. of miterials for the several works of masonry will take place, and as the Lock Pits generally are excavated, I see no reason to apprehend that the entire of the masunry will not be completed next autumn. The flours and foundations of three of the Locks are laid.

A change has been authorized by His Excellency Basin and the Governor General in Cuuncil, upon the represen-Locks at tho lation of the Board of Trate of Montreal and the mer- Montrcal end, cantile interest generally (in which I'fully concurred) level as will, of a very important nature, and from which benefits render them will be obtained much more than commensurate with available to the the additional expense caused by the change. The scls. altelations alluded to, are the laying the foundations and cills of the last Lock at the Montreal terminus and the deepening of the lower Basin, so as to admit of the largest class of Allantic Vessels, which frequent the Port, to enter and luad or discharge in the Basin. The Basin will also affird safe wintering, of which Winterago this Port is now entirely devoid. These great advan-will also be tagres will' be obtained by an extra expenditure of obtained.
 made to effect them, not only would four times that sum be required to accomplish them at any sulsequent period, but the Trade of the Country would have to be deprived of the use of the Canal for at least one year.

The foundations and cills of the second Lock are also to be laid at a similar relative depth, so that when Upper Basin the increase of trade requires $i t$, the entire of the can bo deepUpper Basin, as well as the Graving Docks and Slips ened hercater to be connected therewith can ulso be made available to the same class of Vessels. It would be highly desirable that authority be given for the construction of one of these Docks and one Slip.

The portions' of land which the increase of trade The land neand enlargement of the Canal, made it necessary to cessary for the take from the several adjoining proprietors along the ennargement of line, us well as some additional ground, the property of the Canal, ce. the Sominary, in the immediate vicinity of the Montreal reasonable Uassins, have been acquired on reasonable terms. 'Upon terms. the completion of the works, several parts of the properly so obtained, can be sold or leased for purposes Very consider-" conn able hyuraulic comected with the Canal, the value of which, added power will be to that of the hydraulic power which can be created, obtained. and will be disposable without injury to the navigation, ren' end, and may in my judgment be safely estimated at " $£ 100,000$ with the lots and fairly set off against the cost of the work. The which can bo quanlity of work done, may be stated at about-
733,476 cubic yards of Earthwork,
$49,311 \quad$ do. Rock Excavation,",
3,606 do. Masonry;
8,50 cubic feet of oak timber in work;
224,992 do. Pine do.
159,958 superficial feet of plank,
108,118 cubic feet of timber deliverd,
will /produce ${ }^{1}$
very largo
amount. ${ }^{-}$
Work done.
besides extensive preparations for the masonry. For the rereipts: \&c., on this camal this year, see appendix letter E .

## Lake St. Peter.

Lake St.Petcr.
The progress made during the last season towards the effecting of a direct channel through this lake, with an icreased depth of water has been highly satisfactory, and far greater than was expected. The operations of next year, I leel confident will set at rest the vexed question as to the possibility of eflecting this improvement. Being fully aware of the doubts which were Douhts enter: dandertained respecting it, and looking upon it to be one ing the success of those works, the success of which can be satisfactoof this work.

Precaution
Precaution rily detcrmined only by experiment, 1 took the precautinn long before the work was commenced of sending a the opinion of after having given it the deepest consideration, in my Captain Bay- power to Capt. Bayfield, whose science and intimate the work being knowledge of the lake, with its schoals, channels, curcommenced. rents, \&er., justly entitle his opinion to be receired with the greatest confudence and respect. I am happy to have it in my power to state, that that officer, duly in-

That officer approves of the pressed, with the great magnitude, imporiance and lifcourreadopted. ficulty of the work, and without advancing any opinion for or against the practicability of the undertaking further than "that there is quite sufficient ground of hope "to justify the interesting experiment," fully agrees with me as to the course that should be taken. He was pleased to say, "I agree so nearly with the riews "which you have communicated to me in your letler, " that there romains little mure to do than to express "my concurrence therein." I was also desirous of Captain Dou- olvaining the opinions of Capt. Douglas, of the Unicorn, ghas also con which are thus recorded by himself. "I was with the curs in the "Gulnare and under the command of Capt. Bayfiele, rourse adopt| col |
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| d. |

"R. N., when the survey of the lake was in progress "and'subsequently in command of a steamer (the Ca" nadd) for nine years, and was always of opinion that "the present contenplated cut (the direct one) was "the only one that would give a satisfactory result, "and I have now no hesitation in recording my un"changed sentiments on that subject." The interest taken by Capt. Bayfield in the undertaking, led him
The course
adopted mect with the
$\Lambda$ pproval of Captain BeauCort, R. N.also Be gentleman's opinion has also been obtained. Capt. , Namso Beaufort states that while reading Capt. Bayfield's Eel, Esq. C.E letter, " a civil Engineer of considerable eminence, J. del, Esq. C.E. "M. Rendel Esq.," entered, and that they liscussed the affair" with all the earnestness due to ais opera"tion, so generous and praiseworthy in the conception, " and so big with future advantages in its issue," the result of their deliberation he states to be, that the straight channel shonld be adopted, the shoal at the head of it dredgerl, and the channel generally deepened by the use of Rakes, and that by means of "G Groins", formed of Piles, interlaced witl large Brush, with the excavated stuff deposited around them, the waters of the several "alien channels", should be turned into the direct course, as much as possible. Among other practical and pertinent observations, Capt. Beaufort states that the "Rake has been tried with very happy "effects," as well in the forming as in the successfiul preservation of channels.

In proportion as I had to contend with pre-conceived Ideas and Mis-statements, was I gratified at finding my opinion supported by such high authority as the foregoing, and as it is necessary that the plan of operations adopted should be fully stated, I take the liberty of here giving two or three extracts from a communiration I lately had the honor to make to Capt. Bayfaed on the subject, which explain at large the principles on which the selection of the channel and the course of proccedings were governed.
"For my part I was perfectly satisfied after much "thought, that whatever is to be accomplished, must " be in the straight channel and that the obtaining of a " moderntely increased depth of water, and of a direct "course instead of the present very crooked one, were "advantages certain to be derived from, and sufficient " to justify the experiment. I bave not been so pre"sumptuous as to predict to what an extent, an in"crease of depth can be obtained, and I hare taken "grood care that the outfit (which constitutes three- Princinal ax"fourths of the expenditure up to the present time) penditure " is such is to be applicable to the improvement of the outfit applicn"soveral portions of the upper Navigation, and of the ble generally "Harbours on the Lakes which so much require it. required ontha "From the very nature and magnitude of the Work, apper naviga"practical Men would be cautious and slow in comingtion.
"\& to a decision, but in such cases, where, as I conceive, " experiment in conjunction with theory and science "must be resorted to, before any final and satisfactory "conclusion can be arrived at, were they deterred from " having recourse to it by unfavorable predictions, "always plentiful on such occasions and as often ema" nating from very ill-infurmed sources, many of our no"blest existing Works would never have had being." Again-"I have over been an Advocate for following " and acting in concert with'" Dame Nature," espe" cially in water operations; it was not therefore with" out a great deal of consideration that I took the direct "south channel. I need scarcely repeat to you the "reasons for so doing the power of diverting such a Advantages "Mass of. Watcr down it, its being capable of being from alopting " made perfectly straght; the risk of collision being channel.
" llereby much lessened, the only obstructions in it
"being at the head where we can bring the force of the "St. Lawrence directly to bear on them-the great "sacility of our working in it, compared with the pre"sent circuitous channel used by the Trade, in which "tour Vessels, leading chains, mooring cables, buoys, "anchors, attendant lighters, and tenders would bo "constantly in the way of ind gelting foul of the Ves. "sels passing at all hours."
"The result of our operations this year are so satis"fuctory, and so far hoyond what I had calculated on Result of this "that I do not hesitate to express to you my convic-tions very "tion that succoss is certain and will be specdy. I satisfactory. "sentl herewith a section shewing the state of the "work at the commencement and termination of the "past season. It is formed from soundings taken most "carefully by Captain Vaughan, our Superintendent of "tho work, in conjunction with Captain Raeside, the "Harbour Master and Chief Officer of the Trinity "Board of this city. Of the experience and capability. "" of both these gentlemen, you are, I believe, fully " a ware. The soundings were talken on the 191 h of "the present month, on a calin day, and with a pole " marked into feet and inches.
"Our machinery, at the commencement of the sea"son was deficient in several respects, so much so, Much loss of " that from the many unavoidable interruptions I con-cesery ne"sider we in reality worked not much more than half and defect in " the season; yct the results, I am sure you will con- machinery. "sider far greater than you could have calculated " upon. By taking the most moderate measurement "s of the quantity of stuff which has disappeared, and "comparing it with that which the united loads of the The quantic' " number of barges discharged daily during the season, of by the cur" (and of which a regular log was kept,) would give, rent aider by " it is certain that the quantity carried off by the cur- at least to that " rent is equal at least to that absolutely lifted. The raised.
"current has obviously and seriously been increased ; Current thro' "s on commencing, a man could scull across the channel the new cut " easily with one hand, it now requires stiff puilling to much increas. " get across it without drifting much. The original ${ }^{\text {ed. }}$ " buoys we put down to mark our local, and which

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The principlo "strength of the current. Not only had the dams and of Dams or " groins, suggested in Caplain Beaufort's letter, and Groins alopt- "referred to in that I had the "plensure of receiving ed, similhr to" " previously from 'you, been decided upon, but the mended by " mode of their construction. I haddirected that the Capt. Beaufort " piles should be cut away at low water or a foot unind Mr. Rendel. "der it, so that the river on the "break up" would
"Aloat the ice over them, and I had-instructed Captain "Vaughan to have " wattled in" among these piles, " trees with their branches. The stuff excavated has "also been deposited according to Captain Beaufor's "ideas, namely, in stopping up the mouths of the alion " channols ; the result of which, the greatly increased " current in the direct channel fully shews, and to the " effects of a rake which'I have had briskly at work,
" I'attribute very much the disappearance of so grear " a mass of stuff beyond that actually taken up. So
"far as I can form an opinion, the nature of the stuft
" is of a fortunate consistency, sufficiently tenacious " not to threaten silting up, and yet capable of being " raked up and carried off by the current.

Anticipated benefits from the ice being grounded' over and on each side of the channol, there by producing ting."
"You are aware that the ice on the great surface of "tho lake becomes grounded on the shoal's. I expect "much to be effected by this operation also, as the "passage of a large portion of the waters of this "s vast rixer, instend of being diverted as heretofure "into several small and crooked channels, will take "place down tho new straight one, and I calculate "therefore, that considerable undercutting will take "place. This I have observed invariably occurs in " the second class rivers of this Province, where"ever the bottom is not rock. The main" groin, to "throw the united volumo directly dawn the new "channel, we cannot complete until the channel is "available to the trade.

Whenchannel
"When the channel is created, my idea is to conis obtained, a "s struct at oach ond an isolated substantial Pier, with pier tohe nt end with " a Light-house on each; these, together with the ench end with "s straightness of its course will enable it to be used at
lights. "all times, and I have no duubt the constant passage " of the steam vessels will much aid the stream, in the " keeping clear and deepening of the channel.

Outit.
"'Our outfit consists of two Steam Dredges, with "two engines, and one chain of buckes to each, " working in' the centre of the boats, also two steam" tug vessels; one of these is employed constantly at "the towing of the scows, in which the other also as"sists, but when nut so employed she works the rake. "I am inclined to believe that we may be compelled " to get a third, for if the Dredges work as well next " season, as they did towards the conclusion of the " past one, the services of the tivo tug-boats would be "required at the scows." We have but one rake, but "I will have another made this winter, there being " many days during the season, when from the rough" ness of the Lake, the Dredges cannot work, but the "Rakes could be used to great advantage; the dis" charging scows, fuel and attendant Lighters, com" pose the remainder of our squadron.
"c That this chanel when once opened throughout culated on that " ing throug io will the channel " will keep clear "The trees and other debris now annually brought
wh when once " "down by the Yamaska and Saint Francis. Rivers, are opened.
" not carried out far comparatively into the Lake, but " are deposited parallel with" the south shore, and that " the effects' of these rivers will not be to obstruct or "s silt up the channel, I am of opinion is evident from " the fact that they have not for the last thirty years, " to which period my information extends, affected it " in any sensible manner, although it has for that time " laboured under the disadvantage of being stopped at
"c the upstream end, and had therefore no scour spors (A.A.) " through it:"

I trust I will be excused for the length of these extracts from my communication to Captain Bayfield, but public attention being much drawn to this |work, I felt it to be incumbent on ine fully to explain all the details' connected with it; this I could not do more simply than in the foregoing.

The whole amount of the approprintion for this work is $£ 65,000$, the sum expended $£ 32,77693$, of which £27,291 has been the cost of the outfit of every description, applicable to any other work, leaving but $£ 5,534$ actually chargeable to this work. This balance will be sufficient to provide fuel, meet repairs, and maintain the full establishment at work for two years more, long before che expiration of which, satisfactory evidence will be affurded of what can be done,

I beg leave to draw attention to the chart of the Lake and section of the channel, which will be found in the appendix, (letters F. and G.)

## RIVER RICHELIEU.

The works of the Lnck and Dam near Saint Ours, River Riedefor the improvement of this river, thence to the en- lieu. trance to the Chambly Canal are all let, and are by the terms of the contract to be completed by the close of next season. From the respectability and experience of the Contractors, full confidence may be entertained that no exertion will be spared on their part to insure the accomplishment of this desirable object. The work done may be stated at

4,552 cubic yards of earthwork,
6,904 do feet of oak delivered,
1,748 da do pine timber dalivered,
114,639 superficial feet of pine, plank in work,
27,530 do do pine. do.
476 cubic yards of stone pisepared.
1.5,483 do leet of hemlock delivered.

## RIVER OTTAWA.

The works connected with this River, 'for which an appropriation was made, were of two classes; one, the River Ottawa. various Bridges over the several Branches of the works of two Ottaya near Bytown, with the causeways \&c., con- clasees, nected therewith; the other, the construction of slides First, the on the Ottawa and on the Madayaska, one of its prin- several Bridges cipal tributaries.
near Bytown.
Second, the construction of Slides:
The former are all fully completed; and in use.

## They consist of

One Bridge 150 ft in length, in spans of 24 ft each. Bridges com-: Do. 159 do. one span of 111 feet. pleted Do. $76 . \quad$ do. in one span.
One wire suspension Bridge, 242 feet between the points of suspension, length of chains $48^{\prime}$ feet each.

One Arch of Masonry 44 feet span.
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { do. do. } & \text { do } & \text { do. } \\ \text { do. } & \text { do. } & 55 & \text { do. }\end{array}$
The entire of the foregoing with the causerways, tolkhouses \&c., are now open to the public. In the Appendix (Leiter B.) will be found a schedule of Tolls to be levied at this Bridge, which I had the honor to submit for the consideration of the Executiye Government some time back; and in bringing the subject before it, I' recommended that the system of collection 'at this

Moile of collection of Tolls at the Bridiges suggested for the ilist year.

A mechanic
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Bridge should for one year be an exception to that proposed for the Bridges generally. From the peculiar nature of the work, I conceive, it will require for the first yoar tho careful and dialy attention of a skilful mechanic, to ubserve the effects of the climate on it, and to regulate the tension of the main and suspension chains \&c., accordingly. I propose therefore, that a trust-worthy person of that class, shuuld be appointed collector for the first year, alter which the Tolls may be put un to competition, as in the case of all the other Bridges.

The suspension Bridge being the first of its description undertaken in thic Province, necessarily ongagod during the past season a good deal of the attention of this Department, especially of Mr. Keffer, the Engineer to the Board, to whom the details of the work generally were entrusted. That they could not have been in safer hands, the judgment, science and mechanical skill, evinced in every part of the work fully prove; and in justice to that Gentleman I cannot allow this opportunity to pass without thus publicly expressing my acknoviedgments of his valuable services and cordial co-operation, in this, as well as in all the othor important works, which have been or aro being carried on under this Department: I entertinin no doubt, but that his career will be alike creditable to the Province of which he is a native, and to the Upper Canada College, of which he was a distinguished pupil.

The works of the second class embraced within the

The slides partly availabl list scasin,

Altho' imperfect the water having risen betore they conld bo com pleted. appropriation for the Ottawa, namely, the slides, were, prior to the running of the timber last spring, so near completion, as to be partially available to the trade, although imperfect at the time in many respects. The height of water in them was not properly regulated, and the floods had risen before the aprons at the foot of the slides could be constructed. Some reefs of rock also in the beds of the rivers were not remover, owing to all of which much inconvenience was expcriencel in running the cribs. I attach no blame, however to Mr. Nagle, the Suparintendent, who deserves, I conceive, on the contrary, every credit for the rapidity and the manner in which these very important works were constructed under more than urdinary difficulties. Whatever imperfections have been cliscovered in tho slides will be rectified, and the removal of the
Will be fully
realy for tha Tride next season. several shoals, jutting rocks, \&ic., and other unfinished work will be elfucted, so that the full benefit of these works may be had next spring.

Many circumstances tendel to render their construction more expensive than was contemplated. The difficulty of procuring a sufliciency of labourers, owing to the remoteness and isolated position of the works, the expense of forwarding the supplies of provisions, as well as of materials, tools, powder, \&c. ; the extraordinary hardness of the rock after getting down a little into it, and the great number of reefs and detached rocks, which, allhough not calculated for, upon the waters being very low, it was necessary to remove.

The same observations apply to the works on the

These works will produce an ample Rean numpl
venue.
And their con struction has encouraged individual en terprize.
Highly desiralie that the control of the Ottawa Ottawa should be in shoula be in the hannts of ment. Madawaska, but unon the whole the strictest economy, consistent with the substantinl and permanent construction of the works, has been observed, and a much greater extent of indispensable improvement in the channol of the River in many parts effected than was provided for. Independent of the great facilities which will be afforded to the trade by these works, there is no doubt whatever of the outlay being amply remunerative, and the construction of those on the Madawaska has already encouraged Messrs. Egan, Gilmour, and other spirited individuals, to undertake improvements to a considerable extent on the upper parts of that River. I am still of opinion, as stated in my former Report, that the entire control of the Ottawa should be in the
hands of Government. If it were the case; I conceive The rates and additional facilities could be afforled to the trade, and Thlls coula hos its interests advanced, at the same time that the Reve- thoroly appor- and tho nue of the Province could be much increased therefrom: Lumber Inthe purcliasing of (and somo amendment to) the slide edests alvaneat the Portage du Fort and of the residue of the term silides at tho of the late G. Buchanan's slide at the Chats, and the Portage du construction of a good slide in the timber channel at Cortand to bo tho Bytown, woull effectually secure this great object. obtained.

At present lumberers, in running their timber down, must, in some cases, pass it through the public slides, and in others, through the slides, the proporty of individuals; the Government therefore have not the power of reducing, equalizing or proportioning the rates of slidage, which could be done, did the opportunity exist of running the timber through by means of slides under their control ; and the expenditure on the public slides materially tends to increase the Revenue from thise belonging to individuals, whilst from the position of the latter, no such advantage is reciprocated. For proposed rates of Tolls on slides, see Appendix (Letter B.)

An excellent portage road has been made at the Calumet Port Calumet Falls in conjunction with the slides there, and age Road. also at the Deux-Joachim; an improvement of a simi- Deus-Joachim lar nature between the Chaudière and the Chats Lake is also very much required, and would be easy of exe- of the portage cution. The portage, there, is at present very in-between the convenient; a dam should be thrown across one of the Chaudièrand branches of the Mississippi which would render it chats Lakes navigable for a considerable distance down, and thus requircd. shorten the Portage road to the Lake, near Fitzroy Harbour, considerably. Were this road then made moderately good, and a small wharf constructed at each end, it would much facilitate and of course cheapen the forwarding of the supplies. The same object The improve would still further be secured were the present very portage from bad Portage road from the suspension bridge to the the Chat Lake Lake at Aylmer also improved. The trafic on this near Aylmer road is very great, and a moderate toll on it would am- Bridgo very ply cover the cost of its improvement and maintenance muchrequiret, and pay the interest on the outlay.

As immediately connected with the subject of the improvements of these Portage roads with the view to cheapen the transport of the supplies required in the Iumber trade, is that of opening a new and direct eommunication between Lake Ontario and the extensive T'imber Districts on the Madawaska, Pittowawa, \&c., respocting the utility and the proper line for which so much difference of opinion exists. In addition to the above-mentioned object, as I understand it, this communication is proposed for the opening, and tending to the settlement of large tracts of lands situated North and North West of Kingston, between it and the Lake des Allumettes.

The Country immediately in the rear of Kingston, although broken and very much inlersected by several Lakes and barron ridges, is reported to contain various patches of good land, and after some 30 or 35 miles, it is said to be well suited for settlement, thence to the Allumettes; I can only speak from my own knowledge of the Northern section, a large portion of which is fine hard-wood land.

The ridge of unproductive Country back of Kingston appears to me to divide (as to supply) the whole timber Country South of the Allumettes into two, but not equal parts; the Eastern being much the greater, and for which the Brockville and Prescott Country, Perth, the Towhs on the Rideau and Bytown are, in my opinion, the natural depols and sources of supply, especially Bytown, whidi from its position and water communication must ever be the principal clininitel,
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through which will pass the great mass of the supplies needed along the whole line of the Ottawa and its tributaries; but as the lumbering on some of the branches of the Madawaska is extending a good deal Westward, a communication connecting the productive Country North of the Bay of Quinte with it (the Western section) would, I believe, be of advantage in soveral respects.

Such a line should, in my opinion, start either from the head or foot of Des Allumettes, as may on examination be found must advisable ; and at the Southern end it may, when surveyed, be found expedient to run one branch through Mardoc, Huntingdon, or some of these Townships to the Bay of Quinte, and another through Sheffield, Sic., to the head of the Camden road, which intersects the Kingston and Napanee road about 14 miles West of Kingston.

The furegoing I do not state with confidence, not being at all acquainter with the Country to be explored, especially along the Southern portion.

Upon applications from several Members of the Legislative Assembly from the Ottawa section of the Province, during the last Session of Parliament, an exami-

Surveys of the
Roadlis on the North and
South sides of from Hull down to Greaville, was ordered, and also a Sholtava of similar examination of the road from L'Orignal to Bybeluw Bytown town, on the South side.' The Report of Mr. Walton, the officer who was sent on this service, is given in the Appendix (Letters H. and I.)

Applications have been made also to the Executive Goveriment by Messrs. Pemberton Brothers, and other interested parties, for a Crown Land Survey of the Gativeau timber District, "with a view towards "put an end to the monopoly which has existed in that
very much interrupted the operation of the Dredges, which it was repeatedly necessary, in the midst of the work, to unmoor and move out of the way, A glance at the Plan will shew the impossibility of this Work proceeding without some inconvenience boing felt by the Trade, but no exertions have been spared to lessen these inconveniences, as much as possible.

Several times, since the commencement of the work, tmpedimento shoals have been created in the channel, from sand and to the Trable shingle being washed into it through the breaches in the old Piers; these impediments have been removed as often as they occurred.

Considerable progress has been made with the outer Desciption of and exposed parls of the south-east Pier, and the piles the progess in the old work, projecting into the channel, have been made.
extracted ; the formation of the remainder of the south Pier is comparatively light work, and will proceer rapidly, as there will be but little trouble in preparing the foundation for it. Two Dredge Vessels are on the spot, and from the extensive preparation of materials of every desctiption, I consider the work to be in a very satisfactory state, and I see no reason to doubt its being No reason to fully available to the Trade, within the time stated in doubt the the Contract, namely, 1st May, 1845, although some works being dredging and other work may then still be required. $\begin{gathered}\text { completed } 1 \text { ly } \\ 18 t . ~ M a y ~ \\ 1815\end{gathered}$

The quantity of work done up to the 1st December Quantity of may be stated at-
"section for a long term of years," and setting forth "the immense advantage, both to the Revenue and to " the Commercial interests of the Province, that would " arise from improving the River by the erection of "slides, similar to those lutely made on the Madawas" ka, Graud Calumet, sec."

It is a question deserving the consideration of the Levislature, whether it might not be advantageous to "slide" the principal obstructions on those lumbering Rivers, when the result of such surveys should satisfactorily establish the fact of there being a sufficient quantity of marketable timber, within a reasonable distance, to insure the outlay upon such works being repaid within a moderate lime, with interest thereon, by the imposition' of light Toills on the timber descending. Such expenditure should be strictly confined to those obstructions, which are of too serious a nature to permit their removal being underakenby individuals. On all the Rivers improvements of a similar description, but of lesser cost and extent, must be effected by the conjoint oxer!ings of thase interested in getting down the lumber cleaply to Market.

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Burlington Buy'Cunal.

In the Appendix (Letter K.) will be found a plan of this Canal, sheving the progress which thas been made with the rew Works, and also their position contrasted with that of the bld Work. On referring to thils plan it will be seein that almost the entire of the northeeast and north-west new Piers are sunk, the slip for the Ferry constructed, and considerable progress made in the dredging and reembeal of the old northedeast and north-west Piers, a work of very great difficulty, especially as from the narrotwhess of the old 'Cliannel, The conistant passing of the Sleam and other Yessels

17,350 lined feet Framed Timber in superstructure


10,010 Cubic yards of Excavation for North Pier,
38,635 do of Dredging,
46 Cribs taken up,
391 Piles taken up,
130 Piles driven,
49 Squares of Planking.
The Revenue from the Port of Flamilton, to which this Canal is the entrance, has been steadily increasing for the last five years. The Tolls received at the Burlington Bay Canal-
In 1842 were........................ £1720 11.10
In 1843 ........................ $1986 \quad 9 \quad 4$
1844 (Estimated at)................ 260000
The Customs at the Port were,


When the Canal is completed the Port and Harbour Suarces of the of Hamilton will be second to none on Lake Ontario, intrease to the and the extensive and highly productive country of Port of Hanilwhich it is the natural outlet, its excellent position as ton. regards'the trade and communication with the portion of the Province west of it, the main lines of improved Roads leading from it, and the construction of the Dover Road, by whibh aneto and extensive section of country is now for the frst time opened to it, must naturally tond to the prosperity and rapid increase of the Towh of Hamilton, andl of course to a corresponding increas of the Revenue from this work.

## IMPROVENENTS OF THE RTVER TRENT, AND OFTHE

INLAND WATERS OF THE NEWCASTLE DISTRTOT.
The vorks under thiis head, as originally contempla- River Trent ted and aithorized by the Acts 3 d Will: IV. cap, 32 , and Newcostle 6 Will. IV. cap. 95 , and 7 Will. IV. cap, 53 . Trent throughout, from the Bay of Quinté on Lake Ontario to Rice Lake, and the improvement of the several Rivers and Lakes continuoasly, thence by Lake Simcue and the River Suvern to Gloster Bay, a purtion of Lako Huron.

Grounds on which the works were undurtakun.

These improvements wore recommended and undertaken lay the Legislature of the then Province of Upper Canada, chiefly upon two grounds: First, that they would ellect a facile and uninterrupted line of inland
navigation from Lake Ontario to Lakes Iluron and Michigan. That it would become the channel for the trade of the "Gruat West." 'That it would be very mach shorter than that of the River and Lakes of the St. Lawrence. That it, would not be liable to interruption in time of war, and, as stated, was absolutely necessaty for the opening and settement of the various Townships bordering on it. Secondly, to encourage and alfurd facilities to the extensive trade in staves and lumber, reasonably to bo anticipated from the large and well timbered tracts, which would be opened to the market by the romoval of the ubstructions in the river.

Prior to my appointment to the office I have the
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Memoranda,
on whichth tho
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wis based. onur to hold, and previous to the establisiment of the Boarl of Works, I was requested by Lurd Sydenham to furnish him with my views generally upon the several public works of the Province whether in progress or prijected. Upon the general report which I accordingly furnished, were lased the memoranda, which that nobleman subsequently laid before the House of Assembly, and upon them was founded the Act making provision for the construction of certain works theroin cnumerated.

In that report I felt it my duty to expross an unfavorable opinion generally, upon the contemplated works of the Newcastle District, as then lait before the public. I stated in substance, nearly, as follows:

Opinion ex-
pressed in or ginal report. Even assuming the navigation to have the depth of water proposed, namely, 5 feet (but this I felt persuarled would not be) the class of vessels navigating it would not be suited to the large western Lakes Huron and Michigan ; that consequently transhipment would be necessary at its entrance on Gloster Bay. That the navigation would be much impeded by the floods, currents, \&c., in the river, through which it was carricd, and would also be seriously obstucted by the ice forming carlior and continuing later in the several small inland lakes, through which it passed, than was the case in the more southern waters of the St. Lawrence. That from the great amount of lockage (upwards of 820 feet) see Appendix (Letter U.) and its very circuitous course, it could never in my opinion become the cliannel of the "Trade of the Great West." That this being the case, the local wants of the country did not make necossary nor demand the immense outlay which the undertaking would require, estimated at about $£ 620,000$, but to which I stated $\mathcal{L} 300,000$ slould be added. This addition I have since ascertained would not be sullicient.

Class of Navi. Finally, I siggested that a very much reduced class gation recomof improvement might be undertaken, to meet the wants of that section of country, which from its great extent and capabilities for production and improvement, is highly deserving of attention. The works suggested were, the furmation of some good cross roads, leading from the Ports on Lake Ontario into the back township; The construction of some slides to facilitate the running down of timber, and for which memorials had been previously presented to His Excellency the Governor Gencral, and the completion of some detached locks and dams, commenced under tho Commissionners, and which were then in different stages of forwardness. The cost of such works to amount to about $£ 50,000$.

These suggostions it would appenr were approved of Suggestions and acted on by the House of Assembly, as the appro- contained in priation Act proviled for them; under the nuthority of port, approved which those works have since been carricil on.
of by the Le-
gislature.
The lock and dam at Scugng have been completed, Lork and Dam by which a navigition of sixty miles in length, from at Scugog. Cameron and Bubsageau Fals to Rice Lake, is effected, and a road therice to Lake Ontario at Windsor Harbour is being constructed, nineteen miles in length.

Although this lock and dam have been finished since Lowering of the last summer, it has not been considered advisable the water of to lower the water to the level at which it is perma- Purdy's Dam nently to be kept, until the cold weather has fully set nent poed post in.
poned.
So far back as the year 1834 great dissatisfaction and Action which excitement existed in the neighbourhoord of this lake has been tuken in consequence of the level to which it was raised by Purdy's a dam at the nutlet of it by Mr. Purly, to whom wero granted by tho Government certain rights connected there with. In 1835 Mr. Baird, Civil Engineer, made, by order of the then Licut. Governor Sir John Colborne, a very minute and laborious examination and report upon the subject (see No. 13 in Appendix to Journals of the Huase of Assembly, vol. 1. 1836.) The sulbstance of his Repurt was that in its natural state, the lake might more properly be called a marsh, through a great portion of which a canoe could with difficulty be padilled, and that the Miasma from it was very destructive. That the level to which the waters were raised by Mr, Purdy's dam, was servicable, so far as the limits of the orisinal marsh, to the health of the adjoining country, but from its height, by flooding into a great number of small creeks, and over a vast quantity of lani, low but previously dry, that it was a nuisance of a most scrious character. That the total removal of the dam, however, would not only destroy the navigation, but by again reducing the lake to a state of marsh, would render tho country most unhealthy. That this extreme height of Mr. Purdy's dam, ( 13 to 14 feet) was wholly unnecessary, whether for the purposes of milling or for the improvemont of the navigation. IIe rocommended thorefore, that the lock and dam should be built below Purdy's dam, which caused the mischief, and that the latter should then be removed. He fixed upon the level of the new dam to be between six and seven feet below that of the old one, and on this principle accordingly the works have been constructed, and the old dain will now be removed.

The lock and dam at Whiths's Rapids, as well as Lock and Darit those at Crook's Rapids, have been completed; by means at Whitias'. of them a navigation of about 50 miles in length (em- Lock nad Dam bracing Rice Lake) from Peterborough, the District pids. Town to near Heely's Falls, is created, and by it in pids. conjunction with an oxcellent rond from Rice Lake to gavingathy thesso Port Hope, 91 miles in length, the several townships works. bordering on Rice Lake and the Otonabee River are opened to Lake Ontario.

On the completion of this navigation a Steam-boat was built and placed on it, by which, no doubt the inhabitants of the adjoining country will be much accommodated.

The lock and dam at Chisholm's Rapids, the most LoockandDam of which had been built under the former Commis- ${ }^{\text {at }}$ Chisholn's. sioners, have also been finished ; by them the river is Distance renrendered navigable for vessels drawing four feet water dered naviga be by thece from the widow Harris's to Percy's Landing, a dis- works. tance of about 20 miles, but at present there is no appearance of any vessel being placed upon it.

I have considered it necessary to go into the foregoing general repetition upon the works connected

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with the partial navigation of this District, as being proceeded with, being aware that much dissatisfaction was felt and still exists throughout that section of the
1845. Province at the suspension of the works of the general navigation ; and many, especially of those who advocate the necessity for the uninterrupted navigation, are averse to the proceeding with the works of the Slides, and represent them as not likely to pay the interest upon very generally, the odium of having stopped the works, but it will be seen, by what I have above stated, that I merely gave my opinion thereon when required to do so, and that in fact by the Legislature was their guspension determined,

The works conneeted with this navigation, which are completed, are detached and scattered over the whole distance between the Bay of Quinte and the Town of Peterborough, a length by water of about ninety-five miles, and immediately burdered by fourteen Townships, at the back of which there are six or eight more that may also be said to be intimately interested in the navigation,

Obstructions presented be tween the Bay of Quinte a
Euterboro.

The portion of these ninoty-five miles rendered navigable by the works, is about seventy miles, There being two stretches of the River remaining unimproved, one of about nine miles and the other fourteen miles in length, the navigation is not conlinuous, nor is it connected with Lake Ontario, and of course so long as it remains in this state, it can never be of very great importance to the surrounding District. If the removal of these two interruptions to a conlinuous navigation from Peterboro' to Lake Ontario could be effected at any moderate cost, it would he deserving the consideration of the Legislature whether its accomplishment might not be desirible.

Eetimatold cost, According to the original plan and estimate, the nccurding to construction of thirly-five Lucks and other works tho original ind esti- involving a gross expenditure of about £211,250 would mates, for the be required to remove these obstructions; but as many removal of
these obstruc- of the advocates for these improvements assert that tions.
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 ey of which might in some cases be taken, instead of following in vey of which
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works have been executed or are in progress, and may be divided into two classes, one, those connected with the improvement of the River, so far as the running of Lumber is concerned; the other, the construction of Bridges and of Roads leading directly from Ports on Lake Ontario, to the heads of the navigation formed by the works already described.

In the first class may be included the Slides and slides. Dams which have been or are being constructed at Helly's Falls, the Middle Falls, Ranney's Falls, Chisholm's Rapids, Widow Harris' Rapids, Prison Island Rapids, and the removal of some detached rocks in the river.

## In the second class are included the Rice Lake and Rice Lake, Scugog Roads.

The general formation of the Road from Rice Road. Lake to the town limits.' of Port Hope is completed, and about half the road is gravelled ; the finishing of it must now lic over until spring. This road baving been undertaken as a portage road connecting the navigation of Rice Lake and part of the River Otonabee with Lake Ontario, it appears to me desirable that it should be carried down to the harhour, A mail stage is now established on this road, which runs in connection with the steamboat on Rice Lake.

The survey of the branch from this road to Cobourg, bourg. in which the inhabitants of that town and its vicinity take so warm an interest, has been a long time made, and on the application of the partics referred to, an Order in Council was issued authorizing the Board of Works to make the Branch, provided there sliould be a surplus remaining of the estimate to cover the cost of it. I was led to believe at the time that there would have been funds, and expressed myself so, more than once ; hut although much pressed to commence it, Causc of the I did not consider myself authorized to do so, until it non construc should be ascertained beyond all doubt that the means branch roud would be forth roming. This, I am sorry to say is not the case, as from unavoidable and unforseen expenses upon the internal works, no sum wás left applicable to it.

The Engineer to the Board, upon his last general inspection thus reports on this surbject :-
"to drav away in part the travel from the Port Hope
"Road, and throw upon the public the onus of sup-"
"porting two rival roads with the funds to be derived
"from only one of them. It would be a much better " undertaking for the Province to macadamize the "road between Cobourg and Port Hope, and" the " former would derive just as much benefit as from the "Branch Road. In Pact Cobourg, Port Hope and the "public at large would be gainers by it."

Scucog Road,
The Scugng Road about nineteen miles in length, when completed will form a facile Portage Road from Windsor Harbour on Lake Ontario to the head of the Scugog navigation sixty miles long, extending through the Townships of Reach, Cartwright, Manvers, Mariposa, Opst, Fenelon; Verulam,"\&c., and when'subsequently oxiended northerly to the Bridge accross the narrows of Lakc Simcoe, it will form a very direct and facile outlet for the produce of a very extensive and highly improvable section of country.

Description of
The works of this "Road consist of the proper drain- the works on ing, forming and grading of it throughout, and the Rod. planking of some detached parts where the nature of the soil renders it necessary." The grading of all the section is much advanced,' and a large portion of the

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phank delivered on thoss parts where it is requirerl. For more detailed information respeceling this Road, is well as upon all tho works of the Newcastle District generally, the last Report of Mr. Ly'ons, the Olficer in charge, is inserted in tho Appardix (Letter P.)
Alditional
works roquired.

The following is a slatemont of the works which appear to he much required in this section, and which is submitted for tho consideration of tho Legislature.

Sinco the waters have been raised by the Dams, the parts of the River un the line of the Roads in some cascs, where formurly firdable, are now not so and re-

A Bridgo at Crooks' Rapids is indispansa. ble.

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cessary.
A slide at
Burleigh
Chute is re-
quired.
A Bridgo and
Fitule ai liucknorn are want ed.

The Lock at
Bolicaygeantequires to be re constructed, and a Bridyo $i s$ wanted.

Cost of the allitional works requir-

No Lock at Bolcaygean, upon which much money was expended under ilia former Commissioners, was very badly built, and is now in such a state as would require to be wholly reluilt. By this Lock a navigation of sisty miles is oponed throngh, Chamong, "Juckhorn, Pigeon and Sturgeon Lakes, comecting with the Scugog navigation. A Bridge is also much required at Bobeaygem, and finally the River below the Scugog Lake requires an exporaditure in removing the fallen timber.

The foregoing, together with tho extension of the Rice Lako Road down to the Harbour, would require an expenditure of aboul $£ 12,000$.

## higHM-HOUSES, HAMBOURS AND ILOADS LEADING ZHERETO.

Light Ilouses, Under this head aro embraced a varicty of works, Harbours \&o. for a long time loudly called for and in importance, secoud to none in the Province, whether as regards the benefits to be derived from their construction by the agricultural and commercial interests generally, or their necessity for the safety and protection of life and propierty.

Much will be accomplished by tho expenditure of the appropriation set apart for this class of works, but much, equally indispensable, will also remain to bo done:

Like Erie.
Upon Lake Eric, except in a few cases, nature offers but very little encouragement or assistance towards the construction of the Harbours necossary for the Trade of the Country; they aro confined to the Rondeau, Long Point and Port Maitland.

Lake Ontario. Lake Ontario is much more favoured in this respect, having her Burlington Bay, Toronto Bay, Presqu'isle, Kingston Bay, and the boautiful and extensive Bay of Quinte, the entire cuast of which presents the greatest facilities for the construction, at a frifling expense, of such Wharves or shipping places as may be called for.

Upon Lake Erie the works completed or in progress; consist of -

The Rondeau,-At about sixty-five miles below The Rondean the head of the Lake, a Cape projects, enclosing
Harbour.
with a depth of water of from ten to cleven feet. The communication between his Basin and the Lake is across a sandbank of about forty yards in brcaddh, and not mone than a fow feet over the level of the water. This communication varies in breadth and depth a good deal from time to time, according as the wind prevails, which, when blowing heavily, carries with it the shingle along the shore, and frequently all but stops up tho entrance to the Basin ; sometimes the waters elfect other gaps across the Bank, and in fact a constant alleration in this Bauk and Channel is occurring. The object of the proposed works is,-First, to secure the Beach from any further breaches being made across it ;-Socondly, to open the Channel, and confine it by a Pier on each side of it ;-Thirdly, to construct Groins nlong the shore to catch the shingle, and prevent it from forming a bar across the Channel, and finally to construct a small landing Wharf at the lermination of the Ruad now being made, to connect this Harbour with the setted country in the rear of it. This Harbuur will be about Alvantages of scven miles from the main Road through the Province, the Ronmeau and fourleen miles from Chatham the County Town, Harbour, which is the centre of a very fertile and productive country, the produce of which, at present, during the season of navigation, is shipped at Chatham, and after descouding the navigation of the River Thames (frequently interrupted, ' then through the intricacies of Lake St. Clair and down the Detroit River to Lako Erie; when it arrives opposite the Rondeau Harbour, and has been transported a distance of about orie hundred. and fifty miles, it is within fourteon miles of the place at which it was shipped!

The violent storm with which this Lake was visited in October last, operated a good deal upon the Beach, and has shewn the necessity of securing it more extensively and of rumning the Piers further out than was originally' prepposed. The cost of the works will there- Cost of the fore exceed the sum originally estimated. When fully works will excompleted, it will be a Harbour of great importance, not necalo. only for the trade of that section of the country, but also as an Asylum, it being the only place that can be run for in very hard weather, between Pelée Island and Long Point, distant from the furmer about fifty miles and from the latter one hundred. The sudden manner in which dangerous squalls on this Lake arise, is proverbial.

The next work in rotation is Port Stanley Harbour, Port Stanley where a great deal has been done, which was available Earbour. to the trade during the past seasun.

As the old works of this Harbour, which is about Importance of midway up Lake Erie, with a very extensive, old setled ${ }^{\text {the recon- }}$ back country, were in ruin and unavailable, and the this Harbour, little shipment that took place was consequently obliged to be made by means of small boats, going to the Vessels lying out in the Lake, at great risk; it is not to be wondered at that the Trade was almost annihilated.-Ship-owners would not charter their Vessels to it, and the Passenger Trade, on the Canada side, was given up. The re-construction, therefore, of this Harbour, was of vital importance to that whole section of country, and the beneficial results of it are already apparent. (Sce Engineer's Report and accompanying Documents, Appendix Letter Q.). The Piers must, however, be carried further out.

This Harbour is formed in the same manner that most Description of of the other artificial Harbours on the Lakes generally the formation are, unfortunately, but of necessity obliged to be con- and other Haro structed. Its position is at the mouth of a Creek, dis- bourri genccharging into the Lake where the shore is not indented, rally. and no shelter is afforded from any wind except that off lanr. The coast of the Lake above and below it, for a great distance, is a high clay bank, annually washing with the waters, which, of course, when agitated, carry

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with thom in the direction of the provailing wind much shingle and deposit. In their natural state the moutlis of such Creeks are obstructed by Bars, varying in height and position almost weekly. Sometimos they aro wholly stopped across, and remain so until a freshot in the stroam forces a channel through the impediments. The course universally adopted is to construct a Pier on each side, and in the natural diredtion of the cororse of the Creek, the breadth between the Piers being proportioned (or should be so as much as possible) to the capacity of the stream, and its power to keep the space between the Piers scoured out. When these Piers are extended to a certain depth into the Lake the mouth is found, by exporience hitherto, not to choke or be filled up; but the shingle makes rapidly on the windward side of the Piers, and of course it must eventually reach the entrance.

This description is applicable to almost every artificial Harbour on the Lakes. In reality they do not deserve the name of Harbours, being much more truly but landing Wharves. Still their constuction is of necessity resorted to, to meet the present wants of the country, the finances of which do not yet admit of the great expenditure, which the formation of Harbours, properly so called, and within reasonable distances of each other, would require.

Meport of the comamnding Nival Oficer Naval Onficer Lako Eric.

In a report upon the Harbours of Lake Erie, the Commanding Naval Oficer in Camada, in the year 1841, stated-
"Very little need be said as to the necessity of form" ing Ports on this great extent of const, exposed as it " $"$ is to the boisterous sea, which risas wilh every brecze " of wind that blows either up or down, or towards the "shore of the Lake," Again-
"The Rondenu is by nature formed for one of the bost
Rondeau Fintbour. "Harbours on Lake Eric, and situated at that part " where a good Harbour is much required."

Of the Grand River or Port Maitland, he states-

Port Maitland.
"Very much has been said of the Grand River as a "Harbour, and no doubt it will make the finest and " most capacious on Lake Erie, except the Rondeau. "'The Rondeau and Grand River' once marle good Mar" bours; together with the excellent anchorages about " Long Point, Lake Eric. will then be, for all general "purposes of navigation, what it should be. The oller "Ports aro equally necessary for the shipment and "landing of Cargoes, grown or consumed in the coun"try they are contiguous to." And Inally, he reports-
"That in the then state of the Larbours, lie was "obliged to withdraw Her Majesty's Steam Vessels "down the River Niagara near to the Falls, a place "by no means secure, and certainly not a proper "rendexvous, in' the cvent of the prospect of a'rup"ture with the United States."

A moity of Albe cost of hese Harbou miloula ine borne by tho Nution at large.

Under these circumstances, it would appear but rear sonable that as the works now in progross are, by the Commodore commanding, adimitted to be indispensable to enable Her Majesty's Vessels to keop the Lakes, at least a moiety of the expenditure, should be borne by the Nation at large ; otherwise their extent must be confined to the wants of the Trade, and will not be suitable for the reception of Vessels required for the protection of the Province.

## PORT BURWELL HARBOUR.

Port Barwoll. The position of this Harbour is similar nearly in all respects to that of Port Stanley, but the works of it, in their present state"are much more useless and unavail-
ablo than thuse of Port Stanley were, prior to the commencomont of the new works. Thore a large part of the old work was alopted in the reconstruction of the Harbour, and during the operations served as sholtor; but at Port Burwell the entrance is blocked Up, tho old piers are so placed as not to be available, nand in fact all that has hitherto been expended is su much lost.

The Enginece to the Board, in reporting lately on this place, slates-
"Porl Burwall is the minst exposed part on the lake, Report of tho
"for it has to withstand the Suuth-west winds for a Engineer on: " sweep of 180 miles. The state of the works erected Port Burwell, "'here by the Port Burwell Harbour Company, bears Harbour. "ample testimony to the forces in operation, I would " not thorefore recommend expending a farthing upon "this harbour, unless the sum appropriated is suffici"ent to construct the work in the most substantial " manner, and a less sum than $\mathcal{L} 20,000$ would not, in "my opinion, be adequate to it."

Of the amount appropriated for Harbours generally on the lakes, the expenditure of a moderate sum work for th this Harbour was proposed; the work to be undertaken Harlour not when the Dredge and Piling vessels in use elsewhere, having been could be sent to it, but the mote intimate acquaintance with the expense and difficulties to be encountered in forming these Harbours, acquired in carrying on the works at Port Stanley, rendered the proceeding with thoso at Port Burwell imprudent and unadvisable, as Mr. Koefer justly states, until funds fully adequate for the undertaking are provided.

The establishment of a Harbour here most unquestionably would be of very great importance to the section of country adjoining it, which is well settled, improved and productive, and the amendment of the road leading to it would proportionably confer a boon on that part of the country.

The means made applicable to this class of works Division of the being yery restricted, it has been endeavoured to ex-Lake Erie pend them in such a manner as would divide the Ca-Coust. nada const of Lake Erie into as near as might be, equal sections, giving a harbour to each.: This is very nearly the case, as reference to the map will shew. From Fort Erie, at the east end of the Lake, to Port Maitland, being the mouth of the Grand River, is a distance of between 40 and 50 miles; from thence to Port Dover, and the other shipping places under the shelter of Long Point, about the same distance: thence to Port Stanley, about 40 miles; thence to the Rondenu, about 45 miles; thence to Point Pelée, 45 miles; thence to the west end of the Lake, at Anherstburg, about 40 miles. The District of which Port Burwell would be the outlet, if the Harbour were constructed, lying between Port Stanley and Port Rowan, or Turkey Point, distant from each other as previously stated, about 40 miles, will, for the present, send its produce to orne or other of these places, except the small portion of it, which in very fine weather will, under all disadvantages, be shipped off Port Burwell. Woodstock, the county town, and situated in the northern part of the District, is about the same distance from the head of the Grand River navigation at Brantford, as it is from Lake Erie at Port Burwell.

The works of Port Dover Harbour, at the Head of Port Dover Port Duver Road, are under contract, and I trust will Harbour, progress satisfactorily: Under this head, Mr. Keefer reports-
"There appears no change of consequence in the ", old works, or in the depih of water between the " piers. The sheller affurded this harbour by Long "Point, gives it a great advanitage over many of these

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"harbours in this resplect. Whenever properly comm"pleted thereforo, it hamy be oxpectod to remain secure in any wealier."

The works of the other harbours in progress on this Lake, are those of Port Maithnud and Purt Colborne, boht of which aro terminations of the Welland Canal, and are in a great mensure connected with that work.'

Improvement At the entrance of the Chippava River a tritling alfectedat thu improvement las been made at the request of the pluChaphava Ri- prieturs of the steamer touching there, ver.

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Lake Ontarloi The works completed or in progress on this Luke, are, Port Dallousie, being the termination of tha Wel-
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housic. land Canal. Its work are connected with those of that Canal; when completed and carried out to the outer bar, which is not a shifting one, and can bo deepenell, it will be easy of accoss, will have all upper noating basin of give hundred acres in extent, with from twelve to sixteen feet water, and will be in every rospue a suitable terminus to this noble work.

## BURLINGTON BAY CANAL.

Burlington
Bay Canal.
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junal.

This work has already hoen reported upon. Bosides being the entrance to the Port of Hamillon, it is also similiarly situated to that of Dundas; and, the object of referring to it here, is, to draw attention to the state of the Des Jardins Canal, from the head of Burlingtorn Bay to Dundas. The attention of Parliament has frefinently been drawn to the vory inefficient state of this work, upon which a good deal of public money was fommerly oxpended ; and the commercial and manufacturing interesis of that town and neighbourhood, have repenterly memorialized the Executive Government, selting furth the disadrantiges they laboured under in consequence, and praying that its imptovement, which they stato in be faeifo and inexare of opinion, that from the naluro of the marsh threugh which it passes, the Canal cannot be rendered permanently maviguble, tuloss at great expense. My parsonal knowledge of tho locality and details, is not such as to enable mo to form an upinion upon it, Tho imports and exports to and from Dundis (see Appondix Letter R.) would no doult be materially increased, if the navigation were improved, and even in their present state, thoy appear to me, sufficiontly important, to recommend to the consideration of Government, the
A survery re. domuended.

Ports betwern propriety of my boing authorized to have a survoy, report and estimate made of it, undor this Department.

Itanillorn and
Between Burlington Bay and Toronto are fuur or 'l'uronto. five small pice harbours of the nature already described $;$ in twi) of which, Oakvilla and the Credil, the Government is more immediately interested in conse-
Credit IIas: Luur. quence of pultic money being invested in them. They require no particular nuservation, except that the usefulness of the latter Port and the revenue from it, are very much lessened from the want of a proper road from Croksville, \&c. to the Harbour; the cost of which would be about $£ 3,000$. Some nocessary re-
Oakville Piot paits lave been done at the Onkville Pier.
Turonto Bay,
At the inlet to the Toronto Bay, the sand is cevidently making much, and I am of opinion, that at no romote pertiod some work must be encountered to fix and preserve such an entrance as the rapidly increasing trade of that important eity will require. Some triting repairs have been made at the Queen's wharf, near the extremity of which are a fow, stones in the channel that should be remuved.

The next wonk is at Wimlsor Marbour where a Winisor Enre very extensivo Breakwater has boen constructed, and bour.
two Piers built. Within this Broakwater is enclused a capacious Basin of aboul 120 acros in extert, and into which two considerable stroams discharge. The Piers are on oach side of the natural ontrance, and tho Breakwater by prevoning tho stream frum sprcading nver the whole extent of boach, as formerly, and by conlining it within tho Piors, has crented a current that will bo yery serviconble in keging the entranco clear. No indication whatever to deposit in the chamel, is evinced, although the beach is making rapidly in front of the Breakwaler. When the Piers are run gut about 200 feet further, and some dredging done, this will be found to bo an excellont Harbour for steam and sailing cralt. It is not considerod nilvisable to dredge much until the Piers appear to have sottled woll duyn.

When spenking of the Harbours of Lake Eric, tho description which I gave, and the observations I mado upon the artificial Harbours preated by Piers on a staight const, with much shinglo in motion along it, apply strongly to tho Hinbours of Port Hope and Port Inopo. Cobourg, but ospecially to the lattor.

At this Harbour (Cobourg) a great deal of expen-Coborrg Hos. diture has takon place, not provided for by tho Appro- bour. priation Act, but authorized by the Executivo, as indispensable, to prevent the utter demolition of the work whioh had boen proviously executed, and towards whioh a considerabla loan if public money had biecn made, and, as boing also absolutely nocossary to keep up tho communication of tho country. The pay. mont of thi interest, upun, and the re-payment of tho money thus advanced have been made a first chargo upon thorovonuo of the Port, and is thoroly well secured.

The work has been done in a substantial and permanent manner, and has withstood the very violent storms of the past suason, without injury. From a loter receivod from 'Mr. Bethune (the extensivo stoarduat proprictur) I quate the following:-
"At Cohourg, if tho IIatbour was onco dredged "out, and the small stream' turned to the West of tho "West Pier, I have no doulle it would bo one of the "best upon the lake (with Capt. Sutherland's Piers) "ancl that it would not fill up; so far there appears as "much water as when the Piots wero finished."

The Piers alluted to were proposod by Capt. Suther- Capt Suthere
 with the present Piers; but I am very dabious that their construction would prove lencfioial as that gentleman suppuses.

## phasqu'tsle harbour.

Nothing has been done here, but a very moderate $\mathrm{P}_{\text {wesquitalo }}$ outlay is requited, and would be productive of great Harbour. benolits: part to be expended in the construction of a landing whar near Brighton, the remainder in a manner that will be denoted herefiter under the head of Light-housos.

For general navigation purposes, the great want on Harbour of the Canada sido of Lake Ontario, between Lorig Point Refigo requir(or Point Petor) and Toronto lirarbour, a distance of $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{L}} \mathrm{L}$ betwen 126 miles, is that there is no Harbour of Refuge, into and Doronto. which a vessel can with safoty run, in a gale of wind. This onast is to the Canada Trate a loo sloore for much the greater portion of the senson. The Harlours of Purt Hope and Cubourg, however useful they may be as shipping places, are only such, and hold out no inducement to a vessol making for them with the wind blowing heavily in any quarter botween the South-east

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round by South, to the South-west; and but little sifety to possels, lying in them with the wind blowing hard from tho Southward, In this respect, from the extent of the inmer basin at Windsor, the Harbour there, when completed, will bo much suporiur.

Between the Ports of Cobourg and Port Hope, a distance of about seven milis, the reef called Gull Istand is situated, on which a light-house is erected. It is about a mile and a half from the shore, distant from the former four miles, and from Port Hope about three miles. This reef is of great extent, with but very littlo water on it, not exceeding two or three feel for a considerable longth. 'It is crescent shaped, with its horns towards the shore, between which and the reef, there is, as I am informed, good water and anchora. If this description is a true one, the construction with but little expense ; and if effected would create a valunble Harbour of Refuge about midway up the Lake, and would serve as an outor harbour, or safo offing for the Ports of Cobourg and Port Hope.

Rondera Rood.

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## Port Dover

 hoad.goads leading to harbours.
Of the Roads leading to Harbours, the works of that leading to the Rondeau are in progress, and will bo completed next season.

The Road leading to Port Stanley is finished and for the Revenue to be expected from it, see the superintending Engineer's Report, (Appendix Letter A.)

The Road from Port Dover to Hamilton is nearly completed, but this will be treated of mender a distinct head.
mite tankeand The progress made with the Road from Windsor Lata seygo Harbour, as woll as with that from Port Ilope, forming
Roads. a communication between Lake Ontario and the inter- mal navigation, has already boen deseribed.
light-houses, buoys, \&c.-lake erte.
Under this head is stated what has been done, and also is recapitulated a number of further details of the saine nature, which are indispensuble for the safe navigation of the Lakes, and fur many of which repeated petitions have been presented by Mariners and other parties connected with the shipping interests. Upon this subject Capt. Sundom reported in 1841-

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dem's reporto
tha Light.
Houses on Laka Erio.
" I doem it a duty to bring to FIis Excellency"s no"tice, that a general dissatisfaction pervades all the " ${ }^{\text {" maritime classes who navigate the Lakes, as wellas }}$ "those interested in the shipping interest of the Coun"try, in consequence of being forced to pay a special
"Tax for Lights, when' there are none where they are
" most required, and those which do exist are so badly "kept up as to be worse than useless, tending from " "heir imperfect state to lead the Mariner into danger "rather than to preserve him from it. I allude parti"cularly to the Liglit upon Point Pelée Islond, and " could not holp drawing the comparison between the "British and American shores. On the latter, I found " good Lighits and Beacons at all parts, and excellent "Porss, well lighted, without any Tax being imposed "upon the navigation, while the British navigator "pays a "Tax expressly for that which he has not"

Much has been effected during the short time which has elapsed since the control of these works has been placed on the Buard of Works.

On Lake Erie, a Lighthouse has been built nt Long Pount' Long Point, shewing a first class Light; the impare Liftur House. tance of a Light in this position, is as great as that of any oller in the Provinco.

A floating Light, upon a suitable substantial Vessel, Flosting Light has beon placed of Thurkay Point for the benefit of the or Tharky navigation of "the cut" noar jt.

The Light at Port Stanley lias been improved, but Light at Port until the Harbour is completed, it cannot be placed on Slantor: a permanent footing.

The Works now required are,-On Lake Firon, a Light Housees Light-house at Goderich. On Lake Sl. Clait" a roguired on' Light-house on the River Sydenham, and a lending Light' Sates clair, and at the mouth of the Thames, On Lake Erie, are re Erto. quired a House for the Keeper of the Light at Peleo Island. A good and well moored Buoy at the extremi- Aluoy rcom. ty of Point au Pelee shoal; this would be of great imn mendedior the portance, and, from the distance to which this shoal ruins Pt, Polénghoal, out, it is absolutely necessary that the Light" on Point and of that at Polee Island should bo of such a description as to be Long Point. perfectly distinguishable from ony other, A Buoy at the extremity of the shonl, which ruts about a mile East of Long Point Light-house, would be of great service to vessels making for the anchorige of Spithend, with a honyy sea down the Lake, und at the anchorage of Spithead, three Buoys are much required to define it.
A. first class Light on Mohavk Island is now inclis. A first class pensable, from its proximity to Port Maitland at the at athohaturk lis. mouth of the Grand River; which, next spring, will be land the outlet to the whole trade up the Welland Canal. It would also bo of infinite advantage to vessels plying botween Port Colborne, Port Mailland, \&c., and Port Dover, or any of the Ports on that part of the Lake, as it may be said to lie in their direct course, and a very long and dangerous reef extends from the Island, upon which a vast deal of property has been lost. Such a Light, with the Pier Light at Port Maitland, would add greatly to the safety of navigating that part of the Luko. The Light at Mohawk Island should be a ree Tho Lapit to volving one; the lesser annual consumption of oil, \&c. bo a revitwing in revolving Lights, compensates for the greater first one. cost, which maj be set doyn at between $£ 80$ and £100. A Boacon on this slioul also would be desirable.

When Port Colborne is completed, the Light thete must be much improved.

On Lake Ontario.-The Light at Point Peler. (or Light at Poin Long Point) has been converted into a revolving one, Pector changed to distinguish it from those at the Ducks and Presqu'- ving one: isle.

The chief details required on this Lake are, a Keep- Works reer's Hnuse fur the person in charge of the Light at quired at the 'Juronto Harbour.
on Luako Ons: tario. -
Some expenditure upon the Gull Island Light-liouse, Gull Isiand to render it more habitable for the Keeper.

Light-House,
A House and second class Light upon the Scotch- $A$ right. bonnet Island, near Nicholson Island, there is a shoal houise requite running to a long distance, to the South of it, upon ec upon which the brakers shew themselves in heavy weather ; 1tland. the establishment of this. Light would add much to the sarety of the navigation of that part of the Lake. It" should be colored.

At Presqu'sle, a small colored Light on the end of a smallicoloute Salt Point is very much required to enable vessels to el Lipat row take that Harbour in dark hights ; and a Buoy on the quirat.
North East end of the Bar outside, together with a

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small landing wharf within the Harbour, are absolutely necessary.
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Crabte Island
The placing of a couple of Buoys at Suake Island and the establishing of a' small colured Light on the slowal in front of the Market butildings, would be of great advantage to the ressels entering the Harbour of Kingstun.

When the Canals of the St. Lawrence are completect, sundry improvements will be required in the lighlting and burying of the River, between Kingston and Lake St. Francis.

On Lake St. Francis a Lighthouse has been built by the Board of Works, for the guidance of the Packets touching it Lancaster with the Mails, at the entrance to the Gut, or chauncl lending to that Port.

The establishment of a Light near Crabbe Island, and the mooring of five or six Buoys, st placed as to indicate the shoils, as woll as the bend in the direct deep channel down this Lake, slould be authorised so as to be ready by the opening of the Bciularnois Canal. It is possible that the point which creates the Bar alluded to may be easily dredged ofl, but this Light would still be required,

Although the short turn in this Channel, has been perfectly linown fir many years to alinast every Mariner on the Lake, no necessity whatever existed hitherto for dredging of the point which causes the bend, inasmuch as orer it, in its natural state, the water was more than sufficient for every boat luated to the depth to which they were confined by having to take the Rapids down ; but as on the completion of the Beanharnois Canal a larger class of cralt will no doubt be adopted, the necessity for these improvements is now urgent.

On the Pier at Grosse Point, a Light must be erect-

A Light required on tho piry at Grobse Puint.

Lake St.
Luuts. ed, which, with the Light ht Lancaster Channel, that proposed at or near Cratbe Island and the Pier Light at the hoad of the Beauharnois Canal, will, together with the Buoys, make the navigation of this Lake certain and safe.

Lake St. Louis.-On this Lake, betweon the head of the Lachine Canal and the termination of the Beauharnois Cannl, besides a Pier Light at each, a good light on the Point of Isle Perrault is required. If, in addition to thesc, a Chamel is obtained across the Bar ofl Isle St. Bernard, (Nun's Island, and marked with a coloured Light, either on a Vessel or Caisson, as may be found most expedient, and some Buors laid duwn, this part of tho navigation will be rendered comparatively certain and safe at all times. To render the portion of it at St, Anu's equally so, all that is necessary is the worts reported about iwolve months back, and for which, prior to the prorogation of Parliament, an appropriation was about to be asked. The work consisted of the erection of a smill light on a part of the point nearly opposite Point de la Baic Dolphy, from which, by excavating a Channel across the Shoal at Point do Brussy, the course would be up to the Lock on the Isle Perrault side, thus avoiding atl the rocks and intrichey of the Chamel on the north side. The removal of the projecting Rocks in the Channel atove the Lock, to which I had the honour of drawing the attention of the Executive long since, is also very much required.

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Before I leave the subject of Lights, I think it necessary again to draw His Excellency's notice to the mode suggosted in an early part of this Report, for the supply, superintendence and repairs of the Light-Houses, Buoys, \&c.

Until the present year, in which their control has Method herebeen transferred to this Department, the manner of sup- tofore taken of plying Oil was this,-A Merchant being agreed with as supplying oil to price, permission was given lim to import it free of the heavy duty which is imposed on Oil. The Oil was delivered at the Light-Houses by him; no efficient check, nor indeed any, was had as to the exact amount so delivered. In most of the Houses the Oil was kept in the barrels, and much loss incurred thereby. The Method aiOil this year was furnished to the Board of Works by dopted by tho contract, delivered at Kingston; a Vessel was char- Worith o tered and given in charge to Capt. MeIntyre for the purpose of his serving out the supplies, and at the same time making a general inspection of every thing connected with the Lights, and effecting as intich improvement or reform as possible. Having provided new tin Butts of uniform size, guaged and marked so that the several keepers could, at a glance, ascertain the stock on hand, Cupt. McIntyre found, immediately on discharging some of the barrels, that the quantity in each was fir short of what it was rated at ; finally it was ascertained that there was a deficiency of two hundred and fifty-six gallons. In other instances, where Tin Butts had been formerly provided, it was fuund they also did not contain the guantity supposed. In one instance, a vessel rated at one hundred and twenty-five gallons was found to hold but eighty-three. On board saving effect. the Vessel were Mechanics; by whom at great deal of ed this year. the necessiry repairs was effected, prompily and cheaply; and after the supplies were all served, it was found that, independent of the saving in repairs, a saving was effocted by the cuurse taken of upwards of 5500.

The Lamps and Reflectors formerly were of a very bad description, and no two Houses being supplied with Lamps, Reflectors, Glasses, \&c. \&c., of the same patterm, il vast deal of trouble and loss is incurred. Very many of these Lamps are now past use and undeserving of repair, and upwatds of sevenly now ones are required ; I would therefore talie occasion respectfully to Authority to recommend strongly, that authority be given to provide provise lamps the necessary Limps, a list of which, as well as of other ashed for. matters, is giren in the Apmendix (Lotter S.) That these Lamps should be of the best kind ; that they, as well as all the fitlings, reflectors, glasses, heaters, wicks, \&c., should be of the same patterns and description, and that a few Lamps and Reflectors, (say a dozen) extra, should be provided, so as to bo roady, in case of accidents, at all times.

No outfil, however perfect, nor system of arrange- Jight-Houso munt, however well conceived, will be available, if the liepers to the Kecpers do not do their duty laithfully and strictly. To nppointed from censure this so great desideratum, (when the amount of clusive wely $\rightarrow$ eno life and propery depending on it is considered, I would depuly should strongly recommend that in future Light-House Keepers sloula be appointed exclusively from the naval class, who are more fully aware of the necessity for the strictest possible attention; it slould also be perfectly understood that any neglect on their part, when detected, would be visited with immediate dismissal. No main Light-Flouse should, I conceive, be permitted to be lept by Duputy. In the case of that at Point Pelce point Polié Island, of which Capt. Sandom complains, and with Lightit-Houso which, to the prescnt day, the greatest dissatisfaction is Eisenper infelt, a reasonable sum is allowed by Partiament as salary for a Keeper ; this person lives niot on the Island, but on the main land, soveral miles away, and the duty is done (most inelficiently) by a man hired at a small sum, having a farm on the Island, about three miles from the Light-House. It was lately reported to me by the Captains of three Vessels, that having been obliged; by stress of weather, to run for this Island; they made it with great difficulty, owing to the miserable state of the light, with which they were so much struck that they went on shore and forecd their way into the

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Light-House, when they found sone of the Lamps out, and those that were burning filthy and untrimmed, and it was evident that after being lighted the evening before the House was shut up and no further care taken of $i t$.

Neglect of this kind, besides the calamities of which it might be the cause, "is attended with very great expense ; the Burners and Reflectors being very speedily destruyed.

A great deal has been done by Capt. McIntyre, during his tour of Inspection, in the repair of the Lamps, in arranging them better, improving their ventilation, refitting of Lightning Rods, \&c., and a number of othsr details not necessary to enumerate here.

Ginetal ri pairs requirol.

The whole of the Lanterns' require to be painted inside and outside; Wood-work generally also to be painted ; all this should be done every year; the stone Towers would require pointing ; but in the Appendix (Letter S.) will be found a statement and approximating estimate of the works of this nature required next seasun.

Roals and
Beilges.

## ROADS AND BRIDGES,

I will first procced to shew what has been done upon the line of the main provincial highway throughout from Sandwich to Sarnia, its termination on the western frontier of the Province, to Quebec a distance of about 800 miles : 'showing also as I proceed scriatim, from west to east, the principal brilges which have been built on it, and the bridges or other works which are most required, so that the determination of the Legislature may be exprossed thercon.

## sarnia and london road.

Sarnia Road.

Planking of ectain parts prayed for.

The works of this road contemplated and provited for by the appropriation Act are completed, the road being well cleared, drained, graded, and bridged. About seven miles of this road being through a light unfixed sand, are very heavy and much complained of. Pctitions have been forwarded to the Executive Goverument for the planking of this roid, and for that of this portion particularly; they represent that the intercourse with the Town and Harbour is such that a moderate toll upon the road would pay for its maintenance and interest on the outlay which would be about £2,500. At the other termination also, from the Town of London to where it crosses the main Goderich road, a distance of four miles, on which a large bridge is built over the Thames, no tolls can, in the present state of the road, be collected either on it or the bridge, but if these four miles were planked or gravelled, a moderate toll could be laid on which would certainly and amply pay for the maintenance of the bridge and road, and the interest on the outlay thereon.

## SANDWICH AND CHATHAM ROAD

Sanlwich and Chatham Road.

Will be completed next y yar,

This road terminates the main provincial road at the Town of Sandwich, the Capital of the District; and on the frontier opposite to Detroit.

At about 12 miles from Sandwich, a bratich of 16 miles in length leads to the Town and Barracks of Anherstburg.

The works of this road with its branch are all under contract and are progressing satisfactorily and will be completed carly next year. It passes almost entirely over the table land of that part of the country, which prior to the commencement of the necessary drainage for the road, was so flat and wet that the linds in the
line of it, although good and taken up, lay wasto ; their, drainage being beyond the means of the individunls, who are now, however, rapidly settling upon and im. proving their lots.

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This termination of the main road would be complete if the road from Sandwich to Amber Improvement proved, and bridged, the cost of which would not be from Sandmuch.

## CHATHAM AND LONDON ROAD.

wich to Anm Werstburg required.

The works of this road may be said to be compleed, Chatham and so far as was contemplated by the Act of Appropriation; London Roaud. it is well cleared, drained, graded and bridged throughout. As in the case of the Sarnia road, numerous pe(itions have been presented; urging the plaiking of it; necessary, as they state, from the deep and rich nature Planking prayof the soil through which it principally passes, and ed for. without which it is said the road will in a very little time, be impassable. I have already, elsewhere, represented the necessity for the Legislature's determining from what funds the foregoing roads, (upon which, in their present state, I presume, tolls cannot be collected) are to be maintained.

A bridge, 650 feet in length, in the line of this Bridge orer road over the Thames, at Delaware, is completed in a Thames at manner very creditable to the Overseer and to the Contractor. For proposed tolls on this bridge sce Appendix (Letter B.) The bridge at Chatham is in a very Chathan decayed state, and part of it is carried away. Surveys bridge. hare been made of the adjoining portions of the river, to ascertain whether, when a new bridge comes to be built, it should be upon the old site or: elsewhere* but the information as yot received is not suficiently full to enable me to renture an opinion with confidence as to whether the site should be changed or not. The cost of a substantial bridge here with a draw-arch would be about $£ 2,000$.

## DRANTFORD TO LONDOK:

The works of this road are copapleted, several Brantiord bridges built, the toll-houses erected and nothing but hoad. the fixing of the rates and the authority to exact them by the Legislature is necessary to the collection of the tolls. The probable present average rate of travel and of the probable revenue is shervn in Appendix (Letter A.) This road is $57 \frac{1}{2}$ miles long, 38 miles of which are planked and 19 macadamized; the former is blinded by about an inch of fine sand, the latter by the sereenings from the gravel pits. A good deal of material is deposited along this portion for its repair.

## brantrord and hamilton road.

The entire line of this roarl, with the exception of Brantordand about ten miles at the end has long since been complet- Hanitlon ted by Commissionners under the authority of the Act. Road.

This road is of vast imporfance not only to that section through which it passes, but also to the whole of the Province, to the westward of it. Its ralue, and the revenue from it, are however, seriously diminishod, in consequence of the part left unimproved.

This part, called the Grand River Swamp, is pro- Cost of the bably the very worst portion of road in the Province. inprovenent The improvements, when decided on, would be parly of the Grand over the old road and partly a deviation from it. . The Road, survey has been made by the stafl employed on the London roads, and the estimate, amounts to $£ 10,000$.

The following is a statement of the receipts on this road for the last two years-


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## hamilton to toronto.

On this part nothing has been done by the Board of Works, but a portion of it, about 16 miles, were macadamizell under Commissioners by the Act 3 Wil. 4 , chapter 37, and upon it, tolls are now being levied, of which the following is a schedule of the amounts collected-


Repaita requirmon the unimproved portion.

Between Hamilton and the termination of the portion just described, the road crosses some extremely bad and dangerous ravines, which much require amendment, but no authority has been given for the making of any survey or estimate.

## TORONTO TO KINGSTON.

Toronto to
Kingston.

The only improvements which have taken place on this part of the road are those undertaken by Commissioners under the Act 3 Will. 4, chapter 3 i.

From Toronto, for about 18 miles, the road has been in part planked, and in part gravelled. Some bridges lave been built, and some hills lowered. The tolls levied were in

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Huad.
Again, at the other extremity, under Commissioners similarly authorised, the road between Napanee and Kingston, las been macadamized. The tolls leviedion this road, were in


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provement.

Bridre over the Moira at Belloville and over Samon nuibille.

Among the improvenents required between Toronto and Kingston, the foremost is that of the "Rougo Hill," which may be fairly said to present an absolute barrier to the communication of that section of country. Passengers by the mail are frequently obliged to walk, up and down it, to thoir knces in mud, and it is at very considerable risk (especially in frosty weather) that the empty stage can be got past it. The estimate for the necessary improvement of it, and of the bad places in its ricinity is $\mathcal{L} 6,500$.

At Belleville, the bridge over the Moira on this line, is in an impassable state. Some time back by order in Council, I had a plan and estimate preparcd'; the estimate amounts to $\mathcal{L} 1,500$. East of Belleville also at Shannonville a bridge is required over the Salmon river.

Kingstorn to
Montreal.

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Ruad conplet-

Montreal end, about 9 miles have been macadamized under the Commissioners appointed by an order of the

The part most deserving of improvement is that be- Improvement tween the Cascades and Saint Anns. Near to the required boformer is a deep ravine, with a precipitous hill on each $\begin{gathered}\text { twacen Cas } \\ \text { cades and }\end{gathered}$ side of it; and the Bridge over it is in a very decayed Saint Anns. and dangerous state. A few pounds have lately been expended in propping it up for the present, but it is entirely beyond repair, and cannot be considered safe after the winter. The portion of the road over the upper Road over the: end of Isle Perrault is also very deserving of attention: pper end of It is the direct road between Canada East and West, requireg it on the close of the navigation and prior to the opening pairs. of it. It is in a very rongh unformed state, and a very moderate sum would render it what it should be, as well as improve the Pass over the Ravine above alluded to.

## montreal to quebec.

## Montreal to

Quebec.
At the Montreal end, the Road has been partly macadamized and partly planked to near the Bout-del'Isle, by Commissioners acting under the authority of the order of the Special Council just quoted.

The large and expensive Bridges over the Bayonne Bridge over River, over the three branches of the Saint Maurice, the Bayonne over the Batiscan, and over the Suinte Anne de la River. Perade, are completed. What remains to be done, and is most deserving of notice, is,

The building of the three Bridges at the Bout-de-Bout-de-1'sle l'Isle, two of them over branches of the Ottawa, and Bridges, the other over l'Assomption River. The reason why these Bridges have not been built is explained in my last report. The cost of constructing them upon the principle of their being carried by stone piers and abutments, and of having the main-bridge over the raft channel, (of 300 feet span,) a chain arch will be about £24,277 0,0 , of which $£ 9,77700$ is already provided and available, requiring, therefore, an additional sum of but $£ 14,500$ to effect the improvement.

The Bridge at Jacques Cartior is also in a very Bridgo over dangerous slate, and a new one is loudly called fur, Jactuus Carwhich should be built at about 300 yards more down tier. stream than the present one, in order to avoid the precipitous and sliding hills which form the approach to it.

The very steep approach to the Cap Ruuge Bridge Cap Rouge from Quebec, is also deserving of attention.

Bridge.
The varinus works still required on this main line of Road, and which are enumerated in the foregoing, are not submitted with the expectation, that the Legislature would in the present state of the Finances of the Province, undertake the outlay consequent upon their general construction, but with the view of their selecting (if so disposed) those which may, in their estimation, be most necessary; and also with the desire of having them considered in connection with the very many projects, which will, no doubt, be brought under its notice during the present session.

Having thus concluded my Report upon the works Main North of the Main Provincial Road from Quebec to Detroit, Road from I slall now proceed to report upon the Main North Tormento 10 Road from Toronto to Lake Huron, at Penetangui- Lako Euton. shene, connected with which in the appropriation, is the Coldwater Portage Road and Narrows Bridge. The two latter works have been finished. The former las been necossarily allowed to lic over for the decision of the Legislature, as the course proposed by the late Ministry to be taken with it, involved a necessity

Port Dover Hoad.
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for a clange in the appropriation. The proposition to be submitted by then to the House for the completion of this highway, was to finish, from the part completed by the Commissiuners to the Holland Landing, (in a manner corresponding with that of the remainder of this line to Toronto, ) and from the landing to Barrie and Penetanguishone, to effect all that is absolutely necessary in drainage and formation, and the lowering of some hills. This was cousidered a better course than to leave the northern portion of the Yonge-strect Road undone, and could be effected together with some improvements much required in the Holland River, to enablo the steam-vessels to get up to the town plot; and also some dredging required at and above the Narrows Bridge, by an addition to tho appropriation of but $£ 6,500$.

PORT DOVER ROAD,
The large bridge on the Grand River, at Caledonia, on the line of this road, is finished: the main frame of it has been cased in, capped, and white-washed, which will add considerably to the durability of the Bridge.

This road, although nearly finished, and quite available from Port Dover to the top of the mountain, the limits of the town of Hamilton, must, nevertheless, be considered as very imperfect. The descent of the mountain, in its present state, is such, as to form an insurmountable barrier to the traflic which would otherwise be established on this road, and of course must affect most injurivusly the revenue to be derived from it ; in fact until it is extended to the shipping place on Burlington Bay, the object for which it was undertaken, namely to be a direct Portage Road, from Lake to Lake, will not be accomplished. I wish, however, to be understood to mean only the making of the Road, from the top of the mountain to the town proper, and from it to the Landing, not incluting the strees. The sum necessary to complete the Round and buill Tollhouses, is.......................... \& $0,500 \quad 0 \quad 0$ The total amount expended has been. $36,731 \quad 510$ Over expended...................... $3,397 \quad 9 \quad 2$

Out of this, the cost of the Caledonia Bridge, $£ 3000$, should be deducted, it not being included in the Dover Road originally.

Frum the foregoing statement it appears that the appropriation has fallen short of completing the rond from Port Dover to the 'Town limits of Hamilton, by the sum of $\mathcal{L} 3,397 \quad 9,2$, notwithstanding that the strictest economy has been observed throughout; the superintendence laving cost but a fraction over two per cent. I feel it due to myself and my dopartment to mention here, that this appropriation was not based on any estimate furnished from this office; but in so stating, however, I do not mean to say that there will not be a few cases in which our estimates will full short. Those cases will be confined to the smaller appropriations, and the over expenditure in these will be satisfactorily accounted for hereafter, and I have cvery confidence that the gross amount of the cost of all the works estimated for, under the several heads, will be covered by the aggregate amount of the appropriation made for them. I feel certain, moreover, when the extent and magnitude of the works are borne in mind, and the difficulties taken into consideration, which had, from the very beginning, to be encountered, owivig to ihe rints and the delay consequent theren, it will be admitted that the duties involved in their management and direction, have been well and truly dischargod.

The effects of the construction of this road u on the improvement of the country, are already very apparent,
aud are thus described by Mr. Shaw, the Superinten-dent:-
"The Burlington Bay Canal being the only outlet
1845. "from Burlinglon Bay to Lake Oitario, it necessarily Advantares of "follows that all the Roads leading to Hamilton, con tho Ruad. " tribute more or less directly to its support ; and in' "this respect the Dover Road will not be wanting, " if we may judge from the rapid change' in the features " of the country, since its commencement. Prior" to "it, two small fields in the midst of the forest, half"way between Dover and Caledónia, a distance of 24 " miles, were the only clearances that existed. The " woods aro now beginning to disalppear, large fields "are, in several places, fenced in, and cropis of wheat "aro making their appearance in the heirt of, what " wns twelve munths ago, a trackless wilderness."

For the probalile amount of tralific on this Road, see Appendix, (Letter A.)

## PORT STANLEY ROAD.

Upon this Road the Engineer reporls,-" It is com-Part Stantey "pleted, and the inhabitants are deriving a great Ruad "benefit from it, Toll free. When the Tolls are lovied " the Road will pay well and renew itself from the in"come when it is worn out. The blinding with sand " answers admirably and makes this a most delightful Road. Some slides have taken place, and partial "settlements in the newly formed embankments, " which will be rectified before the close of the scason. "The Toll-houses are all built, and every thing is "ready for the levying of Tolls."

It may be well that I should here allude to a proposed Otter Creck. work in this section of Country, which has several times been brought under the notice of Government. I nean the improvement of Otter Creek so as to render it navigable for Bargos. The surveys and Reports which I have seen, describing the nature of this Creek and the facilities or otherwise of making it navigable, are so indefinito and so wholly unsatisfactory as to levels, \&c., that I cannot presume to give any opinion in detail upon it ; but I very much doubt that in dry seasons it would be found sufficient to supply any class of navigration. I passed across the bed of this Creek in the summer of 1843, and there was not then a single drop of water going down it : at all events, until sufficient meuns are furnished to construct the Harbour at Port Burwell, the consideration of the improvement of "the Otter" must be premature.

## DUNNTILLE BRIDGE.

The duration of this Bridge, as reported by the En- Dunnvillo gineer, camot be reckoned on for more than two years Bridge. from this date; the stringers and all the principal framing of tho Bridge being decayed, almost to the beart.

## THE KENNEBEC ROAD

Many portions of this important High-road from Kennetec Quebec to the State of Maine, \&c., are in a very bad, Road. almust impassable state. The part of it through the United States Tervitory has undergone much repair and is now in good order, which renders the repair of the Canada section the more necessary. The erection of a Bridge over the Etchemin is also highly desirable, Bridgo requir whether as regards the convenience of those travelling Etchecmin. by the Road on the South side of the St. Lawrence, ar by the Gosford Road; or for the extension of the Kennebec Road, directly down to the Ferry, at New Liverpool.

## THE GOSFORD ROAD.

1845. This Road is now fully opened and becoming daily Gosford noad. some system for its maintenance and repair is devised, it will soon become impassable in several parts.

Although no other works immediately connected with the Eastern Townslips, but those of the road I liave just spoken of, have been nuthorised by the Legislature and constructed under this Department, the public attention which has lately been drawn to this section of Country, makes it necessary that I should refer to some of the projects which have, from time to time, been brought forward with a view of facilitating the intercourse with it, opening the communications through it, and thereby giving an inpetus to its improvement and the development of its proluctive capabilities and resources.

Piojerts of mprovement connected with LaturnTuwa sinip.

Amnng these projects may be mentioned generally, the buidfing of some Bridges over its principal Rivers, the St. Francis, \&c. ; the improvement of the River Yamaska, with a view towards making it navigahle; the construction of a Canal from Missisquoi Bay acruss to the River Richelien, below the Isle-ilux-Noix; the extension of the Planked Road from Chambly via St. Mary's, $\mathrm{St}^{2}$. Cesaire, to Granby ; the planking of the Road from near Stanbury upper mills, where the Road from St. Armand East intersects the Stanstead stage Road, on the nearest and most favorable course to Jones' Eridge on the Richelieu.
'] hir warks proposed most utare.

From the nature of the navigations propinsed, however useful they might be in their immediafe vicinity; I cannot consider them as works likely to allect adrantageously the interests of the Townships generally to any great extent; nor do 1 belicve that the Revenuc frum them would be proportionate to their cost The proposed improvement of the Road from Jones' Bridge on the Richelieu, mentioned abore, would, I conceive, answer all the proposed purposes of the Missisquoi Canal, qall would afford generally more alvantages to that (the South-western) section of the Townships ; still the benefils to be derived from it would be, comparatively, but very local.

Railway thro ${ }^{2}$ be Jastern lournshijes to the Fruntior.

It appears to the the greatest boon that could be conferred on the Townships, and from which the greatest amount of general Prurincial good could be derived, would the the opening by railway of a main-lighway from Montreal, the capital of the Province, as much through the centre of the Townships as its proper direction and the formation of the Country will allow; to the American frontier, there to full in with such line of railway as may bo adopted through to Boston.

Until the practicability of some such a work, its precise line, cost, \&c., are ascertained, and the disposition of the Legislature, as to how far it would further this main work, is lectared, I would not recommend the expending of money upon the several smatler amd local works; for if lie main trunk should be decided on, the nature and direction of all the minur works should be regulated by it.

## THE KEMPT AND GASPE ROAD.

Kempt and

The works on these Roads, for which the appropriation of $£ 16,66612 \mathrm{~s}$. 2 d ., currency, was made, have been all completed in a manner very satisfactory to this Board, and creditable to Mr. Russell, the Superintel!dent, who has displayed much judgment and skill in their managenent throughout.

I cannot letter give a statement of what has been done on these Ruads, and what is still required to meet
the wants of that section of tho Country than by trans cribing Mr. Russell's last Report of the 23rd November ultimo, in which are also contained some sugges-

Appendix (A, A). 1845. tions for the maintenance of the Ruad, very deserving of attention.
"The works on which the appropriation of $£ 15,000$, Divisinn of the "sterling, has been expended, arework embraco ed in the apr propriation.
"First.-The improvement of the Kempt Road 973 " miles in length, commencing at Point au Suellez " near Metis, on the South shore of the St. Lawrence, " 204 miles below Queboc, nad terminating at Cross " Point on the Restigouche.
"Second. -The opening and making of the Grand Grand Nou"Nouvelle Road along the Restigouche, from the velle Road. "Kempt Road to Grand Nouvelle on the Baie des "Chaleurs, 291 miles.
"Third--Detached small works on the Baie des Works on the "Chulours Road, between Grand Nouvelle and Port Bay of Cha-
"Daniel, viz., the making 15 miles of Road at Cascat- teurs Road.
"pedia and $1: 4$ miles at Bonaventure. The building
" of Little Port Daniel Bridge; the rebuilding of Mc-
"Neil's Bridgre and tho repairing of East Nouvelle
" Bridge.
"Fourth.-The making of a Road from Port Daniel Road from " to Grand River, 251 miles in length.
to Grand Bi
ver.
"Fifth.-The building of three Briuges between Brilges be-
"Grand River and Percé.
River
Perce.
" The Kompt Rond was formerly, with great diff- Kempt Roud. "culty, passable in the driest weather with caris very. " lightly londed, for twenty-iour miles at the north "cud. Eight miles of it also at the south end was "passable for a cart; the remainder of it could be "travelled on horseback, excepting twelve and a quarter " miles where there was no Road, and a foot Passen"ger only could travel.
"Though the money arailable for this Road was less "than the half of what was calculated to complete it, "loy carclilly distributing it in larger proportions on "the worst jlaces which are now the most perfect, and "opening eighteen miles of new Roar, it has been ren"dered thoroughly passable for wheel Carriages, and " all the Rivers bridged in the most substantial manner.
"Of the Britges huilt, that over the River Matape- Bridges. " dia is two humdrod and three fect long and twenty" one feet high; tho one on the River Camsapscal is "two hundrod foet long and nincteen feet high; one "on the River St. Pierre one hundred and thirty feet " long and thirteen feet ligh ; ore on the River As"sametquagan two hundred and seventy-four feet long "and fourteon and a haif high; and there is another, "one hundred and fifteen feet long and nineteen feet "high; besides which, there are thirty-four lower "Bridgos of from sixty to two hundred feet long.
"Though this has been made much better than was "contemplated for the means, still there are many parts " of it where improvement would be highly advanta"geous, in forming it more thoroughly, and in making " some alterations ill, the site to reduce ascents. To Expeniliture "s make this Road thoroughly good, of its present scale required to "s of dimensions; a further expenditure of $£ 12246 \mathrm{~s}$. make the road " would bo required. And also, as the sum of $£ 750$ good. " was spent on the Road work of this line, more than "was contemplated in the reduced estimate, for my, "guidance, the building of a Bridge over the River "Melis (a) was necessarily omilted, which will pro-

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(A.A.) "bably require a further sum of $£ 450$; the total to
1845.
"The total expenditure out of the appropriation of " $£ 15,000$ for this Road is $£ 5514$ 18s. $0 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$.

Grants of tand recornmanded wo metles.
"As there are seventy-cight miles of this Road be" tween the setllements whiere there are only two in" habitants, not only should the utmost encouragement "be given to induce the settlement of it by giving "Land in free Grants of Fifty Acres, (as is elsewhere " done on other Roads where it is very much less re-
" quired,) but it will be advisable, to give £20 a year
" to induce some one to reside near the $\Lambda$ ssametquagan,
"Bridge, and as much for a settler near the Matapedia.
" Without this being done, there will be loss of life
" occasionally, should travelling increase much on this
"Road in winter, and the sum of $£ 400$ at least will be "required every eight or ten years to remove the " Bushes and wind-falls, if it be not done by settlers.
"A Another urgent reason for such measures being im-
" mediately adopted, is, that this line, which is now
" thoroughly open to Halifax, (and is six miles shorter
"than the other mail route by Fredericton and St.
"John's, ) is now and always will be the only safe
"route for the passage of Troops during war with the
"United States ; but unless it be settled and kept beaten
" in winter, it will not be serviceable when required.

Roadtion In. dian Mission to Grund Noutvelle.
"The Road from the Indian Mission to Grand Nou" velle is twenty-nine and a quarter miles long. The "opening of it has connected the Road along the Baie "des Chaleurs with the Kempt Road. Presiously
"there was no Road along the Canala side for the "Mail or Travellers to Quelec ; it was necessary to "cross over into New Brunswick, and to re-cross " again into Canaala, which was not practicable at cer" tain scason,s, ${ }^{\mathbf{2}}$ without difficulty and danger.
"This Road, which had to be made for twenty-eight " miles, twenty-two and a half of which was through " standing woov, has been thoroughly completed. It is "crowned twenty-two feet in wilth, and substantial
"Brilges have been built over the Rivers and smaller ".Streams.

Brides.
"Besides the Bridge over the River Grand Nou"velle, two hundred and eighty-two feet long and " eightteen feet high, and that on the River Scamenac "one hundred and thirty feet long and thirteen feet " high ; there is one of one hundred and sixty feet long "and eleven feet high; another of one hundred and "sixty fect long and ciglit feet high; and thirieen "o otlers from sixty to one hundred feet in length.

Expendilure.
" The total expenditure for this Road is $£ 3593$ 17s. " 6 dad , besides the sum of $\mathcal{C 1 0}$ given to assist in open"ing a Road from it to Dalhousie Ferry.
"This Road admits of very rapid travelling ; since "it las been openell, the distance from Now Richmond "to Cross Point, fifty-seven miles, has been nccasionally "performed with the same Horse and Carriage in one "day.
Cost per milo. " "The rate of cost per mile (including local supervi"sion) of this Road, without including the cost of the
" larger Bridges or of the surveying of the Line, is $" \mathcal{L} 105$ 13s. 11 d . Inctuding the larger Bridges, "Surveys and all Charges, it is \& 13814 s . 2 did., thoughr "Provisions and Labour are fifty per cent. higher here "than in' any other parts of the Province generally. "Of this Road four miles more had to be made than " was provided for in the original estimate, which, at " an average cost of $£ 109$ 13s. a mile, (being in
" woods,) gives additional work to the value of $£ 436$ Appondix " $5 s$.
"The detached works perfurmed between Nouvelle 1845.
"and Port Daniel, are the inaking of $1 \frac{\mathrm{t}}{\mathrm{L}}$ miles of Woris he-
"Road near Cascapedia, chiefly through Indian Lands, veleen Nond F " cost £84. 17s.

Danigh.
"The making of $1 \frac{1}{4}$ miles of Road near Bonaven" ture, which was iinpassable, cost $£ 117$ 10s. 6 d .
"The huilding of a Bridge over the Little Port "Daniel River, one hundred and sixty feet long and " eighteen feet high, cost' $£ 127$ 1s. 6d.
" The repairing of East Nouvelle Bridge, three hur" dred and fify-two feet long and twenty-four feet high, " $£ 39$ 1s.
" The rebuilding of McNeil's Bridge, one hundred " and fity feet long and thirty feet high, cost $£ 64$ 4s. "The total being £ 45219 s . 7 dd . or $£ 137 \mathrm{~s}$, 5 d , under "the estimate, though the repair of the East Nouvelle "Bridge was not provided for in it ; and a more sub"stantial and costly Bridge was built at Little Port "Daniel than was provided for, making additional " work to the value of $£ 133$ 1s. 6d.
" The next work in succession is the Road from Port Rood from "Daniel to Grand River, twenty-cight and a half miles Gort Daniel to "in length.
"This Road connects the Counties of Gaspe and Effects of tho "Bonaventure. Before it was opened, the County of improvernent.
"Gaspé with a population of 6,000 souls bad no Road " to any other inhabited Country.
"The ground over which this Road passes presents
" every obstacle and source of expense in a very great "degree, much of it being very rocky, swampy and "uneven. It has been made as good a Road as can be " witlout being macadamized, owing partly to the hard " materials of which it is male. The width of crown-
"ing is twenty-two feet, and the Bridges are all built " in the neatest and most substantial manner. The " principal are-
"The Little Pabos Bridge 400 ft . Iong $\& 142 \mathrm{ft}$. high Eridges.
"Days Brook , " 234 " $13 \frac{1}{2} "$
"L'Ance or Canard" 124 " $13 \frac{1}{2}$ "

| "L L'Ance or Chaloupe" | 102 | " | $12 \frac{1}{2}$ | " |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| "Fahres Brook | " | 132 | " | 9 |

$\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { "Fahres Brook } & " & 132 & 6 & 9 & " \\ " \text { Outfet } & " & 112 & \text { " } & 7 \frac{1}{2} & "\end{array}$
" with six others from sixty to one hundred and ten "feet in length.
" Of the $28 \frac{1}{2}$ miles of this road 19 were madc Cost per mile: through stinding wood, and atthough the ground was so very difficult, the cost for road work, including small bridyes, and the cost of local supervision,(omitting cost of survey) is $£ 124511$ a mile ; or, including the large bridges and survey (with fruitless explorations in the interior for a better line) the cost per mile is $£ 176$ 2 9. The total cost of this road, including the local supervision of bridges near it, is £5079 $190 \frac{1}{2}$.

## "The works between Grand River and Percé, are—Works between Grand

"The building of a very substantial bridge at Broche Rercé $\begin{gathered}\text { Rive. }\end{gathered}$ a meuson 183 feet long and 18 high, and the making of road at each end to the extent of 36 chains, with heavy side cutting and rock excavation 7 feet deep, cost $£ 18616$. This stream was furmerly a great obstacle, being fordable only at low water.

Appendix $\mathscr{E} 15,4165111$.
" To which add-
"Value of iron work on
hand for Metis bridge. $37 \quad 30$
"Expenses of explurations
for Gaspé Bassin and
Matanne road.
$49 \quad 0 \quad 9$
"Legal expenses, \&c. . . $10 \quad 3 \cdot 5$
$96 \quad 7 \quad 2$
" $215,512 \quad 13 \quad 11$
"Add also-
"A Amount of my salary charged for surperintendence from 1st May 1842 to 31 st May 1844730110
"Less, plart of it covered by discount reccived from merchants on supplies furnished at my
risk...... .......... risk...... .......... 200211

524 $8 \quad 1$
" $\frac{516,037 \quad 1 \quad 2 \frac{1}{2}}{1}$
"Add other charges-
" Postage on romittances
of moncy from Quebec. $78 \quad 363$
"Do of Letters and Ac-
counts".............. . 501310
"Printing. . . . . . . . . . . . 38160
"Stationery ............ 221472
"Onfice rent............ 210
"Expenses of auctions. . $3419 \quad 7$
"Travelling expensesifrom
1st May 1842 to 1st
November 1844.......332 68
' " $\overline{599105}$
"Less, proceeds of camp
equipage sold......... 5180
$593 \quad 18 \quad 5$
"Total charge against the appropriation on account of expenditure by me
$\not 216,630 \quad 19 \quad 7 \frac{1}{2}$
"Scveral of the charges above are large" owing to circumstances peculiar to the service; postage on
"The building of a brilge over Little River, which "ingo geal obs a pasage in high hoor to be depended upon in winter, Tho bridge is 113保 a mile of road made to give access to it, the cost is
"The building of a bridge over l'Ance-à-Beaufils stream 514 feet long and 14 in greatest height from the buttom, $£ 16910$. circumstances pectiar to the serice, postage on
money, explains itself; printing and stationery is a
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(A. A.) harge item owing to the work having been taken in up wards of 300 small contracts ; the consumption of fuel and candles was increased by the necessity of working
1845. much during the night in a cold building; my travelling charges were also great, owing to the works occupying an extent of 250 miles in a country whero travelling and all other things are expensive.
"The result of the forecroing expenditure is that by the Alvantagos of opening through and improvements of the Kempt road the improve973 miles in length and the making of 60 miles of neww ${ }^{\text {ment. }}$ rond along the Baie des Chalcurs, in separate places, the communication is open in summer for carriages from Quebec by the Kempt Ruad to Halifex and also to Perce ; though some parts of the Kempt Roal from being hilly and uneven do not admit of so rapid traveling is on more level ground, and sections more perfectly made ; and there are some parts, of the previously existing roads in the settlements that require improvements, viz, 4 miles of rough road near Percé, and an unmade Repnire still piece nemr Port Danicl, and some parts at Black Cape, required.
'"There are also some decayed bridges on the Baie Certain des Chaleurs ruad ; the most dangerous are, Kenmore Bridges renuirtridge above Grand Cascapellia, which, with a repair iny reyaira. of $£ 30$ would last seven years, and the bridge over Caplin River which would cost $£ 69$ to renew it. It will soon olstruct the communication, being too large for the inhabitants to build.
"The olstacles between Quebec and Percé are, in Obstacles hethe order of succession, as follows-
"The River Rimouski, which would require a bridge of 645 feet in length; probable cost 21422181. It is fordable at low water.
"The River Metis requiring a bridge of 360 feet in length ; probable cost ${ }^{2} 450$.
"The River Grand Cascapedia a Ferry of 2040 feet ; it is not fordable at low water: a bridge a little above the Ferry would cost about $£ 1800$.
"The River Little Cascapedia, a Ferry of 2100 feet ; fordable at one third tide: a bridge on it would cost $£ 1700$, on loaded trostles.
"The River Grand Bonarenture, a Ferry of 2400 fect ; furdable above at low tide: a bridge above the Ford would cost $£ 1500$.
"The Great Port Daniel River, a Ferry of 200 foct ; fortable outward at low tide: a bridge within the mouth 500 feet in length, would cost $£ \% 00$, or less, if on trestles.
" The River Grand Pabos, a Ferry of 736 feet, deep with a strong current out and in, not fordable.
"Grand River 330 feet wide at village not fordable, would require a bridge 440 feet long; cost $£ 550$ on loaded trostles, with a grillage under, fixed with piles to the bottom.
"The objects, to which a further expenditure might Objects recom. be advantageously devoted, are, in the order of their mended for importance, or eligibility on account of expense, com- fititure. expenpared with their utility, as follows-
" 1. The making of a road from Perce to Gaspé Bassin and Indian Cone, cost on smallest scale $52 \frac{1}{3}$ miles.... $£ 5649.14 \quad 7$

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(A. A).
" 2 . The construction of a road from Metis to Mataune $22 \frac{1}{2}$ miles. ......
" 3. Do. of a road from Little River Restigouche, to the mouth of the Matapedia by the Flat lands-half of it to be made, 68 miles.
" 4. The building of a bridge over the River Metis.

45000
" 5. Do. River Rimouski............ 1443 10. 1
" 6 . Repair of Kenmare bridge.......
"7. Rebuilding Caplin bridge......
" 8. Building a bridge on Great Bona-
venture....... ....................,
" 9. Port Daniel do
" 10. Bridge over Grand River.......
"11. Repair of road near Percé.....
"12. Building a bridge over Little
Cascapedia..................................
1700
"18. Do. Great Cascapedia......... $1800 \quad 0 \quad 0$
" The first items are very important compared with the last.
"Trusting that the foregoing list of work will be considered merely as a comparison and not as a prosumptuous suggestion,
"I remain \&c.,
(Signed)
" A. J. RUSSELL.
" Superintendent."
In a subsequent Report, Mr. Russell, in speaking of the Rimouski and Bonaventure Bridges, states that both would be of inferior utility to the Roads classed before them in the above Schedule, and even less so in proportion to their cost, than a Bridge over the Metis, which could be built at one-third of the expense of either.

From the foregoing, it will be seen that the extension of the Gaspe Road from Perce Point to Gaspe Basin, where the chief settlement of the Distriot is, would be of great importance.

## METIS ROAD.

Metis Road.

By this denomination is meant a Road from the mouth of the River Metis (which is at the beginning of the Kempt Road, ) along the South shore of the Saint Lawrence to the River Matanne, a distance of twenty-nine and a quarter miles, a survey and examination of which have been made by direction of the Executive.

From Metis to where the settlement called Little Metis joins the Township of McNider, (seven and a half miles) a Road has already been made; to make a Road thence to the River Matanne, twenty-one and a half miles, with the necessary Bridges, \&cc. would cost £2666 29 , with the exception of a small portion between the River Tartigouche and the Little Blanche,
the land is good and granted. From the Matanne Appendix settlement, in which is a population of about five (A.A.) huadred sauls, there is no Road; and beynid the 1845 . Matanne settlement aro some new Townships with excellent Roads.

## GROSSE ISLE.

I know of no work in the Province more required Grose Isle. than the construction of a substantial Pier at which emigrant vessels can, on their arrival al the Qunrantine Station, lie alongside.
The majority of the immigrants who are usually Inconvenience obliged to be landed here, are the old woll infirm, or fett for want of helpless females, or young children ; and owing to the aproper pier. exposed and rocky nature of the shore, and there being no convenience whatever for landing, they are sometimes landed at the risk of life, but are always subject to be drenched when the Sea is at all rough. A substantial Pier, capable of withstanding the run of the ice and the effects of storms, built in a depth to allow the vessels to lie alongside at low water, having a convenient mode of landing at any time of the tide, and in connection with the shore, which could be withdrawn during the winter, I estimate would cost $£ 2750$ Coat of conscurrency.

## Chambly canal.

The trade through this Canal for the past year has Chambly Cabeen but very little; a Sohedule thereof is given in nal. the Appendix (Letter T).
"This is attributed by those connected with the trade, Cause assignfirst, to some of the rates being too high ; and secondly, edforsmalloess and chiefly, to the defective state of the navigation of the trade. below the Canal, now in course of being impraved by the works at Saint Ours,

Prior to the rates being fixed on, the Board of Trade Tarif of tolls. of Quebec were consulted on the subject, and the tariff furnished by them, was adoptod, except in a few items, which were fixed at lower rates, than those suggested by them. The tariff however should be revised when the subject of tolls upon public works generally is taken into consideration,

To remove some deposits and cover the cost of Cost of repairs, sundry small repairs, prion to the opening of the navi- \&c., required. gation, the sum of about $£ 250$ will be required. Letter V. (see Appendix) is a Schedule of the outstanding claims against this work.

## GRAND RIVER NAVIGATION,

'This navigation is so intimately connected with the Grand river Welland Canal, that it may fairly be considered as navigation. forming part of it. The Bridge uver the Grand River at Cayuga, about sixteen miles above Dunnville, (the head of the present Feeder to the Welland Canal) is considered the line of division between the Wellard Canal and the Grand River navigation. On this portion of the River a certain expenditure has been incurred, in connection with the works of the Welland Canal, in forming a tow-path, in deepening sundry parts, and in excavating sundry projecting points which impeded the navigation.

From Cayuga to Brantford, ( 44 miles,) the works have been undertaken by a chartered company, under the title of the "Grand River Navigation Company."

The total stock originally subscribed for, amounts to Strek ori$£ 47,41200$, of which $£ 38,256$ belong to the Six ginally suheNations Indians.


## STATEMENT

Suewing the Monics exponded upon each of the Public Works, slnce the date of the Accounts which accompanied the Report presented to for the last Session of the Legislature, up to the termination of the half year ending on the frrst day of July, 1844; shewing also, the total amounts expended upon each Work up to that period.


Certified to be a true Abstract of the Accounts of the Board of Works.
Thomas a begly,

Scc. Board Works.

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## APPENDIX TO THE FOREGOING REPORT.

Lotter A.-Schedule shewing the prolvable present amount of Travel on certain Roada.
" HB.-Schelule slewing the present, and the proposed Rates of Tolls on Public Works.
'16 C.-Schedule shewing the several portions of Roads made under former Commissioners, and now proposed to be assumed by the Government, as forming part of the main Provincial Road.
"D.-Schedule shewing the amount and description of property passed through the Welland Canal, in' the years 1843 and 1844 ,
" Ne.-Schedule shewing the reccipts on the Lachine Canal, 1844.
" F.-Chart of Lake Saint Peter.

* G.-Section of the direct Channel through Lake Saint Peter.
" IM.-Repurt of Mr. Walton on the Road from Hull to Grenville.
L.-Report of Mr. Walton on the Road from Bytown to L'Orignal.

E:- Plan of the Burlington Bay Canal, ehewing the position of the old and new Works.
L.-Schedule of clains against the late Commissioners for the improvement of the River Trent.
M.-Schedule of claims agninst the late Commissioners for the improvement of the River Trent and inland waters of the Newcastle District, unsettled.

* N.-Schedule of the Lumber run down the River Trent 1844, with an' estimate of that which will pass in 1845.
O.-Extract from Report of Mr. Wilson, Oversecer of the Works of the Trent, \&e.
P.-Report of Mr. Lyons, the Superintendent of the Worke of the Trent and Neweastie District.
Q.-Report ol Mr. Gzowski on Port Stanley, \&c.
R.-Schedule of the Irnports and Exports of the Port of Dundas 1843 and 1844.
S.-General Schedule of Works and materials enumerated in the accompanying Report as being required.
T.-Schedulo shewing tho amuunt and description of Property passed through the Chambly Canal, 1844.
" U.-Schedule shewing the Lockage Levels, \&c. on the Route from Three-Rivers to Lake Huron, by the River Saint Lawrence, contrasted with those between the aame points, by the Ottawa, Rideau Canal, Trent, Lake Simcoe, and River Severn.
" V.-Schedule of outtatanding claims on the Chambly Canal.
* W.-Report of Mr. Barrett on the Grand River Navigation.


# APPENDIX LETTERA. 

## No. 1.

In accordance with your instructions of 6 h January, to report on the Amount of Revenue which may reasonably be calculated upon, and the cost of main. taining the different improvements placed under my charge, I beg leave most respectfully to make the following Report:-

I have employed persons to keep correctly the extont of Travel passing and repassing the places where I would recommend the erection of Gates, and required them to make thoir return under vall, so as to be sure of their accuracy.

It was out of my power to have persons on all the difiterent Roads, and at each phace where a Gate should be erected; but to be sure not to oper estimate the revenue of a Gate to be erected at a point where there was no check kept of the travel, I phoed the persons at points where the travel is less, and call the value (in iny estimate) of the Gate the same as the one at which we have a data for calculating.

In making the calculations for the ambunt of revenue on ench Ruad, I alopted the following plan:-

First, I assumed cerain rates of Tolls at each Gate, which will be found annexed to the Schedule of Travel on cach Road.

Second, I allowed that a team should only pay once in the same day.

Third, That there should be no Tolls charged on Sundays.

1 then added the different descriptions of travel, eacl kind by itself, and by dividing it by the number of days turing which it was kopt, I obtain the average
per diem; then I allow that one half of the ravel returns the same day (on which point I am satisfied that I am over instead of undor what is actually the case, )' and taking the remaining half of ench kind of travel, I multiply it by the different rates of Tolls proposed to bo charged at onch Gate, and that amount by 313 days, which gives mo the probable revenue of each Gate for the year.

In another Sciredule I liave made an abstract of the revenue on ench work under my charge distinctly, with the cost of the roarl, the amount that I think will be necossary for maintaining that Road (por mile, and entre) in gooct repair, and lastly the per cent that the revente will bring upon the cost of the Road.

In anther Schedulo I lavo placed the value of Tolls I would respectifuly recommend to be charged at each Gate, on tho dillerent Romeds and Bridges, and my viows as to cost of collection, \&ce. \&e.

On tho Revenue of Roals, that are now it progress, I an not propared to repurl satisfactorily: they are the Chatham and Roud 'Wau' Rowd ; Chatham, Muidstone Cross and Amherstburg Ruad; and tho Maidstone Cross and Sandivich Road.

The Rond 'Eau Road however, I have no hesitation in saying will pay well, as it will bo in my opinion the only channol for export in that section of the country.

On the revenue of the Port Stanley Harbour, I cannot report as to the exact amount, but juiging from the report of the Colllector, Mr. Smith, it will amount to a large sum during the next year.

Attached to the Schedule Nos, 2 \& 3 are some' remitiks and recommendations which are most respecifully subrnitted by,

## Sir,

Your very obedient Servant,
(Signed) C. S. GZOWSKI,
Thos. A. Begly, Tisa., Sceretary Board of Works, Kingston.

Road Office London,<br>18th March, 1844.

## Appendix (A. A.)

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## APPENDIX LETTER A. No. 2,

Shewing the Average Travel on the London and Chatham Road, as calculated from Returns thereof, kept from the 29 th January to 24 th February, 1844, - rilso, the probable Revenue therefrom, the Rates being the same as those on the London and Brantford Road, but the Gates to be Ten Miles asunder instead of Six.


## APPENDIX LETTER A. No. 3,

 Hose on the London and Brantford Road, but the Gates to be 10 miles asunder instead of 6 .


APPENDIX LETIER A, No. 4,




## APPENDIX LETTER A,

No. 6,

Being an Abstract of Letter A. 2, 3, 4 and 5, shewing the cost of each Road and of certain Bridges, cost of Repairs for 1845, and the probable amount of revenue from each.

| Name of Road, \&c. | Cost of completion. | Amount per mile required to keep it in good repair lor one year. | Total amount of repairs on the entire Road far one year. | Grossamount of Revenue collected on the Road for one year. | The per centage that the Revenue, without deducting repairs, will bring on the original cost of the Work. | Remarks. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| London and Port Stanley Road. London and Brantiord Road. . | $\left\|\begin{array}{ccc} f & \text { s. } & \text {. } \\ 27894 & 17 & 7 \\ 47330 & 19 & 4 \end{array}\right\|$ | $\left\{\begin{array}{rrr} f & s & \mathrm{n} \\ 7 & 10 & 0 \\ 3 S \frac{1}{2} \text { miles } & 0 \\ 7 & 10 & 0 \\ 19 \text { miles } & \begin{array}{rl} 20 \\ 20 & 0 \end{array} \end{array}\right.$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ccc}f & 5 & \text { d } \\ 191 & 5 & 0 \\ 763 & 15 & 0\end{array}\right.$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} f & \text { 5. } & \text {. } \\ 2337 & 6 & 1 \\ & & \\ 3041 & 2 & 3 \end{array}$ |  | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} 38 \frac{1}{2} \text { miles planked } \\ 19 \text { miles macadam- } \\ \text { ized Road. } \end{array}\right.$ |
| London and Chatham Road.... | 15769180 | , 7100 | $\begin{array}{lll}450 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | 110418 |  |  |
| London and Port Sarnia Road. | 1648440 | ( $\begin{gathered}5 \\ \text { None }\end{gathered} 0 \begin{array}{ccc}\text { dur- }\end{array}$ | 30210 号 | 108711 b |  |  |
| Brantford Bridge | $1420 \quad 0 \quad 0$ | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { None our- } \\ \text { ing the com- } \\ \text { ing year. } \\ \text { S Noise dur- } \end{array}\right.$ |  | $250 \quad 0 \quad 0$ | $17 \frac{1}{2} \frac{3}{4} \quad \text { do. }$ |  |
| Paris Bridge | $1200 \quad 0.0$ | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { ing the com- } \\ \text { ing ycar. } \end{array}\right.$ | $\ldots$ | 14000 |  |  |
| Chrtham Bridgo. | $1450 \quad 0 \quad 0$ | $150 \quad 0$ | $1 \begin{array}{lll}150 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | $210 \quad 0$ | 14, ${ }^{\frac{1}{2}}{ }^{\text {a }}$ do. | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { Allowed for re- } \\ \text { pairs ater con- } \\ \text { structed } £ 22500 \end{array}\right.$ |

london and port stanley road.
In estimating the repairs of this Road, I merely estimated the labour of keeping the drainage of the Road perfect, and superintendence; the plank when properly laid will not require any repairs during the first year.

LONDON AND BRANTYORD ROAD.
In estimating the repairs of this Road, I allowed that the repairs of the macadamized portion of it during the first year will be equal to one man to two miles constantly employed, the remaining sum will be used in obtaining additional materials for filling up ruts, and superintendence. The Tolls of the Brantford Bridge are included in the reccipts of Tolls on the Road.

## London and chatham road.

In estimating the repairs of this Road, I added a sufficient sum per mile for the filling up and repairing the embankments which will be necessary the first year. The Folls collected at the Chatham Bridge are included in the receipts of Tolls on the Road.

## London and port sarnia road.

The Tolls on this Road will increase materially, after it is completed; the repairs of the Road will be very slight during the first year.

## branteord bridge.

I could not ascertain the exact amount expended in repairs on the Brantford Bridge, there being no regular account kept of it.
paris mridge.
I could not ascertisin the exact amount expended in repairs on this Bridge, no account being kept of them.

## chatham bridge

Will require $£ 15000$ of repairs this year, which will put it in good condition for two or three years ; the amount allowed for repairs since it was constructed is $£ 22500$.
the london bridge.
I included the Tolls that will be received for crossing the Bridge in the Tolls for the Sarmia Road, but the gate must be erected at the proof line of London: if not, there will be but a trifing Toll collected; as I fear that the people would avoid it by continuing on the proof line to London.
the delaware bridge.
I included the Tolls that will be received for crossing this Bridge in the Tolls fur the Chatham Road. The Toll for the Brillge alone will bear the following proportion:-
The cost of the Bridge was $£ 1,7011410$, amount of Tolls received $£ 1538$ 10, equal to $9 \frac{1}{100}$ on the original cost of the Bridge.
(Signed) . C. S. GZOWSKI,
Road Office London, 18th, March, 1844.

# APPENDIXLETTERA, 

## No. 7,

Shewing the average Travel on that part of the Dover and Hamilton Road between the Grand River and Hamilton, as calculated from returns thercof kept for the month of March, 1844. Also, the probable Revenue to be derived therefirom, the Rates being the same as those on the Hamilton and Brantford Road, and collected on the same principles.

The average Travel along the end of the Road towards Hamilton is 126 teams of 2 horses, and 12 saddle horses per day, but it is presumed that this average would only hold good during six months of the year, and that it should be reduced one-third to get a fair average for the other six months. It is also supposed that the whole of these teams would only pass through one gate, two-thirds through the second gate and one-third through the third gate, and that upon Sundays the travel should go free. According to this data the estimated Revenue that may be derived from the part of the Road between Hamilton and Caledonia, will be as follows :-


Probable amount of annual Revenue on this part of the Road.......... £2034 10 0

It is proper to remars that this estimate is made from the travel before the Road South of Grand River was completed-Upon the full opening of the Road, this estimate will be materially increased.

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## APPENDIX LETTER B.

SCHEDULE No. 2.

## CANALS.

2ND BURLINGTON BAY CANAL.

Rates of Toul at the Burlington Bay Canal, fixed by Commissioners under the Authority of Provincial Acts 9 Geo. IV. Chap. 12, and 11 Geo. IV. Chap. 12, by order of 25th February, 1836.


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## APPENDIX LETTER B.

SCHEDULE No. 3.-CANALS.

3rd. ST. ANN'S LOCK.

Rates of Toll hitherto paid for passing through the St. Ann's Lock, by order of the Governor in Council.


## LETTER B.

SCHEDULE No. 4.

4TI. LACHINE, OANAL

Rates of Tohl hitherto Collected on the Iachine Canal

| DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY. |  | $\mathcal{E}$ 's. $\quad \mathrm{d}$. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| BOAT, SCOW, \&c., of 5 Thons and under. |  | 0 | 6 | 3 |
| 13OAT, SCOW, 业, hetween 5 and Sn Tons. |  | 0 | 8 | 9 |
| BOAT, SCOW, \&c., between 20 and 60 Tons. |  |  |  | 6 |
| 130AT, SCOW, \&e, leatween 60 and 80 Tons. |  |  |  | 0 |
| BOAT SCOW, \& |  |  | 0 | 0 |
| FIREWOOD. | per Cord, | 0 |  | $6^{1}$ |
| TIMEER. | " Ton, | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| MERCHANDISE and LIQUORS | " ${ }^{\prime \prime}$ | 0 |  | 4 |
| - ASHES. | " Barrel, | 0 |  | 5 |
| BEEEF and PORK | ${ }^{4}{ }^{16}$ |  |  | 3 |
| FLOUR or RICE. | " Tierce, | 0 |  | 4 |
| FLOUR or RICRi. | " Barrel, | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| FLOUR or RICE. | $"$ Hafl barrcl, | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| WHEAT or olher GRAIN | " Bushel, . | 0 | 0 | 34 |
| BUTTEER or LARD | " Barrel, | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| SALT | " ${ }^{\text {a }}$ (on, | 0 | 0 | 9 |
| STANDARD PIPE STAVES | " M., | 0 | 15 | 0 |
| HAY. | "100 Bundles | 0 |  | (1) |
| PASSRNGERS, Adults. | Each, | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| PASSENGERS, ${ }^{\text {children. }}$ | ! | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| HORSES and NEAT CATHLE | " | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| JIOGS, SHEEP, GOATS, CALVES or DOGS | a | 0 |  | 1 |
| STONE or BRICK. | " T'oise, | 0 |  | 6 |
| IIME or SAND | " Iloysliead, | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| SHINGLES. | " 1,000 | 0 | 0 | 3 |


| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Appendit } \\ & (\text { A. } \end{aligned}$ | APPENDIX LETYER B.-SCIIEDULE No. 5.-CANALS. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Appendix } \\ & \text { (A. A:) } \end{aligned}$ |
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| 1845 . |  | 1845. |

Rates of Toll established on the Chambly Canal by the Governor in Council.

| description of property | QUANTITY. | RATES. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Flour, Crack | per Barrel, - |  |
| Beef', Pork, Cider, Whiskey, Vinegrar, Oil, Wine, Beer, Pickled Fish, Pitch, Tar, Varnish, |  |  |
| ^stues, Plaster, - - | " " | 0 |
| Lard, Tatllow, Butter, Becs-wax, Rice, Checse, Fams, Bacon, Hides dry, Hides green, Horns, dried Fish, Tobucen, | " Cwt, | 0 112 |
| Salt, Conls, Haster, Iron in any lirm, Earths, Whiting, Claalk, Pnint, Lead in any form, Sand, Stotic, Brick, Grinu Stones, | " Ton, | 0 |
| heat, , Ladian Curn, Burley, Ryy, Outs, Secds of all kinds, Boans, Vogctubles of all Krind |  | ${ }^{1}$ |
| Bran, Wool, Stone Ware, - - - - - - | Ton, | 1. 6 |
| Sleights, Carts, Wagous, Itouse Furniture, Ploughs and all instrunents of Iusbandry, Ilard wire and Cullery, |  |  |
| Horsee, Oxul, Stuers, Cowe, Hoge, | Each, | ${ }^{0} 06$ |
| Eheap, Goats, Calves, Pigs - - ${ }^{-}$ |  | 002 |
| Dry Gonds, Grates, Bules, wc. nr other Merchandize not enunc | 40 Fcet |  |
| Hay, | " 100 Bundles, | 01 |
| Boards, Planks, Slabs, 'Scanting, reduced to Board meassre 1 inch thick, | " M. ${ }^{\text {u }}$ ect, - |  |
|  |  |  |
|  | " ${ }^{40}$ |    <br> 0 0 2 <br> 0 0  <br> 0   |
| Saiv Logs 14 inclues in diameter and under, | " Log, - |  |
| Do. do. do. and upwards, |  | 0 |
| Cord Wood or Thanners' Bark, - - | " Cord, | 00 |
| Cellar Buans, Posts, Flouts, | " M. Lineal Fect | 5 |
|  |  | 010 |
| ${ }^{\text {Pipe Staves, }}$ De. West India, | " M. | 012 0 0 |
| Boats under 20 tons, - |  | 07 |
| Do. do. 50 do. |  | 012 |
| Do. do. 80 do. |  | 015 |
| Do. 80 tons andl upwarls, |  | 100 |

Nowe.-A fraction of a ton is taken according to the number of quarters theroin, an lit fraction of a quarter of a ton is deemed a whele quarter. The rates on Timber, Boards, Plank and Scantling in Rafts are calculated in proportion to the quantily in teet; but no quantity under 25 feet phys for less than 25 feet.

APPENDIX LETTER B.-SCIIEDULE No. 6.-IIARBOURS.
1st PORT STANLEY on KETTLE CREEK.

Rates of Tonl Established by Gommissioners under the Provincial Act 8 Geo. IV. cap, 18.


[^1]APPENDIX LETTERB.

SCHEDULE No.7.

2nd TORONTOHARBOUR.

Rates of Toll fixed by the Governor in Council, under authority of Provincial Act 3rd. Will. IV, Cap. 31.


## LETTERB.

SCHEDULE No. 8.

PRESENT AND PROPOSED RATES OF TOLL ON THE FOLLOWING
SLIDES.

| SITUATION OF SLIDE. | For every Crib of Timber, Staves, Saw Logs or sawed Lumber, passing down the Slide. | REMARKS. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| IN TIIE NEWCASTLE DISTRICT, |  |  |
| AT CROOK'S RAPIDS, . <br> " HEELY'S FALLS, <br> " MIDDLE FALLS, <br> " RANNEY'S FALLS <br> " CHISHOLM'S RAPIDS, |  |  |
| ON THL OTTA WA RIVER'. | For evary Crib of Timber. |  |
| AT THE DEUX-JOACHIMS, CALUMET AND MOCNTAIN SLIDES, passing from the head of the Calumet to the foot of the Mountain Slides, |  | Established by Authority of the Governor in Council |
| ON IUE MADAIVASKA. | For every 100 Pieces of Timber. |  |
| HIGH FALLS'SLIDES, - - | 40 - - |  |

Appendix (A. A.)


## A PLENDIXLETHLR B.

## SCMEDUTAS No. 10.--1'UBLIC BRADC:BS.


Acts of the Jrovimial Iamishate hereminamed, upon the following Bridges:-


## LETTER B.-SCIIEDULE No. 11.

IUBLIC WORKS, Completed or in Progress, on which no Tolls are Levicd, ar can be Levied for watit of Legad Authority.

## CANALS,

IN TIIE NEWCASTLE DISTRICT.
SCligoc hike.
WIHMLAS IOCK
CROOK'S LOMK.
CHLSHOLN'S LOCK.

## ST. LAWIRENCE CANALS.

TIJF GALIOPS ......... 1 Tift lock and 1 Ginard Inock. 2 miles. POINT 1RUQUOIS . . . . . . 1 Litt Lock. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 miles 14 ch's. RAPIDE PLAT'.... . . . . 1 hili. Lock and I Gum Lome. 4 miles.


 SAINT OURS' LOCK. . . River Richulieu.

## ROADS.

LONDON and PORT STANTEY

## SLIDES,

N THE NLHCASTHE DISTRICT,

> nIVER 'TRENT'.

A' CHOOKS' RAPIDS
HBEMYS HALLS.
MIDDLL FALLS.
MANNYS FALLE
GHISHOLM'S RAPIDS.

## HARBOURS.

RONDFAU.
Jon'l bovirn
PORT BURWELT.
DOR'小 MAITLAND.
DORT (COLI ORNF.
WINDSUL HARBOUR.

## BRIDGES.

DFITAWARFRREGGE.
LONDON BRIDCGH.
CAIEDONTA BRIIIGF.
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APPENDIX $\angle E T E R B$
SCHEDULE Xo. 12, SHEWING THE PRESENT AND PROPOSED RATES OF TOLL ON PUBLIC WORKS.
CANALS AND HARBOURS.


## APPENDIX LETTERB.

## SCHEDULE No. 13.

PUBLICROADS.



## APPENDIXLETTERB.

SCHEDULE No. 14.

## PUBLIC BRIDGES.

rates of toll at presevt levied, avd rates proposed to be levied upon tile uvidruentioned public bridges.


# APPENDIX LETTEREB. 

SCHEDULE No. I5.
$\mathbf{R}_{\text {Ates }}$ of Toul suggested for the single detached Locks in the Newcastle District, and at St. Ann's and St. Ours.


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APPENDIX LETTERC.

Schenule shewing the several portions of Roads made under former Commissioners, and now proposed to be assumed by the Government, as forming part of the Main Provincial High Road:-

HAMILTON and BRANTFORD,
WEST' YORK
EAST YORK,
NADANEE to KINGSTON,
LACFINE to MONTREAL
MONTREAL to BOU'R DE T,TSLE
MAIN NORTH TORONTO ROAD to LAKE IIURON.

## APPENDIXLETTER D.

No. 1.
Companative Statemext of the Principal Arlicles of Property passed through the Wefland Canal, from the opening of the navigation to the 30th November, for the years 1841, 1842, 1843 and 1844 :-




# APPENDIX LETTER H. 

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## GRENVILLE, 1 sT DECEMBER, 1843.

SIR,
In compliance with your iustructions of the 15 th ultimn, I have travelled tho Line of the front road on the north side of the Ottawa River, from Hull to Grenville, and have the honour to submit tho following Roport and Schedules.
From tho Union Suspension Bridge in IIall; to the East Bank of the Gattineau River in Templeton, the distanco is about 3 miles, one mile of which is a good passable road; $1 \frac{1}{2}$ mile requiros ditching, and turnpiking, and the remaining half mile is a swamp requiring cross laying. The last two miles of this Rodd are impassable for want of drainage.

Bridgas Nos. $1,2 \& 4$ (Schedulc B) occur in this distance, are on the line of the Rond, and available with the necessary repairs; new bridges 3 \& 5 (Schedul: 1.) are required.
f:om the Gattinenu to the Cast bank of the river Lievre in Buckingham, about 16 milcs. The first $2 \frac{1}{2}$ miles are passable only in summer, requires draining and turnpking through cleared land, the remaining 131 milos is an impassable rond, through wet wood land, requires light grubbing, heavy difchirg and turnpiking; within this distanco bridgo No. 7 occurs and now bridges Nos. $6 \$ 8$ are required.

From the Lion to the Fast Bank of the Lower Blanche River in Lochaber, about 9 milos. The first four miles are wet woodhand Rond, nearly impassable, require light grubling, heavy ditcling, and turnpiking, lie remaining 5 miles requiro only light diteliing and hrowing up, hat is intersected by deep ravines, say 6 of which are 30 foot high with Slopes, 3 to 1
which must be cut down to an easior grade. New bridges Nos. $9,10 \& 11$ are embraced in this distance across ravines having streams in the bottum of them.

From the Lower Blanche to the East Bank of Petite Nation River, in the Seigniory, the distance is about 8 miles, the Road is in good order, but intersected by ravines; 3 of their slupes will requiro to be cut down, the same as those before mentioned. New bridges Nos. 12 \& 13 are requirel across rayines, and No. 14 across the Petite Nation River.
Trom the Petite Nation to tho East Bank of the River Rouge in Grenville the distanice is about 20 miles ; the East Bank of the Petile Nation River rises on a Slope of 25 to 1 for 100 feet in height and requires to bo brought to a flater Slope; the Roalffor 2 miles west of the River Rouge, along the base of the Mountain, requires heavy ditcling on the upper sido and turnpiking in rough stony ground.

In this distance occur bridges Nos. $15,16 \& 17$, requiring to be rebuilt, and now bridgo No. 18 across the River Rouge; a narrow place occurs in this stream at the rapids, 20 rods above the line of the Road.
I have given in the Schedule a section of this part of the River as well as on the line of the Road, considering that the rapids afford the most eligible crossing place for the location of the bridge: at the rapils mile of new Road through woodlland with heavy clearing and grubbing will be required.
From the River Rouge to Grenville about 6 milos. One milo of the Rond at the base of the Mountain requires heavy ditching on the upper side, and turnpiking in rough stony ground.

An Apprommate Estimate Cost of oponing a Road from Hall to Grenviile, on the North Side of the Ollawa.

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## 1.

NEW BRIDGES required on the line of the Front Road, on the North side of the Ottawa River between Hull and Grenville.

## SCHEDULE $\mathscr{L}$

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height.
D. S. WALTON.

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## APPENDIX LETTERI.

## BYTOWN, 19'in DEOEMBER, 1844.

Sir,
In complinece with your instructions of the 181 h November, I have travelled the Road from L'Origual to Byturn, and have the honor to Report:-
That tho only lino of Rond now opened from L'Orignal to Bytown, is ly way of Calodunia Springs to Hatifioll, on the south Nation Rivor in the Township of Plantaganct, thence by what is called the Eront Road to Bytown. This is an ordimary winter sleigh road, is clearod nbout 30 foot wido not grubbod, is ditched on one side in wet Iand and has bridges orected over the creeks and ravinos, some of which are in good order. This Road passos through the front and most selthed parts of the country, I have also travelled on the proposed line of centre Road for 10 miles noxt east of Greon's Croek (in Glocester) and from observation of this portion and tho bost information I can obtain of the romainder including that contained in the Repori of the District Surveyor, who run the line, Inm satisfied that a greate extent of swamp and wet pine land must bo traversed, the expense of which in my opinion condemns this route.
It is also about tho samo distance from Hattiold to Bytown by this as by the line of front rond sclected and horeafier describod, and its routo is from Hattiold through the contre of Plantigenot, Clarence and Cumberhand uniting with the Proint Rond at Green's Crook in Glocoster 6 milos east of Bytown.
The proposed rear route by way of Bear Brook I havo clompod too circuitous to admit of its consideration in this instance.

I would recommend the following routa to bo salected fur the completion of a Road Prom L'Orignial to Bytown, viz: from L'Orignal to Hattiold on the South Nation River in Plantagenet; following the prosent line of Road via Caledonia Springs, distance about 18 milos, 11 of which are excellont and 7 roquire repairs, "thence wosterly" 1 am informed that a more direct ind chemper line of Road than the front may be run to intersect the fiont Rond at Fox's Creok, lessoning the distance between thase points somo 2 miles, and avoiding some ravines which intersect the front Rond.

I would rospoctfully suggest a survey of his altoration to ascortain its practicabilly.
The ostimate is mado upon the present line of front Road botweon thoso points.

From Fox's Creok to Bytown I recommend for solection the line of front Road with a fevy alterations necessnry to straighton it and to cross ravines at more fayourable points.
Heroto is annexed an approximate estimnte of the cost of completing a "good ordinary Canidian Road," between LOrignal and Bytown, based upon tha following general description of Rond, viz: in chop and cloar 00 feet wido, to form a road-way of 20 feet wide having a crown of one foot. To cross lay in swamp with ifoot of brush and cover with an avernge depth of 1 foot of earth, and to grub the width of the road. 1 wny.

An approximated Estimate of the cost of completing a Road from L'Orignal to Bytown.



## APPENDIXLETTER M

Scurdule of claims agninst the late Commissioners for the iinprovement of the River Trent and the Inland Waters of the Newcastle District, part of which the Board of Works have been authorised to pay by order of the Executive Government; aid the remainder valued by the same authority, but the payment of which has not yet been authorised


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# APPENDIX LETTERM. 

Schedule of claims against the late Commissioners for the improvement of the River Trent, \&c.-(Continued.)

|  | Amount claimed by the partics. | Amountins valued by the Engineer. | ! : |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brought forva | $\begin{array}{ccc}\boldsymbol{£} & \text { e. } & \mathrm{d} . \\ \text {-. } & \text {.- } & \cdots\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc}£ & \text { e. } & \mathrm{d} \\ \cdots & \ldots & .\end{array}$ |  |
| Fourthly-Claims of the late Commissioners for monies expended by them over and above the amount received, referred to the Inspector General by order in Council, for investigation; (it appearing that the eum of $£ 126035 \frac{1}{2}$ has been paid to Sidey \& Co. by the Commissioners over and above the amount of work done by them, | 270. 2 | 107. 68 | 10760 |
| Fifthly-Claims made by sundry persons, who, in the opinion of the Engineer, have not sustained damage, or to whom none appeared to bave been donc. |  |  |  |
| Hon. Z. Bumhtam, <br> D. Sidey \& Co. who it appears have been already overpaid $£ 1260$ 3s. 6d. <br> Thomas Fortye, | $\begin{array}{rrr} 25 & 0 & 0 \\ 1501 & 19 & 8 \end{array}$ |  |  |
| Sixthly-Claims lately made by sundry persons into which no investigation has as yet been made. |  |  |  |
| G. S. Boulton for drowned Lands, Forsyth, Richardson \& Co., for damage to mill privilege- (no mill is yet crectea.) |  |  |  |
| Amount as valued by the Engincer, - - |  | $\ldots £$ | 3761. 12 |

## APPENDIXLETTER N,

Suewing the Quantity of Lumber run down the Trent during the Three past Seasons, de.

1842.- 800,000 fect of Pine Lumber. 1843.-1,000,000 do. do. 40,000 Staves.

| $\left\{\begin{array}{r} 1844 .-1,500,000 \text { feet Pine Lumber } \\ 300 \text { Masts............ } \end{array}\right\} \begin{array}{r} \text { down the Slide } \\ \text { at } \\ 140,000 \text { Staves........ } \\ \text { Hecley's Falls. } \end{array}$ |
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## APPENDIX LETTERO.

Report of Mr. Thomas Wilson, Overseer of the Works of the River Trent and Nowcastle District.

Peterbono, 25th November,' 1844.

## SIR,

There is every prospect that between six and seven million feet of Timber will run through the Slides, on the River Tront, in the Spring of 1845, as at this time there are above eight hundred men in the woods getting out Timber; bet ween Middle FallsandPeterboro' ; these men are divided into gangs of five in each gang, which will make 160 gangs; one gang will make 2000 feet per week, thoy have been in the woods since October and will work until the middle of April, say 24 weeks, $2000 \times 24=48,000,-100 \times 48,000=7,680,000$ feet,
which amount probably will not all be got out of the woonls, say $6,000,000$ will be got out and run down the Slides. The Lumber Merchants have been in the habit of letting their Timber to contractors to take from Hecly's Falls to Percy Boom, at from One pound fifteen shillings to Two pounds per Thousand feet, which, with other expenses in buying floats and traverses for rerafing at the mouth of the Trent, will amount io Five pounds per Thousand feet. I would not hesitate to say that every thousand feet of Timber costs five pounds in taking from Heely's Falls to the Bay of Quinte, and rafting to run down to market. Tho

Appendix Slides when completed will prevent such an expense ; for the Timber can then be rafted at the place where
1815. it is drawn into the water, and instad of the lumbermen buying their llats, \&c., at the Percy Boom, at the mouth of the Trent, their own men can cut them at a time when they would not be earning the quarter of thair wages, that is just when the frost is breaking up, when they cannot draw large Timber, nor yet raft that which is drawn on account of the ice.

Wilh respect to the charges for the passage of Tim:ber through the Slides, if it formerly cost five pounds per thousand, I think that one pound ten shillings per thousand would be sulficiently low to secure the merchant a saving of half the' amount it formerly cost him per thousand at the lowest estimate. Providing then that $6,000,000$ of feet is run through the Slides next Spring at one pound ten shillings per thousand, the Tolls would amount to $£ 9000$. I think the Tolls should not be less than 7s. Gd. per thousand at Heely's, Middle Falls and Ranncy's, at Crooks, 3s. 9d. ; if the Otumabee River were'made so that Timber could be got down, it would draw a great many more speculators into the trade, and the traffic would yearly increase. As the Timber convenient to Rice Lake and the Trent is getting scarce, and in the townships, North of Petervoro' there is an abundance of White Pine and White Oak, I think sufficient to supply the English market for thirty yoars, the Timber is of the very best description. There is also a large amount of Red Pine.

I havo heard that some merchants are intending to make staves in the Township of Ops, and take them out by the way of the Plank Road to Windsor Harbour; that Road would be too expensive, as they then would have to be shipped; but providing the Slides were made on the Olmabee River, which, I think, is indispensably necessary, they could then raft in Scugog Lake and run down to Quebec.

There is no trade whatever on the Trent excepting Lumber at present; but if it were practicable for the Steamboat to run to Heely Falls, (the only obstruction being Asphoddel Bridge,) it would'then draw a trade from the adjoining Townships; to take this part of the navigation prospectively, it must be the way of transport for the production of the adjoining Townships, and when once in operation will cause the Lands between Heely and Crooks to be settled upon, and instead of the new settler burning the wood and thinking the ashes of no valuc, he will at once see that he has an easy communication with the front and that any amount of Potash could be easily got to market, it will be an inducement for him to make a trial, and if an industrious and persevering man, he will not be disappointed in his expectalions, but will receive, if a
gool article, sufficient as to pay him for bis labour in clearing his land, and if one enterprising individual stars in a new settlement where every setter is clearing lands, it will cause lis neighbours, if not to mako Putash, to save their ashes and sell to the Putash maker, which would have an abundunce of ashes as the timber in these Townships is woll alapted for making that article.

Crook's Rapids and Heely's Falls would be Ports of Entry for 'grain and other produce, and as Heely's is only nine miles from the Marmora iron wurks, why not make a road connecting the two places and transport the manufactured article by the way of Cobourg. It is a pity that these works are not in operation, as. I am informed by a smith I have on the wnoks, and who has wrought up some of the Marmora iron, that it is equal if not superior to Sweeds iron.

The merchandize that has passed through the Lock at Peterboro' this senson a mounts to 326 tons nad 480 passengers- the two yoars previous' there were from three to five thousand bushels of wheat taken down the River ; there vere from forty to fifty thousand bushels received in Peterboro ${ }^{7}$ and taken by sleighs to Cobourg and Port Hope mills-it is now anticipated by the merchants of Peterboro' that they will receive from ono hundred and fifty to lwo hundredihousand bushels yearly in Peterbori' which will be manufactured into flour, as there are two extensive mills building, one of which is expected to commence grinling in February next; 'this qualtity of wheat will make from thirty to fifty thousand barrels of flour; which must be transported by the River Otonabee and Nice Lake, as it would be summer before the article could be manufictured. This traffic must inevitably increase yearly as the merchants in Peterboro' will be enabled to give within two pence per bustel of tho merolants in Cobourg and Port Hope.

With respect to the management of the works when completed, I would suggest to havo a, general Superintendent, and in the spring of the year, during the time of running timber, ongaye an assistant at each Slide; these assistants should mark the timber with the number of the Slide it first passes through, so that the Collector at the lower Slide could collect the whole of the Tolls for the whole of the Slides at one place.

If Slides were constructed on the Otonabee, it would open a communication with the inland waters, which, to look at prospectively, would open a trade from the back Country, which, I think, cannot be estimated, for it would certainly be the cause of inducing persons to settle on the lands, and must yearly increase the num. ber of the inhabitants.

I remain, Sc.,\&c.;
THOMAS WILSON, Oversecr Trent Locks.
> thomas a. begly, Esa., Secretary Board of Works.

# APPENDIX LETTERP. 

## COBOURG, 25тin NOVEMBER, 1844.

## SIR,

In reply to your letter of the 9 th instant, I beg to subnit the following notes:-the necessity of making out the estimates and returns alroady sent, and the travel I have had in the performance of that duty, leaves me far less time than I could have wished to make the enquiries necessary to enable me to lay befure you a fuller and more copious report.
$I$ shall consider the Newcasile and Colborne Dis* tricts as one, as they are naturally united by the great chain of water communication, their interests are the same, and the increase in their trade and productions are in a great measure dependant on each other.

The great object of all improvements should be to facilitate the operations of commerce and agricultureto afford an outlet for the productions of the regr town-
-

Value of the Exports as above for 1843.
$£_{15,246} 0$ of which $\frac{3}{5}$ is from Windsor Harbour, and $\frac{2}{5}$ from Oshava.

The Exports from Windsor this year are about the same as the last, and perhaps a trifle more from Oshawa, occasioned by the Proprietors and the Captains of the Mail Line of Steam Boats preferring to touch at Harbours not under the control of the Board.' Great objections are urged against the design and general arrangement of Burlington Bay, Windsor and Cobourg Harbours, and as far as I have been able to learn solely because they are intended to accommodate and shelter every other description of Vessel as well the Steam Boats; frequently a Steam Boat passes Cobourg without touching, and in the same slate of the weather touch at Port Hope, Bond Head and Darlington where a single Pier only projects into the Lake.

Statement of Imports into Windsor Harbour.
Duty on Imporis from United States-

To 20th Norr. 1844............... $753 \quad 9 \quad 5$
The Year ends 5th January, 1845.

## PORT DARLINGTON.

STATEMENT OF EXPORTS.


Statement of the value of Imports into Port Darmington and Bond Head Harbour.

$\xlongequal{\text { Statement of Exports from Bond Head Hirbova. Appendiy }}$ (A, A).
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## PORT HOPE HARBOUR.

Statement of the Value of Imports into Port Hopn from the United States', up to the 20th November, 1844, £900

I have no way of ascertaining the increase from Year to Year, which is considerable, but by reference to the Appendix to the House of Assembly which I cannot procure, neither can I furnish the amount of Exports; as the Harbour Master refuses to make it known, apprehensive that the Proprietors would raise the rent upon him.

He admits that the increase is very great, and gives as proof that for the last year and the present he paid, $£ 600$ per year, and for the coming year he is to pay $£ 775$, to which a Salary of $£ 250$ or $£ 300$ per year, must be added for the actual amount of Toll.

COBOURG HARBOUR.


## value of exports.

There is not sufficient time to ascertain the correct value, but a very great increase has taken place.

Besides the trade of the several Harbours already enumerated, a large amount of Imports is feceived at each from Montreal, Toronto, \&c., of which 1 can give no account, nor is there any way of obtaining it,

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unless by calling upon the several Importing Merchants throughout the District.

The foregoing is all the information that I can with any confidence impart, and I regrot that it is not as detailed and compreliensive as I could have wished, but I hare made the most of the time allowed me.

There are two other Harbours in this section which I have not visited, viz: the Mouth of the Trent, and Graton, where a considerable business has taken place--during the Winter I will have an opportunity of ascertaining the probable amount of Lumber, Staves, \&c., that will go down the Trent which will enable ine to make out a Schedule of Tolls to be chargeable in the Spring, which I will forward as soon as possible.

It would be desirable to build the Toll Houses and Gates during the Winter both on the P'ort Hopic and Windsor Ruads as both can be opened to the Public very early next spring.

The Revenuo of the District will be considerably increased when the proposed Works in the Norlh Western Sections are completed.

On the whole it may safuly be stated, that no Soction of the Province has been more essentially benefitted by its Public. Works than this, nor is there any other District that can take presedence in adwathement to Wcalth and Prosperity.

The probubic amount of Trafic on the Otonabee River and the River Trent I insert in pencil, as I am not prepared to fill it up with any degree of accuracy.

Some positive statenent may be expected from the Oversecr of the Slides on the Trent as far as regards that River.

As I before observed, this subject will receive my immediate attention.

With reference to the best mehthod of collecting the Tolls and Superintending the Works connected with the Navigation, the following appears to me to be the cheapest and the best.

The Lock Keepers at Whitlas and Crooks should be allowed to eollect the Tolls at those Stations. A Collector should be permanently located at Chisholm's Rapids, whose duty would be two-fold, capable of collecting all the Tolls at that place and receiving from the Lock Keepors the amount collected by them up to certain periods, and to make proper returns of the whole to the Board.

He should also be capable of Superintending the repairs of the Works and attending to their general management.

The whole of the Lumber will be run down in less than six weeks, it would only be necessary in' each year to employ about ten men for three or four days at the rise of the Water to remove the Stop Logs, and at the end of the Season to replace them. One man woukd then be sufficient at each Slide who would give a licket to each raft to enable the Collector at Chisholm's to receive the proper Toll.

On this plan the expense will be-
Collector at Chisholm's, Salary per
264 men during the senson, at 4 s. per day
2 Lock Keepers, at $£ 30$ per annum...

Thio Toll Houses on the Ronds should in all cases be rented, or sold yearly by auction to the highest Appendix (A. A.) bidder.

## Prospectus of the Revenuc for the Windsor

 Itarbour and Lake Scugog Road.There shoukd be three Toll Gates; one at Perry's Corner (toll 91 per load); one at the rear of the 7 th Concession of Whithy, and one at the rear of the 4th Concession of Reach where the Rond turns to the head of Scugog Lake (oll at each 7hd alluwing the Teams to return without additional charge.

By this arrangement a Team passing from Scugog Lake to Windsor Harbour and bark would have to pay 2s: which rate could not be considered burthensome and very probably will be sufficient in the course of eight years to cover the interest, and the expense of the Toll Houses, together with the annual repairs, and the cost of relaying the planks at the end of that period.
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Estimnte of Revenue
.. $£ 87476$
Interest on the cost of construction, \&c. \&c.... $612 \quad 0 \quad 0$
Surplus. . . . . . . . . . . . . £262 76

The foregoing Estimate is intended as an average for the first four years after the Road is completed; but after this time an increase of at least 25 per cent for the next succeeding four years may be expected, particularly if the road be extended to the Narrows. It would not be necessary to make the road at present in a permanent manner, but merely to expend fur or five thousand pounds in opening it out.

Certain parts might have Toll Gates for keeping those parts in repair; the remainder of the road might be repaired in the usual way.

Prospectus of the Revenue for the Rice Lake and Lake Ontario Road.

This Road will also require three Toll Gates, one near Rice Lake, one at Bletcher's Tavern nnd one at the junction of the road leading to Brown's Mills.


Estimate of Traffic all through.'

There are articles upon which toll may be collected, such as Whiskey, Beer, \&c. \&c., but not to any, great extent,-a Toll of 2s. per load is not unreasonable.
This road will be for years to come with very trifing repairs, getting better.

The business will be steadily increasing, and I have Appendix no doubt but it will eventually pay interest so as to
reduce the capital.

I put the toll to Bletcher's, where the travel will be divided between Port Hope and Cobourg, the same as to the limits of Port Hope, the distance between those points being very trifling.

## Prospectus of the Revenue for the River Trent.

The revenue of the River Trent will be greally augmented and will continue to increase when the Slides on the Olonabee River between Peterboro' and Buckhorn Lake are completed, as they will open up the finest Lumber tract of country in the Province. White and Red Pine, and White Oak being in the greatest abundance, the latter in the neighbourhood of the Trent is becoming very scarce.

## Prospectus of Revenue on the Olonabee River.

The Dam and Lock at Crook's being in some measure necessary for the improvement of the Trent, I put it in connexion with the Slides on that River, and I regard in the following statement, the navigation of the Otonabee and Rice Lake as having been made complete by the expenditure at Whitlas' Rapids.


## Estimate of Traffic on the Otonabee River.

24,000 Barrels of Wheat and Flour.
2,400 Do. Pork.
1,500 Tons sundry Grain and Produce
600 Do. Merchandise, \&c., in return........
800 Barrels Salt.

## thomas a. BEGLY, Esa.

## APPENDIX LETTERQ.

Extract from the Report of Mr. Gzowski, on Port Stanley Harbour, with Statements of Vessels entering and clearing during the years 1842, 1843 and 1844.
" Port Stanley must be one of the principal places "for discharging goods for the consumption of the "country, and loading with produce for exportation.
"The present state of that Harbour cannot in my "opinion answer the purpose for which it ivill soon "be required, the narrow space betweon the Piers, " which must of necessity exist, obliges all the slip" ping to anchor above them in the stram, which in " its widest part is but 160 feet from edge to ellgo of " water, and when a dozen of vessels are within it, " not another one of merely ordinary length can turn; " the Steamer referred to, "The Kent," is of such a " length that she will not bo able to go out of that "Harbour in any other way but by backing, which "during rough weather, will hardly be practicable " with safety to the boat.
"Another matter which will greatly interfere with " the trade entering and going out of that Port, is the "existence of a Bar within the Piers, and which in "tay opinion can never be got rid of, until the works "are carried out beyond the line of deposite, furmed " by the shingle, and wash of the shores which are "daily receding, and built upon firm clay bottom.
"Having taken all theso matters into consideration, "I beg leave most respectfully to suggest to the Board " the necessity of having the present Piers at Port "Stanley carried out to a sufficient depth of water, " which in my opinion will have the desired effect, " and for detailed information, and estimated expense " of which, I beg leave to refer them to my Report on " that subject dated the 2d May, 1844.
"I beg leave also to recommend the making of a "basin by excavating the projecting low bank of the "stream to the required depth, and protecting the side " of the cut with piles in such a manner as to form a " wharf, and a landing and mooring place for vessels; " the estimated expense of which will not exceed " £2000.
" When the recommended improvements are added " to the present works at Port Slanley, it will be a "Harbour capable of containing and accommodating a " large quantity of shipping, and as safe, and easy of " access, as any that can be constructed, dependent "on, and formed by an inland stream."


| Statemend Shewing the number of Vessels entered and Cleared at the Harbour of Port Stanley during thedescription of Freight. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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## APPENDIX LETTER R.

Imports and Exports by the Desjardins Canal each year, from the first opening thereof, on 10 th August, 1837, to the close of the Navigation on the 23d day of November, 1844; also the trips of Schooners, Steamboats, Durham Boats, and Scorvs.

(Signed ${ }_{1}$ )
JOHN DICKEY,
Secretary, D. C. C.

## Desjardins Canal Office,

Dundas, 31st December 1844.

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| Appendix (A. A.) | APPENDIX LETTER S.-(Continucd.) |  |  | Apperallix <br> (A, A.) |
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| 1845. | $\square-$ |  |  | 1815. |
|  | 18.-Revolving Light, Light IIouse, Keeper's House and Beacon at Mohawk Island 19.-Light at Port Maitland. | $\begin{array}{cc} \boldsymbol{f} & 8 . \\ 1250 & 0 \\ 200 & 0 \end{array}$ |  |  |
|  | Lake Ontario. |  |  |  |
|  | 90.-Light-Keener's House at Toronlo..- | 100 | 0 |  |
|  | 21...-Do. do. do. Gull Island...................... | 150 | 0 |  |
|  | 2.2.-A Colored Light on end of Salt Point at Presqu'le and Buny....... | 300 | 0 |  |
|  | Q3.-A Colured Light in Kingston Harbor and two Bunys at Snake Istand | 400 | 0 |  |
|  | Lake St. Francis. |  |  |  |
|  | 24.-Light on Crable Island and six Buoys on Shoals | 500 | 0 |  |
|  | 25.-Dredging Point in direct Channel........ | 500 | 0 |  |
|  | 26.-Light on Grosse Point.......... | 250 | 0 |  |
|  | Lake St. Louis. |  |  |  |
|  | 97.-Light at end of Beaularnois Canal. | 250 | 0 |  |
|  | 23.-Light House and Keeper's House at Point of Ile Perrault. | 500 | 0 |  |
|  | 29.- Light ofr Nuns Island and 6 Buoys on Shoals-. | 1000 | 0 |  |
|  | 30.-Small Light, Three Buogs and Dralging at and near St. An | 300 | 0 |  |
|  | S1.-Light at head of Lachinc Canal......................... | 250 | - |  |
|  | Sundries. |  |  |  |
|  | 39.-Seven Doyen Lampr, Reflectors, Glases, Heaters, \&c. \&c. .-.-............................. | 1000 | 0 |  |
|  | 33.-Tender Vcssel with Forge, tor the repairing of Lamps, \&cc., to deliver the supplies and to serve as a Revenue Cuter when not so employel... | 5000 | 0 |  |
|  | Surveys: |  |  |  |
|  | 1.-Kingston and Ottawa Road. | 400 | 0 |  |
|  | 2.-Des Jardins Canal..... | 50 | 0 |  |
|  | 3.-Portions of River Trent | 400 | 0 |  |

## APPENDIX LETTER T.

Statement of Traffic on the Chambly Canal at Chambly from the 15 hin April to 22 d November, 1844.

1845. Schedune of Claims made by sundry Persons against the Commissioners of the Chambly Canal, distiaguishing those which have been allowed and disallowed by the Commissioners.


# APPENDIX LETTER W. 

REPORT OF MR. A. BARRET, C. E. ON THE GRAND RIVER NAVIGATION.

## Sir,

Agreeably to the instructions contained in your letter dated at Kingston, 7h October, 1843 , I have made an examination of the Grand River Navigation, commencing at Cayuga, and extending to Brantord Bridge, and respectfully beg leave to submit the following report:

The Grand River is renderel nayigable by moans of a succession of dams and locks at the several rapids, from Indiana to Oneida, a distance of nine mites. Within this limit there are five dams and as many locks; overcoming an ascent in the river of furty three feel, with occasioually a short cut independent of the river.

At Bunnell's Landing, near the foot of the next rapid, there are three locks, placed within a short dis. tance of each other at the fiot of an independent canal Which extends to Brantford or to the head of the navition at present contemplated. The length of this cut is three miles and the whole ascent gained by the locks is thirty the fet The distance from Cayua to Brantord Bridge is forty fotr miles, making the entire distance from Duville to Bratitord sixty miles. and entire lockage seventy six feet. The tength of independert cand noludig the Banford portion, is five hnd a quater miless The fack phith is geterap ly very mperfect Oceasomily the naturat bank is good and requifes but little labour, while other portions require to be benched in or otherwise improved. An
artificial bank has been furmed, parts of which require to be increased in height and widh.
The channel is in many places circuitous, and at so great a distance from the shore as greatly to incommote ind increase the expense of towing. To improve this will requite a large quantity of carth to be dredged or excarated. The approaclies to the locks generally require improvement. Scme of the mills and machinery erected near the locks and dams, discharge the water in such a manter as to obstruct the navigation and render future repairs and improvements difficults The manner of conducting water to the mills is, in some instances objectionable, and requires for the safery of the work immediate correction. The lucks pre com: posite, being built of stone and timber, with the faces of the walls planked. The stone is of a perishable character, which will yield to the action cffrost, ind must gradually decay.

From some cause the walls of most of locks overhang, and will require considerable repatit, The lock at Indiana is in subad a condition (hat it will probably have to be sonn rebuill. The dams are bult oftimber ncluding the abutments and graveled in froty they getiedly requite repars espectily tho abutments andembankinents at the ends, mot toper them more secites sto should be pricked on the to tef side within the crib or bluck work, whech firms the rise of the dams in order to prevent setiling, and to render then permanent, At lis time there is so large
present one and not interfere with the Navigation. This is decidedly the best plan as it will obviate the difficulties in the approaches, and can be built in the summer ; it will also be in a much better position. If built upon the plan of the Brantford Locks, the entire work including excavation, embankment and approaches can be completed for $£ 4570$. This sum will be sufficient for either plan, except damages, if any, to Thomson's Saw-Mill, which, it is believed, may be avoided. This San Mill is situated immediately above the head of the Lock on the west side of the cut, having 2 saws and designed for other Machinery. There is a large Basin above the Luck, otherwise, this together with the flouring mill on the opposite side, (all of which draw water from the cut) would scriously affect the appronch to the Lock; as it is, the effect is bad, producing a slrong current in the canal above. No more machinery should be allowed upon the channel, undess it is enlarged.

The independent cut extending from the hend of Lock No. 1, to Dam No 1, is 3,300 yards long. The Embankment along this Canal hall a mile above the Lock, is exposed to the strong current of the River, which sweeps with force against the outside of the slope. Piles have been driven for a short distance as a protection, but they do not prove sulficient, and it will be necessary to pitch tie banks with stanc. It will probably take 200 yards, and unless this be done suon, a breach may be apprehended. At the head of die eut, two abutinents are placed, no in each bank, 59 feet a part with checks for the reception of timber 12 iuches broad.' This answers very well in preventing the floods of the River, from overflowing the embankments betorv and allowing the water to be drawn crit of the cut. On the e.sst side of the cut, there is a broad belt of land so completely eovered with water as to render its neighbourhoud unhealiny. It is contempated by Mr. Jackson to place a Cinvert 3 by 3 feet under the Canal, to drain off the surface water, which will increase the ralue of the land. The cimber is provided and the ditches parily cut. It will cost to complete the Culvert and raise the nccessary Berm Banks, 2200.

At the head of the cut, and abore the Guard is a point of land projecting so far into the stream, as seriously to obstruct the Navigation. This should be cut off and will require the removal of 825 Cubic yards of earth, which may be macle use of in securing the flume leading to Alkins' Mill, atso behind the east Abutment of Dam, No. I, the remainder may be placed so as to improve the towing path.

## Grand River Dams.

These Dams are built of Logs and limber laid alternately across and lengthwise of the stream; the uper ends of those laid with the stream being pitched, so as to give the necessary inclination to the upper side. This block work near the top is covered with hewn timbers, laid cluse together and securely trenail. ed to the beams below, which are at such distances a part, as to give a uniform and substantial bearing to the floor. The floor timbers are of unequal lengths, suited to the various depths of the channel, so as to present a unifurm surface having an inclination of from 30 to 40 degrees. Above this a breast of one or two timbers is carried up to the height of the Dam, with Ties dovetailed into them, and secured to a timber below. The whole front is loarled with stone, clay and gravel. The lower aprons to the Dams are formed by first placing cribs of timber filled with stone at suitable distances apart and lengthwise with the River, upon which are placed bed tinbers with a heavy cover of plank.

The abutments are formed with a breast and wings of timber tied together with timbers dovetailed into the sides; the front of the upper side is sheet-piled, and the whole is filled withstenc and gravel. On account of the heayy boty of water passing over the damsit is now impossible to give them a close inspection or determino what is necessary to reuler them perman nt. Generally the abutments and apcons require Repairs, and to make the Dams permanent, the caibs formed by the Block-work should be filled and closely packed with stone. This would require from 600 to 800 cubic yards of stone to each Dam and the abutments rebuilt with stone. These Items are not included in the accompanying Eitimate, as apparently it is not ausulutely necessary at present, but will be in a lew years, as the constant pressure upon the Block-wom must cause it to yield. It may on inspection, be found advisable to fill in stone between the cribs of the lower apron, but this cannot be ascertained until the season of low water roturns. Dam No. 1 is in two sections, separated by a large Island. The east is 184 feet long; the east abutment of this in apparently firm; that in the west sido requires a borly of brush and stone to be placed against its base and several courses of timber taken from the top replaeed, and filled with stone and gravel. This should be done, or the whule abutment taken down and rebuilt on a fuundation sonse feet lower than the prosent. As the lower corner of the abutment next the water has settled 2 or 3 feet, in consequence of having been undermined, the former plan may answer for several yoars and will cost $\mathbf{L 2 O}$. Upon the east side there is a plaster mill belonging to Mr. Alkins; the water passes through a plank flume connected with the abutmont. This Aume is very insecure and should be repaired and an embank ment placed behind it, or it will occasiun abreach at the time of the spring floods.

The top of the Dam should be raised in the centre one foot by receiving a timber on the top and planking the front. Ten pounds will effect this repair. The west section of the tham is 185 feet long, the enst of which is in a very precarious condition. Mr. Jackson is now engaged in making Repairs. The lower wing of this abutment overhangs, from which it is evident it las been undermined by the plunge of the water over tho Dam. It was suggested to the Engineer that in the repairs connected with this wing, timbers should be extended from the new Whatf and firmly connected with it, and some thirty yards of stone and brush placed outside of this to prevent future undermining. The whole abutment will have to be takeh up in a few years and entirely rebuilt. The repairs above suggested will cost $£ 1210 \mathrm{~s}$. The west abutment appears secure, but Donaldson's Saw Mill is connected with it in such a manner as to render it difficult to ascertain its true condition.

From the east abutment of this Dam, the company are now engaged in extending an rmbankment along the west side of the Island to the head. The entire length is 633 yards. The Island is a recent deposit composed of vegetable matter, clay and sand, which yields readily to the action of the water, A trench has been cut a fev feet from the water's edge and filled with stone and gravel to the height of 5 or 6 feet above the water with the design of forming a clay bank in front. I proposed to Mr. Jackson to cut a trench in the rear of the gravel bank 2 or 3 feet deep and to fill it with clay well packed, and to raise a clay bank above it, leaving the stone and gravel in front to resist the action of the floods and present the operations of the Musk Rats.

To complete the remaining portion of the embankment including the trench will require 2,883 cubic
yards of excaration. A part of this embankment is through a deep channel, narrow on the top with steep banks. At this plare, a breach occurred last spring, which was repaired by a heavy embankment. A waste weir has since been built here 30 feet wide, founded upon a body of stone; the silles are formed with cribs 15 feet long by 10 feet wide filled with stone. At the breast of the weir there is a fall of three feet on a plauk apron, from which the waler passes over large stones proniscuously thriwn in, but the disclarge of the water is so near the face of the bank that there is danger of its undernining the whole work. Mr. Jackson proposes to place a crib across the current some 25 feet below and to extend the apron to it, and thus conduct the water past the face of the embankment. The wasto weir has settled unequally since its erection; one of the upper corners is 12 or 18 inches lower than the front. To complete the aproun as proposech widh some other repairs necessary to the security of the work will cost $£ 45$.

The channel from the head of cut N . 1 to the first point below Luck No. 2 at York, is good around the point near York. There is a slowa in extent about 150 feet requiring on be dredged one foot. The material is shelly rock and gravel. The channel shoulld be dredged 42 feet wide, the number of yards to be taken out is Q54. Between this point and the Lock the channel is at too great a distance from the track paith or shore for towing. The mills autl slabs piled in front of them below the Lock increase this difificulty. There is also a strong current created by the water discharged from the tailraces of sereral mills, which operale against Boats approaching the Lock. A Bridge from the tail of the Lock 300 feet long and a towing path constructed from the necessary excavation and adjoining earth, would greatly improve that part of the navigation and is probably the best plan under the existing state of things to obviate the dififulties. The cost will be found in the estimate. This is to be placed so near the channel as to render the towing good. Thicse strong currents from the mills, some of which are directly across the channel are constantly forming bars. It is unfortunate for the navigation that mills have been allowed in these situations, but since the evil exists, some measure should be taken to change the direction of the currients. The saw dust, slabs and bark from these mills and others situated near the Locks are conveyed by the current and deposited so as to form bars which must be removed by dredging. I saw large quantities which had been removed from the channel principatly composed of stals, bark and sawdust. Sufficient care is not observed in securing the slabs, as quantities are constantly left to float down the river and obstruct the navigation. Mr. Jackson mentioned this evil, as one which he had endeavoured to prevent as far as possible. J. Davis has a saw mill placed close to the tail of the Lock No.2. The water to carry his machinery and that of other mills below is taken from the cut at the head of the Lock in an open race along the east s:de of the Lock. The water in passing sweeps the entire length of the wall and its embankment. A heavy breach has occurred between the Lock and the mill which was repnired with posts, beams and rafters covered with plank and filled in front with brush and gravel. This is merely a temporary repair and the safety and permanency of the work require heavy and inmediate additions. The earth and gravel may be oblained from the cut above, to be afterward described. A wall should be extended from the end of the Lock-wing to the mill and the space between it and the present timbers filled with earih; as it forms part of the Lock embankment, it will require 500 cubic yards of gravel and 15 cubic yards of stone. The only safe way to conduct the waier to the mills is by a tight plank
flume with a good set of bulk head gates placed at the upper end and given in charge to the Lock tender, that be may have full control of the water at all times. The present bulk bead gates to the mills are much out of order and not sufficient to check the water in the time of freshets.' The owners of the property should be required to rebuild them.

At Lock No. 2 there is a leak near the centre. The Luck-tender mentioned that there was a constant current passing out at the rear of the west wall into the river; this has undermined the embankment and caused it to fall in. It is probable that the water passes under the Lock wall from Daxis' race on the upposite side and has probably forced a passage under the foundation. An excavation should be made at the point where the embaukment has fallen in, to distuver if possible the source of the leak. About 200 yards' should be excavated and the hole filled up wilh puddle, this will cost $£ 1510.0$. The walls of this Lock overhang badly, particularly the east one, curving in about 9 inches in the centre.' This should be taken up for 6 feet in depth and rellid. This might be delayed 2 or 3 years, but it must yearly become worse, and it may be thic best economy to do it at once, and the water in the race separated from the embankment.

On west side of the Lork is a saw mill belonging to Mr. Davis, connected wilh the aluutment of the Dam. The water for this mill is drawn directly from the Dam. Over the apron the abutment of this Dam is entirely covered with lumber, and cannol be examined thoroughly. It appars to be insecure ; this lumber should be removed to allow room for examination and repair. Water is drawn from the cut to supply 2 saw mills, one grist do., and one circular saw upon the towpath side, and onc sarw mill upon the west side. From lock No. 2 to No. 3, (or Synes Lock) there is a very good depth of water with the exception of some small points or side bars; one at a mile abore the Lock, requires 3 to 5 inches dredging for a short distance, and the point of an Island near the Lock on the west side of the channel should be cut off, some diedging is also required inmediately below the tail of the Lock.

Lock No. 3 has 9 feet lift and is 2 miles distant from No. 2. The Walls of his Luck are in very good condition ; immediately above the Lock and 200 feet fiom it there is a Saw Mill owned by Mr. Synes. There are also several flumes placed there by the company preparatory to the sale of the water power and the erection of Mills. Last year a heavy breach occured in the cut above the Lock, so near to these structures as greatly to disturb them. The Saw Mill is parity undermined and has settled. All the flumes (including the one leading to the Mills) should be removed; that one may be replaced if properly secured and provided with Bulk-head Gates. The space occupied by the others should be filled wihh witer tight earth, well puddled. The present benk is narrow, and should be strengthened. The cost, indlependent of that of the work which should be done by the mill owners, will be $£ 50$.

Cut No. 3 extends $\frac{8}{8}$ of a mile from the head of the Lock to Dam No. 3 at the head of the cut. There is a stop gate or guard similar to the one at cut No. 1. This is in good order and answers a very good purpose for a cheap erection.

There is a tract of Land upon the east side of the Riser, partially flooded, principally belonging to Mr . Charles Bain, who states that he has received no compensation for 'the Damages.' This may very ensily be drained by cutting a ditch along the side of the towing

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path and the material drposited upon'it. This is not included in the estimate.
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The towing path may be so enlarged as to admit the public travel upan it. At present the road passes in a very circuitous course over a steep blut and descends on to the towing path $1 \frac{1}{2}$ miles above the Lock. It would be far better that the road should continue on the plain of the path. The licalth of the place would also be much improved by draining the land.

At the head of cut No. 3 on the east abutment of the dam, here is a Saw Mill uwned by Peter McKerechar, who has phaced his lumber at the head of the cut. Adjoining the abutment, on the west end of the dam, there is a saw mill owned by Mr.Raymond, which appears to be as well situated for safety as any upon the river, it being 60 feet from the abument, and the race entirely separatell from the works, thgether with the foundation in a secure condition. There is a sulficient depth of water from this Dam to neir Lock 4 at Seneca, a distance of $1 \frac{3}{4}$ miles.-About 225 feet below, and directly in the centre line of the lock is an Isliand formed from the gravel, dredged from the channel outside. This is wharfed on one side, and preparations are making for erecting a warehouse upon it. But the navigation requires that it should be entifely removed. To remove this and clear the chamel, will require 350 cubic yards of excavation and dredging.

Upon the east sithe of Lock No. 4, Mr. Turner has a flouring mill wilh 4 run of stones. Mr Jas. Little has a carding machine, and Mr. Moore a turning lathe upon the same side. On the wext side of the lock and upon the east' end of the Dim, Nr. Turter has a Saw Mill, placel in front of the Dam, (the flume having been built with the Dam) and ujon the apron, Mr. Little has a Saw Mill upon the west end similarly situated. Slatis are piled un the Rirer side of these Mills, sn as to olstruct the proper discharge uver the Dam, as also Jumber upon the abutments and embankments, preventing the possibility of inspection. If the whale could be cleaned and the endankmonts examined, raised and strengthened, there would be less objection to it. Bolld abutinents should be raised two timbers and filled with stone and gravel ; this will cost £20. Mr. Jacksm is extending an embankment from the Saw Mill, on the west side to the main land, with a flume placed in the centre for the purpose of discharging water from a low piece of land above, after the freshets have subsided. The embankment like the one at the Dam below, is placed upon very low ground, and will have to sustain a heavy head of wator, it is formed of light loan, is narrow on the top, wilh slopes $1 \frac{1}{2}$ to 1 or less.

I am unable to juige of the ditch or mucking and ctearing under the bank generally, but from what could be seen, I am of opinion that those who are forming the bank, have taken advantage of Mr. Jackson's necessary absence, and that it is not well dune. Near the Mill the embankment was placed upon slabs, but Mr. Jackson gave orders for their removal. I think it would be advisable to have a trench cut in front within the slope, so as to unite the natural earth with the cmbankment, and to place upon the face of the bank 1000 cubic yards of gravel in addition to what is contemplated. As the other portion is so nearly completed, the material can be obtained from a cut opposite, and the price, allowed in the estimate, will cover the expense of transportation. Mr. Little has a Rail Road for conveying lumber from his Mill along the bank of the River. This lumber and perhaps the Rail Road should be removed before the spring floods, and a quantity of gravel and clay put on to prevent the water from breaking over ; this will require 400 cubic yards.

The bulance beams, quoin posts, and coping of Lock No 4, are much decayed and require repaits or renewal. The stones in the wings are much broken by frost, and are removing the planking from the chamber walls. The stone gave evidence of the same influence, but the mortar appears sound aul heallhy (common caustic lime having been used.)

It may be well when the phanking is renewed to enver the surfice and bed, the plauking in the nortar. This may protect the walls for many years. The walls overhang. This may be checked here by cutting a trench to the rear of the wall 3 feet deep, and filling is with small boubler stune, to check the expansive fulice of the fiost, this will be advisable at all the Locks.

The approach to the cut abowe Lock No. 4, is dinīcult, and when the water is high, dangervus, in consem quence of a point of land, jutting out into the channel, This should be cut ofl and part of the materials can be so deposited as to strengthen the embankent upron the oipusite sile. The lower approach to Lork Na 5 or Oneida, should be improved by cutting off a bend in the bank, and deepening a shoal, so as to straighten the channel. All the material from the cut can be profitally employed in improving the towing path between it and Caledonia bridge, and in repairing the batik at the cast abutuent of the Dam.

At Lack No. 5, there are three Saw Mills, the one on the cist side is owned by R. Mckinnon, one upan the west side by Janes Little, mul the other ly. W. Moorc. Little and AcKinnon's Mills are situated on the River side of the abuments of the Dam, and the flumes accupy parts of the apron. Moore's is supplied by a race leading around the abutments. The cmbankments and abumerts on both sides are covered. The lurber should be remored from the eant side, and 400 cubic yards of gravel placed upn the bank before spring. This may be procucd from the cut below the Lock.

The friangular pier which scrarates the water passing over the Dam, from that which supplies the channel should be extended 30 feet, and the upper cod placed 10 feet, further into the stream. This is necessary for the prolection and improvement of the entrance. This is the last Lock now built and completes the ascent of the Barcfoot Rapids.

From lock number five to within about 10 miles of the present liend of the navigation at Bunnell's Landing, there is sufficient depth of water, with the exceptim of an occasional side bar, but in the last ten miles there are several bars crossing the entire stream. A channel has been dredged through them, but it is difficult to be kept clear, it being so great a distance from the track pruth as to render the towing exceedingly inconvenient. At some places it is over 100 feet from the path. It will be expensive to perfect a channel at a reasonable distance from the shore (a necessary outlay for a good navigation) unless the plan of raising the level 12 or 15 inches be adopted. This appears to be decidedly the best plan, as there will then be but a few points and bars to be cut off, to secure a channel close along shore for tow-boats, and furnish a very superior steambint navigation for 30 miles. This will also lessen the expense of forming a path. My estimate is for the higher level. To secure the level proposed, dam number five, (which is now low, and is much better built than the others) may be raised by securing a timber upon the Inp, and laying a covering of plank from this to a nother timber placed upon the urper apron. This dan is 876 feet in length.

The track path from Oneida to Bunnell's Landing is exceedingly rough, following the natural inequalities of the bank, with the brush and stumpls, but partially cleared. There are some purtions where a good path can be formed with but little labour, along the natural surface.

At Forbes' Creek, one mile above Oncida, an embankment will be necessary, as the channel is far from the shore, which is low; this bank should be extended 220 yards, and should be 6 feet high; the materials can be procured at a place convenient.

There is a place at a small island near the village of Tuscarora, where the channel and towing are bad. A bank should be formed nearer the river, and a channel dredged.

About 80 yards below this, the track passes over a high undulating blulf, by reducing which to its proper level, sufficient material can be furnished to make the embankment. This should extend 176 yards, and be raised 10 feet high, so as to be out of the reach of freshets. At the mouth of Springer's Creek there is a strip of land, covered with stumps, between the trark path and channel, which increases the difficulty of towing. A channel cut $3 \frac{1}{2}$ feet deep, 30 feet wide and 200 feet long, would obviate this.

Immediately below Nightingale's the towing is obstructed by a quantity of flood wood, embedded in the mud, and extending into the channel. Half a mile above Nightingale's there are boulders of rock in the channel, that, in low-water, interfere with the navigation, but the proposed higher level will surmount this obstacle. There is a bar a mile below Birch's Landing, which should be dredged 55 yards in length, 1 foot deep by 30 feet in width. Above Birch's Landing fur a distance of a quarter of a mile, the bank being 20 or 30 feet higher than the surfuce of the water, the slope of the bank is so long that the towhorses are forced to travel upon the face of the slope. The material is clay, and in wet weather so exceedingly slippery, that it is with trouble the animals can travel upon it. Should this portion of the track be benched in it will not stand, the materials being so inclined to slide, since the protection of roots and trees has been taken away. The only plan is to build a slope-wall, and fill in behind it with brush and gravel. The fwall should be not less than 3 feet thick and 6 feet high.

For three or four miles in length the high bluff shore is rapidly wasting from the action of the water. This, in a few years, must be pitched with stone.

At the first bend of the river below Bunnell's Landing a very serious dificulty occurs in maintaining the track. This will require great expense to remedy, the floods of the river having undermined the bank so much that it is continually falling in, and wasting away the bank. The continual washing of the river will render any palh that can be constructed insecure, unless protected by a slope wall. There is one mile of this in the state described, which should be walled at once. A new path should be cleared this winter, and the wall laid during the next summer. It should be $\mathbf{1 5}$ feet measured on the top, by $1 \frac{1}{2}$ feet thick. It is also advisable to level the inequalities of the ground for 5 miles.

To render this navigation a good one, and such as would come under the head of a fair public work, will require grabbing; clearing and levelling, also some repairs on the bridges for the remaining 25 miles of the tow-path between Oneida and Bunnell's Landing.

The present navigation terminates at Bunnell's Landing. It is proposed to make the ascent to the table-land leading to the village of Brantford by three locks, each of 11 feet lift; the work is now in pro-

It is proposed to build these locks 30 feet longer than thuse below, and the same width, which will make them $146 \frac{1}{2}$ feet by 32 feet in the clear. This will place the length and breadth in much better proportion, and will cheapen the cost of transportation, as the increased length of the boat will add but little to the cost of towing, the principal resistance being at the bow and stern of the boat. The tonnage may also be increased, and at the same time the boat draw less water. I therefore highly approve of this increased length, or even $33 \frac{1}{2}$ feet which would make them equal in length to the new locks upon the Welland Canal. The locks below may readily be made of the same length, by removing the lower wings, lengthening the walls, and furming new recesses for the gates aud mitre sills.

The point selected for leaving the river is probably the best that could have been chusen.

The Locks are separated by reaches 234 feet long, which is as much as can be gained without materially increasing the expense, as the rise is so abrupt to the level of the piain. The foundation of the first Lock is a soft blue clay, sufficiently firm however from appearances to receive a timber and plank foundation, those of the other two are in a heavy gravel and firm clay.

The Locks are to be composite similar to those below. The thickness of the walls to be $6 \frac{1}{2}$ feet at the base and 5 feet in the top. This width is not sufficient for this kind of wall, and is probably one reason why the locks below have failed. It would be advisable to increase the width at the base of the walls of the lower Lock to 10 feet, and 8 or 9 feet may be sufficient for the others. It would also be better to secure the face timbers of the wall above the lower level with iron rods passing through the timber and secured to an anchor firmly masoned into the interior of the wall, and made fast upon the outside of the timbers by a nut and screw. The face timbers may then be replaced more readily: The plan of using timber ties is objectionable as they are more liable to decay, and the difficulty of repairing is increased, and the repairs must be less perfect than upon the plan of using anchors.

It would be advisable also to give the chamber walls a batter of one inch in twelve ; this would place the bearing much more fuvorable upon the base. "The present design is to build them perpendicular, similar to those below.

Contracts have been "entered into by responsible men and good mechanics to complete the locks for $£ 1866$ 13s. 4d. each upon the plan proposed-2000 cubic yards of stone will be required for each Lock.

It is contemplated to open a quarry 6 or 8 miles down the river and $1 \frac{1}{2}$ miles back. I visited that quarry with one of the partners; there seems to be stone there which will answer, but they must be well assorted. The stripping will be considerable and the waste heavy, the quarrying of these stones' must cost at least six shillings per yard, the hauling to the river 1s. 6d. the delivery by boats to tho river 2s. 6d. and the cost of laying in the Locks including lime and sand 5s. making the entire cost 15 s. per cabic yard.

The want of good quarries is much felt upon the river. I regret not having harl time to make some examination into the quality of stone at the diflerent quarries. 1 visited one below Birch's Landing which I have already mentioned. There are red and white sand-stone in the neightorhood of Indiana, which are far superior to those used in the present Lucks. There is a quarry of superior lime-stone in Rainham, three miles from Gilifort's Landing on the Grand River. I have examined these stones and can recommend them for soundness and durability; they are of the same quality as thoso obtained at Gravelly Bay for the entranco lock at Broad Creck.

## Independent Cut at Brantford.

From the head if the Locks at Bunnell's Bay to Branford the line of the canal passes alternately through reservoirs or low lroal morasses and deep cuttings, much of the miterial is a light suil rosting upon a bed of coarse clear gravel which forms the under Stratum of the Brantfret Flats, through which the river has cut a channel. At a short distance above the Locks there is a reservoir embracing 25 to 30 ocres, the surface of which is several feet below the buttom of Canal. The embankment which furms one side of the reservoir, is bised upon a morass of black vegetable depisited, resting upon coarse clear gravel of great depth. This was determined by several borings; the auger passing through the mould by slight pressure, to the courso gravel bencath. I was informed that this embankment was placed without the base having been mucked, or a ditch being cut through the monld. I am unable to say how deep the earth has settled into the muck; or, whether, if it reaches We gravel, the bank will be water-tight; if not (which is nust probable) the river being nearer and some 14 feet lower than the water in the canal it will be liable to give way.

A puddle wall will require to be added, sunk sufficiontly deep to prevent laakage. There may be no failure in this bank, but it is advisable to test it as early as possible.

I suggested to Mr. Jackson the propriety of placing a dam across the Canal near the site for the Locks which are being buitt, and of letting in the water for the purpose of testing the banks. This can readily be done, and it will be profitable to the other parts of the work, especially in places where there is a fine running sand at the buse of the slope. The banks have commenced falling in at several places, and the water remaining in through the winter season will serve as a great protection. The embankment referred to above continues for half a mile through the marsh, the slope $1 \frac{1}{2}$ to 1 foot. There is danger that when the water is in, the surf will cut through the bank ; to prevent this, 1 propose to placo at the water levol, three timbers in height against a thinlining of gravel; this will cost £307 100.

The banks' through the cutting are entirely two steep, Dut the Engineer has wisely left a berm of six feet at the natural surface in front of the spoil bank, which may at any tume be added to the slope, giving it relief.

The entire section frum the locks to Brantford, was let in one contract to John Ilunter; the contract being a hard one, he was permitted to leave the work before it was completed, and a final settlement was made with him. There are a great number of stumps, boulders, bars and piecess of excavation still to be removed, and some parts of the embankitient to be raised.


The canal through the cut is generally 36 feet wide in bottom; and some portions, around sharp curves, aro wider.

There is a section at the head of the cut that has not been put under contract, extending to the point where the dam across the river is to be built. This, together with the Brantford cut, and sundry other work connected with this indispensable cut, will cost £3290 50.

## Embraced in the above sum are,

3 Waste Weirs connected with the locks, to conduct the water from one lovel to another.
1 Flume near the lock for the purpose of drawing the water from the canal.
1 Flume near Branffurd.
2 Recess Pools upon the berm side, with ditches leading to them to take off the water which there accumulates.
3 Pivot Bridges.
1 Guard Gate at the head of the canal.
1 Dium acress the Grand River.
Alsn, the protection at the bank of the river of a point abuve Brantford Bridge, where in high water the current finds a passage 30 to 40 rols beyond the bridge, and flows under tho bridge upon the road built by tho Buand of Works; otherwise when the new dam is raised, as proposed, an indejendent clannel will bo formed.

There appears to have been a decrease in the Tolls for the past year, caused by the falling off in the articlo of lumber, but it is not an evidence against the growing trade; wheat, flour, and other articles having increased over former years. There is more contingency in the lumber trade than in any other source from which revenue may be anticipated ; the amount may at times be more or less dependirg simply upon the demand. The aggregate demand must be increasing, and if it cannot be obtained alorg the shores of the river as at present at ammderate price, the demand will always pay the additional cost of transportation. The lavish manner in which the lumber of the country has been wasted only tends to increase the difficulty of obtaining it, which must be supplied from such sections as can mure readily furnish it.

The Grand River supplies large quantites of valuable timber which will, for a long time, afford a liberal revenue, but as the products of the forest decline, it may reasonably be anticipated, from the rich and productive suil embraced in the section through which the navigation passes, and so sxtensively accommodates, that agricultural products will supply its place in articles less bulky, but paying a much higher toll. If the navigation be made as perfect as the benefits, which may be reasonably anticipated from it, will warrant, the cost of transportation will be reduced, and more encouragement given to the trade.

Mr. Jackson, in his letter of the 1st November, 1843, mentions, that notwithstanding the heavy reduction of the rate of tolls made this year, the aggregate tolls will considerably exceed that of last season. I also beg to suggest the propriety of providing flumes

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(A. A.) at each of the dams, sufficiently capacious for drawing down the water at its low stage in the winter. Shoals und other obstructions may then be removed at little expense, instead of the costly plan of dredging now adopted. This would offord facilities for the examination and repair of the dams, the inspection into the condition of mill-flumes, abutments, and other necessary repairs.

In submitting this Report, I beg leave to state, that the examination of the river has not been as complete eses it would have been, had there been a map or chart giving the different points with the distances along the river. Such a map has never been prepared. There was a plan made by Marshall Lewis, at the early projection of the work, merely designed to give a general coutline of the river, but not sufficienily correct nor containing the necessary details to be of service. If cime bad allowed, I should have prepared a map from
actual survey. This, I have supposed, was not expected, and I have only given sketches at the several locks, shewing the relative position of dam-locks and such erections as are immediately connected wiil the work. The examination has been as close as the season of the year would admit of, and it is hoped that it will be satisfactory.

Mr. Jackson, the engineer, was with me most of the time, and kindly rendered all the assistance in his power. He has furnished me with some details from the office at. Brantford, and a map of the Brantford cut, which are forwarded.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
(Signed, ) ALFRED BARRETT.

## TABLE No. 1,

REFERRED TO IN THE ABOVE REPORT.

## ABSTRACT OF THE BRANTFORD CUT.



TABLE No. 2,
REFERRED TO IN THE ABOVE REPORT.

Statmment of the Grand River Navigation Company, exhibiting the state of their affairs to 1st July, 1843, and the amount still required to complete the said Navigation to the Lown of Brantford.

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| To Individual Stockholders balance at their debit, ${ }^{-}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}535 & 7 & 3\end{array}$ |  |
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By Six Nations Indians, balance at the credit of their account in company, being the
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By Individual Stockholders, balances at the credit of their Stock account in company,
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Stock Account,

ABSTRACT OF THE FOREGOING.-Cr.


## ABSTRACT OF THE FOREGOING.-Dr.




Estimate of Work, and Materials required to complete the Grand River Navigation from what is called Bunnell's Landing to the Town of Brantford.

O. G. R. Navigation Co.

Brantforl, 1st November, 1843.
The Works under Contract are to be completed on the 1st day of August next.
(Signed,) JOHN JACKSON,
Engineer, G. R. N. C.


Schedule of Lands belonging to the Grand River Navigation Company．

| From whom purchased． | Where Situated， | Quantity of Acres． |
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| Government | Indian Village． | 66：$\frac{6}{10}$ |
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| William Weir | East Branch Dam No． 1. |  |
| Joseph Young． | Do．do．do． | 3 |
| Government | Dam No．2，at Yoik．．．－ | 6 |
| Do， | Do．do．West side | ${ }_{2}^{4} \frac{3}{10}$ |
| James Davis． | Do．do．York－．－． | 2 |
| Government－－ | Do．3，West side | 62.8 |
| Honorable Abm．Nelles． | Do．do．East side． | 17 |
| Government | Do．4，both sides | $135{ }^{\frac{8}{90}}$ |
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## LANDS SOLD BY THE COMPANY．

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There is a number of applications to the Board for Hydraulic Privileges，for various purposes，on the Brantford Cut，which cannot be granted until the same is completed．

The works done may be cnumerated as follows:River Madawaska.
Slides and Dams constructed at the High Falls and Ragged Chute, a Station House, Store House and Office, built for the accommodation of the Shide Master.

A Portage Road constructed at the High Falls, and improvenent of the Road round Calobogie Lake for lumber purposes.

Blasting and removing two Reefs and portions of two Islands, and other obstructions in Barrets Chute.
Blasting and removing the Wuba Rock and Shoal, with sundry Reefs and Rociks in the Calobogie Rapids.
Blasting and remowing sundry Boulders and Reofs in the Litlle Rapids, ( 2 miles beluw Calubugie.)

Excavating and removing Johnson's Rock and Point, and blasting scattered Rocks, and sundry other obstructions in Long Rapids in MeNab Township.
Exeavating and removing sundry Rocks in Landon's Rapids and Fidler's Ellow, and removing the Hogs bark, and part of the Lower Istand in Landon's Chute, (3 miles from the mouth.)

## River Oltawa.

Slide and Dam constructed at the Mountain.
Excavating and removing a Point at the foot of the Current, below the Slide.
A Station IIouse, Store Inouse and Office, built for the accommodation of the Slite Master.

Dams and Slides constructed at the Calumet.
A Stone Station House, Store House and Offire, for the accommodation of the Slide Master, and a double walled (stone and wood) Magazine for slorage of Powiwer.

Road from Portage du Fort to Culumet improved, cruss-layed and bridged where neressary.

A Return and Portage Road completed from foot to head of Calumet, mostly over rocky knolls, and along rocky side Hills. A Ferry Scow built to ply at foot of Calumet, so as to establish a forwarding line from Portago du Furt to head of Calumet.

Considerable quantity of rock removed from the Lower Chute and Rapids, below the Slides in the Calumet.

Slide and Dams constructed at the Joachims, 145 miles above Bytuwn.

A suitable Station House and Out Offices for Slide Master, together with a Ilouse for storage of Lumber supplies.

Excavation at foot of Upper Rapids to facilitate and secure the entrance of Cribs into the Basin at the head of the Slide.

Sundry Rocks and other obstructions, and the Rock Istand at the foot of the Chute in the Rocher Capitaine Rapids, 22 miles above the Joachims, removed.

Independent of the great facilities obtained by the foregring works, to the getting down of the Lumber early in the season, and the risk of those fatal accidenta which unfortunately have hitherto annually occurred being very much lessened, the saving in the transport of supplies, which is effected by them generally, may be comprehended from the single case of the cost of transport heretofire at the Portage du Fort, whirh is shewn by the fullowing extract from a letter on that suhject :-
"Previous to making the improvement, goorls and " supplies for the Trato were landed from the Sleam "Boat at Purtage du Fort and stored there, until the
"Canoes, will" orders for them, arrived from above.
"The arlicles were then carted over the Portuge du "Fort, one mile at a cost of six pence per cowt., and "were eanoed thence to Miller's Bay. From Miller's "Bay they were carled to the Dargee Bay, three " miles at six pence per cwt., they were again canoed "to the foot of the Calumet, (less than a mile,) and "were thence carted in part and partly carried by " men to the head of the Calumet, at the rate of $7 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$. "per cist.
"Canoes are manned at an average in the proportion " of one man to every four cwt. of lading, and a Canoe "coming down for a load almost invariably took three "days from the lime of landing at the head of tho "Calumet, until it was again loaded and ready to leavo "there on the way upward. Each Canoe-man with "finding, costs his omployer at least 5s. per diem,
" therofire Canoes-men forwarding made a cost of 3 s . "9d. per cwt., and allowing the damage to the Bark "Canoo, which is always subject to much injury from " loading and unloading, not to exceed 31. per cwt., "the whole cost of cartage, \&c., is 5s. 712 d. percwt.; "Whereas in consequence of the improvements effected " last year, supplies, \&c., were forwarded over the "same portion of the River Ottawa, namely, from "Portage du Firt to the bearl of the Calumet at is. 6d. " per cowt. being a saving of 4s. $1 \frac{1}{2}$ d. per cwt. ; and " in this charge of 1 s . 6 d . per cwt." is included an al" lowance for a month's storage at the Calumet, when " required.
"The diference in transport is therefore 4s. $1 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$. " per cwt., and as the quantity of Pork, Flour, Goods, " \&c., forvarded during the past season, amounted " nearly to 364 Tons, the saving to the Lumber Trado "at this point in the matter of forwarding alone, "amounts to £1501 10 0;"
The following statement, which I am of opininn may safely be rolied on, shews the quantity of Timber which will probably pass through the respective Slides of the Otrawa and Madawaska, during the approaching Spring, and the Revenue which will be produced ing Spring, distinguishing that arising from the Slides in the hands of Government, from that received on the Slides of individuals.


From the foregoing it is seen that the gross Revenue of this year fir Slidage on the Oltawa and Madawaska will be $£ 9168$ 7s. 6d. of which the Province receives but $£ 19565$ s.

The liconse of occupation of the Portage du Fort Slide and of that of thic Chats has, I am informed, expired, and the Government are authorised to take possession, but the works in both cases are in a very bad state. Were thiose two slides now assumed by the Government and repaired; and a slide constructed in the proper Channel at Bytown, there is no doubt of the Revenue to be paid into the Receiver General, boing upwards of $x^{7000}$ this year; the cost of their repair, \&c., is sleww in the following Schedule, in which is described certuin works which I conceive would be highly productive of advantages to the Lumber Trade, tend inuch to the settlement of the Country, and to the increasing of the Revenuc of the Province.

Soredole shewing in delail, the works connocted with the Ottawa which are recommended and embracell in the Item of $£ 15,110$ under the head of Ottawa (Appendix Letter S.)

Obtaining 'and 'improving the slide at the Portage du Fort and the Entrance thereto

Obtaining and reconstructing the Slide at the Chats, improving the approach thereto............................
To build a Stide at the Chaudière at Bytown, including the improwement of the Upper or Little Chaudière, and to remove the rocks and Crabbe Island below, to., and to construct a good mooring Boom in the Lumber Basi
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(The total cost of these three Ifems would be repaid by one year's receipt, as shewn above.)
To complote tho Portage Road from the Porlage du Fort to the Callumet, including the building of a groad Bridge across the Dargee, and to remove the ohstructions in the channel from the Snows to the Portage du Fort. . ....£1,500 00
To complete the Portage Road at the Joachim.......................... 120 0 0

To construct a Government Boom at the head of the Calobogie Lake on the Madawnaska, within which the Lumber would bo cribbed and counted
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To open throughout a goen Rayl from Bytown, passing Dixum's Mills, Puttenson's Mills, Andersum's Bridge, and Chate ont die Bunctor, Ohnistomd's Mills, west side of the Muskrallake to Shake Rapicle, mad hence crossing the Munkrut River to Sydonham Mills, inctulbur the Bridgos over the luoncher, Sialie, and Muskrat
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The immanse impartince of these improtements will be at oure seon hy any persom arquainled with the Lumber Trate and with the extensive Cract of Country in which they are situated.

Following them, and of grat importinco alsin, is the
 River, gassing at the back ol Fort Willam, crossing it or near the Kilhntu, Humed down the Allumettes Ishand, crossing at ha Pampettos Rapids, thence near the northern aud settled portinn of Westmealh in tho Litle Muskrat on tha Racher Fondne or such wther part as might be foum mare dosirnule, thance acruss,

Whe Calumet Istand, over the Britgre proposed to be erectal at the liargee ami thence on the north situe of tho detawa by dio road partinily opened and which should be comphetad through the Tuwnships of Litectfield, Clareadum, Bristol, Onslow, Eardly ta Aylerer. The entire of which could be offected fer the sum of L6,500; nud such an expoaditure, 1 am of opinion, would be, far mive generally valuable than the expenditure on the Byiown, and $\Lambda$ ylmer Rond.

Berure chasing this supplementary report, 1 would take lonve respecifully to urge in tho strengest manaer apon the atfontion of llis Excolfency, the difficulties under which the great mass of tho setilers lator who havo fised thomselves (many of theur for ton yoars) upon the south bank of the Joeep Piver, upon the fands bordering the Allumettes and Coulange Lakos, the Allumeties and Calumet Ishands, and also the numerous setters upon the tract of Country between the Boncher and Madawaska.

The laprovements of these persons being very con siderable, and comflicis of a musi serious character, with respect th boundarios frequently occurring, it is oxtremely desirable that these sceven tracts should be surveyed and divided, as soon as possible.

Respectintly submited,
HAMLTON IF KiLLALY.
President Board of Works.

Apponaix
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1845.

## 駺OARDOWORKS,

## MONTREAL, 5th FEBRUARY, 1845.

## Sir,

Thave the honnur to arknowhedge the receipt of the sureral very numerously signed Pectitions to Ihis Excellency the Goverwer Generit, from the Inhabitants of the Gore and Wellington Districts, setting forth the chaims of thase Districts to the opening and counpletion throughout of a Main Road from Diamas, on Lako Ontaricu, to Owen's sound, on Lake Ifuron, whind have been transmitted to mo for report.

The principal grounds which, in my opinion, are statal, and on which the farourable combideration of the Execulive is chimed for the constraction of this Roml, are, -

Firsh-That it would form a short and direct communication between the two lakes, and would pass through a large section of the Prowinee, not enjoying the benefit of water communication, which most of the other parts of the combtry possess.

Secondly-That no other line in the Province (raverses a greater extent of available and fertile Crown Land (stated to be five millions of acres) then it chos, the sellement of which has been hitherto prevented by the all lut impossibility of getting into or out of it.

Thirdly-That a number of industrinus and enterprising persons have, within the last two or three years, settent on this tract, on the failth of the promise of Government to apen ifis Ridad, which promise washeld out to them and expressed in the primied notice and re-
gulations issued from the Crown Land Onfice in 1840, ulider which the sctlement was originated.

The Maps and Documents accompanying the Pelitions are elahorate and satisfactory,-from a careful ex. amination of which, I am' lutucerl to believe the following may be relied on as a true statement of what is required, and of the expenditure which will be necessary to effect it :-

From Dundas, through West Flamboro, (about 12 miles,) the line would be through a line Pine Woor, - thence lhrough Pustinch to Gualph, about 12 miles, it would pass over an undulating and diry country, the excavalion being suitable for the top dressing of the Road. From Guelph, through the Townships of Guelph and Niehol, to beyond the Village of Arthur, (about 16 miles,) the line traverses a tract of deep rich soil; to : This juint the Road is opened, but requires conside rable (improvement; from it to Arlbur, (about 7 miles, thro' part of tho Tuwnshij of Nichol and through Peel, the line is unopened, and prisscs through a deep and very henvy timbered traci of flat hand,--from Arthur, through the Township of Arthur and part of Egremont, (about 18 miles,) the Road has been partially opened by the Government, but is in a very bad state, as to drainage and formation; some Bridges nlso requiro immediate repairs, -thence through the remainder of the Township of Egremont, through Glenely and most of Holland (about 29 miles, it is unopenet, the soil being heavy and rich, and the tract heavity dimiered-the remainder of the line to 0 wen's Sound, (about 13 miles) (raverses
the fino land of the Townthips of Holland, Sullivan, Derly and Sydonham-it is woll opened and requires but litho expendituro.

In several of tho Townslips of rich land enumeratod in the foregoing, many settlers fixed thamselves as al. ready stated, under the inducoment of the promiso of the Governmont to open the road throughout - they are now suffering oxtremely from tho total want of any roud, and tho dillealty in gotting to Mill, \&c.

The cost of draining, opening and grading nnd bridging the line throughout, would be $£ 10,340$; but showld the Legislature decide on the completion of the road, in order to cronte a legitimato fund for its proper maintenanco, \&ec., it would be very desimble to plink or gravel the portion of it botween Dundas and Guelph, so that Gates and Tolls might be established thereniif such wore tho caso, I hive every reason to believe that the 'folls would pay tho intercst on the additional outhy, and leave a surplus, applicablo to the maintenance of the remainder of the line,

The foregoing report, you will perecive, is founded on and conifined to the prayer of the Petitioners-but, in tho opinion of the Buard of Works, that porton of it alone, which relates to the clearing our and forming

# BOARDOF WORKS, 

MONTREAL, 9TH FEBRUARY, 1845.

## Sir,

Ibeg leave to acknowledgo the receipt of the following Petitions to His Excellency the Governor Genural, sent to me in reference, nancly:-

The Petition of the Rev. C. L. Gagnon and certain French Canadian Propriators of tho Townalio of Arthabaska, Warvick, Chester and part of Halifax.

The Petition of the Rev. C. E. Belanger and others, Frorth Canadian Proprictors of the Tuivnship of Stanfold.

The Petition of the Rev. C. E. Belanger and others, French Canadian Proprictors of the County of Megantic.

The Pctition of Charles Palmer and others, of the Township of Blandford.

The lectitions being all fur the same object, viz :The opening of the Townships, to which they refer, by the construction of a Main Road through them, I tako leave to report on them together.

From the information I have reccived, it appears that setllement is "daily ereeping into those Townships, chiefly from the French Parishes south of the St. Lawrence, but the settlers are laboring under very great disabilities in consequence of the total want of Roads to the River St. Laivrence, or enstward to Call. in with the Gosford Road, communicating with Quebec and westipard with the markets at Melbourne \&c.

The Roads prayed for do not, of course, comounder the denomination of "Main Provincial Highways," but I am of opinion that they are fully as much entitled to the favorable coasideration of Government and the Legislature, as those in any other sections of the country, the construction of which is advocated upon the
ground of their being necessary to the opening, sellloment and improyement of the country.

It appears to me that a very large section of the northecastern portion of "Tho To wnships," comprising the Townships of Shipton, Kingsey, Warwiok, Tingwick, Bulstrode, Arthabnska, Chester, Maldington, Blandford, Stanfold, Somerset and Halifas aro deeply interested in, and would be proportionably benefilled by the apening of theso Roads, the line of which should be as follows, or as nearly so as the natural features of the country will permit. It should start from the Gosford Road near the junction of Inverness and Halifax, and run up that line to the "Granide Ligne," between Arthabaska and Chester, thence down this "Grande Ligne," until it crosses the branch of the Nicolet River in Kingsey, from which point a moderate expenditure would improve two branches, ono to Melbourne, the oller to Drummondville.
From the "Grande Ligne" near the east comer of Arthabaskn, a branch should run to the $S$ t. Lawrence in Gentilly, passing across the townships of Stanfold aud Blandford.

Such a line, with the various branches which' no doubt the settlers themselyes would in general quickly make to it, would completely open and relieve the solllers of that fine tract of country. The probable cost of the entire, I conceive, might be assumed at $\mathbf{x} 7500$, to be expeniled in two years.

> I have the honor to be, Sir, Your very obedient servant;
(Signed, HAMILTON H. MILLALY.
The Hon.

## D. Daxt, <br> Provincial Secrelary,

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1845.

## RETURN

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Exp llency would be pleased to cause to be laid before the House, a Return of the Income of each Seigniony held or possessed by the Governament in Eastern Canada, together with the Names of the Agents of each Seigniory, amount of Salary and Expenses paid to Agents for Collection, and, also, the amount of Droit de Quint received by the Government since the year 1830 .

By Command,
D. DALY,

Secretary.
Secretary's Office, 3rd February, 184.5.

Letter from the Commissioner of the Jesuits' Estates to the Provincial Secretary, with one enclosure. (copy.)

## JESUITS' OFFICE,

Quebec, 22d January, 1845.
SIR,
In obedience to the Commands of His Excellency the Governor General, conveyed to me in your Letter of the 20th instant, I herewith transmit to you a Return to the Address of the Assembly of the 13th instant, so far as I understand the same to have reference to this Department.

I have been olliged to return the Revenue of the Seigniories for the year' 1843, the accounts for the last twelve months not having yet been made up.

I have, \&c.,
(Sigued,) J. STEWART.
The Honble. D. Daly,
\&c. \&c. \&c.
(Enclosure.)
RETURN of the INCOME of cach SEIGNIORY within the JESUITS' ESTATES, for the year
ended 30 th September, 1843, torether with the ended 30th September, 1843, together with the names of the Agents of each Seigniory, their Commission for Collection, and expenses incurred.


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Appendix Letter from the Inspector General of the' Qucen's Domain to the Provincial Secretary, with two enclosures. Appendix (13. B.) (copy.)

Queaed, 30th Junuary, 1840.
In obedience to the Commands of His Excellency the Governor Genemal, commmicated to me by your Letter of the 20th instant, I have the honor to transmit to you a Return of the Income of each Seigniory hold or possessed by the Government in Eastern Canada, under the superintendence of my Department, with the names of the Agents of cach Scigniory, amount of Sulary, and expenses paid to Agents for Collection, and also, the amount of Droit de Quint reccived by ihe Government since the year 1830, in order to be laid before the Legrislative Assembly of this Province, according to the terms of their Address presented to Ilis Excollency, dated 13th Jamury, isty, and of which a cony was furnished me.

I lave, \&e.,
(Signcl, F. W. PRIMROSE, I. G. D. R.
The Homble. D. Dart,
\&c. \&c. \&c.

## First Enclosure.

RETURN of the INCONE of the SEIGNIORIES possessed by the CROWN in EASTERN CANADA, under the Superintendence of the Inspectur Gencral of Mer Majesty's. Dounain for Lower Canada, since the yenr 1830, with the nantes of the Agents of each Scigniory, and the amount of Salary and Expenses paid to Agents for Collection.

N. B.-The above amounts are exclusive of hents derived from Beadh and Deep Water Lots held in Free and Common Soccage.

| Seigniory. | Year. | Amount received. | Name of Agent. | Amount of salary and expenses of Agent. | Remarks. |
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| do do  <br> do do | 1836 | $\begin{array}{rrr}44 & 8 & 11 \\ 219 & 13 & 1\end{array}$ | do do <br> do do | $\begin{array}{rrr}3 & 6 & 0 \\ 16 & 8 & 0\end{array}$ | the sums received, allowed |
| do do | 1888 | ... ... | * do do ... | ... ... | to the Inspeetor-General |
| do do | 1839 | ... ... . | do do ... | ..... .1 | of the queen's Domain in |
| do do | 1840 | ... ... ... | do do ... | ... | het of salary. |
| do do | 1841 |  | do do ... | $\cdots{ }^{\prime \prime} 1$ |  |
| do do do do | 1842 1843 | $\begin{array}{ccc}16 & 13 & 4 \\ . \quad . . & \text {.., }\end{array}$ | do do | $\begin{array}{ccc}1 & 4 & 9 \\ . .1 & . . . & \ldots . .\end{array}$ |  |
| do do | 1844 | $\ldots$ | do do ... | ... ... |  |

E, E.
F. W. PRIMROSE, I. G. D. R.

Quebec, 30th January, 1845.
(Second Enclosure.)
AMOUNT of Quints received from 1830 to 1844, the latter year included.

E. E.'
F. W. PRLMROSE, T. G. D. R.

## RETURN

To an Addness of the Legislative' Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before the House, a detailed Statement of the Annual Receipts and Expenditure of the Trinity House of Quebec, for the last four ycars, the sims of money lent from the Pilots' Stock, the sums remitted, the loss incurred by the Bankruptcy of the borrowers, or otherwise, in case such loss may have been incurred, and if such sums, or any part of them, have been lent to Members or Officers of the said Trinity Board of Quebec, and the names of the persons to whom sums have been lent; the amount of the Revenue produced by the loan of these sums, for the last four years; and the amount of the money now in the Chest of the Trinity Board of Quebec.

By Command,
D. DALY,

Secretary.

## Secretary's Office, <br> 31st January, 1845.

No. 1.-State of the Qucbec Decayed Pilot Fund, the 4th September, 1844.
No. 2.-Statement of the Annual Receipts of the Trinity House of Quebee, for the four years ended 31st December, 1844.
No. 3.-Statement of the Annual Expenditure of do do for do do.
No. 4,-Statement of Monies lent from and reimbursed to the Qucbec Decayed Pilot Fund, during the four years ended 4th Scptember, 1844.
No. 5.-Monies due to the Qucbee Decayed Pilot Fund, the 28th January, 1845, and bearing interest at 6 per cent. per annum.

No. 1-STATE of the QUEBEC DECAYED PILOT FUND, the 4th September, 1844.



No. 2.-STATEMENT of the ANNUAL RECEIPTS of the TRINITY HOUSE of QUEBEC, for the four years ended 31st Decenber, 1844.


Memo.-The Dutics cohlected during the Quarter ended on the 5th Jamanry, 1843, have not heen received, and no Return of the same made by the late Naval Officer.

Cash in the hands of the Treasurer, the 31st December, 1844, Currency, £3637 12s. 9d.
E. B. LINDSAY,

Treasurer, Trinity House, Quebec.
Thinity House, Quebec,
29th January, 184.5.

E. B. LINDSAY,

Trinify House, Quebec, 29th January, 1845.

Treasurer, Trinity House, Quebec.

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Appendix (C. C.)
A. 1844-5.


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## RETURN

To an Adpress from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, bearing date the 4th instant, requesting " an Account of the Harbour Dues collected "at the Port of Toronto, during the years 1843 and 1844, together with an Abstract " of the Account of the said Harbour with the Provincial Government, shewing the
"Balance of the said Harbour Dues unpaid at the end of the year 1843."
By Command.
D. DALY,

Secretary.

Secretary's Office, 10th February, 1845.

An Account of the Harboun Dues collected at the Pont of Tononto during the years 1843 and 1844, together with an Abstract of the Account of the said Harbour with the Provincial Government, shewing the Balance of the said Harbour Dues unpaid at the end of the year 1843; furnished pursuant to an Address from the Honourable the Legislative Assembly, of the 4th Februaxy, 1845.

| Year. | ANOUNT Collected during the quahter mided, |  |  |  | Total Collected during the Year. | Expense of, Collection. | Net Revenue. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 5th April. | 5th July. | 5th October. | 5th January. |  |  |  |
| " | $\pm$ s. d. | £ s. d. |  | £ s. d. | $\pm$ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. |
| 1843 | ... ... ... | 130185 | $\left\{\begin{array}{rrr}36 & 5 & 8 \\ 101 & 3 & 9\end{array}\right\}$ | 30372 | 571'15 0 | $9413 \quad 5$ | 47717 |
| 1844 | 611010 | 226168 | 201010 | 222154 | 71238 | 1211011 | 500129 |




The Select Committee to which was referred tho Petition of Joseph Donegani, the of City of Montreal, Merchant, praying to be secured in his Title to certain Property, have agreed to the following Repont:-

Your Committec lave attentively examined the Petition of Joseph Donegani, of the City of Montreal, referred to then by your Honourable Mouse, and perused the Documentary Evidence submitted in support thereol.

The Pelitioner has convinced your Committec of the truth of the statements contained in his Petition, viz: : that his father, John Doncgani, an Itilian hy birth, emigrated to Lower Cuada with his fainily, and amonerg other mombers of it, the side 5 oweph Doneg:ani the Petitioner; and that the sniddohn Donegani settleclat Montreal, where he residal until the year 1802, having in the interval acquired considerable property:

By his last will, dated at Montrenl, the 23rd July, 1800, and a codicil bearing subsequent date, he constituted his three sons, one of whom is the Petitioner, his residuary legatces, and left to his dhughter Thèréso Donegani, who hal intermarried in Canada, a becpuest of Five hundred pounds, as her share in his Listate. The Testator, John Doncgani, departed this life at Molmazio, in Italy, in or ubout the yenr 1809. Under the will and codicil thove mentioned, the Petitioner took possession of the property real and personal which had beou bequenthed to liin, and cujoyed the same uninterruptedly until the month of Tebruary, 1827, when a suit was commonced aguinst him in the Court of King's Beneh at Montreal, by his nephews, J. A. Donegani, Joseph Doncgani, and Guillaume Benjamin Donegani, the children of his sister Therése Donegani, born in Lower Camada, issue of the marringe between her and the late Joseph Donogani her husbond, hoth decensed; by which suil, the nephews, as grand children and heirs at law of their grandfather John Donegani, claimed to the prejudice of Petitiones, the whole of the real estate which he had taken under the said will, testanent and codicil of his father.

This chim was made to rest upon the fact that your Petitioner was born in Italy, out of the allegiance of the Crown of Great l3ritain, and was precluded from taking and holding the real property of his father under the said will and codicil, being an alien bom.

The said nephews of the Petitioner prevailed in their suit, and the real estate hold by him under the will and colicil of his father, was awnded to them, together with the rents, issucs and profits, by a judgment given in the said Court of King's Bench, on the 18 th of June, 1831.

The Petitioner appealed from this judgment to the Provincial Court of Appeals, which Court, on the 30 th $\Lambda$ pril, 1832, affirmed the judgment.

The Petitioner again appealed to the King in Council from bolli of these judgrients, but he was again unsuccossful in this appeal; in this last resort; the Report of their Lordships composing the' Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, recommending the affirmance of the two judgments of the Canadian Courts, having been confirmed by His Ma-
jesty on the 17 th of February, 1835. In making their report their Lordshins adverted to the arguments urged by the Counsel for the Petitioner, and derived from the sanction to the Statute of the first William IV. cap. 53 , levecinafter mentioned, which had lueen given subsegucutly to the rendering of judgment in the King's Bench ; but their Lordships conceived that sittiug is a Court of Appellate Jurisdiction merely, they were precluded from giving to the Petitioner the bencfit of that $\Lambda$ et.

Previously to the rendering of judgment in the King's Bench at Montral, a Mill, intiluted, "An "Act to secure to and confer upon certain inhabitants "of this Province the civil and political rights of "natural-horn British subjects," locing the Act above referred to, passed buth brunchos of the Lepislature of Lower Canada, and was presented for His Majesty's assent, und reserved for the signification of His Majesty's plensure thercon: this was on the 31st March, 1831. His Majesty's assent was given to the Bill on the 12th A pril, 1832, and signified by Proclamation on the 5th of Junc, 1832: The Petitioner, after the return of the proccedings at Law fiom the Cockpit, applied to the Court of King's Bench for redress, under the Statute first William IV. cap. 53; but his proccedings, which were in the nature of an cuditâ querela, were again unsuccessful.

It is necessary to advert now to the scope and object of this Statute, which stands on the Statute book as the first William IV. cap. 53. It commences with a recital, that "it is expedient to remove by "Law, doubts that may have arisen ns to the civil "rights and titles to real estate of some of the persons "hercinafter mentioncd," viz., "all persons who have "at any time received grants of land in this Province "from the Crown, end all persons who have held "any public office in the Province under the Great "Seal of the Province, or under'the Seal at Arms "and Siga Manual of the Governor, Licutcnant "Governor, of person administering the Government "of the Province, and all persons' who have taken "the oath of allegiance, or boing of the persons who "by the Laws of this Province are allowed to affirm "in civil cases, have made the affirmation of alleginnce "to His Majesty, or IIis Majesty's predecessors, "before any person duly authorized to alminister "such onth or affirmation, and all persbons who had " Chair setlled place of abode in this Piovince before "the year of our Lord 1823, and are still resident "thercin, shall be, and are hereby admitted and con"firmed in all the privileges of British birth, and "shull be deemed, adjudged, and taken to bie, nad so "as respects their capacity at any time heretofore, to "take, hold, possess, enjoy, claim, recover, convey, "c devisc, impart, or transmit any real estate in the "Province of Lower Canada, or any right, title, "privilege, or appurtenance thereto", or any interest "therein, to liave been natural-born subjects of His "Majesty, to all intents, constructions, and. purposes "whatsoever, as if they, and every of them, had "been born in His Majesty's United Kingdom of "Great Britain and Ireland, and that the children,
"or more remote desecindauts of nay person or per"sons of cither of the foregoing descriptions, who "may be dend, shall be, und are herely almitted to "the sane privileges which such parcents or ancestors, "if living: wouid chaim under this Acl." The words "deemed, adjulgel, and talken to be," as resplects their cunacity at my time herctofore to tnke, hold, and possess way yenl estate, as naturual-born subjects of Mis Majesty, to all intents, constructions, and purposes whatsocver, as if they, nud every of them, had been born in His Mnjesty's United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, prove, beyond the possilility of doubt, thatt the Legislature of Lower Canadu, in passing this Act, intended that its operation should be retrospective.
There is abundant proof before your Committec of the long residence of the Petitioner in Lower Canada prior to 1823 , ind of his full compliance with the provisions of the Statute, to qualify him for naturalization.
The procecdings before the Courts of Justice, notwithstanding the express terms of this Statute, will have the effect of depriving the Petitioner of the rights of a British subject, to which he is by Law as fully entited as if he had beer born in the United Kingdom, and of ousting lim of the possosssion of land, of which he lad becen in the penecful enjoyment for nearly twenty ycurs.
Independently of the Statute, and to viow the position of the Pectitioner as at Lav, il can lic considered ouly as one of extreme hardslip. The clains of his nephews to defat their graandfather's will, and to demand for themselves thitit which he earned by his labor, and which he bequeathed and designel to give to his son, their uncle, and not to then, is incquitable on its front, and repugnant to the common principles of justice. But, whatever might lave been the hardsliip of the case, your Coininittee would not have deemed it competent to them to recommend tho intervention of the Legislature in his sehulff if the Statutut of lst William IV. cap. 53, had not passed both Branchos of the Legislature before the rendering of judgment against the Petitioner by the Court at Montrenl, and if it had not actually been proclaimed and sunctioncd before the aftirmance by the Privy Council of that judgment.
The Statute is declaratory of the law, and is confrmatory of the past. Unilike other rescrved Statutes, it did nut commence to take effect from and after the Proclamation by the Governor, Dut it reluted back to the very day of the birth of the Petitioner, and made liim a 3 British subject in contemplaiion of law, instend of an Italian, as lie was born in point of fact.

Your Commiittee, after full consideration, conceive that the case of the Petitioner affords one of the few exceptions to the rule, that the Legisliture ought not to iuterfere with the rights of parties litigant before the ordinary tribumals of the country. If technical forms are not only insufficient to give due protection to the rights of the Petitioner, when not only equitable and strongly based on natural justice, but confirmed by an Aet of Parliament; and if, as is the case with the Peetitioner, these teclunical forms oppose an insurmountable barrier to redress from the ordianry Courts of Justice, your Committee consider that the Legislature is called upon to interfere, and to mect the justice of the case, by carrying out the intention of the Lavgiver in fruming the Statute.
Your Committee would therefore respectfully recommend that the prayer of the Petition sloulla be granted, and that the titles of all parties naturalizized uccording to the truc intent and meaning of the Statute of Ist William IV. cap. 53 , sloould be quieted by
a new Legislative cunctment. But as legal expensos have been incurrod to a harge amount, and an anvard of costs lans been made by the severral Courts against the Petitioner, your Committce consider it to be equitable nnd just that those costs should be bonie by the Petitioner, and that the remedy of his nephews for their recovery be Jeft open to them, ns well as to all other parties who may be similurly circuunstanced.
The whole nevertheless humbly submiticed.
T. C. AYLWIN,

Chairman.
17th February, 1845.

## MINUTES OF EVIDENCE.

Thomas Cusimna Aylwin, Esquire, in the Chair.
Thursilay 9ih January, 1845.
Alexander M. Detislo, Esquire, Clerk of the Peace. for the District of Montreal, called in ; and examined :-

1. Are you in possession of any Register or Record of Oaths of Allegiunco taken pursuint to the Statute of the Province of Canadn, 1st Will. IV. cap. 53 ; and if so, state in what capncity? -I am in possession of a legister liept under the Act above mentioned, in my capacity of Clerk of the Pace, and I now produce the same.
2. Are you nequainted with Joseph Donegani of Montreal, the Petitioner, and do you know his handwriting? - Ycs.
3. Is there any cutry in the Register which you have produced to the Committee, of the taling of the Oath of Allegiance ly the said Joseph Donegani? -Yes, there is an ontry in my own haricl-writing, in the words following: "Joseph Donegani, Montrcal, "'Trader, Joseph Donegani, 25th January, 1833, No. "2." (Signed,) "Delisle \& Delisle, Clk. 1?" I was the person who administered the oath to the said Petitioner: the signature "Joscph Donegani," in the entry, of which tho above is a copy, is the signature of the Petitioner, which was written in my presence.
4. Are you in possession of the Registers of Oaths of Alleginace taken by Pedlars and Tavern-kcepors, under the Act 35th George III. cap. 8, for the years 1808 and 1809 ?-No, I am not: they were burned when the Court House was destroyed by fire last year; but I recollect secing an entry in my late father's land-writing, cortifying that the Petitioner did take the Oallas of Alleginace in those years. My father was Clens of the Peace at that tine.
5. How long have you known the Petitioner, and what was his calling?-I have known him for upwards of 20 years, duting most of which time he was employed as a Tavern-keeper.
André Jolin, Esquire, a member of the Committec, cxamined:-
6. How long have you known the Petitioner, and what was his calling - I have known bin for upwards of 40 years, during' all which time he has resided in Montreal'; and his calling has been that of a Tavern-keeper, nud a dealer in Looking Glasses.

The Chairmnn laid before the Committce certified copies of the Records of the proceedings had in the

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Court of King's Bench, and in the Court of $A$ ppeals, in the case of Jean Antoino Donegany et al: ws. .Joscph 'Doncgany', and, "also, in' the case of Joseph Donegany vs. Jcan Antoino Donegany et al: veceived in pursuance of $n$ n order of the Conmmittee of the 18th December, 1844, See Appendix, Nos. 1 and 2.

The Chairman also laid before the Committee, copies of Notices, certificd to have been posted and affixed at the door of the Parish Church at the City of Montreal, and also to bave been published in two of the Montren newspapers, of Mi: Joseph Donegany's intention to make his present application to the Legislature, received from W. C. H. Coffin, Esquire, Joint Prothonotary of the Court of Quecu's Bonch, Montrenl. See Mprendix, No. 3.

## Al'PENDIX, No. 1.

## (whit of summons.)

Prowince of Lower Cunadn, GEORGE the District of Montreal. Grace of Gon, of the United Iting dom of Great Britain and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith.
(L. S.)

To the Sheriff of the district of Montreal, in our Province of Lower Canda, Greeting:-
We command you, that you summon Joseph Donegany, of Montrenl, in the district of Montreal, Merchant, to be and appear before us, at the Court IIouse, in our city of Montreal, on Tuesday, the twentieth day of Februnry instant, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to answer Jean Antoine Doncgany, otherwiso called Jcan Donegany, of Montrcal, in the county and district of Montreal, Merchint, Joseph Donegany; sou of the late Joseph Donegany of the same place, also Mercharit, and Joseph Maximilien Bonimcina, of the same plice, Merchant, Tutor in due form of lay appointed to Guillanme Benjamin Doncgany, a minor, issue of the marringe of the said late $J o s c p h$ Donegany, in his lifetime of Montreal aforesaid, Merchant, with the late Therese Donegany, of a. Plea, as contained in the amexed Decharation, and have you then and there this Writ.

Withess the Honorable James Reid, Esquirc, Chiof Justice of our Court of King's Bench, at Montreal; this seventeenth' day of Februnry, one thousand cight hundred' and twenty-seven, and the eighth year of our Reign.
(Signed,) Levesque, Monk \& Mornoght,
Prothonotary.

## (True Copy,)

Mone, Coffin \& Papinead,

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P \cdot B . R
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## (SHERTFF's WETURN:

By virtue of this Writ to me directed, I have caused the within named Joseph Donegnay to be summoned, to be and appeari on the day, and at the place within contained, to auswer, as the said Writ demands and requires, by leaving a copy of the said Writiand of the Declaration thereunto annexed; on the scyenteenth day of February instant; before seven of the clock in the afternoon, with the said Joseph

Donegany, in porson', at his domicile, in the parish of Aplendix Montrial, in my district; ns within I nm cormonded ( $\mathrm{E}, \mathrm{B}, \mathrm{F}$ ) and I further cortify the distance from the Court int Powrury, House in the city of Montreul, to the suid domicile of the said Dofendant, to be within one mile.'

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\text { (Signed,) F. W. Enmatinamn, } \underset{\text { Sheriff. }}{ }
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20th February, 1827.
(True Copy,)
Monk, Coffin \& Parineat,

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P, B, R .
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> (DECLARATION.)

## (Translation.)

No. 461.
Montreal-King's Bonch, Fobruary Torm, 1827.
Jean $\Lambda$ ntoine Donegany et al:

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\begin{array}{cc}
\text { vs. } & \text { Plaintiffs, } \\
\text { Doserin } \\
& \text { Donegendant. }
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Jean Antoine Donegany, otherwisc called Jean Donegany, of Montrect, in the county and district of Montral, Merchant, Joseph Donegany, son of the late Joseph Doneginy, of Montreal aforesaid, also Merchant, and Joseph Maximilien Bonacina, of Montreal aforesaid, Merohant, tutor duly eleetcd and ap; pointed in law to Guillaume Berjamin Donegany, a minor, issue of the lawful marringe of the said late Joseph Donegny in lis lifetime of Montreal aforesaid, Merchant, and of the late Therese Donegany, Plaintiffs, against Josoph Douegany, of Montreal aforestid, Merchant, Defendant,--
Represent that Jean Donogany, Merchant and Tavern-kecper, and Mnic Gally, otherwise culled Mrric Galla, his wife, father and mother of the satid Thereso Donegany, did settle at Montreal aforesaid, in or about the year one thousand seyen hundred and cighty-four, and lived therein until the ycar one thousind cight hundred and two.
That the said Jean Donegany during his marriage with the said Mnxie Gally, did nequire movenble and immoveable property to a considerable amount, especially the movalable property heronfter described,that is to say:-
1st, An emplacement situate in the Town of Montrical, on the line of St. Louis Strect, "otherwise called Rue Capitale, , wounded on one side by the lands of Solomon Mittleberger represented by Goorge M.Kenzic ; on the other side by the lands of the representetives of Cazclet, now Joseph Atham nase Normandenu; in front by St. Louis Street, aforesaid, and in the rear by the 'Chomin de Ronde, in the said Town of Montreal, to wit, by the lot of land herenfter described as number three, with a stone house and othier buildings thereon erected.
2dly, Another emplacement situate in the said City of Montreal, on the line of St. Louis Street aforesaid, opposite the bouse orected on the first above described emplacement, and which was formerly used as the yard of the above mentioned house, bounded on one side by the lands of Sieur Tgnace Hubert, represented by Noell Dorion or his representatives's on the other side by Chageamigon Stireet; in front by St. Louis, Street iforesaid, and: in depth by the lands of the representatives of Ignace Giasson, now those of Piere Berthelot, Esquire.

Badly, All the land hetween the depth of the emeplacement first nobove deseribed, nud tho rond which runs' along the river; the suid lot of land being hounded in front hy the said romed; in tho renr by Whe emplecement first above deseribod; on one side hy the linds of the stid George Mrkenzie, and on the other side by the lands of the said dosegh Ahamase Nommudean; and that the suid Jean Donegaty, husband of the suid Murie Gally, ufter baving aecpuited the immovealiso properly above deseribed, did make severai impropements thereon and consideralhe additions, thereto, and in particular did build mad urect a two story stone house on the secondly above described omplecement, and dide erect a mult or two story stone building partly on the raplacement firsi albove doscribed, and partly on that thiritly above duseribed.

That on the twenty-fiftl day of September, one thousand seven hundred amd ninety-seven, at Montrenl atoresuind, the said 'Therese Donegmys, daughter of the said Suan Donugany, and of tho stid Namic Gally, was joined in haw ful wedlock to Soseph DoncHany, tavern-kecper, son of the late Jemn Antwine Donegany nud of the late Marthe Donegumy, which said mariage was solemnized at Montreal aforesuid, on the snid twenty-fifith day of Soptember, one thousumb seren hundred and hitiety-seven,

That on the sixtenth day of Nuy, one thousmend eight hatuderd and soven, the waid Therese Donegany, otherwise called Matio Thereso Donegany, danghter of the said deme Doncgany mod of the said Matio Gally, departed this life nt Montran aforesaid, lenving as her sole and only heirs three children, issuo of her marriggo with the saill Joseph Donegrany, which said chifdren wore all hern at Montreal iforesail, to wit, tho mid dena Antoino Donegny, Joscph Donegray, and Guillume Benjanin Donerany, tho Plantilfs in this chuse, and grandsons of the said Jem Dongmy and of the said Marie Gally his wife.

That the suid Joseph Donegnny, widower of the said Therese Donegray, and father of the said Phintiffe, having doparfed this life at Montreal aforesaid, on the sixil dhy of July, one thousand eight hundred and seventen, the sidid Joseph Maximilion Bonacina was, in the twention day of Angust, one thousaud eight humbred ind sisteen, duly appointed tutor to the minor chiliten issme of the marringe of the said late Joroph Donegrany and of the said late Therese Doncgany, to wit, to the suid Jean Antoine Doncgany and Joseph Duncgany, two of the said Plaintifts who were then minors, but who have long since attaned the age of majority, to wit, the ago of twenty-one years, and to the said Guillame Benjamin Donegrany who is yet a mintor.

That the said Tcan Doncgany, husband of the said Maric Gully and grandfither of the said dean Antoine Duncgany, Joseph Donegany and Guillaume Benjamin Donergany, the Plaintiffs in this enuse, departed this life at Moltrazio, in Lombardy, on the Continent of Lurope, on or about the sixteenth day of March, onc thousand eight hundred and nine, leaving as his sole and only lawful heirs the said Plaintills, to wit, the said Jem Antome Donegany, Joseph Donegany, and Guillnume. Benjamin Donegany, his grandsons, and sons of the said Therese Doncgany, his daughter, nud learing at Monircal aforesaid, movable and immorcalle property of considerable value, and in particular, the emplanemens and lots of land above described; leaving also at Moltrazio aforesaid, other moveable and inmoveablo property of the value of about Tliree thousand younds current money of the Province of Lower Canada.

That the said Mario Chilly, widow of tho said late Jan Doucgrany, and grandmother of the said Joan laume Benjumin Donegrany, the sada Plnintiffts, depurtad this lifo at Moltrizio atoresaid, in the ycur one thousund eight humdred tund fifteen, leaving also ng her sole hei's the said Plaintifis, to wit, the anid Jem Antoine Doriegany, Toseph Donegray, and Guilhume Benjumin Donggay, hor grindsons, mad sons of the anic Thirdse Donegany, and leaving at Montreal afincesuid, moverable and inmoveuble property' of considemble value.
Thut the suid Joseph Donegrany, the Defendant in this chuse, did imnedintely after ho decesse of the suid late Jom Donegrany, grandfition of the said Plantifls, to wit, at Montronh atoresuid, liko posm scession willontiny right whuterer, of nill the moverble and immoveahle jroperty lel't at Monitreal aforesaid ly the said I Cun Doncmany at the time of his decence. aud did in particular talke possession of the emplacemens and luts of' land hbove deseribed, and of all thais appurtenamers, and mike use of all the movenbles, monics, and chinss lelt by the suid late Jem Donemay, and did receive the rents and revenues arising from the said emplacemens and lots of land above described and their appurtennmees, and convert tho sume to lis own use mud adruntage.
That the said Joseph Doneguny, the Defendant in this conuse, immediately after tho deconso of the said Mavie Grilly, grambodher of the suid Mlaintiffes, to wit, at Montreal aforestid, in the yen one thousand cipht humbred and fifteen, did also take possession of alf the moveable ant inmoveable property' loft' at Montrent aforesaid hy the saich Maric Gally at the time of ' Lor decense, nat did receive the rents and revenues arising therefrom, tund conyort the sane to his viwn use.
That although the snid Defendent had heen often required by die said Plaintiffo to return and give up to the said Plain tiffs the said moveable and immoveable property left by the sitid hate Jean Donergay and the suid late Miruie Gally, together with the rents, reventes and profits arising thereftom, the said Defendanh hath alwaye refused, and doth still wojustly refuse so to do, for which reason the said Plantiffs do institute their action agrainst lime.
Wherefore the suid Phintiffs pray that the said Defendant be condemned to give up nad velurn to the said Plaintiffs all the property, moveable and immoveable, left at Muntreal aforessid by the snid hate Jem Doncgany and Marie Gally his wilc, at the time of their ducoase, and whereof the said Defondant has taken posscssion as aforcand, and in praticular of the emplacemens mad lots of land abore desoribed, and all their thpurtenances, together with the rente, revenues, aud interest of the said moveable and immoreable property; and that, moreover, the said Defendant bo condemned to indemnify the said Plaintiffs for the waste which he has done to the said moveable or immoveable property, to restore to the said Plaintiffs the delits which he has collected and reccived from the debtors of the said decensed persons; and, finally, to indemnify the said Plaintiffs of nll the losses he may have made then sustrin, and all the damages he hins coused them by reason of his retaining possession of the said property; the whole with incerest and costs.
(Signel,) Jos. Bedard, Attorney for the said Mlaintiffs.
Montreal, 15th February, 1827.
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( (Hndorsedi)
No. 461.
King's Bench-Februnny Torm, 1827. Doclaration.
Jean Anmong Doneany et al: vs. Plaintiffs;
Jobima Doneany,
Defundant.
A-filed 20th Fobrunty, 1827.
(Signod, $)$ I. M. \& M.
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(True Copy)
Monk, Cofrin \& Papineat,
P, $, B, R$.

## (Deffenses.)

Montreal-Court of King's Bench, February Torm, 1827.
Jean Antrone Donegnny at al: vs.

Plaintiffs,
Josmpi Donmany,

## Defendant.

The Defendant for answer to the action of the said Plaintifts, suith that their demand is unfounded, and that the allegations in their said Declaration contained are untrue.
Wherefore the said Defendant prays that the action of the said Plaintiffe may be dismissed with costs.
(Signed,) Romand \& Mondeler, Altornios for Defendant.
The Defondant, without waiving the deffense above pleaded, and without admitting nuy of the allegrations of the said Plnintiffs in their snid Declantion to be true, further saith: that he is the son of the said late Jean Doncgany mestioned in the Declarntion, by the marninge of the said Jenn Donegany with the late Maric Catherine Galla also mentioned in the said Dechration as Maric Gally.
That the snid late Jenn Donegany in his lifetime, to wit, on the twenty third day of fuly, in che yenr one thousand eight hundred, then residing in the town of Montreal, in the district of Montrenl, in the Province of Lhowor Canida;' made and exocuted his list will and tostriment by an Acte passed before Joseph Papincau nad Thomas Barron, Notalies, at Montreal aforesaid, by which said last will and testament he did give and bequenti to Jean Douegniny his -son, brother of the said Defendint, the sum of five shillings, current money of the said Province; to Daniel Donegany, his other son, one-fourth of all the property which he might leave at the time of his decense; to Therdse Donegany, his dnughter, also one-fouth of all his property; and to the SDefendant, one-half of all his property, both moveable and immoveable, which he might leave nt the time of his decense, subject to the olrarge and condition that his said clitiden should allow Marie Cntherine Gaila, their mother, to enjoy, daring her lifetime, the usufruct of all the properity bequenthed to them:
The by a codicil and testamentary disposition, whereof Acte was passed before the enid "Joseph

Papinenu and Louis Guy, Notarios, dated at Montreal aforesaid, the seventh day of August, "in the year one thousand eight hundred and two, tho said,
Jcon Donegany, then residing at Montreal nforesand, did rovoke tho togncy which he had made in and by his snid will to the seid. Therese Donegany, his diugghter, lenving to her in lieu thersof the sum of five hundred pounds, current moncy of the Provinoo, to bo pride once; revoking ulso the logacy of fve shillings whicli he had mido in and by his said will to the suid Jean Donogany, his son, and begucathing to him in lion thercof one-founth of the propety which he might leaye at the tirne of his deconso; the said testator declaring tho snid Daniol, Josepll, and Jerun Donegany to bo his univeresal legatees, substituting the said Jcan Donegray, his son, in lient of the snid Thorese Donegany, to munage nnd dispose of kis property, silbjoct to the conditione and restrictions containod nud imposed in and by his snid will and codicil; declaring also that if any one of the said legateos slould contest the paymont of the above rent, he should be deprived of his legacy for the bencfit of the persons named in the said will, and in thio order thercin mantioned.

That, therefore, if the snid Defendants hnve aright to bo considercd is heirs of Thererso Donegany, bister of the Dofendant above mentioned, (all which the Defendant does not admit,) they clunot clinim from the succession of the sinid Jean Donegnyy anything but the legricy of five hundred pounds curroncy, bequeathed to her by tho ania Jcan' Donegany in his codicil, bearing date the seveneith day of August, one thousand cight hundred and two; which suld legrey tho snid Defendant andlais ssid brothiers, as universal legatces of their father, have offorod to the sbid Plaintiffs over sinco the year one thousund eight hiundred and eloven.
That as to the said Marie Catherine Gullh, mother of the said Defendant,:"she departed this life in Italy, and left no movcable or immoveable property at her decease, dither in the snid town of Moutreal or elsewhore, and that she has never boen the proprictor of tho immovcable property in the Declarution of the Plaintiffs describcod.
Wharfore and whereas the Pluintiffs cannot, ns hicirs of their mother, claim naything else from the estate and succession of the suid lato Jean Donecgapy, their protended grandfather, than the sum of Give hundred pounds, currency, as a legacy, for which thicy have na action aiganst the nuiversal legatees nance in the last will and tostament and codicil of the suid late Jem Doneginy, and wherens, their toction is quite ns unfounded with rifference to the proporty belonging to the eetnte and succession of the snid Marie Ciatherine Gulla their pretended grandmother, the Dofendant prays thint the demande of the ssid Plaintiffs be dismissed with costs.

## (Signed;) Rolland \& Mondelet, Atiornies for Deferdant.

The Defondent, without wniver of his dfenses and exceptionis above pleadled, and without idmitting that the PInintiff have andy right of property in the imimovenbles in their said Declarition mentioned hitid deseribed, farther sinth, that the said immotenblies belong to and hre in the posaesesion of hime the said Defonidant, jointly with hilis fatlier the eaid Jenin Doute gany, and that hes, the diad Defendnat, has incurred considerable oxpense, and made gront improvemento on the sida mmoveable properity since he has conjoyed the samic jointly with the said Jeani Donegny all which he car justify when and where it may be thought necessary. ith Februry. after have for or by reason of the same.
(Signed,) Rolland \& Mondelet, Altornies for Defendant.
Montreal, 30th March, 1827.
(Truc Copy,
Monk, Coffin \& Paplneav,
P. B. R.
(Enclorsed.)
No. 461.
K. B. Montreal-Felruary, 1827.

## Dífenses.

Jean Antorne Donegany ct al: vs.

Plaintiffs,
Josepil Donegany,
Defondant.
B-filed 2nd April, 1827.
(Paraphe,) L. M. \& M. $P$.
(True Copy,)
Monk, Coffin \& Papineau, P. B. R.
(Replication to Défenses et fins de non recevoir, to percmptory exceptions.)
Montral-King's Bench, April Tcrm, 1827.
Jean Antorne Donegany ct al:
ves.
Joseri Donegany,
Plaintiffs,
Defondant.
And the said Plaintiffs, by their undersigned Attorncy, for answer to the defenses first pleaded by the Defendant, to the action and domande of the said Plaintiffs in this cause, say, that their action and demande is well-founded, and that the allegations in the declaration of the said Plaintilfs in this cause filed, contained, are truc.

Wherefore the said Plaintiffs persist in the conclusions of their said Declaration, with costs.

> (Signed,) Jos. Bedard, Attorncy for said Plaintiffs.

And the said Phaintifls not admitting, but on the contrary denying all and every the allegations, matters and things in the said peremptory exceptions secondly pleaded by the snid Defendant contained, which are neither true nor founded in fact, for answer and exception to the said peremptory exceptions, say, that when the said Jean Doncgany, and the said Maxic Galla his wifc, materanl grandfather and grandmother of the said Plaintiffe, came to this country, and settled at Montreal, in or about the year one thousand seven lundred and nincty-four, they were and did continue to be until their deceasc, aliens and forcigners, born of foreign parents and in a foreign country, to wit, in the Milanese Territory, Austrian Lombardy, in Eiurope, in the dominions and
under the allegiance of the Emperor of Austria, and out of the dominions and allegiance of His late Majesty George the Third, then Our Sovercign Lord 17 ith Fetruary. and King.

That the said Jean Donegrany, husband of the said Maric Galla, and maternal grandfather of the said Plaintiffs, boing an alien and a foreigner, was incapable in law of disposing by last will and testament of the property which he held in this country, and especially of the moveable property in the said Declaration of the said Plaintiffs in this cause mentioned and described, or of any part thereof, to the prejudice of the said Plaiutiffs, who, being natural boin subjects of Our Sovercign Lord the King, were at the time of the decease of the said Jenn Donegany, their grandfather, his sole hicirs crpable of succecding him in the property which he hold in this comutry, and in any other part of the dominions of His late Majesty Gcorge the Third, Our Sorereign Lord the King. And the said Plaintifts therefore say that the last will and testament of the said Jean Donegany, maternal grandfather of the said Plaintiffs, made and exccuted before Maitros Joseph Papincau and Thomas Barron, Notaries, at Montreal aforesuid, on the twenty-third of July onc thousand eight hundred, and the codicil of the said Jean Donegany made before Maitres Joseph Papincau and Louis Guy, Notarics, at Montreal aforcsaid, on the seventh of August, one thousand cight hundred and two, and upon which are founded the said peremptory execptions secondly pleaded by the said Defendant, are null and void in law, and ought to be declared null and void by the judmment of this Honorable Court, and as such laid aside; and that the said Defendant camnot have or maintain the said percuptory exceptions loy him secondly pleaded.
Wherefore the said Plaintiffs persist in the conclusions of their said declaration, and pray that by the julgment of this Honorable Court he said last will and testament of the twenty-third of July, one thousand cight hundred, and the said codicil of the seventh of August, one thousaud cight hundred and two, be cleclared null and roid, and as such laid aside; and that morcover the stide peremptory exceptions sccondly pleaded by the suid Defendaut, be dismissed with costs.

> (Signed,) Jos. Bedand, Attorncy for said Pluintiffs.
(True Copy,)
Monk, Coffin \& Papinead,
P. B. $R$.

And the said Plaintiffs without waiver of the preceding exception by them pleaded, but, on the contrury, reserving to themselves all the benefit or advantage thercof, for further nnswer and exception to the said percmptory exceptions sccondly ploaded by the sitia Defendant, say that the said Jean Donergany and the satid Maric Galla his wife, materual gromdfather and grandmother of the said Plainkiffs, were, at the time they came to this country and settled at Montreal aforessaid, in or about the year one thousand seren hundred and nincty-four, and did continue to be, until the time of their decease, aliens and forcigners, born of forcign parents and in a forcign country, to wit, in the Milanese Territory aforesaid, in the dominions and under the allegriance of the Emperor of Austria, and out of the dominions aud allegiance of His late Majesty George the Third, then our Sovercign Lord and King, and that the said Jcan Donegany and Marie Galla his wife, settled as aforesaid in Montreal, in order to carry on trade and commerce at that place, with the intention of recturning to their mative country.

That the said Jean Doncgany, husband of the said Maric Galla, being an alien and foreigner,' born in 'a 17th February. forcign comntry, out of the dominions and out of the allegiance of our Sovercign Lord the King, to wit, of His late Majesty George the Third, was incapable in Law of disposing, by any will or testament made and executed cither in this or in his native country, of any portion of the property which he held in this country, and especinlly of any portion of the immoveable property in the Declaration of the said Plaintiffs in this cause mentioned and deseribed, but that the said Jcan Donegany, husband of the said Maric Galla, had a right to and could dispose by last will or testament made and executed in his native country, of the property which he held in his mative country, and had also the right of revoking by a last will or testament made and executed in his mative country, any will or testament made by him, either in this or in his native country.
And the said Plaintiffs further say and aver, that the said Jean Donegany and the said Marie Galla, did return to their native country in the Milanese Territory aforesaid, in or about the year one thousand cighthundred and two, and did reside there until the time of their deccase.

That the said Jean Donegany, husband of the said Maric Galla, residing in his native country, and being a subject and under the domination and allegiance of Napolcon the First, Emperor of the French, and King of Italy, who was then at open war with His late Majesty George the Third, then our Sovercign Lord and Sing, and being therefore an enemy of our Sovereign Lord the King, to wit, on the sixth day of March, one thousand cight hundred and nine, in the Communc of Moltrazio, in the second Canton in the first district of Como, made and diciated according to the formalities required in the said Commune of Moltrazio, before Doctor Jacques Phillippe Clerice, Notary of the department of Lario, at Como, aud in the presence of four wituesses, his will and testament by a public instrument, and in and by the said will and testament disposed of his property, and especially of that which he held in the Commune of Moltrazio, and of that which ho held in Montreal aforesaid, and in particulur of the immoveable property in the declatation of the said Phantiffs in this cause containced, in favor and to the advantage of his three sons issue of his marriage with the said Marie Galla, and who were then and are still aliens and foreigners, as their father and mother were during their lifetime; that the said late Jean Donegany in and by his will and testament lastly above mentioned, revoked and anuulled every other will or testament theretofore made, and in particular the will and testament bearing date at Montrcul, the seventh of August, one thousand eight hundred and two, by a public instrument made and executed before Jean Baptiste Papincau, Notary, moaning his codicil mentioned in the said peremptory exceptions, and made and excented before the said Joseph Papincau and Louis Guy, Notaries, at Montreal aforesnid, on the seventh day of August, one thousand cight hundred and two, the said Plaintiffs proving that the said Maitre Joseph Papineau is the only person of that name who has been a Notary at Montreal, for more than forty yeare, and that the said codicil of the seventh of August, one thousand cight hundred and two, in the said execptions mentioned, is the only last will made and executed before the said Josejh Papineau; the said Pluintiffs alleging that it is only by error that in the will nade before the said Jean Baptiste listly mentioned, it has been stated that the Christian mame of the said Joseph Papincau is Join Baptiste, and that doubtless this error arises from the abridged signature of the Christian name of Maitre Joseph Papinean at the foot of an authentic copy of the said codicil, given by the
said Joscph Papineau, to wit, the letters J. P. having
Appendix been taken for J. B., and as meaning Jean Baptiste, while these letters are J.P., and meanJoseph, of which last will and testament of the said Jean Doneginy lastly mentioned, the said Plaintiffs produce a true copy hercunto annexed.

And the said Plaintiffs further say and humbly maintain that the disposition of the eaid Jean Donegany, grandfather of the said Plaintiffs, contained in his last mentioned will of the said sixth day of March, one thousand eight huadred and nine, wherein and whereby he did dispose of the property which he held at Montreal aforesaid, and in particular of the immoycable property in the Declaration of the said Plaintiffs in this cause described, is null, and ought for the above-mentioned reasons, by the judgment of this Honorable Court, to be declared null and void; but that the other dispositions therein contained, in so far as they do not exceed the power of disposing by will, granted by the Laws of the place wherein the last-mentioned will of the said Jear Donegany was made, to wit, by the Code of the French, commonly called Code Nupoléon, and in particular the disposition whereby the said Jcan Donegany repealecl, revoked, and annulled every other last will or testament, are valid, and that the will of the said Jean Donegany dated the said itwenty-third day of July, one thousand eight hundred, and the codicil of the said Jemn Doncgany dated the scyenth of August, one thousand eight hundred and two, mentioned in the said peremptory exceptions secondly pleaded by the said Defondant, and upon which the said Defendant founds the said peremptory exceptions by him secondly pleaded, are repealed, revoked, and annulled by the will of the said Jean Donegany, dated the said sixth day of March, one thousand cight hundred and nine, and hercinabove montioned; and the said Plaintiffs say, that in consequence of the above facts the said Defendant cannot have or maintain the said peremptory exceptions by him secondly pladed.

Wherefore the said Plaintiffs persist in the conclusions of their declaration in this cause, and pray that it nay please this Honorable Court, for the above reasons, to adjudge and declarc ly its judgment,1st. That the disposition of the said Jean Donegany, grandfather of the said Plaintiffs, contained in the said will of the said Jean Donegany, dated the said sixth day of March, one thousand cight hundred and ninc, and whereby the said Jemm Donegany did displose of all the property which he held at Montreal aforesaid, and in particular of the immoveable property in the said decluration of the snid Plaintiffs described, is null, and that it cannot therefore bave any effect whatever.

2dly. That the will of the said Jean Donegany of the twenty-third of July, one thousand eight hundred, and the codicil of the said late Jean Donegany of the seventh of August, one thousand cight hundred and two, mentioned in the said peremptory exceptions secondly pleaded by the said Defendant, have been repealed, revoked, and annulled by the said will of the said Jean Doncgany dated the said sixth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and nine, and that the said will of the twenty-thitd of July, one thousand eight hundred, and the said codicil of the seventh of August, one thousand cight hundred and two, and upon which are founded the snid peremptory exceptions, are therefore null, and cannot have any further effect whatever; the said Plaintiffs thercfore pray that the said peremptory exceptions secondly pleaded by the said Defendant, be dismissed with costs.
(Signed;) Jos. BedArd,
Attorney for said Plaintiffs.

And the said Plnintiffs without waiver of the exceptions hercinbcfore by them pleaded, and whereof they rescrve to thenselves the whole bencit and advautuge, for replication to the defenses thirdly pleaded by the said Defendant, say, that it is the said Defendant who has taken possession of the property left at Mfontroal aforcsaid, by the said Jean Donegrany, grandfather of the said Plaintiffs, at the time of his decease, and who has received and enjoycd all the rents and revenues, and turned them to lis own ${ }^{\text {usic. The }}$ said PJaintiffs moreover alleging that Jean Doncgany mentioned in the said deffenses secondly pleaded, was not at Montreal aforessid, at the time of the decease of tho nforessid Jeau Doneginy, grandfather of the said Plaintiffs, and that it is only lately that the said Jean Donegany mentioned in the said defferses thirclly pleaded, came to this country.
Wherefore the snid Plaintiffs persist in the conclusiuns of their said declaration in this cause, with costs.
$($ Signed, $)$ Jos. Bedand,
Attornay for sail Plaintiffs.

Montreal, 7 th April, 1827.
(Truc Copy,)
Monk, Coffin \& Papineau, P. B. R.
(Endorsel,)

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IK. B. Montreal-1827.
Replication to deffenses et fins de non recevoir to peremptory exceptions.
Jean Antorive Donegany et al: vs.
Joseri P. Doneany.
C-filed 9th April, 1827.
(Signed,) L. M. \& M.
(Truc Copy,
Monk, Coffin \& Paprneac, P. B. R.
(Replication to peremptory exceptions pleaded by the Defendant.)
Montreal-King's Bench, $\Lambda$ pril Tcrm, 1827.
Jean Antoine Donegany et al:
vs.
Joseru Doneanny,
Plaintiffs,
Defendunt.

The Defendant for answer to the fins de non receroir by the said Plaintiffs pleaded to the peremptory exceptions by him pleaded in answor to their demunde, without admitting any of the allegations of the stid Plaintiffs, say, thiut the said fins de non recevair cannot be maintained, and are unfounded in fact and in law, and that the Plaintiffs cannot plead them in the present cause; that they have therefore no right to maintain the conclusions thercin containcd.
The Defendant further saith, that the Plaintiffs have no intercost in pleading the pretended incapncities of the said late Jean Doncgany, their grandfather, which, if they had existed as the Plaintiffs
pretend, were of a nature not only to prevent the said Jean Donegany from being capable to dispose of his property in Canada, but also to prevent him from possessing any immovenble property within the dominions of His Britannic Majesty, and from transmitting his moveable or immovenble property by succession, so that the Plaintiffs cannot plead these protended incapacitics of their grandfather, without doing away with their pretensions to the property left in Canada by their said grandfather, and in particular to the immoveable property in their Declaration clescribed, so much the more so as their mother, whom they pretend to be a daughter of the said late Jean Donegany, was herself born in a foreign country.
Wherefore the Defendant persists in his peremptory exceptions to the demande of the Plaintiffs, and prays that the' said Plaintiffs be declarel incapable of pleading the said fins de non recevoir to the said peremptory exceptions, and that the said fins de non recevoir be dismissed as being unfounded, with costs.
(Signed). Rolland \& Mondelet, Altornies for Defendunt.
28th May, 1827.
(True Copy, )
Mons, Cofrin \& Paprineau,
P. B. R.
(Endorsed.)

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K. B. Montreal-June, 1827.

Replication to peremptory exceptions pleaded by the Defendant.

> Jean Antoine Donegany et al:
vs. Plaintifs,
Joseri Donegany,
Defendant.
D-Filed the 4th of June, 1827.
(Signed,) L. M. \& M.,
Prothy.
(True Copy, )
Monk, Coffin \& Papineat,
P. B. $R$.
(Replication to the Answers to aux fins de non recevoir, pleaded by the Plaintiffs.)
District of Montreal-King's Bench,
Jume Tarm, 1827.
Jean Antone Donegany ot al:
vs.
Josepu Doneqany,

## Defendant.

And the said Plaintiffs for Replication to the answers of ine said Defendant to the fins de non recevoir by them pleaded in this cause to the peremptory exceptions of the said Defendant to the demande and action of the said Plaintifffs, say, that the said fins de non recevoir are well founded in fact and in law, and that the conclusions by them taken in the

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said fins de non recevoir ought to be maintained, and that the said conclusions ought to be granted to 17th February. them by this Honourable Court, with costs.

Wherefore the said Plaintiffs persist in the conclusions of their suid fins de non recevoir, with costs.
And the said Plaintiffs for further Replication to the said answers of the snid Defendant to the said fins de non recevoir by them pleaded in this cause, say, that they are interested, and have a just cause in pleading the incapacity of the said late Jean Donegany, their grandfather.
That the said late Jean Donegany, their grandfather, although a foreigner, and born within the dominions and allegiance of His Britamnic Majesty, was, during lis lifetime, capable under the law at all times in force in this country, of acquiring and holding moveable and inmoveable property situate in Canada, to wit, at Montrenl aforessid, in the said district of Montreal; but the said Plaintiffs say, that the said late Jean Donegany, being a stranger, and born out of the dominions and alleginnce of His Britannic Majcsty, was incapable in law of disposing by testament or last will of the moveable and immoveable property appertaining to him at the day and moment of his decease, and situated at Montreal aforcsaid, or of any part thereof, and in particular could not dispose by last will or testament, made and executed in a forcign country, of any portion of the moveable and immoveable property to him appertaining at the time of his deccase, and situate at Montreal aforesaid, to the prejudice of the said Plaintiffs.

That although the mother of the said Plaintiffs was hersclf a forcigner, as well' as the said late Jean Donegany, her father, the said Plaintiffs who are born subjects of His' Britannic Majesty, are nevertheless the lawful heirs of the said late Jean Donegany, their grandfather, and have nevertholess succeeded the said late Jcan Donegany in all the property situate at Montreal aforesaid, and belonging to him at the day and moment of his decense.
Wherefore the said Plaintiffs persist in the conclusions of their said fins de non recevoir, with costs.

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& \text { (Signed,) Jos. Bedard, } \\
& \text { Attorney for Plaintiffs. }
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Montreal, 7 th June, 1827.
(True copy,)
Mons, Coffin \& Paprineat,

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P . B . R .
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(Endorsed.)
No. 461.
Fing's Bench, June Term, 1827..
Replication to the Answers to the fins de non recevoir pleaded by the Plaintiffs.
$\begin{array}{cc}\text { Jean Antoine Donegany et al: } \\ \text { vs, } & \text { Plaintiffs; } \\ \text { Joseph Donegany, } & \\ & \text { Defendant. }\end{array}$
E-Filed the 8th June, 1827.
( Signed, $_{\text {, }}$ ) L. M. \& M.
P.K. B.
(True Copy,
Monk, Cofrin \& Papineau,
P. B. $R^{\prime}$

## (Rule for Faits et Articles to be submitted to the Defendant.)

## Province of Lower Canada-District of Montreal. 17th Feiruary

Friday, the 20th day of June, 1828.
No. 461.
Jean Antoine Doneginy et al: vs.

Plaintiffs,
Joseph Donegany, and Defendant. Guillaume Benjamin Donegany,

Intervening party, and Plaintiff by reprise d'instance. Present: The Honorable The Chief Justice, " " Mr. Justice Foucher,
". $\quad$ Mr. Justice Unticée.
No. 461.
On motion of the Plaintiffs, the Court permits them to interrogate the Defendant in this cause, on faits et articles pertinent to this cause; and doth in consequence order the said Defendant to appear before two of the Justices of the said Court on Saturday, the twenty-seventh day of the month "of September, 1828, at nine o'clock in the morning, to answer to such Interrogatories upon faits et articles pertinent to this cause, which shall be previously communicated to him.

## By the Court.

(Signed,) Mons \& Morroge.
(True Copy,)
Monk, Coffin \& Papineau,
P. B. R.
(Endorsed.)
In the King's Bench. No. 461.
J. A. Donegany et al:
vs.
Plaintiffs,
Joseph Doneanyy, and

Defendant.
G. B. Donegany,

Intervening party, and Plaintiff by reprise d'instance.
Rule for Faits at Articles to be submitted to the Defendant.
(True Copy,)
Monr, Cofrin \& Papinead,
P. B: $R$.
(Certificate of Service of the preceding Rule.)
I, the undersigned Bailiff, do hercby certify that I did serve a copy of the present Rule, and a copy of the faits et articles hereunto annexed, on the Defendant, Joseph Donegany, rbove-mentioned, speaking to himself at his domicile at a quarter-past eight in the morning, Montreal, the 29 th day of September, 1828.
(Signed,
C. A. Laberae, H. B. $\boldsymbol{R}$.
(True Copy,

> Monk, Cofrin \& Paptineav, $P B B, B$
(Iuterrogatories upon Faits et Articles.)
District of Montrcal-King's Bench, Vacation of June Term, 1828.

No. 461.
Jean Antone Donegany et al:
vs. Plaintiffs,
Josepil Donegany, and Defendant.
Guillaume Benjaman Donegany, Intervening party, and Plaintiff by reprise dininstance.
Faits and Articles upon which Jean Antoinc Duncgany, Joseph Donegrany, and Guillaume Benjamin Doncgany, the Plaintiffs in this cause, are desirous of interrogating and examining Joseph Doncgany, the Defendant in this cause:-
list Interrogatory-Ite shall be asked, What is his nanuc, age, profession or occupation; and place of residence?

2d. If it be not true that he has been well acquainted with the said Jean Antoine Donegany, Joseph Donegany, and Guillaume Benjanin Donegany, the Plaintifts in this cause, ever since their birth, and that he is well aerguainted with the place of their liith?

3il. If it be not true that he is persomally or otherwise aware that the suid Jem Antoine Donegray, Joseph Donegany, and Guillaume Benjanin Doncgany, the seid Defendants, were born in this city, to wit, at Montreal, in the district of Montreal, in the Prorince of Lowrer Canada?

4th. The Actes or certificatcs of haptism filed in this eatuse, and loeing tho numbers three, four, and five of the Exhibits filed in this cause by the said Phintiffs, shall be slown and exhibited to the said Defendent, and read to him if he should require it; aud thereupon the said Defendant shall be asked, if it he not true, to the best of his knowledge and helief, that hie said actes or certificates of baptism are the Actes or certificates of haptism of the said Tem Antuine Donegrany, Joseph Donegany, and Guill:ume Benjaniu Donegany, respectively, or of any and of which of them?

Th. If the said Defendant should answer in the negrative to the thintand furth interrogitorics above written, or to any prat thercof, the sidid Defendant hall lo required to state, if, and in what mamer, ho is arcquaintel with the place at which the said Jean Antwine Donegayy, Josceh Doncgany, and Guilhame Benjanin Doncgany, the said Maintiffs, respectively, were born, and if it ho not true that he is 'urcpuanted with their place of birth, and if it be not true that heo hats seern and has been acquainted with the said Jean Antoine Donerimy, Joseph DoncFrany; and Guillaume Benjanin Doncgany, since the day of thoir birth, or a few days after their birth, and at what time, and how many days after their birth, reppectively; and if it le not true that he is aware, amt in what manner he is aware, that they were born in a country which, at the time of their respective hirth, was within the dominions and under the allecinnen of His late Britannic Majesty George the Thind, of hapy memory, to wit, in the said Province of Comada; and if it be not truc, to the best of his knowledee and belicf, that Montreal aforesaid is the place of their hirth, or of the birith of any, and of whinh of them?' if the said Deftendant should answer in the negative to the present interrogatory, he shall he required to declare in as simple a manner as if he were specially interrogated, which is, to the best of his knowledge and belicf, the place of birth of the
said Jean Antoine Doncrany, Josenh Donerany, and
Guillaume Denjamin Donegany, the said Plaintiffs,

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(E.E.) or of any and of which of them, and if the place of 17 th Februnrys. their birth was within the dominions and under the alleginace of His suid Dritannic Majesty?

0th. If it be not true that he has been woll acquainted with the late Jean Donegany and Marie Gally, otherwise called Maric Galla, his wife, montioned in the Declaration of the said Plaiutiffls, and in the other pleadings in this cause fyled, and grandfather and grandmother of the said Jean Antoine Doncgany, Joseph Doncgany, and Guillaume Benjamin Doncgany, the Plaintifts in this cnuse?

7th. If it be not true that he has been just as well acquainted with the late Therèsc Doncgany mentioned in the said Declaration, and a daughter issue of the lawful marriage of the late Jean Donegnny with the said late Niaric Gally, otherwise called Maric Galla?

8th. If it he not true that, to the best of his knowledge and belief, the said Thérese Donegany was joined in lawful wedlock at Montreal aforesaid, to the said late Joseph Doncgany in the said Declaration mentioned, and that the said Jean Antoine Donegany, Joseph Donegany, and Guillaume Benjamin Donegany, the staid Plaintiffs, are chilliren issue of the lawful marriage of the said late Joscph Donegany and Thcrectse Doncgany?
9th. If it be not truc that, to the best of his knowloulge and belicf, tho said late Joseph Donegany and Thérese Donegrany have over since, and during the whole tine they were married, constantly resided at Montronl aforesaid, and that all the children issuc of their mariage were born at Montreal aforesail?
10th. The Acte or cortificate of marriage filed in this cause, and being number two of the Exhibits filed in this cause by the said Plaintiffs, shall be shewn and exlibibed to the said Defendant, and read to him should he require it; and he shall thereupon be asked, if it be not true, to the best of his knowledge and bolicf, that the sain Acte or certificate of marriage is the Acte ur certificate of the marriage of the said late Thérese Doncguny, in her lifetime daughter of the said late Jom Donegany and Maric Galli, or Maric Gath, with the late Juseph Donegany, both the suid Joseph Donegany and Thérèse Donegany being the father and mother of the said Plaintiff?

11th. The pretended will of the said late Jean Donegany, dated the twenty-third day of July, one thousand cight hundred, and his pretended codicil, dated the sevently day of August, one thousand eight hundred and two, fylced in this cause by the said Defendant, and marked No. 1, shall be shewn and exhibited to the said Defendant, and read to him should he require it; and he shall thercupon be asked, if it be not truc that the said late Thérese Donegany, in her lifetivic wife of the said late Joscph Doneggny, is the very same person mentioned in the said pretended will under the name and description of Thíresse Doncguny, lis daughter, (to wit, the daughter of the said late Joscph Donegany,) wife of Joseph Donegany, and in the suid pretended codicil mentionct under the name and description of "my "daughter Therese Doncegany," to wit, the daughter of the said lite J an Donegany?

12th. If it lie not true that he the said Defcudant is well necquainted with the place of his birth, from having heard it mentioncl by his father and mother, by his godfathers and godnothers, by the curate of the place where he was luptized, and by several persons of his family, or loy any or which of then, or from having seen and read his Acte or cortificate of baptism, or in any other and in what manner?

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13th: If it be not true, to the best of his knowledge and belicf, that he the suid Defendant was born at Moltrazio, in Lombardy, on the continent of Europe; or in any other and in which place in Lombardy aforcsaid; and if it be not true; to the best of his knowledge and belief, that he the said Defendant was born out of the dominions and the alleginnce of His Britannic Majesty?

14th. If it be not truc, to the best of his knowledge and belief, that he the said Defendant knows and in what manner he knows the place of birth of Jean Donegany, son of the said late Jean Donegany, and the birth-place of Danicl Doicgany mentioned in the pleadings in this cause filed, and also in the pretended will and codicil of the said late Jcan Doncgany herein above mentioned?

15th. If it be not true, to the best of the knowledge and beliof of the said Defondant, that the said late Jcan Doucgany and the said Daniel Donegany wore born at Moltrazio aforesaid, or at any other and what place in Lombardy aforesaid, and if it be not true, to The best of his knowledge and belief, that the said Jean Donegany, son of the said late Jean Doneginy, and the said Daniel Donegany were born out of the dominions and allegiance of His said Britannic Majćsty?

16th. If it be not true that he the said Defendant is aware, and in what manner he is aware, that thie said late Jean Donegany, and the said Marie Galli, otherwise called Maric Galla his wife, were born in a foreign country, and in what country, out of the dominions and allegrinace of His Britannic Majesty, and if it be not true, to the best of his knowledge and belief, that the said Joan Donegany and the said Maric Galli, otherwise called Marie Galla, his wife, were born at Moltrazio aforessid, of at any other and at what place in Lomibardy, out of the dominions and allegiance of His Britannic Majesty?

17th. If it be not true that he the said Defendant has been credibly informed, knows, and believes to the best of his knowledge, that the said late Jean Donegany, the husband of the said Maric Galli, otherwise callod Maric Galla, departed this life on or about the sixtecnth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and nine, or at any other and at what time, at Moltrizzio aforcsaid, after having disposed of his property by a will made and cxccuted at Moltrazio aforesaid, on or about the sixth of the said month of March, one thousand cight huadred and nine, before Doctor Jean Philippe Clerici, Notary, and the witnesses therein namorl?

184h. If it be not true that he the said Dofendant is familiar with the Italian language, and can read and understand papers written in tlint language?

19th. The exhibit No. 9, filed in this cause by the said Plaintiffs, and being a copy of the will of the late Jean Donegany made and exccuted in the Italian language, in the Commune of Moltrazio, in Italy, shall be shewn and cxlibited to the said Defondant; and he shall thereupon be asked if it be not true, to the best of his knowledge, that the body of the said Exhibit commencing at tho first line of the first page of the first leaf, and finishing at the fifteenth line of the second page of the third lenf, is a true copy of the will of the said late Jean Donegany mentioned in the seventeenth Interrogatory above written?

20th. If it be not true that the said Dofondant has in his possession a duly cortified copy of the will of the said late Jean Donegany, made and executed at Moltrazio aforcsaid, on or about the said sixth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and nine, before the said Jcan Philippe Clerici?

21st. If the Defendant should answer in the affirmative to the twentieth Interrogatory above written, Appondix (E. E.) the Defendant shall be required to compare the copy 1zth February. in his possession with the body of the snid Exhibit, number nine above mentioned; and after having compared them, he shall be asked, if it be not true that the body of the said Exhibit number nine, is a true copy of the will of the said late Jean Donegany mentioned in the cighteenth Interrogatory?
22nd. If it be not truc, that he is awnere and in what manner he is aware that the said late Jean Donegany, the husband of thic stid Marie Galli, was, at the time of his decease and long beforc, proprietor of moveable and immoveable property to a considerable amount, and situate at Môltrazio, or at any other and what place in Lombardy aforesaid, and in particular of the immoveable property mentioned and described in his last mentioned will, made and executed at Moltrazio aforesaid?
23rd. If it be not truc, to the best of his knowledge and belief, that the immoveable proporty belonging to the said late Jcan Donegany, husband of the said Marie Galli; at the time of his decease and long before, wăs worth at least a sum of Two thousand five hundred pounds current money of the Province of Lower Canada, or any other and what sum?
24th. If it be not true, to the best of his knowledge and bolief, that the movenble property; to wit, the furniture, cattle, and other moverible offects, the gold and silver both coined and not coined, and the debts, which belonged and were owing to the said Jcan Donegany, the husband of the said Marie Galli, at and before the time of his deccase, were worth and amounted to a sum of at least One thousand pounds current money aforesnid, or to any other and what sum, to the best of his knowledge?
25th. If it be not truc that he is aware, and in what manner be is avarc, that the said Maric Galli, otherwise called Galla, departed this life widow of the said late Jean Donegany at Moltrazio aforesaid, in Lombardy aforesaid, in the ycar one thousand eight hundred and fifteen, or in any and what year?
26th. If it be not true that the said Marie Galli, otherwise called Maric Galla, was at and before the time of her decase, proprictor of moveable and inmoveable property situate at Moltrazio aforesnid, or at any other place in Lombardy aforesaid, of considerable value, to wit, of the value of at least a sum of Three thousand pounds current moncy, or any other and what sum, to the best of his knowledge?
(Signed,) Jos. Bedand, Attorney for Plaintiffs.
Montreal, 20th Soptember; 1828.
(True Copy,
Monk, Coffin \& Papineau',
P. $B, R$.
(Endorsed,)
No. 461.
Montreal, King's Bench-Vacation of June Torm, 1828.

Interrogatories upon Faits et Articles.
Jean Anvoine"Donedany et al:
vs. $\quad$ Plaintiffs,
Joseph Doneany,
and
Defendant,

# Gumlaune Benjamin Donegany, Intervening party and Plaintiff 

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Filed the 27 th September, 1828.

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\text { (Signed, } \quad \text { M. \& M. }
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(Truc Copy,)
Monk, Coffin \& Papineat,

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(Aluswers to the Interrogatorics on Faits at Articles.) Province of Lower Canadi-District of Montreal.
Court of King's Bench, October Term, 1828.
No. 461.
Jean Antorne Donegany et al:
vs.
Plaintiffs,
Joserf Donegany,
Defendant.
and
Guillaume Benjamin Donegany, Intervoning party and Plaintiff by reprise d'instance.
On the sixth day of October, one thousand cight hundred and twenty-cight, sitting the Court, canne and appeared Joseph Donegany, the Defeudant in this cause, who, being duly sworn, answered as follows to the Interrogatorics upon faits et articles proposed to him by the Plaintiff's in this cause, to wit:-
To the frst Interrogatory. He answers:-My name is Joseph Donegany, I am forty-seven years of age or thercabouts, and I ann a Trader at Montreal, whero I reside.

To the second. He answers:-I have known them from their infancy.
To the third. He answers:-I an not personally aware that such is the case, but I have understood it so.
To the fourth. He answers:-I suppose they are.
To the fifth. He answers:- I do not remember laving seen them a few days after their birth; all I cin say is, that I know they were born at Montreal.
To the siath. IIc answers:-I was well acquainted with them, as they were my father and mothor.
To the seventh. He answers:-I knew her well, she was my sister.

To the cighth. IIe answers:-I belicre so.
To the ninth. He answers:-I belicve so.
To the tenth. IIe anstyere:-I believe so ; I was not present at the mariage.
To the elceventh. IIc answers:-I knew no other than her; she was my sister.
To the twelfth. He answers:-At the age of reason, I found myself at Moltrazio on the Continent of Earope. I have understood that I was born there, and I think I have seen my certificate of buptism, but I have it not with me.

To the thirteenth. He answers:-I do not know in what Province or Department is my birth-place, but I have always understood that my brothers and mynelf, and my sister, the said Therese Donegnny, were horn at Moltrazio aforesaid, on the Continent of Europe, near Switzerland.

To the fourteonth. He answers:-They are my brothers. I have mentioned in my preceding answer what I know respecting their birth.

To the fifteenth. He answers:-I can make no further answer.

To the sixtecith. HI answers:-I can say nothing on this subject, as I have no knowledge whatever thorcof.

To the seventecnth. He answers:-I have heard it said, but I have no personal knowledge thereof.

To the eighteenth He answers:-I understand it a little, and can read it, but not perfectly.
To the ninetecnth. He answers:-I cannot say whether it is a copy thereof, as I have never scen the original.

To the twenticth. He answers:-I have a paper in my posscssion which was sent to me as a copy of my father's will, but I cannot say whether it be really his will, as I have never scen the original.

To the twenty-first. He answers:-I can give no further answer than the preceding.

To the twenty-second. He answers:-T have understood that he had property, but not to a considerable amount; and as to the will, I know nothing further than what I have above stated.

To the twenty-third. He answers:-No, I do not think so from what I have heird said.
To the twenty-fourth. He answers:-No, what he loft, to my knowledge, was' certainly not worth that sum.
To the twenty-fifth. He answers:-T have understood it so, but 1 have no knowledge thereof, as I have always resided in Montreal ever since the year one thousand cight hundred and five.
To the twenty-sixth. He answers:-She had no property to my knowledge; from what I understood she only enjoyed a rent.
And the said Soseph Donegany further saith not. The above answers having been read to the snid Joseph Donegany, he saith that they contain the truth, persists therein, and hath signed.

> (Signed,) Josir. Donegany.

Sworn, sitting the Court, this aforesaid 6th day of October, 1828.
(Signel,) Monk \& Monrogri, P. B. R.
(True Cony,
Monk, Corfin \& Papineau,
P. B. $R$.
(Endorsed.)
No. 461.
Answer to the Interrogatorics on Faits et Articles.
Donegany et al:
vs. ... Plaintiffs,
Donegany,
Defendant.
Filed this 6th October, 1828.
(Signed,) M. \& M.
(True Copy,)
Monk, Cofrin \& Papineat,
P. B. $\Omega$.
(Copy of Judyment.)
Province of Lower Canadn-District of Montreal. Court of King's Bench.

Monday, the eighteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-onc.

## Present:

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The Honorablc Cumef Justice Reid,
    * " Mr.Justige Pyie,
    "% Mr. Justice Uniacee.
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No. 461.
Jean Antorne Doneqany, otherwise called Jean Donegany, of Montreal, in the county and district of Montreal, Merchant, Joseph Donegrany, son of the late Joseph Donegany, of the same place, also Merchant, and Joscpl Maximilion Bonacina, of the same place, Mcrelant, tutor duly appointed in law to Guillaume Benjamin Doncrany, a ininor, issue of the marxiage of the said late Joseph Donegany in his lifetime, of Montreal aforesaid, Morchant, with the late Thérése Donegany,
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Plaintiff's,
Josefir Donegany, of Montreal, Merchant, and Defentant,

## The said Gumlaume Benjamin Donegany, Plaintiff by reprise dinstance.

The Court after having heard the parties by their Counsel, and examined the record, exhibits, evilence and admissions of the snid partics, and having maturely deliberated thereon, considering that the Pluintiffs as natural suljects of His Majcsty, bom in this country, have a right to claim the property left to them in this country by the late Jcan Donegany and Maric Gally his wife, at the time of their decease, grandfather and grandmother of the said Plaintiffs, aid that the said late Jenn Donegany could not by last will or testament dispose of the sail property in favour of the said Defendant or of any other person, and that the said Defendant, being an alien, can have no title to the said property, condemns the said Defendant to restore and deliver up to the said Plaintiffs the said immoveahle property so left by the said late Jean Donegany and Marie Gally his wife, at the time of their decense, and whercof the Defendant has taken possession, to wit: 1st. An cmplacement situate in the town of Montreal, on the line of St. Louis Street, otherwise called Ruc Capitale, bounded on one side by the lands of Solomon Mittleberger represented by George MrKenzic; on the other side by the lands of the representatives of Cazelet, now Joseph Athanase Normanden ; in frout by St. Louis Street aforesaid, and in the rear by the "Chemin'de Ronde," in the said towin of Montreal, to wit, by the lot of land herenfter descrived as number three, with a stone house and other buildings thereon erected. 2ndly. Another emplacement, situate in the said city of Montreal, on the line of St. Louis Strect aforesaid, opposite the house crected on the first above described emplacement, "and which was formerly used as the yard of the above mentioned house, bounded on one side, by the lands of Sicur Iguace Hubert, represented by Noël Dorion or his representatives; on the other side by Chagdamigon street; in front lyy St. Louis street aforessid, and in depth by the lands of the representatives of Ignace Giasson, now those of Pieire Berthclot, Esquire. 3rdly. All the land between the depth of the emplacement first above deseribed, and the road which runs along the river; the said lot of land being bounded in front by the" said roid; in the rear by the emplacement first above described,--on one side by
the lands of thesnid George M•Kenzie, and on the other side by the lands of the saidJoseph Athanase Norman-

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17th Februiry. denu, with a two story stonc house crected by the said Jcan Donegany, husband of the said Maric Gally, on the secondly above described emplacement, and a vault or two story stone building crected by the said Jean Doncginy, partly on the emplacement first above described, and partly on that thirdly above described.
The Court also condemns the said Defendant to restore and give up to the said Plaintiffs the rents, issucs, profits and revenucs of the said property, received by him since he has been in possession thereof;, and orders that, by Experts to be agreed upon by the parties, or in deftult to be appointed by the Court, it slaall be ascortained whether the said Plaintiff has done nny damage to or made any improvements; and to what amount, on the said immoveable property since it has been in his possession ; the Court reserving the right of deciding after the report shall have been made by the said Experts; and the Court also condemns the Defendant to pay the costs,

## (True Copy,)

Mons, Coffin \& Parineau,
P.B. R.

## (Copy of Judgment of the Court of Appeals.)

Province of Lower Canada.-Court of Appeals.
30th $\Lambda$ pril 1832.
Joseph Donegany, and

## Appellunt,

Jean Ant. Donegany et al:
Respondents.
The Court having henrl the parties by their Counsel, it is considered and adjudged that the Judgmenti of the Court of King's Bench for the district of Montreal, made and rendered in this cause on the cighteenth day of June, one thousand cight hundred and thirty-one, be and the same is hereby affirmed with costs to the Respondents; and, on motion of Messis. Ogden and Buchanan, distraction de, frais is awarded to them as the Attornies of the said Respondents. It is further ordered that the record be remitted to the suid Court of King's Beach.

Cortificd,
(Signed,)
E. Desbarats,
C. C. A.
(A true Copy,
Monk, Cofrin \& Pirineau,
P. B. $R$.

We, the joint Prothonotary of Her Majesty's Court of Quecn's Bench for the district of Montreal, in the Province of Canada, do hereby certify that the foregoing papers, to wit: Dcclaration with Writ of Summons, tund the Sheriff's Return annexed thereto; Défenses; Replication"; Repliques sur Exception péremptoire plaidée par le Defendeur; Repliques aux repionses aux fins de non recevoir plaidées par les Demandeurs; Interrogatoires sur Faits et Articles submitted by the Plaintiffs to the Defendant; Answers of the Defendant sur faits et articles; Judgment in

## (Endorsed.)

By virtue of this Writ to me directed, I have caused the within named Jean Antoine Donegany, otherwise called Joan Doncgany, Joseph Donegany, and Guil laume Benjamin Donegany, to be summoned, to bo and appear on the day, and at the place within contained, to answer as the said Writ demands and recuires, ly leaving a copy of the said Writ, and of the Declaration thereunto amexed, on the fourteconth day of October instant, at the hour of cight of the clock in the forenoon, with said Jean Antoinc Donegany in person, at his domicile, in the parish of Montrenl; and, on the said day, and at the same hour, I caused other copies of said Wril and Declaration to be served upon the said Josch Donegray and Guillaume Benjamin Donagany, respectively, by lenving the sume with grown persons of the respective fumilies of said Joseph Donegany and Guillaume Benjamin Donegrany, at the respective domiciles of the said Joseph Doncgany, and Guillaume Benjamin Donegany, in the parish of Montrenl, in my district, ats within I am commanded. Thio distance from this Court House to the respective places of service is less than a milc.
L. Guay,

Sheriff.
16th Octuber, 1835.
(Declaration.)
Muntrenl-King's Bench, Octuber Term, 1835.
Josprif Donegany,
vs. Plaintiff,
Jean Anr. Donmanyy et al:

Deferdants.

Joseph Donecany, Merchant, of Montreal, district of Montreal, Plaintiff, against Jcan Antoine Doneguny otherwise called Jean Doncgmy, Merchant, of the same place, Joseph Donegrany son of the late Joseph Donegany, Merehant, of the same place, and Guilhume Benjanin Donegany, gentleman, of the sume place, Defendiants.
Declare that in the Term of the month of February, one thousand cight hundred and twenty-seven, the Defendints, to wit, the said Jem Antoine Donegrany and Joseph Donegany, son of the late Joseph Donogany, and Joscph Maxinuilien Bonacina, in his quality of Tutor to the said Guillaume Benjnmin Joncrany, then a minor, brought an action against the said Defembant, xeturnable in this Honomble Coutrt on the twentieth day of Felornary of the snid ycar one thousand cight hundred and twenty-seven, in which action the Declaration or demande was in the fullowing terms:-
"Jean Antoine Donegany, otherwise called Jean Doncgany, of Montreal, in the county and district of Montreal, Morchant, Joseph Donegriny, son of the late Joseph Donegany, of Montreal aforesaid, also Merchant, and Soscy Maximilicn Bunacina, of Montreal aforesaid, Murchant, tutor duly elected and appointed in law to Guillaume Benjamin Doncgany, a minor, issue of the lawful maryiage of the sid late Josoph Donegany in his lifetime of Montreal aforesaid, Morchant, and of the hate Thérèse Doncgany, Plaintiffg, against Joseph Donegany; of Montreal aforceaid, Merchant, Defendent,-
"Represent that Jean Doncgany, Merchant and Tavern-kseper, and Marie Gally, otherwise called

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Appeals, dated the thirtiecth day of April, one thousand cight hundred and thirty-two, ate true copies taken from and compared with the oxiginals filed and romaning of record in a cortain Canse heretoforo pending in the suid Court of King's Bench amerer the number 461, wherein Sean Antoine Donegany, otherwise called Jean Donegany, of Montreal, in thic county and district of Montreal, Merchant, Joseph Donegany, son of the late Josephe Donegray of the same place, also Mcrehant; and Joseph Maximilien Bonacina, of the same place, Merchant, Tutor in due form of lavy appointed to Guillaume ISenjanin Doncgany, a minor, issuc of the marringe of the sail late Joseph Doncminy in his lifotime of Montreal nforcsaid, Merchant, with the late Thưise Donegany, were Plaintitfe, and Joscph Doncgany, of Montreal, Merchant, was Defendant, and the said Craillame Benjamin Donegany was Plaintiff par requise dinstance.
And we further certify that one word, to wit, "cent, "appears to have been omitted in the fourth line of the ninth page in the original Rephication filed in the above cause.
Given at Montreal, this thietieth day of December, one thousund eigh hundred and torty-fous:

Monk, Coftin \& Papineau,

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## APPENDIX No. 2.

## No. 2561. Action on restitution.

(Translation.)
Province of Lower Cunada, $\}$ WLLTAN the District of Montreal. Grace of Giod, of the United Kingrlom of Great Britain and Jreland, Kina, J) cfender of the Faith.

To the Sherift' of the District of Montreal, in our Prurince of Low Cr Camada, Greeting:-

We commund you that you summon Jen Antwime Doncrany otherwise called Jem Donegany, Merchant, of Montreal, in the district of Montreal, fruseph Donegany son of the late Joseph Donegray, Merchant, of the same place, and Givilhume Benjit min Donegmy, gentloman, of the same phece, to the and aypur hetore as at the Court House, at Montrcul, on Friday the sixteenth day of October instant, at wine of the cloek in the forenoon, to answer unto the drinande of Juseph Doncginy, Nerchunt, of the same phace, for the causes mentioned in the Declaration lerentito amexed. And have you then and there this Writ.

Wincess the IIonomble Jumes Reid, Chief, Tustice of our said Court of King's Bench for the district of Muntreal.-Montreal, hisis tweltth day of October, one thousund eight hundred and thirty-five, in the sixth yeur of our Reign.

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Maric Galla, his wife, father and mother of the said Thérèse Donegrany, did settle at Montreal atoresaid, in or about the year one thousand seven hundred and cighty-four, and lived therein until the year one thousind cight hundred and two.
"That the said Jean Donegany during his marriage with the said Maric Gally, did acquirc moveable and immorcable property to a considerable amount, especially the moveable pronerty hereafter described,that is to say:-
"lst, An emplacement situate in the Town of Montreal, on the line of St. Loulis Street, other-wise called Rue Capitale, bounded on one side by the lands of Solomon Mittleberger represented by George M'Kenzic ; on the other side by the lands of the representatives of Cazolot, now Joseph Athanase Normandean; in front by St. Louis Street, aforen said, and in the rear by the 'Chemin de Ronde,' in the said Town of Montreal, to wit, by the lot of land hercafter described as number three, with a stone house and other buildings thercon erected.
r:2dly, Another emplacement situate in the said City of Montreal, on the line of St. Louis Strect aforcsaid, opposite the house erected on the first above describod omplacement, and which was formerly used as the yard of the ahove mentioned house, bounded on one side by the lands of Sicur Ignace Hulbert, represented by Noell Dorion or his representatives; on the other side by Chagenmigon Strect; in front by St. Louis Street aforessid, and in depth by the linds of the representatives of Ignace Giasson, now thoso of Pierre Berthelot, Esquirc.
"3dly, All the land between the depth of the emplacement first above described, and the road which ruas along the river; the said lot of land being bounded in front by the said road; in the rear by the emplacenient first aloove described; on one side by the lands of the said George M•Kenzie, and on the other side by the lands of the said Josephe Abhamase Normandeut; and thant the said Jean Donegray, husband of the said Maric Gally, after haying acquired the imnoveable property above described, did make several improvements thereon and considerable additions thereto, and in particudar did build and erect a two story, stone house on the secondly tbove described enplacement, and did erect a vault or two story stone building partly on the cmplacement first above described, and partly on that thirdly above described.
"That on the twenty-fifth day of September, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven, at Montreal aforesaid, the said Thérèse Doncgany, daughter of the said Jcan Donegany and of the said Marie Gally, was joined in lawful wedlock to Joseph Donegany, taveru-kecper, son of the late Jean Antoine Donegany and of the late Marthe Doncgany, which said marritge was solemnized at Montreal aforesuid, on the said twenty-fifth day of September, one thoutsand seven hundred and ninety-seven.
"That on the sixteenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and seven, the suid Therese Donegnuy, otheryisc called Marie Ther'se Donegany, daughter of the said Jean Doncgany and of the said Marie Gally, departed this life at Montreal aforesaid, loaving as her sole and only hicirs thiee children, issue of her marrigge with the sinid Joseph Donegnay, which said children were all born at Montreal aforesaid, to wit, the said Jcan AntoineDonegany, Joseph Doncgany, and Guillaume Benjamin Donegany, the Plaintiffs in this cause, and grandsons of the said Jein Donegany and of the said Marie Gally his wife.
."That the said Joseph Donegany, widower of the said Théresse Donegany, and father of the said Plaintiffs, having departed this life at Montreal aforesaid, on the sixth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen, the said Joseph Maximilien Bonacina was, on the twentieth day of August, one thousund cight hundred and sixtecn, duly appoiuted tutor to the minor children issue of the marriage of the said late Joscph Donegany and of the said late Thercise Donegany, to wit, to the said Jean Antoine Doneginy and Joseph Donegany, two of the said Plaintiffs who werc then minors, but who have long since attained the age of majority, to wit, the age of twenty-one years, and to the said Guillaume Benjamin Donegany who is yet a minor.
"That the said Jean Donegany, husband of the said Maric Gally and grandfather of the said Jean Antoine Donegany, Joseph Donegany and Guillaume Benjanin Donegany, the Plaintiffs in this cause, departed this life at Moltrazio, in Lombardy, on the Continent of Europe, on or about the sixteenth day of March, one thousand cight hundred and nine, lenving as his sole and only lawful heirs the said Plaintiffs, to wit, the said Jcan Antoine Donegany, Joscph Doncgany, and Guillaume Benjamin Donegany, his grandsons, and sons of the said Thérese Donegany, his daughter, and leaving at Montreal aforesuid, moveablo and immoveable property of considernble value, and in particular, the emplacemens and lots of land above described; leaving also at Moltrazio afforesaid, other moveable and immoveable property of the value of about Three thousand pounds current money of the Province of Lowor Canada.
" That the snid Marie Gally; widow of the said late Jonn Donegany, and grandmother of the said Jean Antoine Donegany, Joscph Doncgany, and Guillaume Benjamin Donegany; the said Plaintiffs, departed this life at Moltrazio aforesaid, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifteen, leaving allso as her sole heirs the said Plaintiffs, to wit, the said Jean Antoine Donegany, Joseph Donegany, and Guillaume Benjamin Doncgany, her grandsons, and sons of the said Therèse Donegray, and leaving at Montreal aforesaid, moveable and immoveable property of considerable value.
«That the said Joseph Donegany, the Defendant in this cause, did immediately after the decenso of the suid lato Jean Donegany, grandfuther of the said Plaintiffs, to wit, nt Montrenl aforesaid, take posscssion without any right whatever, of all the moveable and immoveable property left at Montreal aforesaid by the said Jean Donegany at the time of his decease, and did in particular take possession of the emplacemens and lots of land above described, nnd of all their appurtenances, and make use of all the moveables, monies, and claims left by the said late Jean Donegany, and did receive the rents and revenucs arising from the said emplacemens and lots of land above described and their apurtenances, and convert the same to his own use and advantage.
"That the said Joscph Donegany, the Defendant in this cause, inmediately after the decense of the said Maric Gally, grandmother of the said Phintiffe, to wit, at Montronl aforesaid, in the year one thousmad eight hundred and fifteen, did also take possession of all the moveable and immoveable property left at Montrend aforesaid ly the said Marie Gally at the time of her decense, and did receive the rents and revenues aising therefrom, and convert the same to his own use.
"That although the said Defendant hath been often required by the stid Plaintiffe to return and give up to the said Plaintiffs the said moveable and inmoveable property left by the said late Jean Donegany and

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17th Furunry revenucs and profits arising therefrom, the snid Defendant hath ahways refused, and doth slill umpustly rehase so to do, for which reason the suid Phantiffs do institute their action against him.
"Wherefore the said Plaintiffs proy that the said Defendant be condemned to give up and ruturn to tho said Plaintiffs all the property, moveable and inmovealle, left at Montreal atoresided ly the said lato Jean Donegany and Maric Gally his wilc, at the time of thoir decense, and wheroot tho said Defendinut lats taken possession as aforcsaid, and in particalat of the emplacenens and lots of limed above described, and all their supurtenances, together with the rents, revenurs, and interest of the said moveable and immoreable property; ind that, moreover, the stid Defculduat be condemned to indemuify the said lanatifs for the waste which he has done to the said movemble or immoveable property, to restore to the saill llainifit's the dobts which hic has collected and received from the deblors of the said decensed persons; and, finally, to indemnify the said Phintills of all the losses he may lave made them sustain, and all the danuges he has caused then by reason of his retaining prosscession of the said property; the whole with interest and costs."

That to the said action, the Plaintiff in the present eanse, and Defendant in the said action, replied by difinses and exceptions, in the following terns:-
"The Defendant for answer to the action of the snied Paintifts, saich that thicir demand is unfomenferl, and that the allegations in their said Declamtion contained are untruc.
"TWherefore the shid Dufendant prays that the actim of the said Plantills may be dismissed with costs.
"The Defendant, without waiving the difense athove plated, and without adnitting any of the allogations of the suid Plaintiffs in their said Dechation to bo true, further saith: that he is the son of the suid late Jem 1)onegany mentioned in the Deelametion, hy the mariage of the said Jean Doncgany with the late Laric Catherine Galla also mentivied in the suid Dechation as Manic Gally.
"That the said late Tern Duncgany in lis lifutime, to wit, on the twenty-third day of Jaly, in the year une thonsinul cight hundred, then residing in the town of Montreal, in tho disitrict of MLontrend, in the l'rovince of Lower Canadh, made and esecoted lis last will and testament by an Acte passed bufore Joseph Dapincum tard Thomas Barron, Notarices, at Montreal aboresaid, hy which said hast will and testament he did give and bequenth to $J$ enn Donegany his som, brother of the suid Defendant, the sum of five sliillings, current money of the said Drovince; to Daniel Doncgany, his other son, one-fourth of all the property which he might leave at the time of his decease; to Therebse Donegany, his duaghter, also (ne-fourth of all lis property; and to the Defendant, one-hatf of all his properly, both moveable and immoverble, which ho might leare at the time of his decease, sulhject to the charge and condition that his gaid children should allow Mario Catherine Gatlla, thein mother, to enjoy, during her lifetime, the usufrict of all the property becqucathed to them.
"That by a codicil and testamentary disposition, wheroot dete was passed before the said Joseph Papincan and Louis Guy, Notarios, duted at Montreal atoresnid, the seventh day of Augus, in the yenr one thousame cight hundred and two, the said Jean Donegany, then residing at Montreal aforessid, did yevoke the legacy which he had made in and by his said will to the said. Theriese Donegray, his dauglter, leaving to her in lieu thereof the sum of five hundred pounds, current money of the Province,
to be paid unce; revoking also the legney of five shillings which he had made in and by his said will to him in lien thereof one-fouth of the property which he might leive at the time of his decase; the suid testator deelaring the stid Dmicl, Joseqh, and Jum Donegany to be his miversal legatees, substituting the suid Jem Donegray, his son, in licu of the said Thereso Doncginy, to manage and dispose of his property, subject to the conditions and restrictions contanied and imposed in and by his said will and codicil; dechuring also that if way one of the said legratees should contest the pryment of the abovo rent, he should be deprived of his legacy for the benefit of the persons numed in the suid will, nad in the order therein mentionicd.
"'That, therefore, if the sail Defondants lume a right to be considered as heirs of Therese Donegrany, sister of 'he Defendant above mentioned, (all, which the Defendant docs mot admit,) they cannot chaim from the sucecssion of the said Jean Donegany anything but the legacy of five hundred pounds currency, be queathecl to her by the stid Sean Donegray in his corlicil, bearing dute the screnth day of August, ono thousund eight humdred and tivo; which suid legacy the said Defendant and lis's sad brothers, as universal legatues of their father, have offered to the said Phantiffs ever sinse the ycar one thousand eight hundred and eleven.
"That as to the said Man ic Catherine Galla, mother of the said Deffendant, she departed his life in Italy, and left no moveable or immoveable property at her deecase, cither in the said town of Muntreal or clacwhere, and that whe has never been the propuetor of the inmovenble property in the Declatation of the Phaintifts deseribed.
"Wherefore and wherers the Phintiffs cannot, ns heirs of their mother, claim any thing else from the estate and succession of the said late Jean Donegany, their protended grandfuther, than the sum of fire hundred pounds, currency, tis a legacy, for which they have an action agninst the universal legatees munct in the hast will and testancat and colicil of the said late dean Donegany, and whereas their action is quite as unfounded with refercnce to the property helonging to the estate nand sucecssion of the suid Minic Citherine Gallia their pretended grandmother, the Defendant pras that the demande of the suid Plantiffs be dismissed with costs.
"The Defendunt, without waiver of his deffenses and exceptions above plearded, and without admitting that the llaintilt's have any right of property in the immoveables in their said Declaration mentioned and deseribed, further saith, that the said immoveables belong to and are in the posacssion of him thic said Defondant, jointly with his father the said Jean Donegrany, atul that he, the sid Defendant, has incured considerable expense, and made great improvements on the said immovenllo property, since he has cajoyed the sume jointly with the said Jean Donegany, all which he can justily when and where it may be thuught necessary.
"Wherefore the Defuidant reserves to himself all right of action which he may now or might hereafter have for or by reason of the sume."

And the said Jean Antoine Donegany, Joseph Donegrany son of the late Joseph Donegruy, and Joseph Maximilien Bonacinn, answercd to the excoptions and defenses plonded by the said Joseph Donegany, Plaintiff in the present cause, in the following terns: -
"And the suid Plaintiff, hy their undersigned At-
torncy, for answer to the defenses first pleaded by the

Defondaut, to tho action and demande of the said Plaintiffis in this onuse, sany, that their action and demande is well-founded, and that the allogations in the Declaration of the siid Pluintiffs in this cause filed, containcd, are truc.
"Whicefore the said Plnintiffs persist in the conclusions of thoir said Declaration, with costs.
"And the said Planintiffe not admitting, but on the contrary denying all and evory the allegations, matters and things in thie suid peremptory exceptions scoondly plended by the suid Defendant' contained, which are neither true nor founded in fict, for answor and exception to the snid peremptory exceptions, siny, that when the sail Jom Donegray, and the said Mario Galla his wife, maternal grandfuther and grandmother of the saic Pluintiffs, came to this country, and scttled at Montreal, in or about the ycar ono thousand soven hundred and ninety-four, they were and did continue to be until their lecense, alicns and forcigncris, lorn of forcign parents and ini a foreign country, to wit, in the Millinese Territory, Austrian Lombardy, in Earope, in the dominions and under thio alleginaco of the Timperor of Austria, and out of the doninions and alleginnce of Fiis late $\mathrm{Ma}^{-}$ jesty George the Third, then Our Sovercign Lord aud King.
"That the said Jean Donegany, husband of the said Maric Gallh, mad maternull grinulfathicr of the snid Phintiffs, boing an alien nud a forcignor, was incaphble in law of disposing by hast will nud testnment of the property which he held in this country, and cspecially of the movenble property in the said Dedaration of the said Plaintiffis in this cause mentioned and described, or of any part thercof, to the prigudico of the suid Pluintiffes, whio, becing natural biorn subjects of Our Sovereigu Lorid the King, were at the tiine of the decense of the sxid Jean Donegany, their grandithther, his sole heirs capuble of succeeding himi in thi property which he helch in this country, hand in any other part of the dominions of His late Majesty George the Third, Our Sovereign Lord the King. And tho said Plaintiffs therefore say that the last will and testament of the said Jean Donegany, mnternal grandfather of the said Plaintiffs, made and exceuted before Maitres Joseph Papinenu and Thomns Barron, Notaries, at Montrenl aforessid, on the twectyythind of July one thousand ciglit huudrect, and tho codicili of the said Jean Doncgany made before Maitres Joseph Papinenui and Louis Guy, Notaries, at Montrical iforessid, on the seventh of August, one thousand eight hundred and troo, and upon whigh are founded the said percmptory exceptions sccondly pleaded by the said Dofendant, are null and void in laiv, and ought to be declared nuill anid void by the juidgment of this FIonorable Couit, and as sudh laid aside; and that thic saidl Defondant cuunot have or maintain the said peremptory exceptions by him sccondly pleided.
"Wherefore the sid Plaintiffs persist in the conclusions of their said declaration, and priy that by the judgment of this Honorable Court the said, last will and testament of the twenty-third of July; one thousand eight hundred, and the said codicil of the teventh of August, one thousand eight hundred and troo, be declured null and void, and nis such laid aside; and thint morcover the said peremptory exceptions' secondly plended by the suid Defendant, be disniussed with costs.
"And the said Plaintiffs without waiver of the preceding exception by then it pleided, put, on thie contrints; reserving to themselves all the benefit or alvnitage thereof, for further answer, and exception to the said peremptory exceptions secondy hiended by the sid Defendant; say that the said Jean Doicegaty and the
said Marie Galla his wife, matornal grandfuther and graudmother of the said Plaintiffs, were', at the time they canio to this country and sectled at Montreal aforessid, in or inout the yenr one thousand seven liundred and ninety-four, and, did continue to bo, wutil the time of their deceaso, aliens nid foreigners, born of forcign parents and in a forcign country, to wit, in the Milancso Teritory nforesnid, in the dominions and under thie allegianco of thic Emperor of Austria, and out of the dominions and nllegiance of His late Majosty; Gcorge the Third, thon our' Soveroign Liord and King, nud that the sail Jenn Donegnyy and Mario Galla lis wife, sctiled as aforesaid in Montronl, in orler to carry on trade and commorec at that place, with the intention of returniug to thier native country.
"That the said Jenn Donogany, husband of the said Marie Gilla, boing sin alien and forcigner, born in a foreign country, out of the dominions and out of the nlleginance of our Sovercign Lord the King, to wits of His late Majesty, George the Third, was incngable in Laiv of disposing, by my will or' testrmment made and executed either in this or in his nitive cointry, of any portion of the proporty which he held in this country, and cspecinlly of any portion of the imimoveable proporty in the Declaration of the said Plaintiffis in this cruse mentioned and described, but thint the said Jcan Donegany, husbinid of the said Maric Gilla, had in right to and could dispose by last will or testamont made and exceuted in lisis natiyc country, of the property which he held in his mantive country, nind lad aliso the right of revoling by a last will or testament made and exceuted in his untive country, any will or testament mado by him, cithor in this or in his native country.
" $\Delta$ nd the sad Planintiffs further' say and nyci, that the snid Jenn Doriegany and the said Marie Gulla, did return to thicir native country in the Milanese Territory aforcsaid, in or about the ycar one thousnnd oight hundred and two, and did reside there until the time of their decease.
"That the said Joan Donegany, husbund of the said Mario Galla, residing in lis native country, naud being a subpject and under the domination and allegiance of Napolcon the First, Emperor of the French, and King of Italy, who was then nt open war with His lite Mrijesty George the Third, then our Suvereign Lord aud King, and bicing therefore na enemy of our Sovercign Lord the 'King, to wit, on the sixth day of Mrich, one thousand eight humdred and nine, in the Commune of Moltrazio, in the second Canton in the first district of Cono, made and dictated according to the formalitios recuired in thic snid Commune of Moltrizio, before Doctor Jacqucs Phillippe Clerice, Notary of tho departrient of Lario, at Como, and in the presence of four witnesses, his will and testament by a public instrument, and in and by the said will and testament disposed of his property; and esplecially of that which he held in the Communc of Moltrazio, and of that which he held in Montreal afor csuid, inch in anticular of the inmmovenble property in the deciaration of the said Plaintiffe in this cruse contained, in faivor and to the advantage of his three sons issue of his marriage with the snid Marie Galla, and who were thea and are still aliens and foreigners, as their father and mother wore during their lifetime; thatt the said late Jcan Donegany in and by his will and testament linstly albove mentioned; revoled and annuilled every other will or testanent theretofore made, and lin particular the will and testament bearing date at Montrical, the serenth of A Augists, one thousand eight hundired and two, by a public instrument made and excented before Joni Baptibte Papinenu; Notary; menning his codioil montioned in the said peremptory exceptionis, and made nid executed before the said

Joscph Pupincan mad Louis Guy, Notrrics, nt Montweal aforestid, on the seventh day of $\Lambda$ ugust, one 17 Fensurys thousund cight humeded and two, the said Maintiffe proving that the suid Maite Joscpl Papinenu is the only porson of that ame who has been a Notary at Montreal, for more than forty years, and that tho suid corlieil of the seventh of August, one thousund eight hundred nod two, in the snid cxceptions mentioned, is thic only last will made and executed before tho satid Joseph Plopincau; the said Plaintiffs alloging thint it is only by orror that in the will made before the sticl Jam Daptiste lastly mentioned, it lats been stated that the Christian name of the snid Joseph Papinena is Jom Baptiste, and that doubtless this crior arises from the nbridged signature of the Chuistian name of Maike Joscph Papinena nt the foot of mn nuthentic cony of the said codicil, given by the said. Toseph Papincuu, to wit, the letters'J. P. having been taken for J. M3., nad us meuning Jeun Baptiste, while these letters iroJ. D., andmenn Josoph, of which last will and testament of the said Jem Donegany lastly mentionect, the said Plaintifl's produce a true copy herounto munexed.
"And the said Plaintiffs further sny aud humbly maintain that the disposition of the sumd Jem Doncgamy, groudfuther of the said Plaintiffs, contained in This lasi mentioned will of the stid sisth chyy of Marel, one thousund cight hundred and nine, wherein and wherel)y he did dispose of the property which he held at Montreal aforesaid, nad in particular of the immoveable property in the Declaration of the snid Plaintiffs in this cause described, is null, nud ought for the aburementioned reasons, by the julgment of this Fonomble Court, to le dechrod null nud void; butt that the other dispositions therein contained, in so far as they to not exceed the power of disposing by will, grautod lyy tho Laws of the place wherein tho list-minentioned will of the said Jcinn Donegany was made, to wit, by the Corle of the Fronch, conmonly culled Code Napoléon, and in particular the dispocsition wherely the said e'em Donegrany repealed, revoled, mad amulled every other last will or tostament, atce valid, und that the will of the said Jean Doneginy dated the suid tw suty-third day of July, one thousind eight bundred and the collicil of the suid Jun Donegmy dated the seventh of August, one thousund eight hundred and two, mentioned in the said peremptory exceptions secondly, pleaded by the said Detendant, and upon which the said Defendme founds the said jeremptory exceptions by him secondly pifadel, are repealert, revoked, and annulled by the will of the suid Jem Donegrany, dated the ssid sixth day of Mareh, one thousand eight hundred mand nine, anid hercithabove mentioned; and the said Plaintiffs say, that in consequence of the nbove facts the said Defendant cannot have or maintain the said perempfory cxaptions by him secondly pleaded.
"Wherefore the said Planintiffe persist in the conclusions of their Declaration in this couse, and proy that it may plase this Honorable Court, for the above rensons, to adjudge mad declaro by its judginent,1st. That the disposition of the sid Jean Doncgany, grandfather of the said Pluintiffs, contained in the said will of the said Jemi Donegany, dated the satid sixth day of Mareh, one thousund cight hundred and vine, and whereby the said Jcan Donegnny did dispose of all the property which he held at Montreal aforesaid, ind in particular of the immoveable property in the said declarntion of the snid Plantifffe lescribed, is null, and that it cannot therefure have any effect whatever.
"2dly. That the will of the said Jean Doncgany of the twenty-third of July, one thousand cight husidred, and the codicil of the snid late Jean Bonegny of the seventh of August, one thousund eight hundred
und two, meutioned in the suid peremptory exceptions secondly pilended by the suid Dofendant, huve been the suid Itcrin Donegnay dated the suid sixth day of March, one thousund oight humdred mad nine, and that tho said will of the twonty-third of July, one thousund cight hundred, and the snidl codicil of the seventh of August, one thousand eight hundred and two, and upion which are founded the said peremptory excep)tions, are therefore null, and cannot hive any further offect whutevor: the said Plaintiffs therclore mray that thic suid jeremptory exceptions secondly pleaded by the suid Defendant, we dismissed with costs.
"And the snid Plaintiffs without waivor of the cxceptions hereimbefore lyy them pleaded, nud whereof they reserve to themselves the whole benefit mud advantage, for replication to tho defenses thirdly plended by the said Defendant, say, that it is the sald Dofendant who has talken posscession of the property left at Montral aforesaid, by the said Jem Donegruy, grandfither of the said Plaintiffe, at the time of his decense, and who has reccived and enjoyed ull the rents and rovenues, and twued then to his own use. The staid Plaintiffs morcover alleging that Jena
 plended, whes not at Montrenl aforemid, at the time of the decense of the aforesnid Jean Donegray, grandfather of the enicl Pluintiffe, and that it is only lately that the said Jean Donegany mentioned in the said defensess thirdly pleaded, canic to this country.
"Wherefore the said Plaintiffs persist in the conclusions of their saidDeelaration in this cunse, with costs."
And the Plaintiff in the prosent canse, to wit, the suid Joseph Doncgany, Defenchant in the aforesaid netion, anssered to the pleading last above recited, in the following terms:-
"The Defondant for answor to the fins do non recevoir by the suid Plaintiffs pleaded to the peremptory exceptions by him pladed in answer to thoin demande, without admitting nny of the allogations of the said Ilaintiffs, say; that thic said fins de non recevoir caunut we maintinined, and are unfounded in fact and in law, and that the Plantiffe canot plend then in the present canse; that they have therefore no right to maintain the conclusions therein contained.
"The Dofenclant further saith, that the Maiutiffs havo no interest in pleading the pretended incapacitics of the snill late Jem Donegany, their grautfather, which, if they lat oxisted as the Phantiffs pretenc, wore of a niature not only to prevent the said Jean Donegany from being capmble to dispose of his property in Canada, but also to prevent him froms possessing any immoveallo property within the dominions of His Britannic Majcsty, and from transmitting his moveable or immoveable property by succession, so that tho Plaintiffs cannot plend theso protended incupacities of their grundfather; without doing away with their pretensions to the property left in Cumada by thcir snid grandfather, and in priticular to the immovenble property in their Declaration described, so much the nore so as their mother, whom they pretend to be a daughter of the said late Jemi Donegnny, was homself born in a foreign country.
"Whorefore the Defondant porsists in his peremptory exceptions co tice demande of the Plaintiffs, and prays that the said Plaintiffe be declared incipable of plending the said fins de non recevoir to the said peremptory exceptions, and that the said fins de non reccvoir be dismissed as being unfounded, with cosis."

To which pleading of the Plaintiff in the present enuse, Defendant in the aforesaid action, the said Jean Antoinc Donegany, Joseph Donegany son of

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Joseph Donegnny, and Josoph Maximilion Bonacina in his quality aforeswid; replied as follows:-
"And the said Plinitiffls for Replication to the ansvers of the said Dofondant to the yions de non rem asooin by thoin plended in this cause to tho peremptory exceptions of the snid Defendunt to the demande and action of the anid Plaintiffs, say, that the said fins cle non receuner are well foundod in fret and in law, and that the conclusions by them takon the sinid fins de non recceoir ought to bo maintrined, nuad that tho said conclusions ought to bo granted to them by this Honourable Court, with costs.
"Wherofore the said Plaintiff persist in the conclusions of their suid fins cle non recevoir, with costs.
"And tho and Phintiff for further Roplication to the snid nuswers of the suid Defendmat to tho said fins de 'non' rocevoir by them' plonded in this camse, suy, that they are interested, and lave a just chuse in plenaing the incapucity of the suid late Joun Domesany, thecir grandtathor:
"That the said late Jan Donegany, thair grandfuther, uthough a forcigner, and born within the dominions and alleginnce of His Britannic Majesty, was, during his lifetime, capablo under the lavy at all times in forco in this country, of acquining and holding moveable and immovenble property sitate in Canida, to wit, at Montrend aforesaid, in tho said distriot of Montreal ; but the said Pluintiffs say, that the anid late Jem Donegany, boing astrunger, nud born out of the dominions and alleginte of Kis Buitannic Majesty, was incapable in law of disposing by tostam ment or last willo of the moveable and famovenble proyorty appoptatining to him at tho day and moment of his decense, and situnted at Montreal aforesaid, or of any part' thereof, and in particular conld not dispose by list will or testament, made and excoutod $n$ a forcign country, of any portion of the moveable and immorablo property to him uppertaining at the timo of his decease, and situate nt Montrenl aforesaid, to the prejudice of the suid Plaintiffib.
"That although the mothor of the said Plaintiffs was herself' a foreigacr, as well ns the suid late Jom Doncgnyy, 'her father, the said Plantiffs who we born subjects of His Britaninic Majesty, are neverthelcss the lawful Lucirs of the said late Jean Donegany, their grandfither, nand have noverthaless succeeded the snid late Joan Doneginy in all the property situnte at Montroal atoresnid, and belonging to him nt the day nud moment of his decease.
${ }^{\prime}$ Whercfore the snid Plaintiffs persist in the conclusions of their suid fins de non recevoir, with costs,"
That on the twenticth day of Junc, one thousand cight hundred and, twenty-eight, the snid Guillaume Boijomin Donegany having attained the age of majority, did revive the suit in the said cause in his own mame, in lien and in stead of the snid Joseph Miximilien Bonacina

And the said Plaintiff, to wit, the snid Joseph Donegany, Plaintife in the present cause, furthor saith, that various other procecdings wore find in the snid cause, "and that after the snid cause had beeti heard on the merits, on the fourtecith daty of April, one thousand cight hundied and thirty-one, "this Honourable Couit did, on the cighteenth day of June, one thousand eght luudred and thityone, reinder the following Judgrient:-

[^5]this country, have a right to chinm the property loft to them in this country by tho late Jon Donegany

Appondix ( $\mathrm{H}, \mathrm{E}$. and Manie Gillly his wife, at the time of thon dee 17 th Fumary. cease, gradfather and grandmothor of the said Phintiff, and that the said late Jean Doneguny could not by last will or testaneatit dispose of thic and property in furour of the naid Defondant on of auy other potgon, and that the said Deforidant, being an alion, cam have no titlo to the said property, condemins the sided Defondant to rostore and deliver up to tho suid Plaintiff the sadimmoveable property, so lettoy the anid late Jean Donegany and Marie Gally his vift, at the time of their deconse, and whoreof the $\mathrm{DC}_{\mathrm{C}}$ fondant has takon possession, to vit: "lst. An amplacoment situnte in the town of Montreal on the Ine of St. Louis Streot, otherwise called Rue Cupitale, bounded on one side by the lauds of Solomon Mittleberger iepresented by George M'Kenzie; on the othor side by the lainds of the representatives of Onzelet, now Joseph A thanase Noimandenu; in front by St Louis Street aforesuid, and in the ren by the "Chemin de Ronde," in the said town of Montreal, to wit, by the lot of land herenfter described ns number thres with a atone house and oher lbuildings thareon crected. 2ndly. Anothor emplacement, situnte in the said city of Montreal, on the line of St. Louis Strect aforcsnid, opposite the houso creoted on the first above dosoribed emplacement, and which was formenly used as the yard of the above montioned house, bounded on one side by the lands of Sicur Ignace Hubert, represented by Noed Dorion or his representatives; on the other side by Chageninigon Strect.; in front by'St. Louir Street aforesnid, and in depth by the lands of the repregentatives of Ignnce Giasson, now those of Pierre Berthelot, Jsquire. 3xdly. All the land between the depth of the amplaccment first abovo described, and the yond which runs along the river; the said lot of land being bounded in front by the suid rond; in the rear by the emplacement first above described,-on one side by tholands of the said George M.IKenzic, andon the other side by the lands of the said Jobeph Athmanse Normandoni, with a tivo story stone house erected by the said Jein Donegany, husband of thic said Mario Gally; on the secondly above described emplacement, and $a$ ynult or two story stone building erected by the said Jean Donegany, partly on the emplacement first above described, nad partly on that thirclly nl ye described.
"The Court also condemins the said Defendant to rostore nad give up to the suid Plaintiffs the rents, issues, profits and revenues of the side property, tecoived by him since he lins been in possassion thereof, and orders that, by Eaperts to be agreed upon by the parties, or in default to bo appointed by the Court, it sliall be ascertained whether the said Plaintiff has done any damage to or made any improvementa, nud to whit amount, on the said immoveablo property since it has been in his possession; the Court rescriing the right of deciding after the report ghall hive been minde by the said Experts; ata the Court also condems the Defendant to pay the costs."

That the plaintiff to wit, the said Joseph Donegang, Plaintit in the present actions appealed from the Judgment of this Houourable Court, to the Pro yincial Couit of Appeals, which Court, after having heard the pirtics; on the thirtieth day of Ápril, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two, cendered Judgnent in the following terns: :-
> "Joseph Donecany
> and Appelldut,
> JEAN ANTONE DONEANY etalt

Respondents:
"The Court haviug heard the parties by their Counsel; it is considered and djudged that the

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Iith Fubruary.

Judgment of the Court of King's Bench for the district of Montreal, made and rendered in this cause, on the eighteentl' day of June, one thousand eight humdred and thirty-one, be and the same is hereby affirmed, with costs to the Respondents; and, on motion of Mcessss. Ogden and Buchnnnn, distraction de frais is avarled to th cm as the $A$ ttornies of the sail Respondents. It is further ordered, that the record be remitted to the suid Court, King's Bench."

That the said Plaintiff having, appealed from the latter Julgment to His Majesty in Council, and the said Appcal having been granted, the snid Phaintiff, to wit, the said Joseph Donegnny, Plaintiff in the present cause, by his humble petition to His Ma jesty, prayed that the Judgments of the snid Court of Appeals, rendered on the thirtieth day of April one thousand cight huundred and thirty-one, and of the said Court of 'Kiug's Bench, rendered on the cightecinth day of Junc, one thousnud cight hundred and thirty-one, should be recrersed, and such other oriler male as to IIis Majesty shoull seem just.

That the Lorls composing the Judicina Committee of the said Privy Council, to whom His Majesty had referrecl the Petition of the snid Plaintift in the report by them made to His Majesty, stated that, in chediense to the order of reference giver by His Majesety, they had talken into consideration the said case in Appeal, 'and that after having heard Counsel on both sides on the said petition, they had agreed to report to His Majesty, as their humble opinion, that the Juulgment of the Court of Appals for the Province of Lower Canadn, rendered on the thirtieth if April, onc thousand cight hundred and thirty-two, wuglit to be confirmed, and the Appeal dismissed; and that in case His Majesty should be pleased to confirm the snid Judgrment, and dismiss the snid Ap peal, their Lordships would order that the sum of Two hundred and one pounds, five shillings and sixpence sterling, lie paid by the $\Lambda$ ppellant to the Respmidents.

That on the screnth day of February, one thousand vight lundred and thirty-fire, His Majesty having taken the said Report into considdration, was pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to sanction the said Report and to order as in the said Report is orlerel, thatt the Judgment of the Court of $\Lambda$ preals fur the Province of Lower Cunada, of the thiritieth of $A$ pril, one thousund cipht hundred and thintr-two, should be confirmed, and the said $A_{\text {ppeal }}$ lismised from tho said Council, with costs anounting to the snid sum of Two hundred and one pounds, five shillings and sispence sterling, whereof the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Commander in Chief of the Province of Lower Caunda was directed to take notice and act accordingly.
And the Plaintiff, to wit, the suid Joseph Doncgrany, Plaintiff in the prosent cause, doth allere ind thate that he took the oath of allogiance to His late Majesty Gcorge the Thirl, before aperson authorized tor administer such oath, on or about the fifteenth day
(ff Jiarch, one thousurd cighthundred and cirlt, and of March, one thousund eight hundred and cighlt, and allo to His late Majesty George the Fourth, on the firit day of $\Lambda_{\text {prill, }}$ one thousand cight humdred and twenty-nine, in confurmity with the provisions of a Provincial Statute of the thirty-fifth year of the reign of His snid late Majesty George the Third, chipter cight, intituled, "An Act for granting "to His Majesty Duties on Licences to lowkors, "pecllirs and petty chapmen, and for regulating "thcir trade; and for granting additional Duties on
"licences to persons for keeping houses of publio
"entertainment, or for retailing winc, brandy, rum,
"or other spirituous liquors in this Province, and
"for regulating the same; and for repealing the Act " or Ordinance thercin mentioned."

And that he has also under the deseription of "Joseph Doncgarin, of the City of Montreal, in the "said district, Trader," taken the oath of allcgiance 1 Tru Fetrunrs. to His prosent Majesty. William the Fourth, on the twenty-fifth of Janunry, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-thice, in conformity with the provisions of an Act of the Legislature of Lower Canada, passel in the first year of the reign of His Majesty William the Fourth, chapter fifty-three, intituled, "An "Act to secure and confer upon certain inhabitants " of this Province the Civil and Political Rights of "natural born British Subjects," and that in conformity with the provisions of the said last mentioned Act, he did on the said twenty-fiftld day of January, one thousand cight hundred and thirty-three, swear that he had resided during seven years in the dominions of His Majesty, without having been during that "time a stated resident in any foreign country, and that he would be faithful and bear truenllegiance to the Sovercign of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Freland, and of the said Province of Lower Caunda as dependent thoreon.
And the said Plaintiff doth alloge and ayer that he had been actually domiciled in this Provinec before the year of our Lord one thousand cight hundred and twenty-tliree, to wit, since the fifteenth day of March, one thousand cight hundred and cight, and that since the snid fiftenth day of March, one thousand eighth liundred and cight, he hiss always resided and is still a resident therein, and that moreover he is the son of the late Jenn Donegany in his lifetime of Montrcal, Tayern Kceper, who had himself taken the oath of allegiance to His lite Majesty George thie Third, King of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and had an actual domicile in this Province, to wit, at Montreal aforessid, before the year one thonsand cight bundred and twentythree, and has since departed this life, and that he ought therefore to be, and is, by the Law of the country, admittel to and confirmed in all the privileges of' a British sulject by birth, and that he ought to be considered and declared, so far as resplects his capacity at any time heretofure, to have becn capable of holling, posscssing, enjoying, recovering, conveying, devising, imparting, or trinsmitting every description of immovealle property in this Province of Lower Canacha, as well as all rights, titles, privileges and appurtenances thercunto attachech, and interest thercin, and that the said Plaintiff ought in like manner to be considered as laving been korn a Subject of His Majesty, to all intents and purposes whatever, in the same mamer as if he had been born in His Majcsty's United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland
That in consequence of the above, the said Plaintiff, notwithstauding the Judgment of the Court of King's Bench for tlic district of Montreal, confirmed by the Judgment of the Court of Appenls, on the thirtieth day of April, one thonsand eight hundred and thirty-two, and by His Majesty in His Privy Council, on the seronth day of Febraary, one thousand eiglit humdred and thirty-five, has not censed to have the right of holding and possessing every description of real properity in this Provinco, as well as all rights, titles, privileges, or things thereunto bolonging, and in particutar the immoveable property left by the sidid late Jean Donegany and Maric Gally his wife, at the time of their decesse, which said property is doseribed at full length in the Julgment of the Court of King's Bench for the district of Montreal, of the cighteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-one; and that he has nover cased to be entitled to the rents and revenues arising from the said immoveable property, and that the said Plaintiff is entitlecl to be relieved from the said Julgments, and to ve restored in so far as nced may
(E. E.) be, to lis rights, and to be reinstated and to remain in the condition in which he was before the date of the $\overbrace{17 \mathrm{~h} \text { February. }}$ said Judgments.

Wherefore the said Plaintiff prays, that by the Judgment of this Honourable Court, it be declared that he is ndmitted and entitled to all the privileges of a British Subject by birth, and that in so far as respects his capacity at any time herctofore, he be considered and declared to have been capable of taking, holding, possessing, enjoying, clniming, re-covering, convcying, devising, imparting or transmitting every description of real property whatever in the Province of Lower Camada, as woll as all rights, titles, privileges, or appurtenances thercunto attached, and all interest therein, and that he may be declared and considered as having been born a sulject of His Majesty to all intents and purposes whatsocver, in the same manner as if he had been born in His Majcsty's United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ircland; and that this Honorable Court be pleased to rolieve him, in so far as need may be, from the snid Judgments rendered against him at the suit of the Defendents, to wit, the said Jean Antoine Donegani, Joscph Donegani son of the late Joseph Donegani and Guillaume Benjamin Doncgani, in this Honorable Court, in the Provincina Court of Appeals, and before His Majesty in His Privy Council, and that he may be wholly indemnified from the effect thereof, as well direct as indirect; and thercupon that this Honorable Court may be pleased by its Judgment to reinstate the said Plaintiff in the condition in which he was before the rendering of the said Judgments, and more especially to declare that he is the incommutable proprictor of the said immoveable property mentioned in the said Judgment of the cighteenth of June, one thousand cight hundred and thirty-one, and also of the rents and revenues arising from the said property, and that no proceedings be Lad in exceution of the said Judgments, on pain of paying all costs, damages and interest; and the Plaintiff prays for the costs of the present action.

> D. Mondrlet,
> Attorney for Plaintiff.

Montrcal, 12th October, 1835.
(Eudorsed.)
No. 2501 -King's Bench, Montrenl, October Term 1835-Declaration.
Josepir Donegany,
w. : Plaintiff,

Jean Ant. Donegany et al: Defendants.
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Filed 16th October, 1835.
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(Pleas.)
Montreal-King's Bonch.
Joseph Donegany,
vs. Plaintiff,
Jean Ant, Donegany et alt:
Defendants.
And the said Defendants in this cause, for Permptory or Perpetual Exception to the action of the said Plaintiff, say, that the said Plaintiff ought not to have or maintnin his said action against the said

Defendants, because they say, that heretofore, to wit, in the Term of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand cight hundred and twenty-seven, the said $\underset{\text { ith Februars. }}{ }$ Jean Antoine Donegrany, and Josepl Doncguny, two of the said Defendants, and Joseph Maximilien Bonacina, Tutor of the said Guillaume Benjanin Donegany, the othor Defendant, then a minor, did implead the said Plaintiff in an action returned in the said Court on the twenticth day of February in the year aforesaid, in which said action they the said Jcan Antoine Donegany, Joseph Donegany, and Joscph Maximilien Bonacina, Tutor as aforessaid, did, in the French language, leclare and set forth their cause and causes of action in that behalf; in the terms following, that is to say : -
"Jean Antoinc Doncgany, otherwise called Jean Donegany, of Montreal, in the county and district of Montreal, Merchant, Joseph Donegany, son of the late Joseph Donegany, of Montreal aforesaid, nlso Mcrchant, and Joscph Maximilien Bonacina, of Montreal aforesaid, Mcrchant, tutor duly elected and appointed in law to Guillhume Benjamin Donegany, a minor, issue of the lawful marriage of the said late Joscph Donegany in lis lifetime of Montreal aforesnid, Merchant, and of the late Therese Donegany, Plaintiffs, agrinst Joscph Donegany, of Montrcal aforesaid, Merchant, Defendant,--
"Represent that Jcan Donegany, Merchant and Tavern-kecper, and Maric Gally, otherwise called Maric Galla, his wife, father and mother of the said Thérc̀se Donegany, did settle at Montreal aforesnid, in or about the year one thousand seven hundred and cighty-four, and lived therein until the your one thousaud cight hundred and two.
"That the said Jean Donegany during his marriage with the said Maric Gally, did acquire moveable and immoveable property to a considerable amount, especially the moveable property hercafter described,that is to say: -
"1st, An cmplacement situate in the Town of Montreal, on the line of St. Louis Street, otherwisc called Rue Capitale, bounded on one side by the lands of Solomon Mittleberger represented by George MrKenzie; on the other side by the lands of the representatives of Cazclet, now Joseph Athanasc Normandeau; in front by St. Louis Street, aforesaid, and in the rear ly the 'Chemin de Ronde, in the said Town of Montrcal, to wit, by the lot of land hereafter described as number three, with a stone house and other buildings thereon erected.
"2dly, Another emplacement situate in the said City of Montreal, on the line of St. Louis Street aforesaid, opposite the house erected on the first ahove described emplacement, and which was formerly used as the yard of the above mentioned house, bounded on one side by the lands of Sicur Ignace Hubert, represented by Noell Dorion or his representatives; on the other side by Chageamigon Strect; in front by St. Louis Strect aforesnid, and in depth by the lands of the representatives of Ignace Giasson, now those of Pierre Berthelot, Esquire.
" 3 dly , $\Lambda l l$ the land between the depth of the emplacement first above described, and the road which runs along the river; the said lot of land being bounded in front by the said road; in the rear by the emplacement first above described; on one side by the lands of the said George M•Kenzie, and on the other side by the lands of the said Joseph Athannse Normandeau; and that the said Jean Donegany, husband of the said Marie Gally, after having acquired the immoveable property above described, did make sevcral improvements thereon
and consilerable additions thereto, and in particular did build and erect a two story stone house on the sccondly above described cmplacement, and dide crect a vault or two story stone building partly on the emplacement first above described, and partly on that thirdly abore deseribed.
"That on the twenty-fifth day of September, one thonsand soven hundred and ninety-seren, at Montreal aluresaid, the said Thervese Donegray, daughter of the sail Jean Donegany and of the said Marie Gally, was joincel in lawtul wedlock to Joseph Doneginy, tavern-kepery, son of the late Jcan Antoine Donegany and of the late Marthe Donegrany, which arid narriage was solemnized at Montreal aforesaid, on the said twenty-firth day of September, one thousind seren hundred and minety-soven.
"That on the sixtecnth day of May, one thousanc cight hundred and soven, the said Therese Donegamy, otherwise called Maric Wherese Donegany, diughter of the said Jean Donegrany and of the said Maric Gally, departed this life at Montreal aforesnid, leaving at her sule and only heirs three chilhtren, issue of her mariage with the said Joseph Donegmy, which said chidedren were atl born at inuntral atoresaicl, to wit, the said Jean Antoinc Donegmy, Joselh Donegany, and Guillaume Denjamin Donecrany, the Phantitts in this catse, and grandsons of the suid $J$ ann Dunegany and of the said Maric Gally his wif.
"That the sail Josenh Donegany, widower of the said Therese Doncgany, and father of the said IPhintift', having depated this life at Montreal aforesaid, on the sixtin day of July, one thousumd eight faudred rund seventen, the said Joseph Maximilien Bonacina was, on the twenticth day of August, one thousand eight humdred and sixtecn, duly appointed tutor to the minor children issue of the mariage of the anicl late doecphl Donegany and of the said late Therree Doneguny, to wit, to the suild Jean Antoine Donegany and Joseph Doncgany, two of the said Phantifts' who were then minors, but who have long since attained the are of majority, to wit, the age of twenty-one ycars, and to the said Guillame Bonjumin Donegrany who is jut a minor.
"That the said J cun Donegany, husbund of the said Mavic Gally and grandlather of the said Jean Anthine Donemany, Joseph Donegany and Guillaune Benjamin Donergany, the Pluintiffs in this causc, departed this life at Moltrizio, in Lomburdy, on the Continent of Europe, on or about the sixtecnth day of Match, one thousand cight huadred and mine, leaving as his sole ant only lawful heirs the aid Plaintifls, to wit, the said Jcon Antoine Doncgany, Juegh Donegay, and Guillaune Benjamin Donegrany, his grtandrons, and suns of the satid Therese" Donegrans, his daughter, and leaviug at Montreal afforsaid, moveable and immorcable property of considerahle valuc, and in particulat, the emplacemons and lots of land above described; lcaving also at Multrazio afferesain, other movealle and inmoveable property of the ralue of ahout Threc thousand pounds curent moncy of the Province of Lower Canadi.
"That the snid Marie Gally, widow of the said late Jem Doncgany, and granduother of the sail Jean Autuine Donegrany, Juseph Donegany, and Guillamue Benjamin Doncgany, the said Pluintiffs, depanted this life at Multrazio aforesaid, in the ycar one thuusand eight hundred and fifteen, leaving also as her sole heirs the sticl Plaintiffs, to wit, the said Jean Antoinc Doncgrany, Joseph Donegany; and Guillaume Benjanin Donegimy, her grandsons, and sons of the aaid Thérese Donegatyy, and leaving at Montreal aforesaid, moveable and immoveable property of consideralle value.
"That the sside Joseph Doncgiay, the Defendant in this cause, did immediately after the decease of the said late Jem Duneginy, grandfather of the said Plaintiffs, to wit, at Montrical aforesaid, take possession without any right whatever, of all the movenble and immoveable property left at Montreal aforcsaid by the satid Jcan Donegany at the time of his decense, and did in particulia tale possession of the emplacemens and lots of land above described, and of all their appurtenances, and make use of all the moveables, monies, and clums left ly the said late Jem Doncgany, and did receive the rents and revenucs arising from the side cmplacemens and lots of land above described and their appurtenances, and convert the same to his own use and advantage.
"That the said Joseph Doncrany, the Defendant in this cause, immediately after the decense of the said Maric Gally, grombuther of the said Plaintiffs, to wit, at Montrcal aforcsaid, in the ycar one thousand cight hundred and fiftecn, did also take posesesion of ali the moveable ad inmoveable property left at Montreal aforesuid by the said Maric Gally at the time of her decense, and did receive the rents and revenues mising therefrom, and convert the same to his own usc.
"That although the said Dofundant hath been often recpuired ly the said Phantifts to return and give up to the stud Plaintifls the suid moveable and immovalble property lelt by the said late Jean Donegany and the said late MEaric Gally, together with the rents, revemues and profits arising therefrom, the said Deciendant lath advays rofusel, and doth still unjustly refluse so to do, for which reason the said Pluintift's do institute their actiou againet him.
" Wherefure the said Pluintiffs pray that the said Defendant he condenmed to give up and return to the said Plaintiffs all the property, moveable and immoveable, lete at Montreal afferesaid by the said late Jean Duncgany and Maric Gally his wife, at the time of their decense, and whereof the said Defendant has taken possecsion as aforesuid, and in particular of the emplacemens and lots of land above described, and all their appurtenances, together with the rents, revenues, and interest of the said moveable and immoveable property; and that, moreover, the snid Defenclant be conlemmed to indemnify the said Plaintiffs for the waste which he hats done to the suid movealle or immoverhle property, to restore to the suid Plaintiffs the deldts which he has collected and received from the dulitors of the said deceased persons; and, finally, to indemnify the said Phintiff's of all the losses he may have made them sustain, and all the damages he has catused them hy reason of his retaining possession of the said property ; the whole with interest and costs."

And the said Defendants further say, that the said Phintiff hiving appoared in the suit aforcsaid, did, hy way of Exceplions and Plas to the said suit, answer, and set forth, in the French language, as follows, that is to say:-
"The Defendant for answor to the action of the snid Phintiffs, saith that their demand is unfounded, and that the allegations in their said Declumation contaned are untruc.
"Wherefore the said Defendant paras that the action of thi stid Plaintiffs may be dismissed with costs.
"The Defendaut, without waiving the defense above pleaded, and without admitting any of the allegations of the said Plaintiffs in their said Declaration to be true, further saith: that he is the son of the said late Jem Donegany mentioned in the Declaration, by tho marriage of the said Jeain Donegany with the late Maric Catherine Galla also mentioned in the said Declaration as Maric Gally.

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 that the said late Jean Donegany in his lifetime, to wit, on the twenty-third day of July, in the year one thousnnd eight hundred, then residing in the town of Móntreal, in the district of Montrcal, in the Province of Lower Canada, mado and executed his last will and testament by an Acte passed before Joseph Papincau and Thomas Barron, Notaries, at Montreal aforesaid, by which said last will and testament he did give and bequeath to Jean Doncgany his son, brother of the said Defendant, the sum of five shillings, current money of the said Province; to Daniel Donegany, his other son, onc-fourth of all the property which he might leave at the time of his decease; to Thérèse Donegnay, his daughter, also one-fourth of all his property; and to the Defendant, onc-half of all his property, both moveable and inmoveable, which he might leave at the time of his decease, subject to the charge and condition that his said children should allow Maric Catherinc Gaila, their mother, to enjoy, during her lifetime, the usufruct of all the property bequeathed to them.
"That by a codicil and testamentary disposition, whercof Acte was passed before the said Joscph Papineau and Louis Guy, Notarics, dated at Montreal aforesaid, the seventh day of August, in the year one thousand eight hundied and two, the said Jean Donegany, then residing at Montreal aforesaid, did revoke the legacy which he had made in and by his said will to the said Thérese Doncguny, his daughter, leaving to her in licu thereof the sum of five hundred pounds, current moncy of the Province, to be paid once; revoling also the legacy of five shillings which ho had made in and by his said will to the said Jem Donegmy, his son, and berquathing to him in licu thercof onc-fourth of the property which he might leave at the time of his decease; the said testator declaring the said Daniel, Juscph, and Jean Donegany to be his universal legatees, substituting the said Jean Donegany, his som, in lieu of the said Thertse Donegany, to manage and dispose of his property, subject to the conditions and restrictions contained and imposed in and by his said will and codicil; declaring also that if any one of the said legatees should contest the payment of the above rent, he should be deprived of his legney for the bencfit of the persons named in the said will, and in the order therein mentioned.
"That, therefore, if the said Defenlants have aright to be considered as heirs of Thérese Doncgany, sister of the Defendant above mentioned, (all which the Defcudant does not admit, they cimnot chaim from the succession of the said Jean Donegany anything but the legacy of five hundred pounds currency, boquenthed to her by the said Jean. Donegany in his codicil, bearing date the scventh day of August, one thousand cight hundred and two; which said legracy the snid Dofendant and his said brothers, as universal legatees of their father, have offered to the said Plaintiffs ever since the year one thousand eighthundred and cleven.
"That as to the snid Marie Catherine Galla, mother of the said Dcfendant, she departed this life in Italy, and left $n 0$ moveable or immovenble property at her decense, either in the stid town of Montreal or elsewhere, and that she has never been the proprietor of the immoveable property in the Declaration of the Plaintiffs described.
"Wherefore and whereas the Plaintiffs cannot, as hoirs of their mother, claim anything clse from the estate and succession of the said late Jean Donegany, their pretended grandfather, thin the sum of five hundred pounds, currency, as a legacy, for which they have an action against the universal legatees named in the last will and testament and codicil of
the said late Jean Donegany, and whereas their action is quite as unfounded with reference to the property belonging to the estate and succession of the i7th Felruary. said Maric Catherine Galla their pretended grandmother, the Defendant prays that the demande of the said Plaintiffs be dismissed with costs.
"The Defendaut, without waiver of his deffenses and exceptions above pleaded, and without admitting that the Plaintiffls have any right of property in the immovcables in their said Dcclaration mentioned and described, further saith, that the sail immoveables belong to and are in the posscssion of lim the sairl Dcfendant, jointly with hisbrother the saidJean Donegany, and that he, the said Defendant, has incurred considerable expense, and made great improvements on the said immovenble property, since he has enjoyed the same jointly with the said Jean Donegany, all which he can justify when and where it may be thought necessary.
"Wherefore the Dcfendant reserves to himself all right of action which he may now or might hereafter have for or by reason of the same."
And the said Defendants further say, that the said Jcan Antoine Donegiany, Joseph Doncgany, and Jcan Antome Donegny, Joseph Donegany, andr
Joseph Maximilicn Bouacinas ly way of answers and replications to the said Exceptions and Pleas, did plead and set forth, in the French language, as follows, that is to say:-
"Aud the said Plaintiffs, by their undersigned Attorncy, for answer to the defenses first pleaded by the Defendant, to the action and demande of the said Plaintiffs in this cause, say, that their action and demande is woll-founded, and that the allegations in the declaration of the said Plaintiffs in this cause filed, continined, are truc.
"Whercfore tho said Plaintiffs persist in the con-
clusions of their said Declaration, with costs.
"And the said Plaintiffs not almitting, but on the contrary denying all and every the allegations, matters anll thiugs in the said peremptory exceptions secondly pleaded by the said Dofendant contained, which are ncither true nor founded in fact, for onswer and exception to the said peremptory exceptions, say, that when the said Jean Donegany, and the said
Manie Galla his wife, maternal grandfather and say, that when the saide den Donegany, and the said
Mavie Galla his wife, maternal grandfather and grandmother of the said Plaintiffs, came to this country, and settled at Montreal, in or about the yen one thousand seven hundred and ninety-four, they wore and did continue to be until their decease, alicns and foreigners, born of forcign parents and in'a foreign country, to wit, in the Milanese Territory, Austrian Lomburdy, in Europe, in the dominions and Austrinn Lombardy, in Europe, in the domimions and
under the allegiance of the Emperor of Austria, and out of the dominions and alleginnce of His late Mn-
jesty George the Third, then Our Sovereign Lord out of the dominions and alleginnce of His late Mn-
jesty George the Third, then Our Sovereign Lord and King.
"That the said Jean Doncgany, husband of the said "That the said Jean Doncgany, husband of the said Plaintiffs, being an alien and a foreigner, was incapable in lav of disposing by last will and testament of the property which he held in this country, and especially of the moveable property in the said
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tioned and described, or of any part therof, to the prejudice of the said Plaintiffs, who, being natural boru subjects of Our Sovereign Lord the King, were boru subjects of Our Sovereign Lord the King, were
at the time of the decease of the said John Donegany, their grandfather, his sole heirs capable of succeeding him in the property which he held in this
country, and in any other part of the dominions of succeeding him in the property which he held in this
country, and in any other part of the dominions of His late Majesty George the Third, Our Sovereign Lord the King. And the said Plaintiffs therefore say that the last will and testament of the said Jean

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Donegany, maternal grandfather of the said Plaintiffs, made and exceuted before Maitres Joseph Papincau and Thomas Barron, Notarics, at Montreal aforesaid, on the tiventy-third of - July one thousand cight hundred, and the colicil of the said Jean Donegany made before Maitres Joseph Papincau and Louis Guy, Notarics, at Montreal aforcsaid, on the seventh of August, one thousaud cight hundred and tiro, and upon which are founded the said peremptory exceptions sccondly placaded by the said Defendant, are null and void in law, and ought to be dechared null and void by the judgment of the Honorable Court, and as such laid aside; and that the said Defendent canot have or maintain the said peremptory exceptions by him sccondly pleaded.
"Wherefore the said Plaintiffs persist in the conclusions of their said declaration, and pray that by the judgment of this Honomble Court the said last will and testanent of the twenty-hird of July, one thousand eight humblred, and the said codicil of the seventh of August, one thousand cight hundred and two, be declared null and roid, and as such laid aside ; and that morcover the said peremptory exceptions sccondly pleaded by the said Defendant, be dismissed with costs.
"And the said Phantiffs without wairer of the preceding execption by them pleaded, but, on the contrary, reserving to themselves all the benefit or advantage thereof, for further answer and exception to the said peremptory exceptions secondly pleaded by the said Defondant, say that the said Jean Donegrany and the said Marric Galla his wife, matemal grandfither and gremenmother of the said Plaintifls, were, at the time fhey came to this country and settled at Montreal aforesaid, in or about the year one thousand seren hundted and nincty-four, and did continue to be, until the time of their decense, alicns and forcigners, born of forcign parents and in a forcign country, to wit, in the Milanese Torritory afuresaid, in the dominions and tuder the allegiauce of the Emperor of Austria, and uat of the dominions and allegiance of Fis late Majesty George the Third, then our Sovercign Lord and Jiing, and that the said Jean Donegrany and Maric Gialla his wife, settled as aforcsaid in Montreal, in order to carry on trade and commerce at that place, with the intention of returning to their mative country:
"That the said Jcan Donegany, husband of the snid Malvic Galla, boing an alien and forcigner, boom in a foreign country, out of the dominions and out of the allegiance of our Sovercign Lord the King, to wit, of His late Majesty George the Third, was incapable in Law, of disposing by any will or testament, made and executed cither in this or in his native comntry, of any portion of the property which he hald in this country, and especially of any portion of the immoveable property in the Declaration of the eaid Phintiffs in this cause mentioned and described, but that the said Jean Donegany, husband of the said Marie Galla, had a right to and could dispose by last will or testanent made and exceuted in his native country, of the property which he held in his native country, and had also the right of revoking by a last will or testament made and executed in his native country, any will or testament made by him, either in this or in his native country.
"And the said Plaintiffs further say and aver, that the said Jenn Donegany and the said Marie Galla, did return to their native country in the Milanese Territory aforesuid, in or about the year one thousand eight hundred and two, and did reside there until the time of their dectase.
"That the suid Jem Donergany, husband of the said Maric Galla, residing in his native country, and
being a subject and under the domination and allegiance of Napoleon the First, Emperor of the French, and ISing of Italy, who was then at open was with 17 th February. His late AIrajesty George the Third, then our Sovercign Lord and King, and being therefore an enemy of our Sovereign Lord tho King, to wit, on the sixth day of March, one thonsand eight hundred and ninc, in the Commune of Moltrazio, in the second Canton in the first district of Como, made and dictated nccording to the formalitics recquired in the said Commane of Moltrazio, before Doctor Jacques Phillippe Clefrice, Notary of the department of Lario, at Como, and in the presence of four witnesses, his will and testament by a public instrument, and in and by the said will and testament disposed of his property, and especially of that which he held in the Commune of Moltrazio, and of that which he held in Montreal aforesaid, and in particular of the immovenble property in the Declaration of the said Plaintiffs in this cause contained, in favor and to the advantage of his three. soms issuc of his marriage with the said Marie Galla, and who were then and are still aliens and foreigners, as their father and mother were during their lifetime; that the said late Jcan Donegany in and by his wily and testament lastly above mentioncd, revoked and annulled cyery other will or testament theretofore made, and in particular the will and testament bearing date at Montreal, the seventh of Augist, one thousand cight hundred and two, by a public instrument made and exccuted before Jcan Baptiste Papincau, Notary, meaning his codicil mentioned in the said peremptory exceptions, aud made and executed before the said Joseph Papinculu and Louis Guy, Notarics, at Montreal aforesuid, on the serenth day of Augnst, cne thousand eight humdred and two, the said Plaintiffs proving that the said Maitre Joscph Papincau is the only person of that name who has been a Notary at Muntread, for more than forty yerrs, and that the said codicil of the seventh of August, one thousand cight hundred and two, in the said cxceptions mentioned, is the only last vill made and cxccuted before the said Joseph Papincau; the snid Plaintiffs alleging that it is only by crror that in the will made by the said Jean Donegany lastly mentioned, it has been stated that the Christinn name of the suid Joseph Papincau is Jcan Baptiste, and that donbtless this crror arises from the abridged signature of the Christian name of Maitre Joscph Papincau at the foot of an wuthentic copiy of the said codicil, given by the said Joseph Papinconu, to wit, the letters " "lh." having been taken for J. 13., and as meaning Jcan Baptiste, while these letters are "Jh." and mem Joseph, of which last will and testament of the said Jean Donegany lastly mentioned, the said Plaintiff's produce a true copy hercunto annexcd.
"And the said Plaintiffs further say and humuly maintain that the disposition of the said Jean Donegany, grandfather of the said Plaintifts, contained in lis last montioned will of the said sixth day of Mareh, one thousumd cight hundred and nine, wherein and wherely he did dispose of the property which he held at Montreal aforcsaid, and in particular of the immoveable property in the Declaration of the said Plaintiffs in this cause described, is null, and ought for the above-mentioned reasons, by the judgment of this Honorable Court, to be declared null and void; but that the other dispositions therein contained, in so far as they do not exceed the power of disposing by will, grouted by the Laws of the place wherein the last-mentioned will of the said Jcan Donegany was made, to wit, by the Code of the French, commonly called Code Napoléon, and in particular the disposition whereby the said Jean Donegany repealed, rovoked, and annulled every other last will or testament, are valid, and that the will of the said Jean Donegnay dated the said twenty-third day of July,





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one thousand cight hundred, and the codicil of the said Jeun Donegany dated the seventh of August, one thousand eight hundred and two, mentioned in the said peremptory exceptions secondly pleaded by the said Defendant, and upon'which the said Defendanit founds the said peremptory exceptions by him secondly pleaded, are repealed, revoked, and annulled by the will of the snid Jean Donegany, dated the said sixth day of March, one thousand cight hundred and nine, and hercinabove mentioned; and the said Plaintiffs say, that in consequence of the above facts the said Defendant cannot have or maintain the said peremiptory exceptions by him sccondly plended.
"Wherefore the suid Plaintiffs persist in the conclusions of their Declaration in this cause, and pray that it may please this Honorable Court, for the above rensons, to adjudge and declare by its judgment;lst. That the disposition of the said Jean Doncgany, grandfather of the said Plaintiffs, contained in the said will of the said Jean Donegany, dated the said sixth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and nine, and whereby the said Jcan Donegany did dispose of all the property which he hold at Montreal aforesaid, and in particular of the immovealle property in the siid declaration of the said Plaintiffs described, is null, and that it cannot thercfore havo any effect whatever.
"2dly. That the will of the said Jcan Donegany of the twenty-third of July, one thousand eight handred, and the codicil of the said late Jean Donegany of the seventh of August, one thousand cight lhundred and two, mentioned in the shicl poremptory exceptions secondly pleaded by the said Dofenclant, have beon repealed, revoked, and annulled by the said will of the said, Jean Doncgany dated the said sixth day of March', one thoussud eight hundred and wine, and that the said will of the twenty-third of July, one thousand cight hundred, and the said codicil of the screnth of August, one thousand cight hundred and two, and upon which are founded the said peremptory exceptions, are thercfore null, and cainot have any further effect whatever'; the said Plaintiffs therefore pray that the said peremptory exceptions secondly pleadel by the said Defendant, be dismissed with costs.
"And the said Plaintiffs without waiver of the exceptions hereinbefore by them pleaded, and wheroof thicy reserve to thensolves the whole benefit and advantage, for replication to the defenses thirdly pleaded by the said Defendant, say, that it is the said Dofendant who las taken possession of the property left at Montreal aforesaid, by the said Jenu Doncgany, grandfather of the said Plaintiffs, at the time of his decease, and who has reccived and enjoyed all the rents and reyenueg, and turned them to his own use. The said Plaintiffs moreover alleging that Jean Donegany mentioned in the said deféfises secondly pleaded, was not at Montreal, aforestid, at the time of the decease of the aforesaid Jean Donegany, grandfather of the said Plaintiffs, and that it is only lately that the said Jean Donegany mentioned, in the said défenses thirdly pleaded, came to this country.'
"Wherefore the said Plaintiffts persist in the conclusions of their said Declaration in this couse, with costs."

And the said Defendants further say, that the said Plaintiff, by way of answer and replication to the said last above transcribed pleadings of the said Jean Antoine Donegany, Joseph Donegany, and Joseph Maximilien Bonacina, Tutor as aforesaid, did plead, in the French hanguage, in manner folloving; that is to say :-
"The Defendant for answer to the finside non recevoir by the said Plaintiffe pleaded to the peremptory exceptions by him pleaded in answer to their co-
mande, without admitting any of the allegations of
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"The Defendant furthicr saith, that the Plaintiffs have no interest in pleading the protended incapacities of the said late Joan Donegany, their grandfither, which, if they hand existed as the Plintiffs pretend, were of a nature not only to prevent the said Jcan Donegany from being capable to dispose of his property in Cunada, but ulso to prevent him from possessing any immoveable property within the dominions of His Britannic Majosty, and from transmitting his movethle or immoveable property by succession, so that the Plaintiffs cannot plead these pretended incapacitics of their grandfather, without doing nway with their pretensions to the property loft in Canda by their snid grandfather, and in particular to the inmoveable property in their Declaration described, so much the more so as thicir mother, whom they pretend to be a daughter of the said late Jemn Donegany, wis herself born in a foreign country.
"Whercfore tlic D"fendant persists in his peremptory exceptions to the demande of the Plaintiffs, and prays that the said Plaintiffs be declared incapable of pleading the said fins de non recevoir to the said peremptory exceptions, and that the said fins de non recevoir be dismissed as being unfounded, with costs."
To which said last-mentioned pleading of the said Plaintiff in that bchalf, the said Jean Antoine Donegany, Joseph Donegany, and Joścph Maximilien Bonacina, Tutor as aforesaid, did, in the French language, reply, as follows:-
"And the said Plaintiffs for Replication to the answers of the said Defoidant to the fins de non re-covoir by them pleaded in this cause to the peremptory exceptions of the snid Defendant to thic demanite and action of the said Plaintiffs, say, that the said fins de non recevoir are well founded lin fact and in layi, and that the conclusions by them taken in the siid fins de' non recevoir ought to be maintained, and that the said conclusions ought to be granted to them by this Honouruble Court, with costs.
"Whercfore the suid Plaintiffs persist in thic conclu-
sions of their said fins de non recevoir, with costs.
"And the said Plaintiffs fur further Replication to the said ansivers of the said Defendant to the said fins de non recevoir by them, pleaded in this cause, say, that they are interested, and have a'just cause in plending the incapacity of the said late Jean Donegany, their grandfither.
"That the said late Jean Donegany, their grandfather, although a foreigner, nind born within the dominions and allegiance of Fis Britamic Majesty, was, duving his lifetime, capable under the law at all times in force in this country, of acduriritg and holding moveable and immoveable property situate in Canada, to wit, at Montreal aforesside in the said district of Montreal ; but the said Plaintiffs say, that the said late Jcai Donogany, being a stranger, and boin out of the dominions and allegiance of His Britannic Majesty, was incapable in law of disposing by testament or last will of the mo veable and monoveable property appeitaning to him at the day and moment of his deccase, and siturted at Montreal aforesad, or of tny part thereof, mid in particular cotild not dispose by last will or tostament, made and executed in a foreign country, of any portion of the moveable and

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immoveable property to him appertaining at the time of his decease, and situate at Moutreal aforesaid, to 77 th Fetruary. the prejudice of the said Phintiffls.
"That although the mother of the said Plaintifl's was heredf a foreigner, as well as the suid late Jcan Doncgany, her father, the said Plaintiffis who are born subjects of His l3ritannic Majesty, are nevertheless the lawful heirs of the said late Jean Donegany, their granitather, and have nevertheless succecded the suid late Jcan Doncenay in all the property situate at Montreal aforcsaid, and belonging to him at the day and momont of his decease.
"Thercfore the said Plaintiffs persist in the conclusiuns of their said fins de non recevoir, with costs."

And the said Defendants further sny; that the snid Guillaume Benjamin Donegany laving, on tho twentieth day of Junc, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight lundred and twenty-eight, attained and surpassed the age of majority, did revive the said suit (reprit divstance) in his own name, in licu and in stead of the said Toseph Maximilien Bonacina, Tutor as aforcsuid; and the said Defendants further say, that such proceedings were in the said suit haul, that this Honoutable Court, on the eighteenth day of Junc, which was in the yeur of our' Lord one thonsand cight hundred and thirty-one, did, in the said suit, make, render and pronounce its Sudgment upon the merits thereof, in the words following, that is to say :-
"The Courtafter having hearl the partics by their Counsel, and eximnined the record, exhilits, evidence and admissions of the said parties, and having maturcly deliberated thercon, considering that the Plantiffs as natural subjects of His Majesty, born in this country, have a right to claim the property left to them in this country by the late Jean Donegany and Maric Gally his wife, at the time of their decoase, grandfather and grandmother of the said Plaintiffs, and that the said late Jcan Donegany could not by last will or testament dispose of the said property in favour of the suid Defcidant or of any other person, and that the said Defendant, being an alien, cun lave no title to the stid property, condemms the stid Defendant to restore and deliver up to the said Plaintifl's the saill immoveable property, so left by the said late Jemn Donegany and Maric Gally his wife, at thic time of their decease, and whercof the Defendant has taken possession, to wit: 1st. An emplacement situate in the town of Montrcal, on the line of St. Louis Street, otherwise called $\mathrm{R}_{\text {uc }}$ Capitale, hounded on one sitle by the lands of Solomon Mittleberger represented by George MMenzie; on the other side by the lands of the representatives of Cazelct, now Joseph Athanase Normandeau; in front by St. Louis Street aforesaid, and in the rear by the "Chemin de Runde," in the stid town of Montreal, to wit, loy the lot of land hereafter deseribed as number three, with a stone house and other buildings thereon erected. 2ndly. Another emplacement, situate in the said city of Montreal, on the line of St . Louis Strect aforesaid, opposite the house erceted on the first above described emplacement, and which was formerly used as the yard of the above mentioned house, bounded on one side by the lands of Sicur Ignace Huhert, represented by Noell Dorion or his representatives ; on the other side by Chageamigon Strect; in front by St. Louis Strcet aforcsaid, and in depth by the lands of the representatives of Ignace Giasson, now those of Pierre Berthelot, Esquire. 3rdly. All the land between the depth of the emplacement first above described, and the road which runs along the river; the said lot of land being bounded in front by the said road; in the rear by the complacement first above described, -on one side by
the lands of Lhesnid George MrTrenzic, and on the other side by the lands of the said Joseph Athanase Normansaid Jcan Donegany, husband of the said Maric Gally, on the secondly above described emplacement, and a vault or two story stone building erected by the said Jean Donegainy, partly on the emplacenent first above described, nad partly on that thirdly above deseribed.
"The Court also condemns the snid Defendant to restore and give up to the said Phintiffs the rents, issucs, profits and revenucs of the saill property, received by him since lic has been in possession thereof, and orders that, by Experts to be agrecd upon by the partics, or in default to be appointed ly the Court, it shall be ascertained whedlee the said Plaintiff has done any damage to or made any improvements, and to what amount, on the said immoscable property since it has been in his posscssion; the Court reserving the right of deciding after the report shall have been made by the said Ewperts; and the Court also condemns the Defondant to pay the costs."

And the said $D_{\text {cfendants further saty, that the said }}$ Plaintiff having aflerwards brought an Appenl to the Court of Appeals for the said Province, from the said Judgment of this Honourable Court, the said Provincial Court of Appeals did, afterwards, to wit, on the thirtieth day of April, which was in the year of our Lord one thousand cight hundred and thirty-two, render and pronounce Judgment in the following terms, that is to sny :-"The Court having heard the "prarties by their Counsel, it is considered and ad"judged, that the Judgment of the Court of King's "Bench for the District of Montreal, made and ren"dered in this causc on the cightecnth day of June "one thousand cight hundred and thirty-one, be, and " the same is, hereby affirmed, with costs to the Res"pondents: And, on motion of Messis. Ogden \& " Buchanan, distraction de frais' is awarcled to them "s as the Attornios of the Respondents. It is further "ordered that the Record be remitted to the said "Court of King's Bench."

And the said Defendants further say, that the said Plaintiff having afterwards appealed from the said Judgment of this Honomble Court, and of the said Provincial Court of Appeals, to His Majesty in His Privy Council, His Majesty afterwards, on the seventh day of February in the present yenr of our Lord one thousand cight hundred and thirty-five, having taken into consideration the Report of the Judicial Committce of His said Privy Council, was pleased, by and with the advice of His snid Privy Council, to approve of the said Report, and to order, and it was ordered in and by the Judgment, Sentence or Decree of His Majesty, in that behalf made and rendered, that the Judgment of the Court of Appenls for the Province of Lower Canada, of the thirtieth A pril one thousand cight hundred and thirty-twos (to wit, the Judgment of the Provincial Court of Appeals above described, should be, and the same was, thereby affirmed, and that the Appeal therefrom should be and the same was thereby dismissed that Board, with the sum of Two hundred and one pounds five shillings and sixpence sterling, for costs, whereof the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Commander in Chief of the Province of Lower Canada for the time being, and all others whom it might cancern, were to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.
And the said Defendants further say, that the parties Plaintiff and Defendant in the present suit, and the parties Plaintiff and Defendant in the aforesaid suit in which the said above transecribed or in part recited Judgments' were made and rendered, were and are the same and identical, and not divers or different,

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and further, that the thing or things or suljeect matte1 in contest between tho partios in this present suit, and the thing or things or subject mattor in contest in the said suit wherein the heroinbefore transcribed or in part recited Judgments were rendered, is and are the same and identical, and not divers or different and further, that the origin or cause and causes of action in this present suit, and the origin or cause and causes of action in the said suit wherein tho hereinbefore transcribed or in part recited Judgments wore rendered, is and are the stame and identical, and not divers or different; by reason of which said several premisces, and particularly of the said Judgments so rendered in this bohalf aforesnid, the right and title of the said Dcfendants in and to the pieces or parcels of land, tenements, hereditaments and premises, and to the rents, issues and profit thercof, described and mentioncd in the stid Judgment of this Honorable Court rendered on the cighteenth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-one, which snid Judgment was so as aforesaid by the said Court of $\Lambda$ ppeals, and by His Majosty in His Privy Council, affirmed, became, and were absolute and indofeasible, and their right and title to the same and evory part thercol, as between the said Plaintiff and them the said Defendants, became and were, and are, and will be forever incontrovertible (chose jugee, and that neither the said right and title of them the said Defendants in that behalf, nor the stid Judgment of this Honorable Court, nor other the Judgments aforesnid, nor the effect or consequences of the said Judgrinent or Judgments (chose jugee) were, have, been, nor are, nor can be, divested, destroyed, set aside, annullod, altered, diminished or affected, by or in virtue of the sidid fifty-third chapter of the Statute, passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly of the said Province, in thie first year of the Reign of His present Majesty, which came into force on the fifth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand cight hundred and thirty-tivo, by the Proclimation of the Governor: in Chicf of the said Province in that behalf, nor by or in virtuc of any oath or oaths taken and subscribed by the said Plaintiff, nor by my act, matter or thing done or performed by the said Plaintiffeither under and in virtue of the said Statute, or at any time previous to the passage thereof: All which matters and things the said Defendiants are ready to verify. "Wherefore the said Defendants pray that the said action may be dismissed, with costs,

And the said Defendants for answer (Défense aut fonds endroit) to the said action of the said Plaintiff, say, that the said Plaintiff ought not to have or maintain his said action against them, the said Defendants, because they say that the allegations, matters and things in the Plaintiff's declaration in the said cause filed contained, are insufficient in Law to enable him to have and maintain his said action against the said Defendants. Wherefore the said Defendants pray that the said action may be dismissed with castsa

And the said Dofendants for plea or answer to the said action, say, that all and every the allegations, matters and things (save and except the making* and rendering of the Pleadings and Judgments in the said Declaration transcribed or in part recited) are false, untrue, and unfounded in fact. Wherefore, the said Defendants pray that the said action may be dismissed, with costs.

> Buchanin \& Andrewe $_{4}$ For Defenitants.

Montreal, 30th November, 1835.
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No. 2561. Montreal, King's Bench, October Term, 1835. Joseph Donegany, Plaintiff, vs. Jean A. Donegany et al: Defendants. Peremptory Excoptions and Plea. Fyled, 5 th January, 1836. M. \& M., P. K. B.
(Answers to Pleas.)
Montreal, K. B.-February Tcrm, 1836.
Josepir Donegany,
vs. '. Plaintiff.
Jean Antone Donegany et al:
Defendants.
And the Plaintiff, for general answer to the Peremptory Exception and to the Défense au fonds en droit, pleaded by the Defendants, saith, that the allegations therein contained are not'sufficient in lave to prevent him from maintaining his action. Whercfore, he prays that the said Peremptory Exception and Définse en droit, be dismissed, with costs.

D. Mondelet, Attorncy for Plaintiff.

And the Plaintiff for replication to the Défonse aue fonds on fait pleaded by the said Defendants, saith, that the allegations in the Declaration contained are true and well founded in fact. Wherefore, the said Plaintiff persists in the conclusions of the said Declaration, with costs.
D. Mondelet,

Attorney for Plaintiff:
Montral, lst Februnry, 1836.
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No, 2561. K. B. Februnry Term, 1836. Joscph Donegany, Plaintiff, vs. Jean Antoine Donegany, Dofendants. General Answer and Replication. Filecd 1st February, 1836. M. \& M., P. K. B.
(Judgment in K. B., Montreal.)

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Court of King's Bencl, Montreal.
No. 2661.
Josepa Donegany, Merchant, of Montreal, District of Montreal,

## vs.

Plaintiff,
Jean Antorne Donegany, otherwise called Jean Donegany, Merchant, of the samie place, Josepr Donegany, son of the late Josere Donegany, Merchiant, of the same place," and Guidiaume Benjamin Donegany, gentleman, of the same place,


The Court having howrd the maties by their Counsel, examined the procectings and evidence of record, and having duly deliberated thercon, it is considered and adjudged that this action be, and the same is hereby dismissed, with costs.
(Signed,) Monis \& Morrogir, P. K. B.

## Province of Canada-Lover Camada, to wit:

I, the undersigncd, Clerk of IIcr Mijesty's Court of' Appeals for that part of the Province of Canada ealled Lower Canada, do lierelyy certify that the nincty-eight preceding pages contuin truc and faithfill cepios of cortain prpers and documents, forming part of the Record in a certain cause now pending and undetermined in the said Court of Appeals, from the district of Montreal, in Lower Canada atoresaid, whercin one Joseph Donegany (Plaintiff in the Court below) is Appellant, and Jum Antoine Donegany, otherwise called Jean Donegany, Joseph Donegrany, son of Joseph Donegany, and Guillaume Benjumin Donegany, (Defendints in the Court below,) are ficspondents; that is to say, of the Writ of Summons cul respondendum, thic Dechiration, the Plens, and the answers to saill Plens, also, the dudgment of the said Court of King's Bench for the district of Montreal, as extracted from the Transcript accompanying and forming part of the said Record; and during the pendency of which $\Lambda_{\text {ppeal the Record anil }}$ Procectings in the said cause remain filed, and of recurd in my uffice.
In faith and testimony whereof, I have hercunto set my signature, and affised the Seal of the said Court of $\Lambda_{\text {ppoals. }}$

Given, at the City of Quebec, in the said Province of Candu, this fifteenth day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and of Her Majesty's licign the seventh.

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Stelvart Scott,
C. C. A.

## APPENDIX, No. 3.

Pubuce Nomes is hereby given that the undersignod will apply at the ${ }^{\circ}$ onsuing Session of the Prom vincial Tarlimuncut, for leave to bring in a Bill to remove all doubts as to the construction of the Statute of Lover Canada of the 1st Will. IV. c. 53 , intituled, " $\Lambda n$ nct to secure to and confor upon "cortain inhabitants of chis Province, the civil and po"litical rights of British Subjects," and to quiet the Titles to all estates and property, real and personal, belonging to the inhabitants of the Provinco described in tho suid Act, and intended to be relicved thereby, being such Tlitles as shall or may rest or be founded upon Will, Devise or Heirship, and also to vacate and amnl all liny procecdings contrary to the true intent and monning of the aforesnid $\Lambda$ (tt.

## Joserif Donegant.

Montreal, 1st Fobruary, 1844.

I, the undersigned Bailiff of Her Majesty's Comrt of Quecn's Bench for the District of Montreal, do herely certify that un Sumday the fourth of February now last past, I posted and affixed at the door of the Parish Church, it the City of Montrenl, true copies of the above notices in the Fronch and English Langunges.
Dated at the City of Montreal this sixtecnth day

Montreal, 28th November, 1844.
of November, 1844.
Amable Loiselle,
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B. K. $\mathcal{B}$.

I, the nudersigned, Printer and Proprictor of " $L a$ Minerve," certify that the advertizement of Mr. Joseph Donegani amnexed above, has beon regularly inserted in the said Journal "La Minerve," from the 1st February, 1844, to the 28 th November of tho same year.

## L. Duvernaty.

Montreal, 20th November, 1844.

I, the undersigned, Proprictor of the Montreal Gazette, cerify thai the advertizement of Mr. Joscph Doncgani annexed above, has been regulanly inserted in the Montreal Gazette fiom the first day of February to the twenty-eighth day of Novembor inclusive, in this ycar.

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Appendix
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7th Felruary.

## RETURN

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to cause the proper Officers to lay before the House, within the shortest possible delay, detailed Accounts of all sums of money expended and received by the Trustees of the Turnpike Road from Longueuin to Chambex, by virtue of the Ordinance of the Special Council, passed in the fourth year of Her Majesty's Reign, Chapter 16; and, also, detailed Statements of all transactions of the said Trustees, by virtue of the same authority, since the commencement of their Trust.

By Command,
D. DALY,
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Secretary's Office,
14th February, 1845.

No. 1-Report of the Trustees, dated Chambly, 22d December, 1842, with an Account Current from the 2nd July, 1841, to the 10 th December, 1842.
No. 2.-Petition of the Trustece, datedChambly, 25 th September, 1843, with a Supplementary Account Current, from the 10th Deccumber, 1842, to the 18th September, 1843.
No. 3-Report of the Trustecs, dated Chambly, 24th January, 1845, with a General Account Current, from 18th September, 1843, to 16th December, 1844, and detailed Accounts of Monies received and expended on the Road and Ferry.
No. 4.-Account of Commutation Tickets issued for the Road, and of the Monies received thercon from the lst Mny, 1843, to the 18th December, 1844.
No. 5.-Synopsis of Receipt and Expenditure of the Road Trust, shewing the nett balances reported each several torm from the Road and Ferry.

No. 1.-Report of the Trustecs of the Lonaueuil and Chambly Turnpiee Road, dated 22nd December, 1842, accompanicd with an Account Current to 10th December, 1842.

To Kis Jixcellency The Right Honorable Snu
Vhanhes Bacot, G. C. B., Governor
General of British North America, \&o.
\&c. \&c.
The Report of the Proceedings of the undersigned Trustees of the Longuenil and Chambly Turnpike Road:-
May it please Youn Excellency,
The undorsigned, duly appointed Trustees to carry into effect the provisions of the Ordinance 4 Victoria, cap. 16, intituled, "An Ordinance to establish and " maintain better means of communication between "the City of Montreal and Chambly," having resolved to effect this end by the improvement of the old line of Road, either by macadanizing or planking it, issued public notice, inviting tenders for both kinds of construction, and thus ascertained:-1. That the cost of macadamizing would grenty exceed the highest price of a wooden Pood; 2 . That a dingletrack plank Road, 8 feet 6 inches wide, would come within the means allowed by Law to be bortowed for the work, whereas a Road of greater width would exceed them.

They engaged the services, as Engineer, of Mr. John S. Killaly, and those of Mr. Charles Atherton, as Consulting Engineer, at "a" joint salary" of $£ 300$ per annum.

They procecded to issue the necessary advertizements for loans and wooden materials for the construction of the Road. No offers of money were received for several months, but His Excellency the late Governor General personally exerted himself to procure a loan of $£ 2000$ for one year.
The Trustees wete fortunate in making a contract for timber, at rates which could not hive been procured at any later period. Being now, at the beginining of July, 1841, prepared to commence their undertaking, and having a prospdet, which they could have at no later period, of completing the work in the season of that year, it was, after mature deliberation, resolved to accept an offer made by the contractors for the materials, that they should undertalke to execute the work at the lowest estimate of the Englineer vizo for grading' ditching, hind constructing a single-track planked Rood; 8 feét 6 inchers wide, and furnishing ragged apikes $£ 275$ per "tille This

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was considered an alvontageous bargain, ths other public works were in progress in the neighbourhood, and habourers' wages were high,

Considarable opposition was offered to the first procecdings of the Trustecs, which were directed to a slourtening of the old Road, by a ent, prescribed by the Ordinnmee, viz, from the south-western angle of the Busin of Chambly, to the Bridge over the Petite Rivierc" and inothere Road from the suid point on "the liver called 1 a Petite Riviere, to a puint in the "place called the Canton of Chambly, witlin onc lum"dred yurds of the Fort," 4 Vict. cap. 16, Section 3; and an nyplication was made to thic Legislature by parties who considered their interests to he unfavourably affected by the now cut, but the alteration and shortening of the line (by 1173 yards) was so evidontly mimprovement nud benclicial not only to the public but to the comphining pirties themselves, that the opposition gradually subsided.

His Excellency the late Governor General having much at heart the suceess of the Trustees in their undertaking, was gracionsly pleased, in the month of August, to authorize the Trustees by virtue of a provision of the Oidinance, to borrow moncy at in rate of interest higher than the legral nete; and, necordingly, the necessary louns were raised, from time to time, with His Excellency's concurrence, at the (maximum) tate of seven and a half per cent.

The Contractors used great and praisoworthy diligence in the proscention of the work, which was commenced late in July, and sanguino hopes wore cutertaned by the Jrustees that it would be completed in the working season of the year' l lut it disappointment arose from a cuatice whence it was not expected: the waters of the Richelicu and the St. Lawrence fell lower than they had beon known to fall duting many yoars, and the mavigation of the formor was altogedier impeded; the supply of materina which had been olten delayed, sometimes suspended for several days, censed altegether ; and the frost set in towards the close of Noyember, when there still remuined two miles and a half of road to be com-pleted,--eleven miles and a hall having been finished.

During the progress of the work, several Bridges wore lowitt, others repuired, and the Toll-gntes and two Toll-huuses were constructed. These, and the work generally, were secured from daunge during the chsunig winter.

The origimal Contanctors having failed to fulfil their contract on the lat Jamary, as specificed in the conthact, Mcssers. Picrec \& Son, of St. Johns, who had been their sureties, were, it the commencement of the year 1842, by mutual consent of all partics, permitted to assume it, under the express condition that they should guarantee its completion on or before the list July nuxt ensuing; and as the first contracting parties had failed in respect of time chicfly, to bring the work to completion, more through the intervention of natural causes than through any neglect or other delinquency of their own, the Trustecs thought it right to waive their clain to the penalties by which the undertakers were bound in the original agrecment; taking care, however, to institute others in the memorandum of tremsfer, which should bind the new Contractors, as usual, to the strict fulfilment of their ngrecment.
The Road was completed, and Tolls were begun to he collected on 25 th Sune.

The Trustecs having, on a survey of the work which at the opening of the season remained to be done, and of the funds remaining at their disposal, resolved to cstablish a Ferry, as authorized ly the Ordinance 4 Vict. cap. 16, section 18, over the River

Sl. Lavyrence at the village of Tongucuil, which wns Appendix always hicld in viow in the original plan of the undertraking, ats the best support of the Road, advertized for tonders for the building of' a single-hulled Stem 17th Eewuary.
Ferry Boat, of conveniont sizo, nud for a Stam Engine to propel it; and contered into contracts for their construction, respectively, with condition that they should be delivered fit for work on or before 15th August then next ensuing.
In the proseculion of their arrangements for the completion of this important brinch of their Trust, they contemplated considerable difliculty in procuring a sintable landing place on the Montreal side of the Rives. Within the linnits of the city, the price of lind on the River was high, and without the limits, travellers passing loss than half a mile along the Turnpike Road of the Montrenl Trust, would lee subjected to a Toll nearly equal to half of that which the Trustecs are permitted to levy along the whole line from Chambly to Longuevil. Relicf from this difficulty could be found only in providing a suitable landing at a point above the city limits, and such a point was found on the River, frontiug the property of the heirs of the Honomble John Richardson, at a place called the Old East India Tea Store. On treating with the Executors of Mr. Richnrdson, it was found that a suitable descent could be scoured at an munul rent of $£ 25$ currency, with the piviloge of buying it at any time within five yours, for $£ 250$ currency.
A detailed Account is annexed to this Report, shewing an expenditure of $£ 15,1002 \mathrm{e}$. $5 \frac{1}{2} d$. fur the objucts of the Trust, including $£ 79314 \mathrm{~s}$. 1 dad. for intercst, and the corrcsponding vouchers accompanying the Statement.
A balance remuins in the hands of the Trustees of $£ 69317 \mathrm{~s}$. 10 dd ; butt $£ 57018 \mathrm{~s}$, Ot d. remains due to tho Contrators fur tho work; $£ 0336 \mathrm{~s}$. 8d. on the engine for the stean ferry-boat; $£ 150$ for land to proprictors who have refused, but will ultimately accepl, the value of it ; nnd nbout $£ 19517 \mathrm{~s} .4 \mathrm{~d}$, to other partics. $\Lambda$ sum of $£ 350$ is required to pay for the land used as a descent to the Ferry-landing on the Ishand of Montreal, and for the ercction of suitable wharves on both silles of the river.
$\Lambda$ Schodule of these linbilities is appended, which shews a deficit of $£ 15064 \mathrm{~s} .1$ It A . To meet this und odher unfurescen casualtics, the Trustecs propose to address an humble prayer to the Legishature to be enabled to raise $£ 2000$, with the same guarantee, nod the same provisions which authorized aud restricted the principal loan of $£ 15,000$.
The whole of which is respectfully submitted.

> (Signed,)

> John Glen, Manager.
> Gbo. Cathcart. Join Yune. Lours Gareau.

Chambly, 22d December, 1842.
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(F.F.) THE TRUSTEES of tho LONGUEUIL nnd CHAMBLY TURNPIKE ROAD in Account

Current with For Majesty's Govornmont of Caundn.
17th Feluruary.



No. 2.-Petition of tho Trustecs of the Longucuil and Chambly Turapike Rond, dated 25th September, 1843, nccompanied with a Supplementary Account Current, from the 10th December, 1842, to the 18 th Septermber, 1843.

To His Excellenny the Right Ilonoralle Sin Cualles I.: Mercalfe, G. C. B., Go-vernor-Gencral of British North America, \&-c. Sc. \&'c.
The Petition of the Trustees of the Lougucuil and Chambly Turnpike Road:-

## IIumbly Repiesents:

That Your Excellency's Petitioners were authorized, for the purposes of their Trust, to borrow £15,000, Curtency, and that the whole sum was mised by the salo of 35 Debentures.
That after the completion of the Rond, which was one object of their Trust, and payment in part of the cost of a Sterm Ferry Boat contracted and 'agreed for by them, with aviow to the estnblighment of a ferry over the river St. Lawrence, at Longuenil, which was the other object of their Trust, a balance remains in their hunds of $\ddagger 76$ 8s: 8 dad. Currency, as may bo more fully seen in an Account Current, and accompnnying vouchers, nnnexed to a Report heretoforo addrcssed to Your Excellency's predecessor, and in a supplementary Account Current, with accompnying vouchers, continued up to this present date.

That sums still due for the Ferry Bont, and sums still due for the work of the Road, amounting in the ngeregate to $£ 2000$ Currenoy, over and above the bulance remaining in their hands, are necosssry to complote the two-fold object of thain Irust.
That they, thorefore, humbly pray Your Excellency that you would graciously be pleased to authorize the borrowing of the sum of $£ 2,500$ Currency, under the same restrictions, and with the sume guarantees, which were imposed and granted by the terms' of the law uuder which the forme: lonn was effected.

And your Petitionors as in duty bound will ever prily.

> (Signed, ) Join Ginn.
> Joun Yulp.
> Louis Gareau.
> E. I. Frechette.
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> T. F. Alland.
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Chambly, 25th September, 1843.

THE TRUSTEES of the LONGUEUIL and CHAMBLY TURNRTIKE ROAD in Account Current with Her Majesty's Government.


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Cilambly, 25th Scptember, 1843.

No. 3.-Repont of the Trustees of the Longucuil and Chambly Turnpike Road, dated 24th January, 1845, with an Account Current from 18th September, 1843, to 16 th December, 1844, and other detailed Accounts

## To His Excellency, the Right Honorable Sir Charles T'. Metcalfe, Bert., G. C.B., Governor General of British North America, \&c. \&c. §c. <br> A Report of the Trustecs of the Longucuil and Chambly Turnpike Road.

## May it please Your Excellency:

Since the Report which the Trustees of the Longuenil and Chambly Turnpike Road had the honor to transmit to Your Excellency, 22nd December, 1842, two principal transactions appear upon the Records of the Trust which seem worthy of notice, -the opposition which the Steam-boat Ferry established by the Trustees, encountered from a private intercst, which terminated in an amicable arrangement bencficial to both; and the redemption of the old Debentures, which were paid off' with money borrowed at a lower rate of interest.

The first arose from a supposed collision of intereste with the proprietors of the old horse-boats, who purchased a low-priced steamer, and succecded in persuading a large portion of the community that the Ferry as established by the Trustees, was profitable to individuals, and not to the public. This delusion operated so forcibly on the public mind, that the Trusices, finding their receipts fallen to almost nothing, were compelled, out of a regard to the intercst at stake, to cnter into friendly arrangements with the opponent party, of which the beneficinl effect appears in the issue of the operations of the last season,-a profit from the Ferry of $£ 670$ 2s، 6 d .
The second transaction worthy of notice was the redemption of the old Debentures bearing interest at $7 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent., and the re-issuc (by permission of Your Exccllency) of new Dobentures, bearing a lower rate of intercst, viz., 6 per cent., which produced a saving of $£ 22315 \mathrm{~s}$. per annum, in interest. The
operation was completed almost at once, and the Trustees did not find it necessary to avail themselves, to any extent, of the clause of the law which permitted them to bureow a surplus of $£ 5000$, to come and go upon.
The results of the season of 1844 , clearly prove that the best interest and main support of the Road is the Ferry; and that part of the work confided to the Trustces is most important, and alone capable of insuring success and permanency to the whole, and of relieving Her Majesty's Government from the burthen of contributing in any way to its maintenance.

The Trustecs herewith transmit a general Account Current, commencing 18th September, 1843, and
also detailed Accounts (with Vouchers) of monies received and expended by them on the Road and the Appendix
(F. F.) Ferry since that date.

7th February.

The whole of which is respectfully submitted.
(Signed,) Join Guen.
Louis Gareau. John Yule.
T. F. Allard.
E. H. Fheciette.

Chambly, 24th January, 1845.

THE TRUSTEES of the LONGUEUIL and CHAMBLY TURNPIKE ROAD in Account Current with I. M. Government.


## TURNPIIEE ROAD.










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Appendix No. 4-ACCOUNT of COMMUTATION JICKETS issued fur the ROAD, and of the Monies Appontix receival thereon, from 1st May, 1843, to 18th December, 1844.


Appendix (IV. F.)

No. 4.-ACCOUNT of COMMUTATION TICKIETS issucd for the ROAD, \&c.-(Concluded.) 17th Fabruary. Ta

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No. 5.-SYNOPSIS of RECEEPTS and EXPENDITURE of tho LONGUEUTL nad CILAMBLY
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## RETURN

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor Genoral, praying that His Excelloncy would be pleased to direct the proper Officer to lay before the House, a Statemont, in Tabular form, of all Licenses issued during the last two years for cutting Timbor on the Waste Lands of the Crown in the Counties of Bonayenturo, Gaspe, Rimouski, Kamouraska, L'Islet, Bellechasse and Saguenay, exhibiting the quantities of Timber actually made in each of the said Counties, and exported therefrom.

By Command.
D. DALY,

Secretary.
Secretary's Office, 19th February, 1845.

STATEMENT of Returns of Licenses grauted during the last two yoars, for cutting Timber on the Waste Lands of the Crown in the Countios of Bonaventure, Gaspg, Rimougki, Kamounska, LI Islet, Bollochasse nud Saguenay, oxhibiting the quantities of Timber made in each of the said Counties.

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N. B.-Of Sales under Mr. Martel's Agency, Mesgrs. Cuthbert \& Co. are the only parties who had a License, the remaiader of the Timber was cut without License.

No Return has as jet been reccived from Messrs. Duberger, Kanc, and Martel, of Licenses granted for the present winter.

The Balance due on Licenses of 1843, appear much larger than they really arc. Considerable sums have been reccived from all the foregoing Agents, on account of the sales of 1843, but without their specifying on what particular Sale or Licence these suns were trausmitted.

The money has been placed to their credit respectively, but cannot be applied without further explanation, which they have been requested to furnish.

## T. BOUTHILLIER.

Crotwn Land Department,
Montrcal, 15th Fcbruary, 1845.

REP 0 RI.

The Select Committee appointed to enquire into and report upon the present condition and state of the Ancient Archives and Public Records of "La Nouvelle France," of Canada, and of the Province of Quebec, remaining in the Vaults of the Eveclé or Parliament Buildings at Quebec, or elsewhere, with a view to the adoption of measures as well for their arrangement and preservation from decay, as to the collection, from all accessible sources whatsoever, of such ancient and authentic records and documents relating to the first settlements of Canada, as, in the opinion of the Committee, may cast light upon or be conducive to a full knowledge of its carly history, as well as to the general advancement of Literature in the Province, have the honor to Reront :-

That your Committce have given their best attention to the matter referred to them, and having submitted to several gentlemen conversant with it, the Questions which, together with the answers received from each, are hereunto appended, it appears to your Committce, that the Vaults or place in the Eveche or Parliament House at Quebec, where the old Archives of the Country have hitherto been deposited, is damp and unsuited to the preservation of those important records, and that some of them, consequently, are in a state of decay and require renewal. This, your Comnittec are of opinion, should be clone in mannseript, as the originals are so, by the couployment of some person or persons of method versed in the French language and ancient Laws of Lower Canada, and familiar with those manuscripts.
Your Committec are of opinion that this, though a longer process than printing, (which would put the Province to a heavy expense, will answer the purpose equally well.

The Archives in question consist of a variety of Registers or Manuscript Books, in which are recorded the Ancient Latws, Ordinances, Arrêts and other Public Actes of the Government, and Judicial authoritios of Canada prior to 1759 , as woll as the Ordinances or Laws passed subscquently to that period for the Province of Quebec, till its division into the Provinccs of Upper and Lower Canada, and a great variety of Patents and other important public papers of the latter Province. They comprise also $n$ yumber of parclments, commissions, and loose papers, relating to the carly Goverument of New Trance and Canada, under the dominion of the French Crown; some of them it seems are in a very perishable state; all which it is of the last importance to rescue from the disintegration and ruin to which they are hastening. They arc, "as will bo gathered from the annexed answers, valuable memorials of the primitive history of Canada, of its rise and progress during a period of two hundred ycars and upwards, from a wilderness to a powerful Colony of France, and faithful evidences of the forethought and wisdom of the enterprising nud enlightened men to whom the direction of its affairs was entrusted from its. first settlement till its final cession to the British Crown, -men who will gain upon acquaintance with every well informed modern, and whose labours, legislative, judicial, or ministerial, have only to be known and rightly understood by those of the same class and character who have succeeded and will hereafter succeed them in the Government of this great and important British Province, of whatever race or origin
they may be, to be entitled to their respect and deemed worthy of imitation.
They contain the carlicst written Laws of the Colony, various legal decisions under them of interest to the Jurist; much matter illustrative of its jurisprudence, statistics, social arrangements and changes, and of the extended vieiss and policy of the French Government, which spared no pains nor expense in the colonization of Canada; and all the original octrois or grants of the Fiefs or Seigneuries therein, from the Crown of France to the grantees. In fact, the cxisting Laws, the Institutions, and most of the real property of Lower Cunada, in a great measure, rest upon them; and their preservation is therefore a matter of primary importance.

Your Committee are, therefore, of opinion that the old Registers, while yet they are legible, should be re-copied,-the originals deposited in one office (at Quebee,) and the copies in mother (at Montrenl,) ench in dry, suitable, and safe apartments, well ventilated, and fire-proof,-that all loose parchments and papers should be carefully examined, assorted, and put together in liasses or files, with schedules of reference, or indexes referring to and explanatory of the papers in each file, and thie respective dates thereof, with such other remarks as the compiler shall deem useful.

The Land Patents issued by the late Government of Lower Canadi, which, a ycar or two ago, lay in such confused heaps among the other Archives, as often to render the finding of any one of them-in particular, when wanted, a task, and the work sometimes of days, are now so well assorted (by the systematic arrangements of Mr. Huot, oue of the gentlemen consulted by your Committee, and whose labours they notice with pleasure, as mentioned by some of its members who have had occnsion to know and appreciate them from personal observation during a short time he was in charge of the Archives) as to enable the person in custody of them to answer any matter of reference thereto at a minute's notice. The same or some similar system of methodizing the papers alluded to, ought to be followed up.

Your Committee learn, by the answors of Mr . Secretary Daly, that it is intended to remove those Records from Quebec to the Seat of Government, (Montreal.) ' The propricty of this they do not question, but beg, neverthcless, to draw the attention of your Honourable House to the suggestions of Mr. Cochiran, President of the Literary and Historical Society of Quebec, and of Mr. Faribault, the Vice-President thereof, and to observe that the pro-
pricty of entrusting, as suggested to this Society, such of those Arelives and detached papers as are not indispensably necessary at the Sont of Government, particularly such as arc merely historic, and it is supposed there is an alundance purely of that eharacter, is worthy the consideration of the Government.

Your Committec recommend an Address to the Gorernor Gencral, submitting the above to His Excellency's consideration, and suggesting the expediency of His Excellency's recommendation of an appropriation for the purposes mentioned, as well as to cuable the Litcrury and Historical Socicty, if Hi Excellency shall think fit to entrust it with the safe keping of those valuable Records and papers, or any of them,-to procure, in Frunce or Eugland, from sources legitimately accessible to them, any other documentes, papers, or information which they may deem useful and conducive to a more perfect knowledge of the cally history of Canada than is at present posiscssed. or to the general advancement of learning and literature thercin.

The whole respectfully sulmitted.
Rodert Chmstie,
Chairman.
3d March, 1845.

## MINUTES OF EVIDENCE.

## Robery Curistie, Esquire, in the Chair. <br> Tuesday, 4 th February, 1845.

Gieorge B. Faribanlt, Esquire, Clerk $A$ ssistant of the Irouse, and Viec President of the Literary and Historical Socicty of Quebec, examined:-

1. Are you accquainted with the state of the ancient Arclives or Recorels of Camada, as they now bie in the vault or vaults of the Eveché or Parliament Building at Quebec; and can you state whether they are well taken care of, assorted, and in a good state of preservation? - I am pretty well acquainted with the state of these Arehives or Records, having harl frequent opportunitics of making researches amongst a great purtion of these documents, both on matters connected with my profession, as well as upon sulpects relating to the carly history and condition of Canada. These Records have always licen under the charge of the Sccretary of the Province, up to the period when the Seat of Govermment was removed from Quebee, since which time they have been left under the charge of an Assistant or Clerk from that Department. The Secretary of the Province kept his office, and that of his Clerks, in these vaults, and by this means the vaults were properly ventilated; fire was also kept up in a stove both in summer as well as in winter, in order to counteract the effect of the damp and hunid state of the vaults which are partly under pround. The person now in charge dues not keep his office in the vaults, but in another part of the building of the Evêche', and on the ground floor'; the ronsequence, as I have reason to apprchend is, that fire being seldom kept in the vaults, scteral of these liecords, which are already in an advanced state of decay, will therefore, soon be destroyed.
2. What do those Archives or Recorts chiefly consist of, and what are the most ancient dates to which they relate? - They form a considerable collection of large folio manuscript Registers, thic contents of which may be classed as fullows:-

1st. Registers containing the original deeds of concession of the Scigniorics and Lands en roture, granted since the carlicst establishment of the country, at first by the King of France, then by the Company of New France, and afterwards by the Governors and Intendants, in the name of the King.
2nd. Registers containing the different Commis sions of all the public officers from 1663 to 1759.
3rd. Registers containing the Judgments rendered by the Conseil Supérieur, in suits both civil and criminal.
4th. Registers containing the Ordonnances et Règlemens of the Govemors and Intendants, relating to matters of finance, police, \&c.
I would particularly mention a large Register, containing the deliberations or proceedings of the Conseil Souverain, during the period when the Company of New France had the sole direction of the Govermment of Cauada, that is to say, from 1624 to 1663. This last Register is much decayed and form, and before it falls cutircly to picces, immediate steps should be taken to get it copied, so as to preserve whit may remain of this Register, containing much interesting matter respecting the period above mentioncd. Besides this, there are several bundles of loose papers, some of then containing the proceedings of the Court of La Privoté, and from a cursory view of some others of these liasses or bundles, I am led to think much interesting matter would be found on the sulject of the ancient statistics of the country.
3. Do you think it of importance to the Province that moans should be taken for their proper order and arrangement, and for their better preservation; and what would you recommend for that purpose?-It is assurcdly of the greatest importance that means should be immedintely adopted in order to reclaim these Archives and Records from the destruction with which they are menaced, as they, in agreat mensure, contain the original titlos which constitute the fortune of hundrecis, nay, probally thousands of indiriduals; in proof of which, I may state the frequent applications which are made in order to obtain copies of exemplications of these original decds: I would also add that, it is doubtful whether any duplicates of these same Deeds could crentually be found in France, and in that case the loss or destruction of these documents could not possibly be supplied.
4. Would it in your opinion be proper that any of them should be printed at the public expense, in order to their permanent preservation, and which of them ; in whose charge or custody, and where would it be most proper to cutrust the safe keeping of them; and what would the expense of such charge and safe keeping cost the Province annually ? - If a proper selection were made from amongst these Records, I have no doubt but that considerable portions of them would be found possessing much interesting and official information respecting the enly colonization of Canada, the publication of which might be properly confided to the Qucbec Literary and Historical Society ; but until such a selcction is made, it is of course impossible to say what sum might be required for this object. The vaults where the Records are now kept, are a safc place, provided the necessary precautions were constantly taken, both in summer and winter, to prevent the damp from injuring these papers: The person in charge of those Records should not only be conversant and faniliar with the Frenchlanguage, but should also be nicquainted with the peculiar style and forms ustially emplóyed in these ancient Deeds'and legal documents, 'inasmuch ns the writing of thesc Records is not only antiquated, but replete with abloreviations; added to which, the character of

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the hand-writing is in gencral of such a description that a few lines will frequently require considerable study and attention in order to decipher the exact nature of the document.
5. Do you think it would be ulvisable to procure froin England or France (by which latter Country this Province was first colonized) copies of any Archives or Records in cither of those countries, which relating to the carly colonization or history of Canada, and interesting to the Province now or hercafter, are not to be found in it; and the cost? The subject to which this last question refers has occupied my mind for a number of years past. Itis well known that some of the Public Archivestin Paris, and more particularly those contained in the Département or Bureau de la Marine, contain a mass of the most interesting documents relating to the carly history of Canada; and it is only but a few months since that a Mr. Broadhead, who had been sent to Turope ns agent to the Historical Society of New York, has returned from his mission, bringing with him several thousand pages of manuscript copied from these Archives, containing abundant and interesting information respecting Canada and its dependencics, then known under the appellam tion of "La Nouvelle France." I could also state, that the Archives of St. Malo, in France, contain some valuable documents on the same subject, for I received in the course of last year, from Mr. Hovins, the Mayor of that ancient Sea Port Town, and the birthplace of the celebrated Jacques Cartier, the discoverer of Canada, most interesting particulars respecting Cartier's three several expeditions to Canadn, betiveen the years 1534 and 1542; and I have little doubt but that the Arclives of Roven, as well as those of Dicppe, Honfleur, and several other towns of Brittany in France, from whence the first settlers emigrated to Canada, would also be found to contain most valuable information on the early colonization of this country. The only effectual means of procuring the different documents above mentioned, would be to send an agent to Europe for this purpose; as, after repeated attempts to procure similar documents by corresponding with persons on the spot, I have generally been disappointed, either on account of the persons not being able or willing to undertake the necessary researches, or by their sending documents of a different description than those asked for, or which were otherwise uscless:' The good understanding now happily subsisting between France and England renders the opportunity most favorable, and it is therefore sincerely to be hoped that the Legislature will be disposed to favour what must be considered a truly national and patriotic object.

## Wednesday, 5 th February, 1845. ${ }^{\wedge}$

The Honorable Dominich Daly, Esquire, a Member of the House, and Provincial Secretary, ex-amined:-

Answer to Q. 1.-I am acquainted with the state of the Records at Quebec, and believe they are as well taken care of as the condition of the building in which they are placed permits, and are also conveniently assorted for reference. There is, however, a mass of detached papers of very ancient dates, which have not been considered sufficiently important to be examined or referred to for any purpose to my knowledge ; and $I$ am not acquainted with their contents.

Answer to Q. 2.-The Records consist chiefly of the old French Registers of Concessions of Fiefs, Seigneuries, \&c. I have not within my reach the means of stating particularly the dates. Some of them, however, are of the sisteenth century.

Answer to Q. 3.-I do think it of importance that steps should be taken for their better preservation and order. It has been determined by the Government to place them (with the portion of the Records alrcady removed from Quebec to the Sent of Government) under the charge of the Registrar of the Province, in a vault that has been prepared for the purpose ; their removal hitherto has been deferred from the want of a suitable place for their reception.
Answer to Q. 4.-I think it would be adrisable, if not to print, certainly to copy, some of the Registers, which from their great age and frequent handling, have been a good dcal injured. The arrangement above alluded to, as under contemplation for their future safe keeping, will be a saving to the public of the cost of the present establishment at Quebec; as it is intended that the spare time of the French Trinslator shall be applied to the arrangement of these Records, under the direction of the Provincial.Registrar.

Ansoer to Q. 5.-I do think that the acquisition of any information regarding the early colonization and history of Canada, which is not now to be found in this country, is most desirable.

## Thursday, 6th February, 1845.

Hector Simon Huot, Esquire, one of the Prothonotaries of the Court of Queen's Bench for the district of Quebec, examined:-
Answer to Q. 1.-I am acquainted with the state and condition of the Archives in question, having had the care and clarge thercof from the month of February 1843, to the l'5th of Aprii 1844. I think that they are as much taken care of as circumstances will permit. The documents have suffered considerably, in the first place from their age, and in the sccond place on account of the dampness which always exists more or less in the vaults; several of these documents are illegible on account of their age, others are in a pretty good state. To place these documents in order it would require Indexes, thöse which exist at present being imperfect and almost of no use.
Answer to Q. 2.-The documents consist of the following, namely :-
Registres des Enregistremens des Concessions, depuis le 18 Septembre, 1764.
Registres des Insinuations, du 20 Décembre, 1765.
Registres d'Intendances et Concessions en Fief et Ratifications, depuis le 7 Octobre, 1672.
Registre des Insimuations du Conseil Superieur, 1663 i 1758.

Registre des Jugemens du Conscil Supérieur, 1663 à 1676.

Edits et Arrêts et Declarations du Conscil Souverain, de 1624 à 1743.
Jugemons de 1'Amirauté, 1754.
Ordonnances des Intendans, 1705 à 1760.

## Edits et Arrêts.

All these works were once bound; and are in folio. They comprise about 50 to 60 volumes; some of them may be preserved without difficulty in their presont state, but several of them should be immediately copied, otherwise their contents will be lost. There is also a considerable quantity of scroll papers, forming part of the proceedings of the "Cdur de la Prevoste" in the different causes submitted to its juris-

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diction; it would require some tine in order to julge of the importance of these last mentioned papers, as the vaults of the Court House at Qucbec contain the Registers of the Judgments of the above Court; perhaps these Judgments and the entries in the Registers in a great mensure correspond with ench other.

Answer to Q. 3.-It is certainly not only important to the Province, hut also to the interests of privato individunls, a great number whercof must be greatly interested in the immediate preservation of these papers and documents. For this purpose, that part which is falling into decay ought to be copied, and the remainder repaired, and an index made of the whole so as to be able to refer to these documents with facility. As to the future preservation of the Arehives and other documents, I think the only means would be to keep them in boxes of tin or of wood, otherwise the dimpness of the vaulta will destroy the prper.
Anster to Q. 4.-If a portion of these documents were copied, and the whole put in order, I do not belicve that it would be necessary to print them; and if they are carefully proserved in boxes, as I have adready said, they might be placel under the care of one of the Public Deprarments, together with those of which I consider them to form part, and which are to be found in the Mrechives of the Court House at Quelece, or any where else. I cimnot say what expenses would be incurred in putting the proposed plan into execution. It would also require somo time, as the old French writing is difficult to rend, and that which requires to be copied is much obliterated. If they are placed under the charge of a Public Department, as I have already stated, it will cost nothing to the Province.
Answor to Q. $\sigma$.-I know that, in addition to the above documents, a great number exist elsewhere, relating to the first colonization of the country, and I camnot do better than refer the Committee to Geo. B. Faribault, Esquire, Clerk Assistant of the Legislative $\Lambda$ ssembly, who has made a collection of a great number of works relating to this subject, and which I believe now form part of the Library of the Legislative Assembly.

Tussday, 25th February, 1845.
The IIonomble A. W. Coc/uran, Esquire, President of the Literary and Historical Society of Qucbec, cxamined:-
ITaving been permitted to peruse the nuswers of G. B. Faribault, Esquire, to the questions put to him ly the Special Committee, I think it sufficient to say that I cntirely concur with him in all his statoments, with the following qualifications and additions:
lst. I think the Archives in question ought to be removed fiom where they niow are, for if they are valuable at all, they cannot long be preserved in the vaults of the Evéclie. I doubt whether daily ventilation and stove heat will save them from destruction thore; a vault, though a good sceurity against firc and some other accidents, is a bad repository for records written on paper, especially where, as at the Evetché, the vault is, on two sides, below the level of the ground; the paper on which theso records are written appears to me to be subject to a peculim species of decomposition, independent of damp, when not freely oxposed to tho atmospheric air; and I fear therefore that oven the keeping them in tin boxea, would not be sufficient to keep them from this decay.
2nd. I think that the records which relate to private titles, should be transferred to and lept in some safe general depository under the immediate direction of the Government.

3rd. I am of opinion that the other records, such as the Ancient Commissions, Judicial or other proccedings of the local or administrative authorities, and documents of a miscellaneous description, should remain at Quebec,--those of aJudicinl kind among the Arclives in the Court House, and those of an administrative and miscellancous character, under the care of the Literary and Historical Society of Qucbec, to whon also might be entrusted the duty of classifying the whole, whether judicial or otherwise, and of mitking a selcection of such as might be worth publishing in a printed form.

FOR THE

PROVINCE OF CANADA,

FOR THE YEAR 1844.

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montreal:

## S C HEDULE

Of Accounts and Statements respecting the Public Income and Expenditure of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Province of Canada, for the year 1844.

No 1. Statement exhibiting the Net Revenue of the Pruvince of Canada for the year 1844, also an Absiract of the Expenditure during the same period, and the slate of the Consolidated Revenue Fund on the 31st day of January, 1845.

## RECEIPTS.

No. 2. Statement of the Revenue from Customs Duties in the Province of Canada, during the year ended 5th January, 1845, received between 1st February, 1844, and the 31st January, 1845.
" 3. Statement of the Revenue arising from Duties on Licenses for Shops retailing Spirituous Liquors, Inns, Stills, Billiard Tables, Hawkers and Pedlars, Steamboats, and Ale and Beer Houses, during the year ended 5th January, 1845, received botween 1st February, 1844, and 31st January, 1845.
" 4. Statement of the Revenue arising from Duties on Licenses to Auctioneers and on Sales by Auction, during the year ended 5th January, 1845, received between the 1st February, 1844, and 31st January, 1845.
" 5. Statement of the Monics paid to the Receiver General, between the 1st February, 1844 and the 31st January, 1845, on account of the Territorial Revenue for the year ended 31st December, 1844.
" 6. Statement of Revenue arising from the Light House or Tonnage Duty, under the Act U. C. 7 Will. 4. cap. 95 , during the year ended 5 th January, 1845, received between the 1st February, 1844 and 31 st January, 1845.
".7. Statement of Duties on Bank Issues paid the Receiver General, pursuant to Propincial Act of Canada, $4 \& 5$ Vic. cap. 29, in the year ended 31st December, 1844.
" 8. Account of Revenue arising from Public Works and Receipts on account of Interest on Loans to Public Works in the Province of Canada, between. 1st February, 1844, and 31st January, 1845.
4. 9. Statement of Revenue arising from Fces on Militia Commissions, Exemptions from Militia Duty and Militia Fines, paid the Receiver General, between the 1st February, 1844, and the 31st January, 1845, pursuant to Act of Upper Canada, 2 Vic. cap. 9.
"10. Statement of Fines and Forfeitures including Seizures paid the Receiver General between the 1st, February, 1844, and the 31st January, 1845, on account of the year ended the 31st December, 1844.
" 11. Statement of the Casual Revenue paid the Receiver General between the 1st February, 1844 and the 31st January, 1845, on account of the year ended the 31st December, 1844, consisting of Fees on Land Patents and Instruments under the Great and Privy Seal, Copies and Certificates of Land Patents, Marriages, Inns, Country and Town Shops, Hawkers, Billiards and Ferry Licenses, including Fees on Exemplifications, Searches and other Incidental Payments.

## EXPENDITURE.

No. 12. Statement of the charge for Interest on the Public Debt of the Province of Canada from 1st February 1844 to 31st January, 1845.
" 13. Statement of Warrants issued on the Receiver General of the Province of Canada, between 1st February, IS44 and the 31st January, 1845, on account of the expenditure for services provided for by Acts and Ordinances of the late Province of Lower Canada, for the year ended the 31st December, 1844.
"1 14. Statement of Warrants issued on the Receiver General of the Province of Canada, between the lst February, 1844, and the 31st January, 1545, on account of services provided for by Acts of the late Province of Upper Canada, for the year ended the 31st December, 1844.
" 15. Statement of Warrants issued on the Receiver General of the Province of Canada, between the 1 st February, 1844, and the 31st January, 1845, on account of services provided for by Acts of the Legislature of the Frovince of Camada, for the year ended 31st December, 1844.
" 16. Statement of Warrants issued on the Receiver General of the Province of Canada, on account of the Expenditure of the Civil Government for services of the year 1842, paid between the 1 st February, 1844, and the 31st January, 1845, provided for by Act 6 Vic. cap. 9.

No. 17. Statement of Warrants issued on the Receiver General of the Province of Canada, between the 1st 1815. ment of Canadh, for the year 1843, out of the Vote of the Legislative Assombly of that Scssion.
" 18. Statement of Warrants issued on the Receiver General of the Province of Canada, between the 1st February, 1844, and the 31st Jamary, 1845, on account of the Expenditure of the Civil Government, for the year ended the S1st Decomber, 1844, for which a provision is required.

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No. 19. Comparative Statement of the Net Revenue and Expenditure of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Province of Canada, for the years 1843 and 1844.
" 20. Statement of Warrants issued on the Receiver General of the Province of Canada, between the 1st Fobruary, 1844, and the 31st January, 1845, on account of the Expenditure for services provided for in the Civil List, Schelule A., fur the year ended the 31st December, 1844.
" 21. Statement of Warrants issued on the Receiver General of the Province of Canada, between the 1st February, 1844, and the 31st January, 1345, on account of the Expenditure for services propided for in the Civil List, Schedule B., for the year ended 31st December, 1844.

No. 22. Statement of the particulars of the Payments and Deductions made from the Revenues constituting the Consolidated Fund of the Province of Canada, for Expenses of Management, Collections, Drawbacks, Return Duty, \&ic., for the year ended the 5th January, 1845.
" 23 Statoment of the Affairs of the Province of Canada on the 31st January, 1845, in which the year 1844 is included.

## SCHEDULE

Of Starements exhibiting the Receipts and Expenditure of the several undermentioned Special Accounts for the Year 1844.
No. 24. Statement of Monies collected under the Provincial Acts 45 Geo. 3. cap. 12, 51 Geo. 3. cap. 2, and 2 Geo. 4. cap. 7, and of the expenses incurred in supporting and improving the navigation of the River St. Lawrence from the Basin of Portneuf, in the District of Quebec, to the division line between the late Provinces of Lower and Upper Canada for the year 1844, under the Trinity Board of Muntreal.
" 25. Statement of Tonnage Duties collected during the season of the narigation of the year 1844 at Quebec and Montreal, under Provincial Act 6 Will. 4. cap. 35, continued by the Ordinance 3 Vict. cap, 15, and of the sums paid thereout to provide for the Medical Treatment of Sick Mariners.
" 26. Statement of the Funds arising from the Estates of the late Order of Jesuits, in the year ended the 31st December, 1844.
27. Statement of Monies arising from the sale of School Lands in that part of the Province heretofore called Upper Canada, pursuant to Provincial Act $4 \& 5$ Vic. cap. 19, and Warrants issued thereon letween the 18th February, 1844, and the 31st January, 1845, on account of the year ended the 31st December, 1844.
28. Statement of Monies received from the rate or duty imposed by the Provincial Act of Canada 4 \& 5 Vic. cap. 13, on Passengers or Emigrants arriving at the Ports of Queber and Montreal, including a sum credited the Provincial Government by the Commissary General on account of Emi-gration-and the amount paid thereout for providing medical assistance for sick Emigrants, and enabling Indigent Persons of that description to proceed to the place of their destination during the scason of the navigation of the year 1844. Treasurers, Canada Wost, between 1st January, 1844, and the 31st January, 1845, pursuant to an Act of the Legislature of Upper Canada, 2 Vic. cap. 11, intituled, "An Act to authorize the crection of an Asylum within that Province for the reception of Insane and Lunatic Persons;" including a Balance in the hands of the Receiver General of $£ 8289$ 2s. 1d. Currency.

Inspector General's Office, Montreal, 1845.
W. B. ROBINSON, Inspector General.




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Montreal, 1845.
W. B. ROBINSON,

Inspector General.

## No. 5.

Statement of the Monies paid to the Receiver General, between the 1st Februnry, 1844, and the 31st January, 1845, on Account of the Territorial Revenue, for the Year ended 31 st I)ecenber, 1844,

| SOURCES OF REVENUE. |  | Currency. | Total Currency. |
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| From the Huleon's Bay Company, One Year's Rent of the King's Poste, to the 10th Octuber, 1844. | - $\cdot$ | - | 60000 |
| Kins's Wharfi |  |  |  |
| From Torrance, \& Co., Three Year's Rent of part, to 1st May, 1844, at 226 118. per annum. | -• . ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |  | 79130 |
| Forges at St. Manrice. |  |  |  |
| From the Fion. Mathen Bell, Three Year's Rent, to 31st December, 1841, nt £ 425 yer annum. | . $\cdot \cdot$ | - - . | 127500 |
| Rent of Beach and Wrater Lots at Quebec.' |  |  |  |
| From George Tnylor, One Year's Rent ofn Water Lot to 24th June, 1844.... | $\therefore .$. |  |  |
| " Walker \& Forsyth, do do of 2 do to do do .... | . | 3236 |  |
|  | " ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | 200 | , |
|  | . $\cdot$. | 3910 |  |
| " A. Gilmour, 1 Year's Rent of a Beach nnd Water Lot, to 24th June, 1844. | .. .. .. | 22.20 |  |
| $"$ Wm. Petry, 2 do of a Water Lot, to do at $£ 1.12 \mathrm{e}$ 9d. per annum. |  | 3.56 |  |
| "John Bonner 2 do of do to do at £8 12s, 6d. do | .. .. ... | 1730 |  |
| Carried oter.... ............ | * . . . |  | 207016 |



Since this Account was completed an Abstract of the Accounts of the Commissioner of Crown
Lands has been furnished to this Office, as follows:-

| SOURCES OF REVENUE. |  | Currency. | Total Currency. |
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| Receipts by the Commissioner of Crown Lands.-From Crown Lands. | £ E. d. | £ s. d. | £ в. d . |
| Amount of Crown Lands Salce. | 2584124 |  |  |
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| " " Instalments, Canada West. | $2240{ }^{2} 5$ |  |  |
| " " " East....................................... | 561.1211 |  |  |
| " 1 Rents and Arrears................................................ | 56033 |  |  |
| " ". Crown Rents. | 47 6 3 <br> 1234 11  |  |  |
| " "Fees on Grimes of Land. | 1234115 |  |  |
| " "Military Reserves at Toronto | 1510125 |  |  |
| " " Gain on Scrip.......... | 80127 |  |  |
| " : Commission (disallowed) ...................................... | 54778 |  |  |
| " Received from McPherson \& Crane for damages on Furniture........ | 426 | 3330240 |  |
| Decluctions for Management, \&ic. |  |  |  |
| Expenses of Inspections. |  |  |  |
| ،. Surveys $\qquad$ | $\begin{array}{llll}2750 & 3 & 2\end{array}$ |  |  |
| " " Commission. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 95215 |  |  |
| " "Advertisements .. | 468137 |  |  |
| Remission on Military Reserves............................................ | 1383 |  |  |
| Thomas Stecrs. Agent Western District, for Scrvices and Disbursements, on account of Woods and Forests, from the 14th October, 1839, to the 30th June, 18.43 | 288185 |  |  |
| Salarics and other Disbursements of the Crown Lands and Surveyor General's Departments. | $352315 \quad 3$ |  |  |
| Miscellaticous Paymenis.. ...................... . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | $705 \quad 53$ | 9136110 |  |
| Net Crown Lands. | . | -• | 241662 |
| Carried formard. | . $\cdot$. .. | -. .- ..f | 241662 |


＊This Balanee has been paid the Receiver Gencral since the 1st February， 1845.
N．B．－The particulars of the Deductions cannot be given，as no detailed Accounts have been rendered this Department for the lust Six Months of 1844.

## No． 6.

Statement of Revenue arising from the Light House or Tonnage Duty，under the Act U．C．7th Will．4th Cap．95，during the year ended 5th January， 1845 ，received betweens the 1st February 1844 and 31 st January 1845.

| Port where Collected． | Anount Currency． |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Amherstburgh． |  |  |
| Bath． | 51000 |  |
| Belleville． | $\begin{array}{rrr}7 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & 16 & 0\end{array}$ |  |
| Cobourg．． | 18100 | 台 |
| Chatham． | 17120 | m |
| Dunville．． | 2170 | 응 |
| Goderich．． | $\begin{array}{r}2 \\ 47 \\ 47 \\ \hline 11\end{array}$ | ¢ |
| Hallowell．． | 2180 | O呂 |
| Kingston．． | $\begin{array}{ll}136 & 12\end{array}$ | 9. |
| Newcastle． | $\pm 80$ | E5 |
| Ningara．． | $\begin{array}{lll}38 & 16 & 0\end{array}$ | 馬 |
| Oakville．．． | $\begin{array}{lll}26 & 9 & 9\end{array}$ | 合号 |
| ${ }_{\text {Port }}$ Prescourwell．．．． | $\begin{array}{rrr}15 & 0 & 0 \\ 9 & 2 & 0\end{array}$ | ¢0 |
| ＂Colborne． | 29120 |  |
| ＂Credit． | $\begin{array}{llll}5 & 17 & 0\end{array}$ | S0 |
| ＂Dalhousie． | 2810 | \％ |
| ＂Dover．． | $\begin{array}{lll}5 & 2 & 0\end{array}$ | O |
| ＂Sarnia． | $6 \quad 20$ | 을． |
| ＂Stanley． | $18 \quad 20$ | 㐌 |
| Sandwich． |  | O |
| Toronto．．． | $\begin{array}{llll}126 & 12 & 7\end{array}$ | 云薄 |
| Windsor． | $24 \quad 6 \quad 9$ | 003 |
|  |  | 1 |
| Off do．do．31st Jan．1844．．．．．．．．． 7160 | 150 | z |
| Net Revenue in Cash Currency．．．．．．．．．．． | 604.410 |  |

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## No. 8.

Accourt of Revenue arising from Public Works and Receipts on Account of Interest on Loans to Public Works in the Province of Canada, between 1st February, 1844, and 31st January, 1845.

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| REGIMENT OR CORPS. | Fees on Commission. | Exemption Money. | Fines. | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1st Lincoln. | $\begin{array}{ccc}f & \text { s. } & \text { d. } \\ 88 & 15 & 0\end{array}$ | $\pm$ s. d. | $\pm$ s. d. | $\pm$ f. d. |
| 2nd " | 7150 |  |  |  |
| 2nd Lanark. | 250 |  |  |  |
| 2nd Carlton. | $\begin{array}{lll}1 & 5 & 0 \\ 3 & 5\end{array}$ |  |  |  |
| Licutenant Colonel Gordon | $\begin{array}{lll}3 & 5 & 0 \\ 9 & 10 & \end{array}$ |  |  |  |
| Oxford Regiment.. | 9100 |  |  |  |
| Colonel McMahon. | 7100 |  |  |  |
| " Marks... | $\begin{array}{llll}5 & 5 & 0\end{array}$ |  |  |  |
| " Boulton. | 100 |  |  |  |
| Major McKenzic. | $\begin{array}{lll}1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 5 & 0\end{array}$ |  |  |  |
| Thomas Fisher... | 150 | .. ... .. | .. ... .. | 48150 |
| Total Currency. | -. .- | -• | .. .. .. | £48 $15 \quad 0$ |

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## No. 10.

Statement of Fines and Forfeitures including Seizures paid the Receiver General between the 1st February, 1844 and the 31st January, 1845, on account of the year ended the 31st December, 1844.



## No. 11.

Statement of the Casual Revenue paid the Receiver General between the 1st February, 1844, and the 31st January, 1845, on Account of the year ended the 31st December, 1844,consisting of Fees on Land Patents and Instruments under the Great and Privy Seai, Copies and Certificates of Land Patents, Marriages, Inns, Country and Town Shops, Hawkers, Billiards and Ferry Licences, including Fees on Exemplifications, Searches, and other Incidental Payments.


Appendix
(I. I.) No. 11.-Statement of the Casual Revenue paid the Receiver General, ©c.-Conlinued.


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## No. 12.

Statement of the charge for Interest on the Public Debt of the Province of Canada from 1st February, 1844 to 31st January, 1845.
To whom Paid.


## No. 18.

Statement of Warrants issued on the Receiver General of the Province of Canada, between the 1st February, 1844 and the 31st January, 1845, on account of the expenditure for services provided for by Acts and Ordinances of the late Province of Lower Canada, for the year ended the 31st December, 1844.

| ENACTMENTS. | NAMES, | SERVICE., | Amount. | Total <br> Currency. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 55 Geo. 3. cap 10... | B. C. A. Gugy, Adjutant $\}$ General Miltia....... | For payment of Pensions to Wounded Militiamen for the year ended the 31st October, 1844. | $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{s} .} \mathrm{d} .$ |  |
| $6 \text { Geo. 4. cap. 8.... }$ | Porrault \& Burroughs, Prothonotary, Quebec. | Allowance for preparing Abstructs of Baptisms, Mar riages and Burials in the District of Quebec, for the year 1843. | $30150$ |  |
|  | W. C. H. Coffin, do. Three Rivers........ Behee \& Wilkie do. Gaspé. $\square$ | Do do do do for do <br> Do do for do do for 1812 ..   | $\begin{array}{rrr} 13 & 0 & 0 \\ 6 & 10 & 0 \end{array}$ | 5050 |
| 1 Will 4, cap. 16... | Rev. Jos. Signay, Roman Catholic Bishop. | Twelve Months allowance for Ground Rent of the Bishop's Palace at Quebec, to 31st December, 1844.: |  |  |
| 2 Vic. cap. 2. | Jos. A. Taschereau <br> Do <br> Wm. Ermatinger, | Twelve Months Salary as Superintendent and Inspector of Police at Quebec, to 31st Decenber, 1844. Amount of the Pay, Clothing and other expenses of Two Policemen at do to do Twelve Months Salary as Superintendent and Inspector of Police at Montreal to do | $\begin{array}{lll} 300 & 0 & 0 \\ 141 & 0 & 0 \\ 300 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$ |  |
|  |  | Carried over.................. $x$ | 74100 | 155172 |



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## No. 14.

Statenewt of Warrants issued on the Receiver General of the Province of Canada, between the 1st February, 1844 and the 31st January, 1845, on account of services provided for by Acts of the late Province of Upper Canada, for the year ended the 31st December, 1844.

| ENACTMENTS. | NAMES. | SERvice. | Amount. | Total <br> Currency. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\left.\begin{array}{l} 47 \text { Geo. } 3 \text { and va- } \\ \text { rious other Acts. } \end{array}\right\}$ |  | Districh Schools. | $\pm$ s. d. | f 8. d. |
|  | John' Somerville.......... | Nine Months Salary as Master of Brock District Grammar School, from 1st Octoler, 1843, to the 30th Junc, 1844, at £100 per annum. | $\begin{array}{lll}75 & 0 & 0 \\ \end{array}$ |  |
|  | John Brown............. | Twelve do as do Bathurst do to 31st December, 1844.... | $\begin{array}{lll}100 & 0 & 0 \\ 100 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ |  |
|  | Moses Willianson........ | Do do as do Dallousie do to 30th June, 1844........ | 10000 |  |
|  | Wm. Kay............... | Do do as do Eastern do to 31st December, 1844. | 10000 |  |
|  | Sohn Rae............... | Do do as do Gore do to do do do .... | 100 |  |
|  | Rev. A Mckenzic. ....... |  | 50 <br> 0 |  |
|  | Marcus C. Crombie........ | Twelve do as d. Home do to do do do .... | 100 |  |
|  | Andrew Scott . . . . . . . . . . | Six do as do Johnstown do to 30th June, 1844...... | 50 100 100 |  |
|  | Benjamin Bayley......... S. Lightburne......... |  | $\begin{array}{llll}100 \\ 100 & 0 & 0 \\ \\ 10\end{array}$ |  |
|  | Robert Hudspeth........... | Do do as do Newcastle do to do do ... | 10000 |  |
|  | Dr. J. Whitolaw. .... . . . | Do do as do Niagara do to do do .. | 10000 |  |
|  | Colin Gregor........... | Do do as do Ottawa do to do do . $\quad$ do | $\begin{array}{lll}100 & 0 & 0 \\ 100 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ |  |
|  | William Cockell. . . . . . . ${ }^{\text {Federick Gore......... }}$ | Do do as do Prince Edward do to do do ${ }^{\text {do }}$ do as do Simioe from the 10th November, 1843, to |  |  |
|  | Frederick Gore . . . . . . . . . . | $D_{0}$ do as ${ }^{30}$ Simeos from the June, 1844 , at f100 per annum .................... | $64 \quad 27$ |  |
|  |  | Carried forvard................ | $1539 \quad 27$ |  |

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| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Appendix } \\ & (\mathbf{I} . \mathbf{I} .) \end{aligned}$ | No. 15. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Appiendix } \\ & (\text { I. I. }) \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1845. | Statement of Warrants issued on the Receiver General of the Province of Canada, between the 1st February, 1844, and the 31st January, 1845, on Account of Services provided for by Acts of the Legislature of the Province of Canada, for the year ended 31st December, 1844. | 1815. |


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## No. 16.

Statenext of Warrants issued on the Recciver General of the Province of Canada, on Account of the Expenditure of the Civil Government for Services of the Year 1842, paid between the 1st February, 1841, and the 31st January, 1845, provided for by Act 6 Vic. cap. 9.

| To' whom l'aid. | SERVICE. |  | Currency. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Henry Boys, Bursar. . | Being the amount estimated in 1542 for the Upper Canada College. | $\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{L}^{2} & \text { s. } & \mathrm{d} . \\ \ldots & \ldots & \ldots \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr} \text { f. } & \text { e. } & \text { d. } \\ 1111 & 2 & 3 \end{array}$ |
| G. W. Wickstced....... | One of the Commissioners for Revising the Statutes and Ordinances of Lower Canada, being for the Translation of the Tables and for the remuneration to the Commissioners. |  | 57500 |
| Louis Guillet. | Being for Services performed on account of the late Commission on the licudal T'enure Inquiry. | 19156 |  |
| Alexr. Buchanan. | Being on Account of Expenses incurred under the same. | 20940 | 22819 |
|  |  |  | $\begin{array}{rrr} 1915 & 1 & 9 \\ 30 & 12 & 5 \end{array}$ |
|  | Total Currency............... | .. . . ... | 1945142 |

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Statenent of Warrants issued on the Receiver General of the Province of Canada, between the 1st February, 1814 and the 31st January, 1815, on account of the Expenditure of the Civil Government of Canada, for the year 1843, out of the Vote of the Legishative Assembly of that Session.



## No. 18.

Statement of Warrants issued on the Receiver General of the Province of Canada between the 1st February 1844 and the 31st January 1845, on account of the Expenditure of the Civil Government for the year ended the 31st December, 1844, for which a provision is required.





The sum of $£ 2136412$ o Currency was Granted by Act of the Legislative Assembly in its last Session, on this account.

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|  |  |  |  |  | No. <br> penditure of the Consoli | 19. <br> lidated Revenue | Fund of | he Provi | of Can | for | cars 1843 and 1844. 品 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NET REVENUE. |  |  |  |  |  | EXPENDITURE. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Heads of Revenue. | $\begin{gathered} 1843 . \\ \text { Currency. } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 184.4 . \\ \text { Currency. } \end{gathered}$ | Increase. | Decreas. | Causes of Increase or Decrease. | Heads of Expenditure. | $1843$ Currency. | $\begin{gathered} 1844 . \\ \text { Currency. } \end{gathered}$ | Increase. | Decrease. | $\frac{\substack{\text { Explanations on Incrase and } \\ \text { Decrase. }}}{\text { and }}$ |
| Castoms. | $\begin{array}{\|ccc} x & \text { a } & \text { d. } \\ 219934 & 4 & 97 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|ccc\|} \hline x & 8 & d \\ \hline 129292 & 11 & 4 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} \hline x & 8 & d \\ 0 ; 88 & 6 & 6 \end{array}$ | $\overline{x \text { s. d. }}$ |  | Interest on Public Debt | $\left\|\begin{array}{ccc} f & 5 & d \\ 93274 & 12 & 11 \\ 50000 & 0 & 0 \end{array}\right\|$ |  | \|rcc| | $x \mathrm{~s}, \mathrm{~d}$ | $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { The increase is consequentupon the } \\ \{\text { issue of anditional } \\ \text { ascount ofentures of the } \\ \text { anurantecu Loan. }\end{array}\right.$ |
| Excise | 524110 | 3437050 | 3845140 |  | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { The increase is chiefly on Shop and } \\ \text { Inn Licenceg, and Sales by Auction, } \\ \text { but there is a decrease on Stills of } \\ \text { upvards of e900. } \\ \text { ( After this Statement was closed the } \\ \text { Accounts of the Crown Land Office } \end{array}\right.$ |  | $\left.\begin{array}{lll} 33333 & 6 & 8 \\ 11334 & 14 & 1 \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | $\left.\begin{array}{\|ccc} 33333 & 6 & 8 \\ 4233 & 0 & 6 \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ |  | $7095 \quad 137$ | Considerable Sums werc expended in 1S43, on account of SL. Anne's Turnpike Trusts, not incurred in 1844. |
| Tenitorial... | 272238105 | 518018 |  | 2204294 |  |  | 12314911 | 1272135 | 45836 |  | The Payments for Common Schools made in 1844 on account or hat an |
| Light House Duty.... | $\left.\begin{array}{ccc} 596 \\ 7600 & 56 & 2 \\ 7 \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | $\begin{array}{r} 604 \\ 10942 \\ \hline 15 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\left.\begin{array}{\|c\|c\|} \hline 2891 & 19 \\ 18 & 8 \\ \hline \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | $\text { . } \quad . . \quad . \quad \mid$ | Fluctuation of Trade <br> ( There should have been an increase |  | $18189 \quad 10 \quad 9$ | 8670695 | 68216188 |  |  |
| Pubiic Works. | $2607611 \quad 17$ | 2662411 |  | $\left.\begin{array}{lll} 452 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ |  | Estimate of 1842. | $4614181$ | 1945142 |  | 269311 |  |
|  | $\left.\begin{array}{rrr} 102 & 5 & 0 \\ 3016 & 0 & 9 \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | $\begin{array}{rr} 48 & 15 \\ 3214 & 18 \\ 30 \end{array}$ |  | $53100$ | ( old Works of the Canal. <br> [There was a considerable Sum cre | $\text { Estimate of } 1843 \ldots \ldots$ | $61498 \quad 8 \quad 1$ | $\left\{\begin{array}{c} 26043 \\ 52064 \\ \hline 24 \\ \hline 4 \end{array}\right\}$ | $\left.\begin{array}{lll} 18809 & 10 & 9 \end{array}\right\} \text {. }$ |  | $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { £26,000 on Account of } 1843 \text { was } \\ \text { paid in } 1844 .\end{array}\right.$ |
| Cassual Revenue...... | 6551814 | 50942113 |  | 175752 |  | $\left\{\begin{array}{c} \left.\begin{array}{c} \text { Unfunded Debt, } \\ \text { Balance e } . \ldots . . . . . . . . ~ \end{array}\right\} \end{array}\right.$ |  | 3:26 1812 | 329618113 |  | Consolidnted Fund. <br> $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { Balance of Interest due to Glynn } \\ \text { B Co on old Debt now charged to }\end{array}\right.$ |
|  |  | $143065$ | 143065 |  |  |  |  | 54068134 $\qquad$ |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | \|Curency .......... ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | -3889 1999 | 47761611 | $112426{ }^{4} 7$ | 9794176 |  |
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| Stamenr of Warrants issued on the Receiver General of the Province of Canada, between <br> the 1st February, 1844, and the 31st January, 1845, on Account of the Expenditure for <br> services provided for in the Civil List, Schedule A. for the year ended the 31st December, <br> 1844. |


| To whom paid. | SERVICE, |  | Amount. | Total Currency. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\left.\begin{array}{c}\text { His Exceltency Sir } \\ \text { Charles } T \text { Metcalfe } \\ \text { Bart. and G. C. B, }\end{array}\right\}$ | Twelve Months Salary as Governor General, to the 31st Dec. 1844.... Judges, Canada West. | $\pm$ s. d. | \& s. d. | $\begin{array}{rrrr} \pm & \text { в. } & \text { d } \\ 7 \% 77 & 15 & 7\end{array}$ |
| J. B. Robinson......... | Twelvo Months Salary as Chief Justice to the 31st December, 1814... No ${ }^{\prime}$ as Judge of the Court of Qucen's Bench to do | ... .. |  | 1666134 |
| Jas. B. Macaulay ...... | Do as Judge of the Court of Qucen's Bench to do | $\because \cdot$ | $\begin{array}{lll} 1000 & 0 & 0 \\ 1000 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$ |  |
| Archibald McLean ..... Jonas Jones........... | $\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Do } & \text { as } & \text { do } & \text { to } \\ \text { Do } & \text { as } & \text { do } & \text { to } & \text { do } & \text { do } \\ \text { Do }\end{array}$ | $\cdots$ | $\begin{array}{lll} 10000 \\ 100 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  |
| C. A. Haycrman. | Do as do to do | .. .. .. | 1000 0 0 | 4000 |
| R. S. Jameson......... | $\begin{array}{llll}\text { Do } \quad \text { as Vice Chancellor to do } \\ \\ & \text { Judges, Canada Ensl. }\end{array}$ | .. .. .. | .. ... .. | 125000 |
| Sir James Stuart, Bart... Edward Bowen......... | Twelve Months Salary os Chinf Justice at Quebec to the 31st Dec. 1811 Do as Judgo of the Court of Quten's Bench at Quebec to do <br> ............................... | $\begin{array}{ccc}. & \cdots & \cdots \\ \cdots & \text {.. } & \text {. }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}\cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ 1000 & 0 & 0 \\ 1000 & 0 & \end{array}$ | 1060134 |
| Philip Panct. . Elzéar Bedard | $\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Do } & \text { as } & \text { do } & \text { to } \\ \text { Do } & \text { as } & \text { do } & \text { do } & \text { to } \\ \text { do }\end{array}$ | .. | $\begin{array}{lll}1000 & 0 & 0 \\ 1000 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ |  |
| J. R. Vallières de SL Rêal | Do as Chief Justice at Montreal to do | $\cdots \quad .0$ |  | 122245 |
| 3. R. Rolland.......... | Do as Judge of Court of Queen's Bench at do to do |  | 100000 |  |
| Samuel Gale. | Do as do to do |  | 100000 |  |
| C. D. Day.. | Do as do to do | .. .. | $1000 \quad 0$ | 3000 O |
| Dominic Mondelet. . . . . | Do $\quad \begin{aligned} & \text { as Resident Provincial Judge at Three Rivers } \\ & \text { to do ................................................ }\end{aligned}$ |  | . |  |
| John Fletcher..... .... R. H. Gairdner....... |  | . .. .. | 416134 <br> 761010 |  |
| John G. Thomp3on. .... | $\begin{array}{cccc}\text { Twelve Months do as do at Gaspé to do .... } \\ & \text { Pension to Julges. . }\end{array}$ | - .. .- | . $\cdot$.. .. | $\begin{array}{ll} 493 & 13 \\ 555 & 11 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| James Read.. | Twelve Months' Pension as late Chief Justice of Montreal to 31st December 1814. | 814164 |  |  |
| Levius P. Sherwood.... | Do as late Judge of the Court of King's Bench Upper Canada to do | $66613 \quad 4$ |  |  |
| Gcorge Pyke. . . . . . . . | Do as do at Montroal to do Sakuries of the Allornies and Solicitors General. | 740143 | 232345 |  |
| James Smith.... Do | One Months Salary and Allowances as Attorney Gencral East to 30th September, 1841 at $£ 1500$ per annum.............. $\begin{array}{ll} & 125 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 337 & 0\end{array}$ Three do as do to 31 st December, 1814, at $x 1350$ do $33710 \quad 0$ |  |  |  |
| Wm EI. Draper ........ Henry Sherwood....... | Do as do West. Salary as Solicitor General from 7 hi Octolier to 31 st Decenber 1844 at 5600 per annum. | $\begin{array}{cc} 40210 & 0 \\ 462 & 10 \\ 140 \quad 4 & 4 \end{array}$ |  |  |
|  | Circuits, East. |  | 10054 |  |
| Sir James Stuart, Bart... | Circuit Allowance attending Criminal Terin Three Rivors, Mareh 1841 | 2715 . 6 |  |  |
| Eidward Bowen... | Do Queen's Bench at do in June 1844................... | 27156 |  |  |
| Philip Panct........... | Do do in January 1844............... | 27156 |  |  |
| Elzêar Bedard......... | Do do at Three Rivers and Sherbrooke 1841.... | $6511 \quad 1$ | , |  |
| Dominic Mondelet..... | Do at Sherbrouke in March 1844............ | $\begin{array}{r}2715 \\ 2715 \\ \hline 6\end{array}$ |  |  |
| S. R. Ralland. |  | 2715 2715 |  |  |
| C. D. Day............. | Do Quecn's Bench at Three Rivers in March 1844...... Circuits, West. | 27156 | 249197 |  |
| J. B. Robinson. . . . . . . | Spring and Autumn Circuit of 1814........................... | 2250 |  |  |
| Archibald McLican.. | Do do do | 2250 |  |  |
| Jonas Jones . . . . . . . . . | Do do do | 20000 |  |  |
| C. A. Kagerman....... | $\begin{array}{ccc}\text { Do } \\ \text { Spring Circuit } & \text { do } \\ \text { do } & \text { do } \\ \text { do }\end{array}$ | 235 75 70 000 |  |  |
|  | Expenses of Criminal Proscoulions, Cantada East. |  | 95000 |  |
| Alexander Buchanan. | Scrvices ns Queen's Counsel to 30th April 1814 ................ | 479168 |  |  |
| F. A. Quesnel......... | Do as do from the 8th January to 15th March 1844 | 42810 |  |  |
| A. W. Cochran. . . . . . . | Do as do from September 1843 to Oetober 1844.... | 1611310 |  |  |
| Hon. F. W. Printose. . | Do as do from 1st July 1843 to 30th June 1844 .. | 46150 |  |  |
| Henry Driscoll ......... | Do as do to 31st Decembor 1844................ | $\begin{array}{llll}17 & 0 \\ 25 & 0 \\ 19\end{array}$ |  |  |
| C. S. Cherrier.......... | Costs in the case of Hart vs. Brock at Thrce Rivers in 1844.......... Criminal Prosecutions, Canada Wist. | 2518 19 | 1181.160 |  |
| W. H. Draper Hrnry Sherwood. Joha Prince. | Services as Queen's Counsel from January to 2nd Seplember $1844 \ldots .$. Do as Do as do do | $\begin{array}{lll} 721 & 0 & 9 \\ 492 & 0 & 0 \\ 273 & 3 & 10 \end{array}$ |  |  |
|  | Carricd over . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . f | 148647 | 56094 | 250321011 |





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## No. 21.

Statement of Warrants issued on the Receiver General of the Province of Canada, between the 1st February 1844 and the 31st January, 1845, on account of the Expenditure for Services provided for in the Civil List, Schedule B. for the year ended 31st December, 1814.

| To whom Paid. | SERVICE. |  | Amount. | Total Currency. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Civil Secretary's Office. | £ s. d. | $\pm$ s. d. | $\mathcal{L}$ e. d. |
| J. M. Higginson. | Salary as Civil Secretary from the 21st January to the 31 st December 1844, at $£ 111122$ per annum............... | 105018 |  |  |
| Henry Cotton.. | 12 Months do as 1st Clerk to do | 277156 |  |  |
| W. R. Bartlett. | Do do as 2nd Clerk to do | 222 175 4 |  |  |
| M. Turner. . . | Do do as 3rd Clerk to do | $\begin{array}{rrrr}175 & 0 & 0 \\ 83 & 6 & 8\end{array}$ |  |  |
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Of the Commissionors appointed to consider and roport what alterations it may be expedient to make in tho practice and procoodings of the Court of Chancory in Uppor Canada.
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## May it moman Youn Exchlinncy,

We, tho Commissioncrs appointod by Letters 1atent under the Grent Senl of this Proxince, bearing date the 20th day of July, 1843, to consider and report what alterations it may be expedient to make in the practice and proceedings of the Court of Chancory of Upper Couada, respectfully beg lenve to rcfe to our first Report, made on the 20 hi April lasts and necompanying a series of Rules, which wo recommended to be adopted, with the view of rendoring the proceedings in Chancery less dilatory und expensive; nud we beg leavo now to report furthen to Youn Execllency, that the consideration which we have sinee given to the subject has confirmed the inn prossion which we have from the first been disposed to eutertain, that it is only by such alterations as we can venture to recommend with the vien of shortening the pleadinge, and simplifying the proccedings, that wo can hope to remody in any groat degred, what we believe to be justly complained of as a great und nlmost intolerable cevil, namely, the expense which aftends the prosccution and defence of suits in that Court, cven of the most ordinary character. It is by this cousse, therefore, that we have been endenvonring to effect what we believe to have jueen the principal olject of the Commission, and that our viows on the point may bo clenly understood, we beg to offer horowith the following explanation of them:-
From tho yar 1792, when the Civil Govermment of Upper Canada was organized, and the Common Lnw Courts bogan to be instituted, until the year 1837, when the Court of Chancery was established by an Act of the Legislature, no mrovision was made for an equituble Jurisdiction within the Province, or for giving to parties the benofit in any manner or degrec of the application of those principles and maxims of equity, which necording to the English system of Jurisprudence can be allowed to operate only in Courts of Equits: There were indeed two or three detached objects to which the Leerishature applicd themselves, with the viow of supplying in those instances, the want of a Count of Chancery,such as the partition of Real Listatcs held in joint tenancy, \&c.; thie appointment of Guardians to Infunts; and a very imperfect provision for guarding and managing the property of Lunatics. lBut, with the exception of such cunctments, very few in' number, and which do not secm to lave been freguenty resorted to in proctice, it may be sinid with truth, that Upper Cannda was not only without niny distinct Court of Equity, before the passing of the Chanecry Act in 1837, but whs without the menns of applying in the administration of justice, those rules and maxims of equity, by which the rigour of the Common Latw of England might bo mitignted, as is done in some countrics in Tribunals, whose constitution and general system of proceeding are based on those of the English Common Liaw Courts.

The Court of King's Bench had been established by the Act passed in 1794, and had been made to eonform very closely with regard to its practice and procecdings, as well as its powers and authority, to
the Superion Courts of Record in England; having the same juristiction in civil and criminal cases which bolongs to the Court of King's Bench, with the junise dietion which in sono civil consos is poenline to the Coutt of Common Plons,-und in mattors regarding the King's Revonue, to the Court of 'Exchequer:' It has always sconed clenr to the Juelges prosiding in this Cout, (and wo do not know that a different opinion has boen any where entertained, ) that their duty was in all chseg to administer the Thins of England, which had indeed by a Provincial Statute passed in 1702, beon expressly adopted "as the rule "of decision in all convoversics relitive to property "and civilrights," and that they could proceed by no other dule, and excroise no otincr powers than were excrecised by the Courts of Comnion Law in England, except where they were dipectod by some special enactinent. They held thomselves disubled from extonding equiluble relicf in tay other cases than those in whiels the Courts of Common Law in Eughand upon equituble principlos have nssumed a control over their own proceedings, in order to provent the process nud forms of Law from boing applicd to purposes of injustice and oppression.
Under the system then, as we have described it, there was no remedy for many cases of froud, aceident, of mistake, though they might occasion consequences iujurions, if not ruinous, to parties; no moans of preventing waste, or obtaining discovery, of compelling the specific porformance of agrecments, nud the die exceution of trusts, of foreclosing, and in some cases of redcenilig mortgages; nor of obtaining other oljects scarcely less necessary, aid important, which require in Eugland, the intervention of a Court of Equity. With tho ove or two trifling exceptions of cases for which the Leginnturc had made special provision, we were, in fact, in the same siturtion' ns the people of Digland would be, if evciry Court of Equity werc at once wholly abolished by an Act of Parlinment, while the Courts of Common Law should be left with no cnlarged powers to do only what they now do, and ns they now do iti
It could not be supposed that a system of Jurisprudence so dofective, would be long maintained in that state, in so populous a country; not that there are not countrics much oller, minl more populous, without distinct Courts of Equity, that is, withaut tribuuals constituted for achministering only what' may be called Equity as distinct from Law ; for this litter system is an arrangemeut peculin: to England and the countrics which liave taken their Laws from her,-but there vas not, nor is there now, we believe, any Colony or country linving a population so large as Uper Canadn, and in thie same degree civilized, where a body of Latiss so precise and inflexible as the Common Law of England generally is, has beeu: left to govern all contracts, and all transnctions and interests, without some attempt to modify it in its ajplication by the influence and intervention of Uquity. There was probably an apprehension not ill founded, that expense and other inconveniencies, which it would be bard to bent, and get not easy to obviate, would follow the introduction of any thing like the Englisli Courts of Equity, and this may have
restrained the Legislature from making any attempt of the kind before the year 1837,-though, by that time, the population of Upper Canada was not much loss than 400,000, and though there was scarcely a West India Island belonging to the Crown (inconsiderable as some of thein are in extent and populthtion) in which a Court of Chancery had not been loug established, more or less modelled unon that of England.

When the Legislature did take up the sulject in 1837, they had it clear fied for experiment, and there were different methods by which they might have procecded, and among which, it was nccessary fur them to make their choice. It became most material for them to consider whether they might not content themselves in the first instance at least, with merely allowing, the Court of King's Bench in all matters which nught come in judgment before them, to give the parties the full bencfit of the same equitable considerations, and of the same maxims and principles of equity, as would apply to the case, if the partics were hefore an oquitable tribunal, -as for instance, that whatever conduct a Court of Equity would hold frauclulent, should be equally fraudulent at laiv ; that the sume effect should be given to the circmantimes of accident and mistake, in Law, as in Equity; that whatever partics had clearly agreed to co, should at Law, as woll as in Equity, be for cortain purposes regarded as done; that wherever the fact of notice would prevent the hard operation of a kule or Stittute, or would be otherwise material to the protection or liability of a party in $\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{q}}$ uity, it should bo eqnally so in Law. Without doult, by cnlarging the principles on which our Common Law Courts proceeded in these and other instances, and by chabling the Judges to modify thacir decisions, so as to multo them conformalle in such points to the Rules of Equity, many cases of injustice might have been remedied, and many important interests protected, wihout introducing a distinct Tribunal for dispensing Equity alone, to which the parties should be refered. But, if' the measure had stopped there. there would have been many cases in which the preventive and superintending powers of Courts of Eiguity are constantly called intu exercise in England, which must still have gone without remedy here.
The Legishature might have taken anether course, and after authorizing the Court of Common Lav to give offect to equitable considerations in cases tried Vefore them, they might have gone further, and made distinct provisions for obtaining by different means, the same unds, as are now accomplished by proceedings in Courts of Equity; not perlapis in all cases, hut in thuse most important and of most frecuent uecurrence; and they might have attenyted to provide a nore summary and less expensive method of proceeding in each of such cases,--cither through the instrumentality; of the Common Law Courts, in all eases, or only in some, and by appointing for other purposes a Judicial Officer, clothed with some only of those powers, which in England are inherent in the Court of Chancery,-or by appointing pro re nuta unc or more Commissioners, for carrying the powers to be specially delegrated, into effect.
For example, they might if they had thought it cxpedient, have enabled the Court of King's Bench to graut, and of course to dissolve injunctions; to decree specific performance of contracts, enforcing their decree by attachment for contempt; to repeal Letters Patent when fraudulently obtained, or improvidently issued; to entertian applications for foreclosing and redecning mortgages; to compel a discovery (perhaps under certain restrictions,) and to do various other acts of a like definite character. But unless many of the purposes for which Courts of

Equity are resorted to in England were intended to be left unprovided for, it would have been hardly possible to have relied upon the Court of King's Bench of this Province for affording the aid of Equity cffectually in all those cases to which the Legishature must have been desirous of extending it. That Court could certainly not have supplied the want, without is considerabile addition to the number of its Officers; and independently of the guestionable policy of committing the alministration of Law and Equity to one Trimunal, the amangements for one branch of duty might have been foumel to clash incomreniently with those neecssary for othor dutics; and there is besides, a large class of cases in which the constitution and maclinery of Courts of Equity are well adapted to render services rather ministerial and exceutive than jutlicial, and to which, Courts of Law, under the English system ne by no means adrpted,--such for instance, as the dircetions from time to time given for the execution of Trusts, the care and management of Estates of Infints and Lunatics, and other matters of that nature.
It has of tate years been much discussed in England, (and the question has enguged some attention in this country;) whether the Superior Courts of Law might not be male to perforn all the fuctions of a Court of Eyuity, and whether, under such a systen, expense to suitors and to the public might not be sared, and more certain and conylete justice done, where all is in the power of one Tribunal, than where the parties are exposed to be referred from one jurisdiction to another, for varions purposes arising in the progress of a cause, and when no little embarrassment may be supposed to be experienced, and sometimes expense incurred, before it can be elenty aseertained whether the matter will be regarded as more properly cogrizable in Law or in Equity.
To say nothing of countrics where the Civil Law revails, and not the Cominon Law of England, (for their example could not help us, unless we altered the whale frume of our Laws,) there have been British Colonics, it is well known, in which, Courts of Law cstallished on the model of the Common Law Courts in Englaud, and procecding on the same gencral principles, have been also made to answer the purposes of a Court of Equity,-if not wholly, yet to a very grat extent, under stalutes committing specially to them certain equitable powers; and in some of the British Colonies alluded to which now form independent States, such a system having boen long established and in use, has been ever since retained.
With means of ascertaining the prevailing opinions respecting the several methods of administering Equity, whinh have beon tricd or suggested, the Legislaturs of Uper Canada in 1837, determined to adopt a system as nearly as possible similar to that which exists in England. They left the Courts of Common Law to discharge their proper duties as before, and created a Court of Chancery wholly distinet from and independent of them as in England, with a single Judge to preside in it, under the alesignation of Viec-Chancellor, and giving to the Court, in exprese terms, the same jurisdiction, and the like power and authority as are possessed by the Court of Chancery in England, in respect of all the matters enumerated in the Act, which comprehend, almost without exception, all the subjects of Equity Jurisdiction in Englancl.
The Act provides that the Court shall be governed by the same rules of decision as govern the Court of Chancery in England ; and gives it the same power for enforcing obedience to its orders and decrees. In thus giving to us in all its parts, the Engligh system,

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the Legislature must be supposed to have been influcaced by the resolution to preserve the boundaries of Law and Equity distinct, by providing for their being dispensed by distinct Tribunds; and to leave nothing wanting to complete the analogy between this Country and England, as regards the nature of the two jurisdictions, the extent of the powers to be exercised within ench, and the mode of exercising them.

We belicve that in duang so, they took the course most in accordance with the real and permanent interests of the Province, as being the one best calculated to assist in binding us hy a similarity of Law and Institutions to thic Parent State; and they sceured to us besides, as regnids Equity, the advantage which they preserved to us in respect to the Common Law Courts, of that entire and close resemblance, both in constitution and principlos, to the corrcsponding jurisdiction in England, which enables $J u d g e s$, Practitioncrs and Suitors, to avail themselves of the treasurcs of wisdom, and experience accumulated during many generations, by the decisions of the greatest Judges, with such means of obscrvation, deliberation and trial, as can only be presented in the course of many yenrs, cven in a country whose popinlation and commerce equal those of England.

The Legislature having thus conferred upon $U_{p}$ per Cunada, what they cridently meant should strictly rescmble an English Court of Equity, it is a matter of great difficulty and delicacy to attempt making any extensive changes in it, without running the risk of disturbing most inconveniently, if not fatally, a usstem, whose beauty and efficiency in a grent measure consists in that completeness, consistency and coherence of all its parts, which could only have resulted from attentive obscrvation, during a very long course of experience.

It does not seem, however, to have been assumed by the Legislature that the English practice in Equity would be found in all respects suitable to the circumstances of this country, for they gave full power to the Vice Chancellor" from time to time to "s settle and declare the form of process, and to define "t the practice andl proceedings to be obserred" in the "Cout, in prosecuting or defending suits thercin; "t to regulate the amount of fecs and disbursements " to be taxed to parties, their Counsel and Solicitors, " and to the Officers of the Court, as in his opinion "should be necessary to facilitate the despatch of
" busincss and occasion the least cxpense."
The circumstances were favorable under which this Court was established in 1837, for the whole system of proceeding in Equity had recently windergone the most mature consideration in England, and many changes had been made in it under the sanction of Parliament, and by orders of the Court of Chancery, with the view of simplifying the proccedings and diminishing the expense. The Vice Chancellor had the opportunity of adopting those improvements, so far as they might sécm suited to this country; or rather, they would become without adoption, part of the practice of his Court, except such of them as hic might reject or modify. Of the various rules which have been from time to time adopted in England since the institution of this Court, the Vice Chancellor his als, availed himself as far as he thought it expedient to follow them, and he has introduced some original rules framed with a view of better adapting the proccedings to the circumstances of this country.

Still after the Court had been a few years open, the experience of the profession and of suitors'seems to have justified in a great degree the apprehensions which probably led the Legislature to postpone for so $\operatorname{long} ;$ a period, the establishment of an equitable
jurisdiction.

There is, we believe, a very prevailing fecling that the Tribunal on its present footing, is not suited to the circumstances of this country: and the task has in consequence been committed to us, of suggesting alterations, which may relieve it of that objcetion.
In England, the evils which were so long complancd of as attending proccedings in Chancery, wore delay and expense.
The delay there, was probably rather owing to the great accumulation of busincss, which occasioned arrears, than to the nature of the proceedings; though it seems to have been admitted that before the late alterations, the practice of the Court did enable partics to come to create unreasonable delays by various shifts and contrivances, and many of the new regulations were designed to cure this evil.

With regard to our own Court, we have not found upon enquiry among those who have the best means of jucking, that the reproach of delay cau be justly urged to any great extent, cither as being occasioned by the nature of the proceedings, or from the time usually takco in disposing of matters, after they have been heard and are ready for decision. There is no doubt that, generally speaking, a much longer time clapses betwcen the institution of a suit in Equity, and its termination, than is usually the case in actions at Law, but that, we are persuaded, is unavoidable from the nature or objects of equitable juriscliction.
Considering the purposes for which the Court of Chancery interposes and the great extent of its powers, there can be no doubt, tinat a degree of caution is necessary for the protection of parties, which is not compatible with very rapid proceeding. Making due allowance for this, we think we are watranted in saying, that when there have been delays such as miglit seem to afford just ground of complaint, they have been rather owing to forbearance and arrangements among the Solicitors employed, with a view to their mutual convenience, than to any impediments in the working of the machinery of the Court.
We have, however, kept in view, the expediency of doing whatever can safely be done for expediting the business of the Court; and several of the Rules which have been recommended, and others which will be hereafter suggested, have been framed for that purposc. The more important consideration is that which regards the expense of proceedings in the Court of Chancery,-and it is to this point chiefly that our attention has been directed.
We have already observed that it is not now a question upon which we need offer an opinion, whether, in most of the cascs in which Equity is resorted to, an easier and chcaper remedy' might not have been provided through the instrumentality of another Court; for the Legislature have taken their course, and following the English system, have given us a Tribunad closely resembling the Court of Chancery, in its constitution and powers. This being done, it is still open to consideration, whether it is better that the Court so constituted should take the English Court of Chancery as its model in regard to its general practice and proceedings, or whether it would be wiser to depart from it very widely if not altogether in the hope of being able to frame a new system of practice and procceding, more simple and less expensive, and on both accounts better adapted to the circumstances of this country, where the interests to be settled through the aid of such a Court are mostly of a moderate amounter It is not impossible that a person well versed in the constitution of Courts of Equity, and the principles، which govern them, and familiar, from long experience with their practice,

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might be successful in an attempt to frame a wholly new system of procceding better adapted than the present to the wants of this country, provided he could withdraw his attention for a time from other oljects and pursuits, so that he could, without interruption combine his plans and trace the outlines of a connected system, which should be complete and consistent in all its parts. Such a task, if it shall ever be accomplished, must lee in the first instnnee, the work of one mind, aided of course by the suggestions and corrections of others, and with the advantage of not being distracted by other dutics.

We do not apprehend, from the terms of the Commission under which we are acting, that any such attempt to substitute an entire new system is expected from us, and our impreseions at present are, at any rate, not in fivour of making the experiment. The Court, and consequently the country, woukd lose by it in a very great degree the advantage of the assistance now derived from the long train of decisions of the English Courts of Equity, by which immuncrable points have been settled, which, under a wholly new mode of applying the puwers of Equity might be thrown open to doubtful discussion. The practice and pleadings of a Court are the modes by which its principles are brouglit into action. In a long course of operation, they all become interwoven and accommodated to cach other, so that it is impossible at once to perceive how far any radical change in either may, of necessity, aftect the others,-and for a long time certainly, if not for ever, it would be felt that much had been lost, by departing very widely from the English system, and casting oureclyes loose from precedents and authoritics.
Not meaning therefore to recommend so total a change in the proceedings or practice as would destroy the resemblance to the English Courts of Equity, it las been our object to reduce the costs of a Chancery suit, so far as it may be possible, within such limits as may leave no ground for reasomable complaint. With this view, we have exnnined carefully the present table of costs in use in the Court. But on consideration of the several items, we do not fird that much can be effected by this direct method of reduc-tion,-at lenst, not without evident injustice to those, by whom the business is to be donc. We did not indecd expect that much could be accomplished in this way, for when the Aet was passed, a Table of Fees wis given in it, which it may be supoosed the Legislature would take care not to make extravagant, and after the Court had been some time in operation, this Table was, hy an Act of the Lecgislature directed to be revised with the assistence of the Judges of the Queen's Bench, with a view to reduction exclusively; for it was expressly provided that no item should be raised above the amount at which it had been fixed by the Statute.
Acting under a sense of what was desired by the revision, and with no motive to come short of a just execution of the duty, it maty be reasonably supposed that the Vice Chancellor and Judges went as low as they believed they could properly go in arranging the new Table of Costs, and we have not been surprised to find that we could not with justice make any marterial reduction in the seale of allowance. We have, lowever, revised the Table and framed n now one, containing some alterations, and the cony of this Table which we append to our Report will show, as we think, that nothing more is proposed to be allowed for any service rendered in the coursc of a Chancery suit or proceeding than will reasonably compensate the party performing it. In one respect indeed, the scale of allowance is not fairly commensurate with the scrvice, but it is fixed by the Statute and cannot be increased by any other authority. We allude
to the fee of two guinens to be taxed as the fee to Counsel with his brief in all cases, without regard to the difficulty or importance of the cause and the nature ${ }_{4 \text { th }}$ March. of the argument.

It must be quite obvious to persons having any knowledge of these matters, that independently of the responsibility and anxiety which attend the discharge of a Counsel's duty in special and important cases, the research which is necossary to prepare for the argument and the argument itself, must in many cases occupy the time and exclusive attention of a Counsel to that extent, that he would be much more profitably employed for the sane number of hours in doing the work of a mere copying clerk. The consequence inevitably is, that the Client who employs the Counsel must pray from his own pocket, whatcrer is necessary to make up a reasomable compensation, and this he loses under the present scale, although he may be successful in his suit, bectuse he is unable to tax more than two guineas against the losing party. The costs of a suit therefore, are in effect not reduecd by a restriction of this kind, admitting of no reasonable modification,-they are only thrown upon the wrong party. We think it right to call attention to this feature in the present Tablle, though it can only be altered by the Legislature.

Finding that we could not properly do much towards diminishing the costs, by merely lowering the items in the seale of allowance, we have endeavored to attain the olject in the manner alrendy stated, by making such alterations in the pleadings and practice as will lessen the labour. It is only by such measures we are persuaded that any very important roduction can be made in the costs of Chancery proccedings, which, it must be admitted on all hands, are at present exorbitant, when considered with reference to the nature and importance of the suits in which they are incurred.
The following opinions given by a very learned and experienced member of the Profossion in England to the Commissioners on Courts of Common Law, are very applieable to the present condition of the Court of Chancery in Upper Canada: he says - (speaking of the superior Common Law Courts)"The exorbitancy of the costs, so loudly and justly " complaincl of, arises mainly, though not exclusive" ly, from the relation to and comparison with the " yetty sums sued for in the supcrior Courts for want " of other tribunals. The absolute amount of the "costs in the bulk of these small causes, do not pro" bably excecd or much excced, the fair value of the " talent and pains, the work and labour, and official " services of all kinds, brought into action in the "course of the proccedings, but that only sliews that "the real value of the machinery greatly exceeds the " worth of the gencral objects to be obtained."
Being asked his opinion of the fairness of the charges then allowed to be taxed in the Common Law Courts, he gives an answer distinguished, as it appears to us, by good sense, and a filir manner of viewing the question:-"I am far from thinking " that the prescat ratio of costs allowed in adequate "cases of valuc, say for $£ 100$ or upwards, for the " assistance of Counsel, Attornics and Solicitors in "conducting such cases to the superior Courts, would "be too much, though I doubt whether the taxed "costs now allowed to an Attorney or Solicitor for " his professiomal assistance, is properly apportioned "to the respective services performed by him for his "Client. The real raluable services are, I bolieve, " undervalued in the taxation, and frivolous charges " are multiplied to supply the deficiency, which bring "discredit on the Practicioners. After all the pro" jected curtailments of useless expense are accom-
"plishod in the reform of the proceedings, it will "probably be necessary and just to revise the mea"surc of reward for their professional services, so as "to preserve the same class of liberally educated " gentlemen, for the security and benefit of the public; "and if any revision of costs takes place, the value "of their meritorious services performed, should be " more justly appreciated and apportioned than they " have hitherto been, and nominal services should be "discarded from the tasation."-Answer of Sir Elloward Myde East, in the Appendix to the therrd Report of the Commissioners on Courts of Common Law.

In the Common Law Courts in England, the remelly for the juconveniences pointed out in the above extracts, has been songht, partly by transferring causes of a limited amomet to inferior tribunals, and paitly by a regulition, that when the sum recovered shall not excecd $£ 20$, the phaintiff's costs shall be taxed according to a reduced seale set down in the Table, unless the Judge shall certify that the cause was proper to be tried in the Superior Court.
The Legislature of Upper Canada lave resorted to the same neasure in effect for kecping the costs of suits in the Queen's Bench within reasonable bounds; but there are difficulties in the way of either course, whion attempted to be applicd to proceedings in Equity. $A$ Court of Equity acts upon the conscience; its powers are large for compelling what is honest to be done, to the letter; and not contentine itself with awarling damages for non-compliance, it assumes the right of giving a party not merely an equivalent compensation for a right withhold, but specific remedy for putting hime in possession of his jight. For accomplishing these objects, the Court must of necessity be cutrousted with adequate means of compulsion, and neither the jurisdiction, nor the powers necessary for compelling obedience, are fit to Le cintrustel to unskilful hands. In England, it has accordingly not been proposed to commit to inferior tribunals, the powers of a Court of Equity, in order that the powers in such cases may be more summarily excrcised, with a view of saving expense to the parties; nor do we believe that such a system would be found satisfactory in its results. We have considered the other alternative of laying down a reduced scale of costs to be taxed in chuses of an inferior class as to valuc, but it docs not appear to us that such a course is in its nature applicable to Equity proccedings, because it would be soldum possible to apply any certain criterion of value. Indeed, it is not ofton that the object of a suit in Equity is to obtain either a definite sum of money, or property of a known value. An. injunction for instance, is wanted to stay waste, or to prevent some other interference with a right clamed; specific performance is prayed for of some contract, chiefly because the injury occasioned by the failute can hardly be measured by an equivalent in money; and so in innumerable cases the authority of Equity is appealed to, with 'a view to ulterior proceadings, of which the probable result cannot be measured by any cortain number of pounds.

We have discussed and considered the practicability of a higher and lower scale of charges, according to the comparntive importance of the suit, but we do not find an example for such a course in Courts of Equity, and we belicye the experiment would fail. It may secm at first sight to persons unaequainted with the subject, a simple method of applying a remedy, but the nature of procecdings in Equity seems to make it impracticable, and indeed therc are considerations of much iniportance and delicacy connected with this subject. It is to be considered on the one hand, that the state of things in this country from the beginning of its settlement has naturally giten rise to a vast number of transactions' affecting the titles to lands,
out of all proportion more than could havo taken place in England among the same number of people, and there can be little doubt that, out of thesc transactions, there must have arisen from the fruud or mistake, or negligence or unconscionable dealing of partics, very many oceasions for calling in aid, the remedial powers of a Court of Equity. In the grater number of such eases, it is probalble that the interests to be secured or protected are small,--so inconsiderable indeed, that to apply to them, all the procecdings of a suit in Equity, with the expense inscparable from them, seems to threaten the onc party or the other with ruin, and to hold out but little promise of good to either; and yet it is very sulutary to society; and just to individuals that fraud and hardship, cyen in small matters, should not be out of reach of a remedy; and indecd, when we speak of small matters, we use but a relative term, for upon the secure possession of a piece of land in this country, not worth more perhaps than $£ 20$ or $£ 30$ at the present moment, may depend the comfort and independenec of a family in humble circumstauces. These considerations would prompt us, if we could, to give to all parties the benctit of an equitable juriscliction in small matters ns well as in great, and in such terms as would make the expense lear some proportion to the olject of the procecting.

But, on the other hand, it is prudent to consider that Courts of Equity, in the effort to do perl'ect justice, take so wide a range, opening up transactions which, in view of the Law are closed, and often grounding the claim to interference on disingenuous allegations of fraud, which, though they may be enpable of being satisfactorily disproved, are amoying, If not injurious to those charged with them; and there is so much reason to fear that they may be sometimes resorted to by litigants for the purpose of throwing vexatious impediments in the way of legnal procecdings, that it would seem wise, to pause before putting it in the power of partics to make harrassing experiments of this kind at litule risk, by revdering the Court of Chnuecry accessible on too easy terms.
It has appenred to us most expedient upon these considerations to endeavour to take a middle course, and so to curtail the proceedings and reduce the costs, that, while the rescmblance to the English Chancery practice shall be preserved in essentials, the suit shall yet be brought, as regards exponse, within a limit somewhat in proportion to the value of the busincss to be transacted, without affecting to make the Court of Chancery that kind of cheap tribunal, that partics may be tempted by the facility of access; to abuse its purposes, and make it what it is capable of being made, one of the worst inflictions a country can suffer under:
We proceed now to describe the alterations, which we have determined to recommend:-
First-As Bills to foreclose Mortgages and Bills to redecm, form a large proportion of the business in Chancery, from the facility which so many persons in this country have of giving security on Real Estate, and as in many of the cases, the value of the Estate is not large, we have thought it a desimble olject to reduce the expense as much is possible by simplifying the procecdings, and at the same time to obviate unnccessary delays. With that view, wo framed the series of Rules, which whe submitted to Your Excellency, with our Report, made on the 20 th April last. The effect of those Rules' will be to shorten the pleadings in such cases very materially,-to give the Defendant more precise and intelligible notice of the object of tho proceeding, and of the steps which it may be necessary for him to talke,-to give the Plaintiff more

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speedily and at much losis cost than at present, the benclit of his suit, when no defence is intended, and to preserve to the Defendant, when he desires to make a defence, an opportunity and facility of making it, up to the latest stage of the proecelings. We have also enderoured to save expense by dispensing with wartuts, and even with the formal hearing, when they are evidently not necessary for the puipose of justice, and provision is made in the liules for throwing on either party the charge of opposition and contests unnecessarily raised by him in taking the account before the Mister.

The offect of the alteration made by these Rulcs, in diminishing the costs in such cases, will be very material.

ITitherto, the average costs of a suit to redecm or forcelose up to the decree (taxable against the Defendunt) may be stated at aljont $£ 20$, when there is nothing special in the facts of the calse. We expect the sime ends to be arrived at under the operation of these Rules without the costs exceeding $£ 10$.

The other Rules which we transmitted with our Report on the 20th April last, relate to Chancery proceedings generally; they will have the effeet of diminishing the length and conseruently the expense of Petitions, by allowing parties to refer to the aftidavits filed, or to the plendings and evidence on which they are founded, insteal of inserting the contents in the Perition.

They will save the expense of some unnecessary procecting:, by dispensing with suhponas to rejuin and to hear judgrent, and with warrants and orders nisi on certain ocensions; and under one of thase proposed liules a very material reluction of costs will be effected by substituting for the formal enrolment of the final decree, a mere filing of the Bill, pleatings and other proceedings, with a fair engrossed copy of the decrec, all amnexed together and duly authenticated by the Registrar.

Having stated thus shortly the olject of the Rules already proposed, which will be nore clearly and preciscly understood by referring to cach of them, we beg leave further to report, that we resumed the consideration of the subject, as soon as our other nccupations would permit, and pursuing the principle of endeavouring to shorten and simplify the proceedings, we recommend the adoption of the amnexed Rulcs, the olject and effect of which will be readily seen on inspecting them.

By the fourth Rule of the serics a practice will for the first time be introluced analogous to the Chamber practice before the Judges of the Queen's Bench. There scems to be no groul reason why such motions and applications as are matters of course in the progress of a cause, should be made in open Court by Counsel, when the more convenient and less expensive practice might be alopted, of going before thic. Viee Chancellor at Chambers upon a warrant, in like manner as parties go before a Judge for similar purposes upon a summons, and there nced be the less hesitation in adopting this practice from the circumstance that the Judicial Officer, who will thus dispose of the matter in Chambers, is the same who would otherwise dispose of it in open Court. It will be open to Counsel to attend on such occasions, whenever the nature of the application may seem to call for it, and it will be always diseretionary in the Vice Chancellor under the Rule to order any exception or application, when opposed in Chambers, to be argued in open Court. Gencrally speaking, however, these ordinary applications at Chambers, will be attended only by the Solicitors or their Clerks.

The fifth and sixth of these proposed Rules, will materially lessen the expense of the proceedings to which they apply; the former, by substituting for the formal Bill of 'revivor, a mere suggestion of the cause for reviving, and calling upon the party by subpena, and notice cadorsed, to show cause, if there be any, against the revivor,--the latter by dispensing with the necessity of setting forth at length, dececes, reports and other. proceedings, when referred to in the sume cause, and requining them to be shortly referred to, or the sulistance only stated. The seventh, eighth and ninth luales are also intended to lessen the trouble and expense in the particular proceedings to which they relate, viz., in the appointment of Receivers or Guardians, and upon sales of listates under: the direction of the Master.

We have prepared other orders, besides those now sulmitted, but they are at present retained under consideration, because they would most of them be more or less affected by the adoption of changes of a more inportant character, which we are strongly incliucel to recommend, though we lave not hithertu ventured to suggest them.
A short explanation of these, conveyed in general terms, will aftord means of judging whether ii would be prudent to allopt them.
It has been seen that in England, after very minate aud searching inquirics, adelressed to persons must capable of aftorling valuable information, and after a very thorough investigation of the suljeet in all its bumeles, ly men of eminent ability and grat expricence, a revision of the system of proceding in Tyuity has ended in retaining with but little alteration, the principles of pleading and the forms before in use, with the methods of proof, notwithstanding the apparently cumbrous nature of the machinery, and thie acknowledged evil of the great cxpense attending suits in Equity.
It is but reasonable to infer from this, that it is the prevailing conviction in England, among those most competent to judge, that this system of proceeding, sanctioned ly long usage is better adapied, both in regard to the pleadings and the proofs, for attaining the ends of justice, than any which could be substituted for it. They have therefore not thonght it wise to attempt to gain cheapness and expodition (desirable as these no doubt are) ly sncrificiug the still more important interests of suitors, which they apprehended they might do by any very wide departure from the established practice. In coming to this conclusion, the Commissioners to whom the task of reforming the Chancery practice was committed, must of course have had regard to the immense value and importance of a great proportion of the business which in England is transacted in Chancery. There will arise occesionally in this country, causes involving interests of so great an amount, that the parties concerned in them might well be content to sulbmit to the costs of the present method of proceeding, rather than lose any advantage, which the caution and precision, and laborious details of so well tried a system may assure to them. But such causes in this country will be rare in proportion. The great majority of the suits are, it must be owned, of such a character, that so long as the pleadings and practice continue what they are, the costa which must be taxed under any Tariff that could be reasonably estallished, cannot but appear grievously exorbitant, when considered with reference to the object of the suit. It is plain to us, that no Court cin long stand under the odium that such a disproportion between the costs and the remedy must inevitably givo rise to.
A persuasion of this has led us (though not without diffidence, and some degree of uncertainty as to the

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result of the experiment) to the conclusion, that we ought at lenst to make the attempt to phace the system on a more reasonable footing, by striling at the root of some of the chicf causes of expense and delay. To this end we think, at present (though future reflection may induce us to clange the opinion) that it would be expedient to reduce the Pliuntiff's bill to a mere statement of his case, setting forth concisely the facts neccossnyy to shew his claim to the relicf prayed, and conding with i suitable pruyer for relief,-not inscrtiug any matters which are mere cevidence of facts, nor any interrogatorics for the purpose of oblainisg a discovery from the Defendant's answer; that the Defendant may, in his turn, dermur or plead to thi bill as herecofore, but if he ainswers, he must confine his answer to the more setting forth of his defence, inserting nothing more than is strictly necessiny to a precisc tudid intelligible statement of the matter on which he relics; and that anything beyond these statements in the bill or answer, shall be deemed inpertinent, and be expunged or disallowed on tasation.

That the Phaintiff oud Defendant shall be respectively permitted to examine each other, viva voce, hy Coussel,--the one upon the matters stated in his bijll, and the other upon the answer; such cxaminations to be conducterl at nisi prius before the Julge presiding. To make such a system of proceding sate and beneficial to the suitors, a number of regulations will be necossary, which we have alleandy consilderel, and shall condenvour to make as complete in the first instince, as wo can reasonably hope to do, though we are quite aware that some experience of its practical working will be neecssiry before it can be properly adjusted.
It will be requisite to provide for restraning the examination williin proper bounds as to relevancy, leading questions, \&e. for the method of taking down, settling autl authenticating the answers,--For the dotermining in what District the examination shall take place,--the notice to be given to parties, -the remedy where questions have becen overruled by the Judge, which slall be afterwards decided to have been ad-missible,-the consequence of cither party failing to attend upon notice,--the method of proceceding when the bill is amended, and various other matters, which it would be to little purpose to enlarge upon here, because we have not yet fully matured the proposed now system.
The advantages which we think maty be conferred by it, will be principally these:-It will very materially shorten the pleadings, both the bill and answer, hy excluding from the former, not morely the interrogatories, which occasion a great portion of the expense, but also the pretences charged, which are only inserted upon the ground that they are necessary to lead to the interroggatories. And it will to a giveat extent shorten the answer, by excluding all notice of the bill for any other purrose than to apply the defence dircecty to the fucts charged in it.
If wo can, by proper regulations prevent the proposed mode of examination by Counsel vivâ voce in an open Court from occasioning delay, we think great tadvantrge will be gaincd by such a manner of eliciting the trutli.
As regards the Defendant; the innovation goes no further thun the sulsstituting one mode of examination for auother. As regards the Plaintiff the change is far greater, for it has not hitherto been allowed in Equity to examine the Pluintiff at all, in regard to the matters chargol in lis shill; nor has the Yhaiatifif been required to make oath as to thie truth of his statements', except in certain cases when he proceeds for a discovery in regurd to written instruments.

The Defendant, in orlcer to obtain any evidence or admissions from the Plaintiff, which may be useful to lim on the henring, is now under the necessity of filing a cross bill, wlich is necessarily attended with much greater expense than the course suggested, and may, ill many casses give rise to delay; and we think there is another good effect which would be likely to follow such a change in the practice, namely, that persons will be in some mensure restraincd from harassing others with suits in Equity, upon dishonest pretences, when they know that they will be exposed to be rigidly examined in the same cause upon the merits of thcir bill, and will be unable to keep back, without committing the guilt of perjury, any fact or circumstance, though linown only to thenselves, which may tend to disprove the alleged Equity of their case.
We do not recommend this change without hesitation. Its mercly being a departure from the English system, in a very cossential point, has led us to apprelhend, that oljections and inconveniences, which cannot be readily foreseen, may discover themselves in practice; especially when we consider that a suggestion, that the Defendant might, with the leave of the Court, cxamine the Plaintiff in any case upon interrogatorics before the Master, so as to save the necessity of lis filing a cross lifl, was submitted to the Chancery Commissioners in England in 1824, and was not adopted, though it was said to have the sanction of the late Sir Simucl Romilly's approval.
We are at present, however, of opinion, that an experiment should be made of this system, as it atfords a promise of coing something effectual, towards bringing the expences of a suit in Chancery, within reasonable bounds, by the only means by which it can be accomplished,-that is, by shortening and simplifying the procecdings.
But Legislative authority will bo required as it appears to us, for making so considerable an alterittion, or at least to place the power of making it boyond doubt; and we strongly recommend that the Legislature should, in an Act to be passed for this purposc, give a continuing authority to make Rules and Orders from time to tine, for amending and modifying the new practice, which may be thus introduced, or for rescinding the former Rules on the subject, if it should be found better, upon expericace, to return to the old system wholly or in part. We believe that it would be very unsafe to venture upon so great a change, without providing for a constant controul over the new practice, by the same authority which shall introduce it, and thus affording the means of adjusting the practice in all its parts, so as to suit the alteration, as subsequent reflection and observation may shew to be necessary.

We send with this Report, a draft of a Bill, such as we would propose for that purpose, and in this draft the authority for establishing in the first instance, a new practice, and for altering it, or restaring the former practice, is made to extend generally to the proceedings in the Court, and not merely to this particular proposition of examining the parties to the Bill vivâ woce.
If this shall be approved of, it will be necessary for the Legislature to consider that the Commission under which we are acting will expire on the 20th day' of July next;-and as the Vice-Chancellor will dosire to have the sanction of others to be associated with' him in this species of Legislation, (if it' sball appear expedient to delegate it) we take the liberty of suggesting, that the Rules which slail be made at any time under the authority of the proposed Statute, shall be made by the Vice-Chancellor, either with
the concurrence of a majority of the Judges of the Queen's Bench, or with the concurrence of a majority of the present Commissioners, or of those who may, from time to time, be appointed Commissioners for this purjose.

We mention the alternative because those gentlemen among the present Commission who are practising in the Court of Chancery, and who were, no doubt selected on accomat of their experience, feel, that it may le imputed to them, that their comection with the Gusiness of the Court prevents them from exercising an unbiassed judgment; and they are, on that account, fire from desining to slare in the duty, while on the other hand, those Members of the Commission, against whon no such objection could be chatrech, are strongly impressed with the importance, of rather the necessity, of having gentlemeri asso(wated with them, who are intinately conversant with the practice of the Court, and wilh whom they can at all limes freely consult and communicate.

These considerations being stated, it will remain to be determined, on what footing it will be most denirable that the measure shall be phacel.
It may be foum the better course, to continue the Commission in existence, for the purpose of considering and suggesting Rules and Orders, to bo aftervereds made by the lice-Chancellor, if concurred in by a magority of the Julyes yf the Court of' Queen's Bonch.

We have framed the proposed Bill on that prinaiple. It has oceured to us that it is expedient to provide also in the Bill for makiug Rules in a similar mamer for regulating the practice in Appeals from Chancery, in order that the whole proceedings in Equity be carried on upona consistent phan.

We respectfilly submit this, our Sccond Report to Lour Excellency's consideration.

Dated this twenty-fifth day of January, 1845.
(Signed,) J. B. Robinson, Robirit S. Danlison, Roment E. Berns, Wm. Ilume Blakle; J. C. P. Esten.

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(Note-These proposod Orders accompanied the Report of the Comimissioners nuade on the 20 th $\Lambda_{\text {pril }}$, 18 tt , and have been adopted and are now in force.)

For the purpose of rendering suits for the foreclusure and for the redemption of Mortgages more expeditious and simple, and of lessening the costs thereot',

It is ordered, That in all cases of suits for redemption or foreclasire between the Mortgagor and Murtgatee, the Bill may be in the form contained in the Schedule heroto subjoincd, or in any other concise form which the Vice Chaneellor may hercafter deen it expedient to prescribe. But that in case of any change of property on cither side, the necessary facts in relation thereto may be stated and interrogated to, and in such cascs it shall be in the discretion of the Master to allow any additional matter that he may consider to have been properly inserted.

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That by an Indenture bearing date, \&c., and made, \&e., the Jereditaments therein described have been conveyed ly the said \&c., to the said \&c., and his heirs, sulyject to redemption or payment hy the stid \&c., his heirs, excentors or administraters, to the said \&c., his exceutons, administrators or assigns, of the sumi of $\mathcal{E}$
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with intercst, on the which said sum and interest were not then mid (but romain due or otherwise as the case mily he.) To the end therefure \&e., (hen an interrogatory as to the execution of the Mortgage with the prayer,) the Morgargor being entitled in a Bill to redeem to state all payments and interrogate as to them.

1. It is ordered, That in all cases provided for by the forcgoing order, the Plaintiff, if' he shall recruite no answer from the Defordant, shall be at liberty to endorse the Sulporna ad respondendum with a notice in the following form:-
" Lou are servel with this process to the intent hat you hay either in person, or by your Solicitor, uppear in Her Majesty's Court ol Clancery at Toronto, hy filing your aprearance with the Registrar of the saiu Contt within
days after the service hereof' upon you, exclusive of the day of service, and that you may answer a Bill of complaint filed against you liy
for the forcelosure (or retemption as the case may be of a certain mortguge made by you for C. D. as the case may ho, to the stide
(or L. F. the the case may be) bearing date the day of 18 : and you will take notice that unless you enter such appearance, an appearance will be contered for you by the Platintift att the expiration of the said
days, and unless you answer the said 1Bill at or hefore the expination of twenty-cight days after such appearance shall have been cntercel by or for you, you will be consilered as confessing the truth of the several matters alleged in the said Bill of comphint, and a decree of foreclosurc will be made against you, and thercupon it will be reforred to the Master of the Court to take an account of the monies due upon such mortgage, (and in case of Bills for forcelosure to tax the Phaintiff his costs) of which proccedings before the Master you will le previously notified." $\Lambda$ copy of which Subpoona with such endersement shall be servel upon the Defendant personally. And if at the expiration of the period limited for the entry of such appenance, no apyearance slall have been filed by the Defendunt, the Plaintiff shall, upon production to and filing with the Registmer an alfilavit of the personal service upon the Defendant of such Sulpucona so endorsed as aforcsaid, be at liverty to enter an appearance for the said Defendant and proceed upon the said Bill as horcinafter provided.
2. It is ordered, That in all cases provided for by the foreguing orders, if, after the expiration of tweuty-eight days from the time of entering such appearmece, no answer he filed, the Defendhat shall be decmed to have admitted execution of the mortgrage, and such other matters ns are sufficiently alleged in the Bill to entitte the Plaintiff to a decrec, lnt not to have admitted any particular or specific amount to be due upon such mortgage, and the Plaintiff shall be entitled to a decrec for the foreclosure or redemption (as the case may be) of such mortgage without a formal hearing of the cause, and the decree shall thereupon be drawn up by the Rcgistrar upon the procipe of the Solicitor for the Plaintiff.

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3. It is ordered, That when the Defondant shall elect to put in an answer in cases provided for by the foregoing orders, and he shall adinit the statements in the bill, or such of the statements as he may be interrogated unto, he may admit the same in short form, and such answer may be filed upon
signature without oath, and may be in "any form of words to the fullowing cffect: "I adinit " the allegations contained in the Plaintiff"s bill, and "s submit that an account may be taken as therein " prayed."
4. Ordered, That in cases in which the Defendant shall put in his answer to the Plaintiff's bill, and upon which answer the Phaintiff would, according to the present practice, be entitled at the hoaring to a decree of foreclosure or redemption, as the case may loe, and of a reference to the Master to takc an account, the Plaintiff shall be entitled to the like decree without a formal heuring, in like manner as is provided in the case of no answer being filed.
5. Ordered, That in all cases where a Mortgage Defendant to a bill of forcclosure shall ypisear to and answer the bill unnecessarily, that is, without therely establishing any chaim which would not otherwise have been allowed, the cosis occusioned to the Plaintiff theroby shall not be as in ordinary cases, added to the principal and interest, but shall be paid by the Defendant to the Plantiff, who shall ho entitled to a decrec for the payment thereof as in other cascs where the Plaintiff is decreed his costs.
6. It is ordered, That in all cases provided for by the foregoing ordets, the Plaintiff' upoon bringing into the Master's office such decrec or order as aforcsaid, shall thercupou at once be entilled to the Master's Warrunt to proceed, which Warrant shall be underwritten thus: "At which time the Muster will proceed " to take an account of what is duc upon the mortgage " mentioned in the Plaintif"s Lill, and to tax the Plain"t tiff"s costs, and the Master's report will stand con"firmed in ten days after the fyling thercof, unless you "fyle exceptions thercto, or present a P'etition of Re"vicw;" and the Master shall, by the said Warrant, appoint in his discretion a day to proceed, and shall state in the said Warrant how many days bofore the return thercof he requires the same to be served, which Warrant, logether with a copy of the decree and of the Plaintiff"s charge shall be served upon the Defendant, and at the return of such Warrant, upon affidavit of the due service thereof so underwritten as aforesaid, and a cony of the decree, and of the Plaintiff's charge, the said Master shall be at liberty to procced in taking such account, and to tax costs.
7. It is ordered, That in all cases provided for by the foregoing orders, it shall not be necessary for the Plaintiff to set forth in his state of facts, any thing more than the date of the Mortgage, the principal sum secured theroby, assigniments thereof, (if any) and from what date interest is claimed, together with tuy paymonts which may have been, or may be admitted to be made in discharge thereof, and if anything more be stated, and which shall appear to the Master to be unniccessary, the same shall be dissallowed in taxation of costs.
8. It is ordered, That notwithstanding the Defendant may not have appeared or put in any answer to the Plaintiff's bill, lie may appear in the Mester's Office at the return of the said Warrant, and may contest the Plaintiff's claim made on account of the said Mortgage, and in case the said Defendant shall appear to contest such claim, the Master shall then direct how and in what manner the said account or claim shall be contested or proved, and generally with respect to any circumstances connected with the said
reference, and shall dipect how and in what manner future Wirrants shall be servecl.
9. It is ordered, That if the Defendant do not appear at the return of the said Warmut to contest the said account, the Master shall at-once proced to take an account of what is duc upon the Mortgage, and to tax the Plaintifl's cosis, und may make his Report, without any further. Whrrant except the Warrant to settle the shame, which Report shall stand confirmed in the same manner as now provided for, or hercafter to be provided for by any gencral order respecting the confirmation of Reports.
10. It is ordered, That in all cascs where in the Master's Office cilher party slall unnecessarily and vexationsly contest the account of the other or any part thereof, the Master shall, before making his Rcjort, proceed to tax such costs occasioned thereby as shall appear to him reasonable and just, either against the Plaintiff or Defendant, as the case may bo, and shall state in his Report the amouit of such costs, and by whose unnecessary and vexatious conduret the same were occasioned; and the party to whom such costs are to be paid shall be entitlecl, upon the confirmation of the Report, to such process of the Court to compel pryment thereof as in other cases; provided always, that when the party entitled to receive the gencral cossis of the canse is the party ordered to pay such costs aforesaid, he shall le at liberty to deduct such costs as aforesuid from such general costs, provided such general costs and such interlocutory costs ats aforesaid are between the same partics.
11. It is ordered, That in all cases provided for by the foregoing orders in the taking of the nccount in the Master's Office upon Mortgage, the Master shall be at liberty to dispense with warrants to consider the decree to shew cause why he should not report, on preparing, and to sign the Report, and such Report slath be sigued at the expiration of the time at which the same could be signed if such warrant to sign had been taken out, and the party taking the Report shall be allowed a common attendance only. in respect thercof.
(Note-Whese proposed Orders accompanied the Report made by the Commissioner on the 20th April, 18.44; and have been adopted and are now in force.)
It is ordered, That in future where a Plaintiff desires to except to an answer for insulficiency, he shall not copy the Interrogatory to which the answer is considered insufficicnt; but shall instead thereof in his exception refer to the Interrogatory by its number as it stands in the bill. It is furthor ordered, That no copics shall be allowed either for the Court or the parties, their Counsel or Solicitor, on the argnmont of exceptions, that such exceptions shall not require Counsel's signature, and shall be argued before the Master.
It is ordered, That in future no Subpena to rejoin shall be issucd in any case, but the cause shall be deemed and taken to be at issue upon the replication being filed and served, and which may be in the form following, viz: -
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And in the taxation of costs the Plaintiff shall be aln lowed the sum of three shillings for Replication, copy, and scrvice thercof.

It is ordered, That in future no Sulprona to hear judgment shall ho sued out in any case; but the party setting down the plemor demurer to be argied, or the canse to be heard, slatl give a motice in writhgy stating that the plea or demurrer or the cause has been entered in the Cause book with the Registrar fire argument or hearing, and stating the diay on which the same is to be argued or hemal.-Ant it is ardered, that such notice shall he served eight diys before the day of argment or haming; amb that it shath lis the duty of the party coleting such pher or demmerer or eatue to le argued or heard at the time of entering therest, to furnish the Registran with the day on which the same is to be argued or heard, in orider that the same may be entered in the Cause Buok.

It is ordered, 'That in all cases the Masler shatl have a diseretion to dirpense with the Warrant; to convider the order or decree brought into his office, and may gime the Warmat to procece, in the fires instace; aurl the Mhater may also cxercise his disciection whether or mot to gram a Warmant to shew batise why he should not Report, ; and in no case shatl any watent on haring he sud out muless there he some jerson concerned in the matter upon whom th serve such Wiarant.

It is urdered, That inf future, mpon a reforeme to the Mastur to take aceount hotwen partics, in all cares where there have been Sohedules of the aeromet by the aceonting party anmexed to the answer, there shall be no Wammes taken out to bring in any accombs, except such arcounts as are subserfuent to the tinic of the Solochules annexed to the answer, that the party wishing to proceed with the reference shall bring in lis charge, or at once like interrogations for the examinations of the aceming jarty; and thereupon bring in his charere, and the Schedules to the answer shall be used fo substantiate the charge in the same way that is nov the practice with respeet ti) the accounts brought into the Master's Oftice in the shape of delitor and crelitor, and the disecharge thall be brought in, and shall he deald with in the same mamer an is now done in respect of the dehtor and ererfitor atcoount brought into the Masters's Office.

It is orderel, That in future the orders nisi and ahsolute to confinm the Master's Report shall he abolished; : mud in phece thereof one order, which shanl be fhetanced upen: i pracipe only, shallupn the filing of the Report, lie obtained, stating that the Report, wifl stand conlifmed in ten days after the serviee thereof, unless cause be shown to the contrary; and if no cunse be shown, the liepurt shall stand confirmed withont firther orter.

It is orderect, That in all cases of application to the Court by Petition, cither in a matter or a causc, whether the Petilion 'lo supponted ly affidavit, or the pleadings or evidence, it shall be in this form:"The humble l'etition of \&c., playeth, that apon the "fract appearing ly the affidavit filed in support hercof, "(or hy the pleartings and evidence in this case, your " Honor will be pleased to order that, \&ce."

It is orderel, That in future the shacrifi of cach District in that part of this Province formedy constibuting Upper Canarla shall within the limits of his Dishict perform the chuties which, according to the practice of the Court herctofure, bave been performed hy the Messenger or Surgent-at-arms, and all writ. or proees of the Court which, hy the law or practice of the Court have leen directed to the Messenger or Sergenut-at-arms, shall be directed to the Sheriff' of the Districh, where the same is to be execouted, und in no case shall the fheriff in executing such writ or
process bring the party to the Bar of the Court; hut he shall instoad thereof conmit the party to the Grool of his District, and the phrty so committed slaill be dealt with according to the course and practies of the Court, as if he were brought to tho Bat of the Coutt, and as provided for or as may be provided for by may order of the Court.

It is ordered, That in mo case shall the eurolment of any interlocitary Order in a canse be deemed necessury formy purpuse ; and that there slall be no emrolmont of any procedings an orders in any cuse, until after the finalderese in the cume be pronomed.And thenalter the expination of thirty days from the time of the final deeree being entered by the Registrar in the Order Book, the date of which entry the Registrar shall sinte in the margin of such hook opposite the entry therenf, if ino lectition for a rembaring shath have been presented; upon being recpuired by any purty in the canse, the Registrar shall attach together the bill, pleadings and other proceerlings filed in the canse, and shath unnex theremion fair engrossed eopy of the decretal order or deeree of the Viec Chancellor, signed by lim, and countersigned hy the Registar, and the papers and procecliners so numexed and simned shall then be filed by the Rogishar, and shall remain of record in his office, and stoch filing slull be deemed and taken to be an convolrucnt of the decree and procedings, and shall have the same fintee and effeet in erery respect as the former method of enrolling decrecs.

## Proposed Orders in addlition to those heretofore sugyesten.

1.-It is ordered, That hereafter, the Rule to produce witueseses shall be made returnalle not less flan three calendar months from the date thereof, and that at the expiration of such period the Rule to pass publication may be issucd returnable not less dhan cight days from the date thereof.
2.-It is ordered, That oljections to interrogations as leading or irregular, be taken within the period of two wedks from tie service thereof on the opposite party, and that objections to depositions for irregralarity le taken within two weeks from the period of passing publication.
3.-It is ordered, That in future ans pmety shall be at liberty to use depositions. taken by any other party to the suit, as well as those taken by himself, whether the sume be used by the party taking them or not, :and in the same manner as if the party tulsing them lad himself used then.
4.-It is ordered, That exceptions to answers for insufficicucy, applications for time to plead, answer or demur, leave to ancod bill, to open or cularge publication for produccion of papers and for payments of moncy into and out of Court, and appliontions of a like mature, shall henceforth be made to the Vice Chancellur silling in Chambers, upon a warrant to be oltained by the Solicitor for the party monking such appliwation, calling upon the Sulicitor of the oppow nent, to show cause why such exceptions should not be allowed, or such application grunted, for which Warrand the Solicitor shall be allowed one shilling and threcpence for obtaining, and the usual fees and allowances for service and attendance, as are now allowed upon warrants in the Master's Office: provided that where the Vice Chancellor shall see fit, ho slall be at liberty to order any exceptions or applications when opposed, to be argued in open Court.
5.-It is orderect, That bills of reviror by a Plantiff be abolishod, and that in licu thereof the Plantiff shall file a suggestion setting forth the facts which oceasion the necessity of reviving his suit and

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against whom, which sugrestion shall be appended to the Pluintift's bill, and in case where the Plaintiff shall require no answer to the matters set forth in such sugrecstion, he slanll he entitled to a Subpoena to be entlorsed in the following form or to the same offect:-"You are served with this process to the intent that you may shew cause (if any you have) why the suit of
aguinst should not be revived rgainst you, (or as the case may be) and in case you intend to show cause against such revivor, you aro to enter your appearance with the Registina of the snid Contr within
days after the service hereof upon you, exclusive of the day of such service, and shew catuse against such rovivor by filing your answer at or before the expiration of days after such appenance; and in ense of your not entering such appentrance, or of your not filing your answer at atorcsaid, you will be considered is laving no cause to show against the said suit being revived, aud the same will be revived accordingly." And in case of such defrult cither in ontering appearance or putting in answer, the Plaintiff shall be entitled, on motion of course or common petition, to an order of revivor; and in case the Plaintiff shall reduire an answer to the matter set forth in such suggestion, the practice in respect thereof shall be mututis mutundis as at present.
6.-It is ordered, That no decrec or orders of the Court, and no Master's reports, certificates or other proceedings in a cause, ho in fulure recited or set forth in any affidavit, pelition, state of facts or other proccedings in the aame cause; and in case of the same boing so recited or set forth, that they bo disallowed, ipon taxation of costs. This order not to prevent the same being thercin shortly yelerred to by date or otherwise, or the substance "hercof' stated when it may be necessary.
7.-It is ordered, That upon a reference to the Master for the appointment of an Receivor or Gun'dian, any party proposing such Receiver or Gunedinn shall bring into the Master's Office a pioposal not only in rulation to the person proposed for ench appointment, Dut also as to the suretics for the person so proposed, and thereupon the Master, upon approving of such proposed Receiver or Guurdian, sliall without first reporting such approval to the Court, proceed in the taking of the recognizances of such Receiver or Guurdian and his suretios, and in the appointment of such Recciver or Gumrdian in like manner ns is now done after such report and the confirmation thereof by the Court.
8.-It is ordered, That when advertizonents are issud for the sale of an Listate for Creditors, next of kin or otherwise, it shall not in future be necessary to issue first a gencral mad then a peremptory alvertizement; but that one advertizement only shall be necessary, which alvertizement shall be peremptory: Provided, nevertheless, that it slalh be in the diseretion of the Master to issue a gencral adyertizement in the first instance in cases, where he shall deem it alvisable to do so.
0.-It is ordered, That in proceeding before the Mister for a sale by public nuction, the party conducting such sale shall bring in before the Master' a state of facts and proposal for in anctionece or other person, if thought necessary for conducting such sale, together with the perticulars and conditions of sale; which shall be contuined in one state of facts, and be procected upon together, unless the Master shall in any case direct otherwise; and no repurt of the appointrinent of Auctioneer or other person to sell, shall be necessary, but the Master shall, if required, certify that he hats made such appointment, which cortificite shall not require to be settled by warrunts or otherwise.

PROPOSED NEW TARIFF OF FEES FOR TIE COURT OF CHANCERY.




Whereas a Commission was issucd under the Great Seal of this Province, bearing date on the twontieth day of 'July, in the seventh yon of Her present Majesty's Reign, wherely the Chief Justice of the Court of Quecn's Bonch of Upper Canada for the time being, the Vice Chancellor of Upper Canadn for the time locing, the senior Puisne Julge of the said Court of Queen's Bench for the time being, and Henry John Boulton, Robert Easton Burns, Willinm Hume Blake, and James C. Palmer Esten, Esquires, were appointed Commissioners with authority to make a diligent enquiry whether any and what alterations can be made in the Practice established in the Court of Chancery for the Province of Upper Camada, or in the Offices of that Court, either as a Court of Linw or Equity, in causes, suits, or other matters in which that Court, or the Chancellor or Vice Chancellor thercof hath jurisdiction, in the different stages of such proceedings from the commencement to the termination thercof, by which the expense attending such proceedings and the time during which they depend in Court, may be lessened and abridged usefully and bencficinlly to the suitors of the stid Court, and the ends of justice be promotod;

And whereas the said Commissioners, by their Reports respectively made on the twentieth day of April last, and on the twenty-fifth day of January last, lave recommended certrin alterations to be made in the pleadings, and in the practice and proceedings of the said Court, for the purpose of preventing delny and diminishing exponse; and among other things, have suggested that it may be found expedient to confine the Bill and Answer in suits to $a$ coucise statement, in the one, of such matters as may be required for setting forth the Plaintiff's case, and shewing the relief desired, and, in the other, of such facts as, may be relied on for the Defendant's ansiver; and further that it may be found expedient to provide for the examination of the Plaintiff and Defendant
vive vove, upon oath, in regard to the matters stated in the Bill nud Answer:

And whereas, for the purpose of ascertaining more conveniently and safely, the expediency of such proposed alterations, it is cesirablo that authority should for a time be provided for making whatever changes in the plendings, practice, or proceedings may seem necessury from tine to time, for giving full and due effect to the recommendations aforesnid, and for amending or modifying any of the Rules or Orders which "may be made for that purpose, as well as for rescinding the same or any of them:

1. Be it therefore enncted, \&c. \&c. That the Commissioners appointed as hereinbefore recited, may continue in the dischinge of the duties committed to them during the continuance of this Act, subject to such chavges, by new appointments or otherwise, as the Governor of this Province for the time being may think fit to make by any Commission or Commissions to be from time to time issued under the Great Seal thereof.
2. And be it further enacted, \&c. That it shall and may be lawful for the Vice Chancellor of Upper Canadh, during the continuance of this Act, upon the recommendntion of a majority of the Commissioners for the time boing, and with the concurrence of a majority of the Judges of the Court of Queen's Bench of Upper Canadn for the time being, to mike such Rules and Orders as may seem to him and them expedient for carrying into effect the recommendations aforesaid, and from time to time to make other Rules and Orders, amending, altering, or rescinding the same or any of them.
3. And be it further enacted, \&c. That the authority hereby given to make Rules and Orders for the purposes aforesaid, shanl apply and extend not only

to tho making of such Rules on Onders as might horem tofore huve been mate by the Vice Chancellor, according to tho constitution of the snial Court, but to the making of all such Rulios and Ordors ne may in may why iffect, relite to, ar concern the process, pleadings, practice, mil proceedings of the suid Courth, and nore caspecinlly the taking, publishing, using, mal leaning of tostimony in any stit theren pending, or the exminntion of all or any of the partius to my such suit upon thoir oathes including also the powor to regulate, by Rules or Orders, the nillownee and nmount of costs.
4. And wherens, for the better aluphing tho said Court of Chancery to the circumstances of this Prowince, it is expedient that a power should exist for a time of regulating its pleadings, practice, and prow ceedings in all respects, by Rules nad Orders to bo made without the necessity of applying to the Legislature: Be it therefore enacted, \&e. That it shall aud may bo lawful for the Vice Chancellor of Upper Canada, upon the recommenlation of in mnjority of the Commissioners for the time being as nturesaid, and with the concurrence of a manarity of the dudges of ILer Majesty's Court of Qucen's ISench of Upper Cunada, from time to time, during the continumee of this Act, to make all such Rules mad Orders ins may seem to him and thend expedient regarding the process, plendinge, practice, and procecdings of and In the snid Comit of Chanecry, and the allowance and anount of costs to be taxed to thy pereon for any service rondered in any suit or proceeding in the snid Court, with the view of rendering the practice and proceedings in the said Court less dilatory and expensive, and bettor adapted to the circumstances of this country.
5. Provided always, that no such Rule or Order shall have the effect of altering the principles or rules of decision of the said Court, or any of them, or of
abridging or affecting the right of nuy party to such romedy as before tho passing of this Act might lave been obturined in the snid Court; but may in ull respects extond to tho manner of obtrining such romedy, by regulating the nature and form of process and plomings, and the proctice of the snid Colut, tis reghrds tho mothod of taking, rocciving, publishing, using mad honing of testimony, the exanimation of witncsses or purties, the roquing purties to varify on outh their statements contanged in nny petition or bill, or uny othor mater or thing which may seem oxpedient for botter attaiuing the ends of justice, and alvancing the domedies of suitors in the sund Court.
6. And bo it further onncted, \&e. That during the conlinunnee of this Act, Rules nud Orders may, under: the restrictions aforesniid, be made by the Court of Appoals at uny of thair sittings for hearing Appeals from the Court of Chancery of Upper Canala, upon tho recommendation of a innjority of the Commissioners "for the time boing, appointed or to bo appointed as hercinbefore incritioned, for regulating the mactice and procecdings in the said Court of Appenls, and tho allownce and mount of coste to be taxed in respect of nuy business to be transacted in the said Court: Provided alwnys, that mothing hercin contained shall be taken to supersede the power of the Vice Chancellor, or of the said Court of Appeals, to moke such liules or Orders as he or they might respectively have made before the passing of this Act: Provided that such Rules or Orders shall not repeal or alter any Rule or Order made undor the authority of this Act.
VII. And be it furthor cancted, \&c. That this Act shall bo and continue in force for
years, and from thenee to the ond of the then next ensuing Scssion of Parliament,

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## OF AFPARA OF UNIVERSITY OF KING'S COLLEGE;

Laid before the Legislative Assembly, 4th March, 1845.

No, 1.-Nstimate of the Income of the University of King's Collego.
No. 2-Return of the Professors of do do "do.
No. S.-Return of Students in do do do.
No, , A--Return of the Expenses in fitting up the Parliament Buildings for the use of tho University of King's College.
No. 5.-_Return of Furniture applied to each Professor.
No. 6:-Return of Chaplain.

No. 1.-An Esqimate of dae Trconce of the University of King's College, calculated on the state of its affairs at the close of the year 1844.

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II. BOYS,

Bursar, K. C.

No. 3.-Retcon of Students in the University of King's Cullege.
IN ARTS.



IN DIVINITY.



The Colloge also pays a premium of Insurance on these Buildings, to the amount of $£ 565 \mathrm{~s}$, per annum.
II. BOYS,

Bursar, K. C.

No. 5.-Return of Furniture applied to cach Professor.


No. 6. A Return respecting the Chaplain to the Universily of King's College.

## No such Oficer formally appointed.

The Reverend Janes Beaven, D. D., at the desire of the late Sir Charles Bagot, has performed Chaplain's duty in the University fiom its commencement. It has been proposed by the Collegu Council to allow him $£ 100$ Currency, a year, for the duty; bul such allowance has not yet been granted to him.

5th Maruh.

The Select Commitree to which was referred the Petition of M. F. Valois, and others, Inhabitants of Lachine and other parishes, and various other Petitions, relating to Roads in the Island of Montreal,- to the Longueuil and Chambly Turnpike Road,- and to a Plank Road from the Horse-Ferry along the West Bank of the Chambly Basin to the said Turnpike Road, with power to report from time to time, have the honor to Rerort in part:-

That your Committec have taken into considera-1 tion such of the Petitions referred to them as relate to Roads in the Island of Montreal, and having examined some of the petitioners, and other witnesses, in relation thereto, are of opinion that the Turnpike Road prayed for by the petition of M. F. Valois and others, from the Upper Lachine rond to the village of Ste. Anne, is very much required, being necessary to continue the great line of communication between Montreal and the Upper Province: they, thereforc, consider that the prayer of the petitioners should be granted.

Your Committec are also of opinion that the Turnpike Road prayed for by H. Brunet and others, from P'Abord à Plouffe to the Village of St. Geneviève, would be extremely bencficial, not only to the population of the whole upper part of the island, but, as giving access to the Montreal market, to the greater part of the inhabitants of the northern part of the district of Montreal, who have now to travel over bad roads on the Ile Jésus, in order to reach the Lachapelle bridge.

Upon considering the amount of the revenue at present aceruing from the Lower Lachine road, your Committee conceive that the continuation of that road from the Pavilion to the castward of the Lachine Church, is very desirable, and will be of great advantage to the public, particularly on account of the manufactorics now established at the latter place, and many others may hereafter be established at the many places where water-power is to be found on that line.

As respects the road spoken of in the petition of Gabriel Roy and others, in the Côte St: Laurent, from the St. Lawrence Road to the l'Abord à Plouffe Road, your Committce cannot recommend its construction at present, as it could not be expected to prove so useful to the public as those recommended above.

Your Committee consider that the prayer of the petitions of J. A. Mathieson, and others, W. H. Waters and others, and the Honble. R. U. Harwood and others, would be in part complied with if a turnpilke road were made from Lachiuc to Ste. Anne, as suggested at the commencement of this report; and they are also of opinion that a turnpike road from the County of Vaudreuil to Ste. Anne, is much needed, and should be constructed under the direction of the Board of Works, to complete the communication between Montrcal and the Upper Province. But though several lines of road from Vaudrcuil and Soulanges to Ste. Anne were proposcd, your Committee cannot take upon themselves to recommend any particular line, but would prefer leaving the choice of a suitable line to the Board of Works. As'respects the road from Ste. Anne to Lachine, through the centre of the island, desired by the Honble. R. U. Harwood and others, in their petition, it is conceived that such a road would be far from advantageous to the public at large, and would not afford
the same benefit sis the front road, either to the public or to the neighbouring population, upon whom the principal cha ge of maintaining it would necessarily. tall.

Should the above suggestions be concurred in by your Honorable House, your Committee would recommend that the roads to be constructed in accordance therewith, be placed under the control of the Trustecs of the Montreal Turnpike Roads, and that they he authorized to borrow a further sum of $£ 25,000$ for their construction, at a rate of interest not exceeding 6 per cent.

The whole nevertheless humbly submitted.
A. JOBIN,

Chairman.
5th March, 1845.

Mr. Lanticr dissents from the opinion expressed by the Committec in reference to the propriety of continuing the front rond from Lachine to Ste. Anne, instead of carrying it in a direct line from Montreal to Ste. Anne, as prayed for in the petition of the Honble. R. U. Harwood and others.

## J. P. LANTIER.

## MINUTES OF EVIDENCE.

## Andre Jobin, Esquire, in the Chair.

Tifunsday, 23d January, 1845.
The Honourable Denis Benjamin Viger, Esquire, called in; and examined:-

1. What is the state of the rond from l'Abord a Plouffe, in spring and autumn? -The road is bad in all seasons of the year, especially in those two seasons, when it often becomes impassable.
2. Would the improvement of that road bencfit the public?-It could not fail to be of great use to the public. To the inhabitants of the end of the island of Montreal it would be an invaluable advantage, as they are now prevented during part of the year, and especially during the spring and autumn, from coming to Montrcal, where the markets would be more constantly supplied if it were possible for them to come in at all seasons of the year, which they could do if that road were macadamized.
Mr. Ferres', Iate Secretany to the 'Trustees of the
Montreal Roads, called in'; and examined:-
3. How is it that one perch of macadamized road, (on the Montreal roads,) was not uniform in the different localities where roads' were made in the island of Montreal-the price varying from' 24s. 3d. to 50s a perch?-The cost varied according to the facility of getting stone.

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4. What would be the probuble expense of macadanizing the road from l'Abord i Plouffe to Ste. Genevieve?-Ahout $£ 800$ a mile, with common facilities for getting metal, would complete a road sixteen feet wide and nine indles deep.
5. What do you consider would be the cost of re-pairs:-Ahout $£ 150$ a mile for the first year, $£ 50$ per mile for the secomd, and about $E+0$ per mile for the subsequent years.

## Fumay, $2+2 / \mathrm{J}$ Junury, 1845.

J. Itolnes, Esquire, called in; and examined:-
6. In your npinion, what would be the exjomes of macadianizing the portion of road lying hetween the Pavilion and the church at Lachine? - $£ 800$ per milc.
7. State to the Committe the amount of foll annually received at the Luwer Lachine Gate? - $\mathcal{E} 358$ 19s. 10d.
8. What proportion do you consider arises from persons going to the races? ?-I should say $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} 10$ of
9. Do not the inhabitants on that line of road pay only half' toll:- Yes, they do.
10. In your opinion, would the incrense of toll, should the whole lne macendamized, pay the interest of the cost? - I think it would.
Benjumin Antmes, Fsilpure, called in; and examined:
11. Do you consiler that the roud from CAbord a Plouffe to st. (ienerieve, would be adrantagernes to the publie? When the Trustees were first appuintel they were requented to sugest what adilitimad roants would, in their opinion. he of puliter benefit; and they represented to bord sydenhan, the macadamizing of a line of roud feom l'Lbord a Ploutte to st. Enstache, erossing the wertern end of the lle Jésur io Terrelonne; and also that the road fromite preeent termination at swall-ill-Recollet, hamble be continued, and a furdge ereeted at that point. and thence through the castern end of Whe Jenas to Tamo homm: and, from the experience I have had sime of the advantage of lurupike roads to the ematry gremalls: I an guite confident of the prownely of Barysing out that reesmendation now.
12. Would you recommend the formation of the
 road? - Ste P'etitiencers were infomed hy the Tru:tees, that they apmoned of that portion of the roud being turnpiked; but, in so doing, it musis te larne in mind, that an oullay of alont $\mathrm{E} 2,500$ wonld be necessatry; and to cover the interest on the work, a toll-bar would have to he erested and ioll levied, which perhaps the Pefitioners did not contemphte. and it is $y$ doubtind whether the travel wondd inereane the general revenues; still, as a publie improvement, they would be inclined to adopt the Petitioners' views, and make the roand; but, of comere, levying a well to pay the interest on the outhey:

## Wednesday, 12 th February, 1845.

Mr. Aleacnder MrFintoshl called in ; and exanimed:-
13. What do you suppose would be the const of a macadamized rond, on the Ishad of Mentreal, jer mile, when the stone is phentiful and near at hand It can be done for about 37s. 6d. a rorl, or $£ 603$ per mile.

## Mr. Williaum Yule called in and examined:-

14. Do you know the locality between l'Mord it Plouffe and St. Gencvieve, and are stones to be found
in that locality in sufficient ahundance for macadami- Appendix ying a road?-I know part of that locenity, and stone (L. T.) is very plentiful there; there is cuough at the guary, at l'Ahord it Ploutte for one half the road, and the waste stonc left at the quarry of St. Geneviere must he sulficient for the other half; and there is no doulit that stonc can be readily obtained on the line.
15. What do you suppose would be the cost of macadamizing the rond, per mile, in that locality, comsidering the facility of getting stone on the spot? -I would comsider that the road, in that care, may be
 were heary culting, aud eren in that case it would not execed $£ 1000$.
16. What is the distance from l'Lbord a Plouffe to the villhge of St. Geacrière?-1 think it is nine miles.
17. What would be the cost of macadamizing the rom from Lachine to the lock at Ste. Anne?-That road cannot be made much below $£ 1000$ per mile, on aceonut of the difficulty of getting stones in some prats of the line.
18. What would be the cost of improving the road in Luwer Lachine, from River Si. Pierre to Lachine? - From $£ 900$ to 51000 per mile, on account of the scarcity of stome.
19. What is the distance from River St. Pierre to Lachne Churd? ?-I think about five niles of unmacalamized rond.
20. What kind of stone do you consider the best. for maculanizing? - The granite, when it can be hat, is the lest, being much more , durable, and not exposing travellers to so much chast as wher stone wound do: I would recommend that the road he made with that kind of slone, for, though the original cost would be therely amgented, yet there would be a great saving in the ammal repaire, so that in a few years the expenso wond he less thin if made with grey stme; and I wombld also recommend the coursing or hlinding of the road with granite gravel or pure samd.
Mr. Ieter Rutherford called in ; and cxamined :-
21. What doyon estinate to the the const of machdamizing a road, per mile, where there is a sufficient sup)ply of stomeat hand? - I shoukd think it could be made, in that ease, for from $£ 700$ to $£ 800$ per mile, cxcept where heary eutting is required, for which work 8 d. a vard is genemlly allowed, and thit does not include the repaise during the two first years.
22. What kind of stone do yon consider the best for mamamizing? - Pure grey or hastard blue stone, is comsidered the lest. Where gramite gravel can be obtained, I strongly recummend it as a top covering or hitiuding ; pure river sand is also to be recommonded, and in that case the expenses of repniss during the first two yeurs are much diminished.

## Mr. I'muer called in ; and examined :-

23. Do you know whether there is much travel on the wad from Ste. Ame to Lachine?-The number of trayellers is such, that, if the road be macadanized, it will pay its expenses.
24. Do you know of any good material for macir. danizing, on the lower Lachine road?- There is fon: about thice miles, stone of good quality, and much better than is gencrally used.
25. Is there much granite gravel in the vicinity of that road?-Thercis a great quantity at the Tanneries des Rolland, about a mile and a half from that road,
and at the upper end of the road there is plenty of gravel within a mile.
26. Are you avare whether the persons residing on the line of the lower Lacline road, which is propused to be macadamized, would be content to cede gratuitously, any reasonuhle quantity of land that may be repuired for that purpose?-Very few would dissent, if any, except in the casc of buildings, gardens, or orcharls.
27. What is the distance not macadamized in that part of the Jower Lachine road?-A hout five or six miles; tuy the surfaee of the ground is gencrally level.

Mr. Jomes Somerville called in; and exanined:-
28. Do you know if there is any stone on that part of the Lewer Ladhine rond not yet macadmized, and what kind of stone can be had there ?-There is hastarl wone culler metal, all whong the rond, except from one to two miles keyond the ruececourse: that stone is harder than limestone, and moredumble; the ground on that road is generally level.

Wednesnay, 19th Februnry, 1845.
Mr. James Ihutchison called in; and examined:-
29. Du, you consider that the road between the Sault an Recollet and PAbord it Plouffe macadamized road, shond be macadamized? - That road is very bad. During thee weeks in the fall and spung the rond is impassable, and should be manadanized. Good material can be foum in abundance about the phece.

## Bir. Jomes Shield called in ; and examined:-

Ahswer to Q. 20. I do; it is very bad in spring and fanl, and plenty of material is to the found close at hand; that romed is preterable for heary londs to the Côte des Neiges road, on aceonnt of there being no hill to go up) or down: the land on that side is very rich, and for the reason the roads are worse when it sains than they are on a lighter or mean soil.
30. Do you consider that an additional toll gate should tee plated on that rond?-I Io.
Mr. Hugh Brotie called in; and cxanined:-
31. Are yon desirous of commating for the toll rates on the Upper Lachine rond? -I should like to commute, but I never applied for permission to do:so.
32. Do you consider yoursolf nggrieved in any way by the Road Trustece? - I do, hecamse they went on to my land and took what materials they iranted for the use of the roids; they took tway my fencer, prevented mo from finishing a houso, and refused me compensation for ahont two or three years.
33. How many times were the sleighs altered diring the year 1843?-I have altered my own sleigh tivice, to obtain the advantage of passing free through the toll gates in winter, in conformity to the adrertisement of the Chrustees, but it was in vain.

Mr. Fisidore Brayí de St. Pierre called in ; and ex-mined:-
34. Do you kecp a ferry from Montreal to Tle Jesus at the upper end of He Jésus, opposite St. Eustiche?-I'do keep a firry there, and have kept it for three yens.
35. Is there much travel between the north of the district and Montreal, through that feriy ?-A great many persons pass that way to Montreal. I have sometimes seen from 100 to 150 persons cross the ferry in one day.
36. Do you think more persons would be induced to travel that way to Montreal, if the road from St. Genevic̀ve to l'A bord à Plouffe were macudamized?I have no doubt that one third, and perhaps cue half, of the population of the north of the district of Muntreal, would travel that way, on account of not hasing any hills to go up or down in travelling through St. Gicnevieve, where the road is gencrally level; whereas in the road through St. Martin in the Ile JCosus, they have to go up and down many hills, some of which are very dangerous.

Friday, 21st February, 1845.

Michel F. Valois, Esquire, Physician, of Pointe Claire, called in ; and examined:-
37. Do you think that a road from Ste. Anne to Montreal, through the Island of Montreal, following the road of Côte Ste. Marie, and thence in a line as straight as possible as far as the St. Antoine road, would be more advantageons to the public in general, than if the old road from Ste. Aune to Montreal were followed, after having macadamized that part of the road which is not yet macadamized ?-That road can only be useful to a very small portion of the inhabitants of the interion of the ishand, and cannot be as advantageous to the public in general as roads runting along the island of Montreal would be, from the facility which the public would find in meeting with grood roads just on landing upon the islanid; whereas, if the road were made to ron through the centre of the island, it would recquire new ascents to reach the rentre road, or the present roads must he meicadimized, which would entail much greater expenses than would be incurred by matedamizing the roads on boil sides of the ishand of Montreal.
38. It' the roads wore made through the centre of the island, instead of following the banks of the river, would the macadanized road from Lachine to Montreal lose much of its valuc, and would it cover its, expenses? The Lachine road would lose a great deal by the change.
39. If the road ran through the centre of the island, would the people on both sides of the island derive more adrantage from it than if they followed the present roads on the shores of the island, supposing those roads macadamized ?- The habitans would much prefur passing along the shore to passing through the centre: they would have at lenst as short a distance to go to fown; and they would also have the advantage of heing able to dispose of their produce at the different rillages on their way; and especially at the village of Lachine which becomes more and more consilerable, and where there is already a very fiir market.
40. If the present road from Ste. Anne to Lachine were repaired, would travellers derive the same advantage by following that road that they would by following a road made through the centre of the island?-If the present road were put in order, the distance from Ste. Anne to Lachine would be shortcned two miles audl a half, and travellers would find cvery where on the road, good lodgings, and they could travel in safety.
41. Would it be more dangerons to travel during the night on a road made through the centre of the island, than to travel along the shore roads?-It

Appendix would be very dangerous, not only by night, but by (L. L.) day also, to truel on that purt of the road through the centre from the St. Charles road to Côte St. Luc being a distance of more than twelve miles without a single house, where nothing could he built but miserable huts, inhabited by suspicious characters.
42. What would be the mean distance which those residing on the borders of the island would have to go before reaching the centre road, and in what state are the roads leading to that one? -The inhabitants of the south of the island would have to travel over had roads, a mein distance of at least four miles, before reaching the road in the centre of the istand ; and those of the north would have to trayel a distance of at lenst six miles, over equally bad roads.
43. If the road were made through the centre, instead of following the old road along the shore, would that have the effect of considerably diminishing the value of property situated on the borders from the hicad of the island to Montreal; and might it not deprive these residing on the borders of the advantage of bringing their produce to the Montreal mar-ket?-I think, for the reasons above mentioned, that it would have the effect of greatly diminishing the nalue of property on the banks of the river, without increasing the value of that situated in the centre of the ivland; and would also deprive the inhabitants of the adyantage of coming to the Montreal market in the bad seasons of the year, as is the case at present, when the roads are had; ard, in addition to which, they would have to keep up their front and cross roads, besides praying toll on the turnpike roads, which would be too great an injustice to the inhabitants of that locality, who have, up to this day, been put to great expense in kecping up their roads.
44. Would the centre road be shorter than the old one, if the latter were repaired, and would it cost more than the old one? - ln my opinion, it would not be shorter, if the old one were made straight, as I have alrealy stated. The centre road would cost much more than the othere, on account of the value of the land, the sugar trees, and other valuable wood, and on tecount of the swamps of some extent which it must ceross; the many bridges which would bo required, and the scarcity of material; while on the contrary, materials may be had in great abundance along the river, and there are only four bridges to build, all of which would not cost, at the utmosst, more than $£ 200$; and, from the information I have ubtiined, I ean state that the proprictors on the river side would consent to give the land and the stone necessary for making the roul.
45. Is the centre road much travelled during the winter?-In the winter it would hardly be used, as it is more advantageous and consenient for the public to travel on the riter.
Mr. Pierre Charles Valois, of Puinte Chiare, Nutary, called in ; and examined:-
Ansuer to Q. 37. I have no duubt that the road from Ste. Ane to Montreal, alung the river, is of greater advantage to the public than a road made through the centre of the island would be; and, I think, that, in fine weather, ihree-fourths of the travellers would take the old road rather than pay toll on the centre one.
Answer to Q. 38. The Lachine rond would greatly suffer by the change, and would not pay its cxpenses.
Answer to Q. 39. There is no doubt that if the road on the borders of the island were macadanized, the inhabitants of the island would derive much greater benefit by following that road than one runoing through the centre.

Answer to Q. 40. If the road from Ste. Anne to Lachine were made struight, the inhabitants of the south of the island would derive much greater bencfit by using that road than by following the centre sth Mureh. roal.

Answer to Q. 41. It would be damgerous to travel not only by night, but by day, on thi centre road, on account of the want of halitations along that rond.

Answer to Q. 42. The mem distance to be gone over ly those residing on the south, in order to reach the centre road, would be at least three miles; and those on the north would have five or six miles-buth over bad roalls.

Answer to Q. 43. It would recluce the value of property situated on the borders of the island, and prevent the inhabitants from hringing their produce to market, from the had state of the roads they would have to travel to reach the centre rond.
Answer to Q. 44. I do not think it would be shorter than the old one, if the latter were made straight ; and I think the contre rond would cost as much as the roads that might be made on the north or south side of the island, on account of the lands to be purchased, the valuable trees to be destroyed, (which are very numerous,) and the swamps and marshes on the whole of that line, and the many bridges that would have to be made on this roal, which are more than five or six times the number of those on the old one.
Answer to Q. 45. I think that few peofle would pass over that road, as the roads on the ice would le infinitely preferable, and much shorter.
Mr. Giabriel Pilon, of Stc. Annc, Farmer, called in ; and exumined:-
Answer to Q. 37. I do not think that road would be of greater advantage to the public, but quite the reverse.
Ansiber to Q. 38. If the roud were made to run through the centre of the ishand, the Lachine road would suffer from the change, and would certainly not cover its expenses.
Answer to Q. 30. The inluhitants from both sides of the river would have a much greater advantage in following the old road, if it were macudamized, and they would even prefer following it without improvement, in the fine dry weather.

Ansuer to Q. 40. If the old road were straightened, they would have more allvantage in following it.
Ausior to Q. 41. It would be dangerous to travel on a roud made through the centre of the island, not only hy night lut hy day; and travellors would he much exposed in every way, as they would bo unable to procure assistance in case of aceidents, to which travellers are often subject, whether as to their carriages or their persons.
Answer to Q. 42. The mean distance which the inhalitants of the south of the island would have to go over, would be three or four miles; and five or six miles for those from the nurth,-in both cases over bad roads.

Answer to Q. 43. It would have the effect of completely diminishing the value of the property situate on the river sile, and of preventing the inhabitants from bringing their produce to market; and it would be committing a great injustice and injury towards those on the river side, by obliging them to keep up

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old roads to communicate with the centre road, besides paying toll at tho turnpikes;-it might also force a great many propuietors to sell their property in orter to get rid of so many obligations.

Auswer to Q. 44. The centre rond would not be much shorter, if the old one were made straight, and the cost of the former would be double that of the old roall from Ste. Ame io Montreal, on account of the swamps and marslies, and the want of matcrials for the rouds, the expense of purchasing land, and the destruction ot the trees which would have to be cut down all along the linc.

Answer to Q. 45. No one would take that road in winter, as every one would follow the road on the ice.

## Mr. J. B. Quesncl called in ; and examined:-

Answer to Q. 37. The road through the centre of the island can be of no advantage to the public; that along the river is much to be preferred.

Answer to Q. 38. The Lachine road would suffer greatly by the change, and would not cover its expenses.

Answor to Q. 39. The inhabitauts of both sides the island have, without the least doubt, more advantage in having the road on the border of the island, than in the centre ; and all the population of the district of Montreal would have much more advantage in following the road on the borders of the island, than that in the centre.

Auswer to Q. 40. Travellers would find it much more advantageous to follow the old road, if it were made straighi.

Answer to Q. 41. [ think that a road through thie contre of the island would be very dangerous for travellers, not unly by night, but by day; as the centro road would run through forests not lcss than a thousand acres in superficies, where it would be easy for robbers to hide.

Answer to (2. 42. The mean distance which the inhatitants of the south of the island would have to go over, would bo, at least threc or four miles, and five or six miles for those of the north-with very bad roads in both cases.

Answer to Q. 43. It would greatly diminish the value of property on the borders, withont increasing that in the centre of the island; and the inhabitants would not only have to pay the turmpikes, but to keep up the old roads.

Answer to Q. 44. The centre road wrould not be shorter than the old one, if the latter were made straight, and it would cost twice as much as the old one.

Answer to 民. 45. Very few people would take thit roid in winter-travellers would prefer passing on the river.

Joseph Allard, Esq., of Lachine, Commissioner of Small Causes, was called in, and corroborated the evidence of Mr. J. B. Quesnel.

## Wednespay, 26th February, 1845.

Frangois Xavier Moution dit Lamouche, of the parish of St: Martin, Ferryman, culled in; and examined:
46. Do you keep the ferry between Ile Jésus and the Island of Montrend, and it what place? - I kecp a ferry between 1 le Jesus and Montreal, at the head of Ile Jésus, opposite the Riviere du Chesue.
47. Do many people cross at that place?-Yes;

Appendix sometimes my two boats are not sufficient, and even (I. L.)
the assistance of my neighbour, who has also two the assistance of my neighbour, who has also .two
boats, is very often, in the fine season, insufficient to convey every one across.
48. If the roads from Ste. Gencviève to l'Abord à Plouffe were macadamized, would more people cross at your ferry to go to Montreal?-I think there would be twice as many, because the road is shorter by Ste. Gencviève, and because there are many hills in Ile Jésus, which is not the case in the Island of S iontreal.

## Thunsday, 27th February, 1845.

Moses Hays, Esq., of Montreal, called in; and exam-ined:-
Answer to Q. 37. I consider it would be decidedly advantagenus, both by shortening the route, and enabling the furmers to have their 'extensive farms divided, and a road of communication between them.
49. Do you consider that the road open from Ste: Anne to Montreal by the interior, would be much shorter, more advantagcous to the people living above the Island of Montreal and in the upper part of the province, and to the people living in the interior of the island?--Decidedly, by giving them a shorter communication, and a better route.
50. If the road ran through the centro of the island, would the people on both sides derive more advantage from it than if they followed the shores on both sides? -Ycs, they would.
51. Do you consider there would be any danger in travelling on that road?-No, I think there would be no danger.
52. What would be the probable difference of dis* tance between the two routes?-I think about five or six miles.
53. If the road by the interior be six miles shorter than the road on the front, do you think that in the winter season the front road would be maintained, and that it would pay its expenses as well as the road in the interior?-I think it will be maintained, provided the tolls are the same on both roads.
54. Do you know the interior of the island, and do you think it would be difficult and expensive to open aroad in the interior?-To open $a$ road in the interior wauld be choaper and easier, and no great difficulties to be met with; and I an well acquainted with the localitics of the island.
55. If a road were opened through the island, do you think it would be much travelled?-Certainly; and form a main avenue to the city, and contribute much to ine ease its trade.
Honorable Iaboert U. IIarwood, of Vaudrcuil, called in ; and examined:-
Answer to Q. 37. The centre road will intersect all the cross roads, viz.: St. Charles, St. Juhn, Les Sources, Stc. Marie, Siesse, and Côte St. Luc, which are all double concessions thickly settled, containing, I think, four times more inhabitants than reside on the river front of the island above Lachine or l'Abord a Plouffe. All these poople will have a direct road open to maiket, and be thercloy benefitted. The county of Vaudreuil, and the whole' travel of the Ottawa and St. Lavrence, could not but receive immense benefit by liaving the distance shortened; and another great advantage in the centre road would be,
that the inhabitants would be sure of a road in wine

Appendix tor by land, whereens in the road that goes through (L. L.) Lacline and follows the front, the road on the ice being shorter, little or no revcnue would be obttanined in winter, ns the roud on the ice would be solely used. The ice in winter often becomes coverced with water, and is both dangerous and disagrecable, yet the road by land cannot be resorted to, being blocked up with snow from not having been used. From the villages of Pointe Claire and Ste. Genevidve, the distance will he shortenced four miles by the centre road. From Beauhnrmois, Clateauguay, mud the whole south shore. the ice is never good below. Pointe Chaire, conseruuently the centre road saves them, in winter, a distance of four miles; and ferry boats from the routh shore to Pointe Chaife could be estalhished with advantge, there being no current, and it being practicable to ferry in a fog, or in the night, which is not the case to Lachinc. The inlund road from Pointe Chaire to Montreal would be therefore greatly used by market people with their carts; and a continuation of the road leading from the bridgo at l'Alord a Plouffe. to strike this centre rond, would slorten their distance into town, ald arvid the mountain, 一 a consideration of vast importance to all residing on the nurth shore; and to the city, ly enalling firewood to be brought in at a much cleapier rate. l have been over the greater part of this route: it follows, generally, what maly be called the lackbone of the fland of Moutreal, affording abundant supply of stone for making the rond; ; requiring but small lwidger, und not many; -und I found the finlahitants very desirous to hare the road opened. I consider the centre road from Ste. Anne would not cost more money than the road from Ste. Anne to Lachine alone, affirding advantage to looth sides of the island, and, that being so much slorter in winter, the whole Upper Canada and south shore travel abore Chatcauguly would use this. romd, consequently a great revenue would he obtained in winter, increasing with the incereasc of the country alowe, which it would be in rain to hope for from a road leading from Lachine to Ste. Amme, as the ice rome wrould be shorter in winter, and in summer travellers from a distance go by stean communication.
56. Do you think it wonld he very ndmantageous to the inhabitants of the two sections of the proxince, that a roid of communication should be openicl from the Island of Montreal al stc. Anue, to the Cedars plank roand, passing through Ile Perrot hy bridges at Vaudrevill rapids and Ste. Anne? It would be of the highest advantage, if $n$ free communication were at all tivies open between Montreal and the upper province, by brilges at Stc. Anne and Vaudrecuil trupids.
57. Do you think that to curry yut that ofject it wsild be proper to commence the rinal from the Ceditsts village, to come, in as straight a line as comvenient, to or near the Scignimp's mill at Vaudreuilto cunnect that road hy al hirige at that phace, witite Ile Perrot; to continuc the road from that bridge across lic Perrot to the phece opposite the dan of the eanal of Ste. Anne, and to limild a lmidge at that phace to connect Ile Perrot with the Island of Montreal "- There was certainly a mistake made by the Board of Works in reconumending the planking of the road from Cotenu du Lace to the Cascaders,-Cthe olject in view at the time, lecing to open a free commumieation hectween Upper Canada and Muntreal, as well for the transfer of the mails as for other oljijects. This ajject was not attained hy opening the roul in question; it would hare leen attainced if the road haud lecen opened from Cotean du Lace to Vaudrenil rapits, and connected by bridges with the Island of Muntreal, -that route leing the shortest and the most ranvenient for the trade from the upper part of the country, is most assuredly the most proper to carry
out the objicct in view.
58. Do you think that to carry out the above object, it would not be better to commence the road from the plank rond at the Caseades, come up as far as Pointe aux Renards-connect at that place tho main land with Ile Perrot by a bridge, and continue the road from the bridge to a plice oplosite, or nearly opposite, the Canal dam at Ste. Annc?-No; the object in view would not be attrained by that route, and it would be al longer onc and more difficult.
59. Do you not think it would be better to commence the road from the Ceclars plank road by the side road leading alung the property of Elazor Hayces, Escq., at the Cedars, and continuc it eithor to the Pointe aix Renards, or to the mill of the Seignior at Vaudrenil ? - No ; that road would be longor than the one alluded to in $Q$. 56 , less aldyantageous, and more expensive on account of stecp hills,
60. With reference to the route from the Cedurs plank roid, commencing at the Celars village, will it he shorter or more andrantagevis to the majuity of the inlabibiants of the neighibouthood, the surrounding country, and the uppor part of the province, tham any of the other routes, and if not, which would you recommend, and for what reason? - That route would be the shortest, the most advantugeous to the majority of the inhibibitants of the neighbourhood and surrounding country, and to the prople of the upper part of the province.
61. What would be the approximate difference in the cost of each of the propesised routes, either froun the Cascales to Pointe aux Renards; from the Cnscades to the Scignior's mill; from the Cedars village to either Pointe aux Renards, or the Scigniur's mill; or from Mr. Hayes' road to either of the two points, and thence to Sic. Anne; and which of these routes would be the slourtest, the most frecrucuted, the cheapest, and the casicst to make and repair?-The ruad from the Casendes to Vaudrenil rapids, and thence to Ste. $\Lambda$ nue, would he chenper now for the making; but for the people aloore that line, and especially aloye the Cedars, it will he longer ly at least fiour miles, and perlups not so casy to kecy in repair, while the rente proposed from the Cedars villuge to Vaudreuil rapids, and thenee to Ste. Anne, would be not coly the shortest, lut the most frequented, and the most convenient for the people of the upper part of the country; but, in my opinion, a rond starting from the Cotenu din Lac landing, would unite in a greater degree all those ndrautages.
62. If a bridge were huilt at or near the place at Vaudruail culled the Mill Ferry, or Vaudrevil rapids, would it he less expensive, slurter in length, less expused to be daunged by the ice, or the risc of the waters in spring, ond buill on a better and safer bottom, than a bridge built at or near Pointe aux Renards or any other phace on that line; and if not, which place would, in yuur opinion, unite all these adrantages? $-A$ bridge built at or near the mill could be crected for much less money, and would be safer as heing built in shallow water on rocky botton, protrected fiom iujury from the ice by the surrounding islands, and leeing nearer to the Oitawn, it would not only the usefull to the people from the St. Lawrence, lint equilly so to the perple from the Ottava; while a lnidge at Pointe aux Renards would le less useful and morc exposed to the ice, and the bottom would not he so gourl.
63. What would be the approximate difference in the expense of building cither of the two bridges, and which would be the least expense?-The liridge at the mill would be the chenpest, and considerably tho siffest, and the difference of expense would be materinlly in its favour.

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64. If a rond were opened as proposed, do you think that the tolls that would be collected upon it would pay the interest of the moncy expended on the rond and necessary bridges, together with repairs, and ultimately refund the capital p-The bridge at the mill being the most advantageous for the inhabitunts residing on the St. Lawrence and the Ottawa, there is no doubt but the tolls would pay the interest and repairs, and refund thie onpital in a vory shurt time.
65. Do you think this roud would be advantageous to the merchants, Jumber mocchants, farmers, and tavellers from the Ottawa, and which of the proposed routes would be most likely to suit them, as well as persons from the St. Lawrence and the inhand parts of the countics of Vaudreuil, Glengary, Stormont, \&c. ?-The route starting from the upper bridge, that is, the bridge at the Vaudreuil Rapids, would be highly advantageous to the trading community at large, and to all the imhaitants residing on the Ottawa and St. Lawrence, and the surrounding country, and would contribute'at all times to furnish the Montreal markets.
66. Do you think the bridges at Ste. Anne and Vandreuil would be very expensive?-No; Mr. M'Naughton, of Ste. Anne, understood, on Monday last, from two contractors, that they would guarantec to build a bridge at Ste. Aune for $£ 1500$; this mridge would be protected from injury from the ice and rise of water by the canal dam, and a bridge at the Vaudreuil Rapids, or Mill Ferry, would be still safer and cost much less ; but as a draw-bridge would be required over the locks, the expense would he greater, but $I$ am not prepared to give an opinion as to the amount.
67. Would it be difficult to procure the materinds necessary for such works?-Wood could be flonted there and bought cheap, and stone is yery abundant on the spot, so that materials could be readily oblained.
Alex: Roy, Esquire, of the Cedars village, called in ; and examined:-
Answer to Q. 56. Without doubt it would be most adrantageous.

Ansuer to Q. 57 and 58 . Supposing the road were to starit from the Cascades, the place called Pointe aux Renards would be the fittest for the poople living on the Ottawa; the bridge would probably be more advantageous at the Rapids, but I would recommend a place at mid-distance between the mill and Pointe aux Renards, called Forbes' Point, where the bottom is firm,

Ansiver to Q. 59. I do not think it would be proper to adopt such a coursc.

Answer to Q. 60. If the piece of road from the Cedars to the Cascades were not made, the route from the Cedars village would be the best and most advintagcous, if it was shorter.

Answer to Q.62. I consider that Pointo aux Renards would unite all the advantages to a greater degree than any other place.

Answer to Q. 64. I think the expense would be covered by the tolls.

Answer to Q. 65. That route being gencrally more frequented by the people from the St. Lawrence, their wants should be the first consulted.

Answer to Q.66. I'have no ideat of the cost of such in work.

Answer to Q. 67. It would be very easy to procure the necessnry materials.

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Mr. William Waters, Postmaster at the Cedurs, called sth Maroh, in ; and examined :-

Answer to Q. 56. Undoubtedly so; it would be most adyantageous.

Answer to Q. 57 and 58. The route from the Cedars to thic Cascades, and from the Cascades to Pointe aux Renards, would le'the most advantageons; to build at bridge there, and continue the road through Ile Perrot to opposite Ste. Anne, and there connect the Ilc Perrot with the island of Montreal by a bridge, would be the proper route.
Ansuev to Q. 62. A bridge built at Pointe aux Renards would be on a safe and hard bottom, more sheltered from north wind, and less, exposed to tho ice, as from the distance of the rapids, the water being still, the ice would not be pushed against the bridge by the current, and the ice would decay before passing it.

Answer to Q. 64. I really believe the tolls collected on the road and bridges would pay the interest of the money, the repairs and contingent expenses, 'and ultimately refund the capital.

Answer to Q. 65. The route I have recommended would be the most advantageous for all partics from the different sections of the Province.
Answer to Q.67. It would not be difficult to procure the neccssary matcrials.

## Fniday, 28 th February, 1845.

Paul Timothée Masson, Esquire, of tho Parish of St. Joseph de Soulanges, called in; and examined :Answer to Q.56. I reside at the Cascades,andwould strongly recommend the propricty of contimuing a road from the Plank road to the Island of Montreal across Ile Perrot. The travel on the Cedars Plank road would be greatly augmented if it were continued to the Island of Montreal, with bridges to connect Ile Perrot to the Island of Montreal on one side, and with the parisli of Vaudreuil on the other side. To further that olject, I consider that a road should be opened from Cascades at a place called Mariot's road, lending to Vaudrecul, in a line as straight as possible, and convenient to a place called Pointe aux Renards, --connect that place by a bridge to Ile Perrot,-continue the road from that place to, or nearly opposite, the Locks at Ste. Anne, attd there comncet Ile Perrot to the Island of Montreal by a bridge. A bridge at Pointe aux Renards woudd not be as advantagcous or convenient to the people living on the Ottawa, as if it were placed aloove; but it would be more convenient to the people living on the St. Lawrence: a place in the immediate neighbourhood, called Pointe ì Jacquot, or Point' Corbes, would seem a less inconvenient place. I consider it will be very nenrly as short a distance for the traveller to pass by the Cascades, as to go in a line nearly straight to the Cedars village, to Vaudreuil ; besides, the latter route would be more expensive. I consider Pointe anx Renards the best place to build the bridge, ns the bottom is good,--the place only two miles or thereabouts from the Cascades ; and on the opposite side, on Ile Perrot, would be the best possible place to pass. A road leading to "Ste. Amne, to avoid the high water in the spring, the distance by that route would be only five miles from the plank road at the Caseades to Stc. Anne. I'consider that road is highly necessary, not only as a grent public improvement, advantageous to the public at large, and likely to draw to Montreal a

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great increase of businicss mud trute, lut a nececssary completion of the projectesl route from Montreal to Upper Canadh, its will for the transfer of the mails as tor the travelling community at harge. In the fall of the yens, when the nuwigution is chlosed, and before it upens in the splring, it is lardly powsille to convey the muild from Ste. Ame acrous the ferries at Vaundrouil, which difficullies would he staved by the opening of that vath. It happens firequemtly, that in these, setisons, and during the dark nighlte of the finll and spring, the mails are detaninch whole nights at the Caseatles, there heing mon proper road to ewivey them to Mromited. I hiuik that the cosit of the ryad would not be light, and luat the hritge at l'vinte sux Renuxds nud Ste. Anne would problubly not he cadmugerell ly the ice or the rise of the water.
68. Do you know the north part of the disisict of Montreal, and cun you say if hle population of that part of the district would derive my admantage by a maculdumized roud from Ste. Geneviive to P'Alund it Plouffe; would that road iuso he very usetfil, not only to these living, on' the river sile, bat also to those inllalititing the interiur of Monntreal lyland, and, would it pay its expensest - 1 do know the locality of the nurth part of the district of Muntreal, hecause I was horn at the river Duchesue, and renuinal there until the age of Lwenty ycurs; my family is still there, and I have very often travelled through that part of the country, amil I can say that the momulation of tian part of the district will find great beneffit in trizvelling to Montreal on a macalauized ruall, from ste. Gencviès to l'Abord i Plouffe ; purt of that pequation tracels alleally that way, allhough the rexul is nuw very bad. If the road bie mememanized on the shores of the influct, the great poymatation living in the interius of the island would also be lenefitteil lyy it; and I have no doulbe thatt the road will pay its cxpensen, becanse it will be used, not only by the poputation of the adjoining cruntry, hut hy that of the county of the Lake of the Two Brountains.
69. Do you know the loeality hetwecn Ste. Gencvieve aul P'Abord à Plouffe, unid if'so, do you helieve that the making of the road in that lueality would be very expensive? -The making of the ruad in that locality will nut be expensive, becuuse it pussers themperl is level country, and shones are in great abumdince, and cau be got for ne:uly notling.
70. Do you consider that: a roud through the centre of Montreal island would lee more advantageons to the publie at harge, than following the sld roul on boulh sides of the Istand ot Montreal?-I ansider it would be fire more adyantarcouss to follow the rond on the shores of the istand ats much ass pussille, fur the following reisons:- Becante a roar in the centre of the islind would be is loug for the people ti ing on the shares, as fullowing the ofd road, on ate nit of the cross rond they would have to follow mi, in order to mect that midedle rould ; beemuse the people living on the shores will, in the summer seassm, conGinue to travel on the old roud, anil therely save the toll on the middle ruad, and the population alowe Montreal will also do the sume int the fince season; berulue in the winter tinue, nolody will travel on the middle road, people will always prefer the it road in winter; lecenuse it will be dungerous to travel through a middle road on nccount of the grent distance to he followed up in that rond without finding any labitations, and travellers lecing exposel to be roilled on the way. On the contrayy, trizvellers on the shores of the island will find assittences on every occurion from the inlulitituts, the people poing to market will have an oppoptunity of selliug their produce on the way in the villages of Ste. Ainte, Pónte Chure, and Lachine, which villages would suffer greet danne if the road were male to phess through the centre of the island.


Mr. Joln Birmingham, of Coleun dia Lac, called in; and cxmunined:-
Answer to Q. b6. -Tt would he a very desiruble olject. and much nealod; should bo adopted by all memes, mad put in such amamer as to be conyenient for all persous, cither from the Sio. Latwrence or from the Ottawn, or the interior. I consider that the shortest rond should be the line adoped.
Ansurver to Q. 57.-With reforence to the phato where this road should priss, the mumer in which it should be done, where the bridges slould le built, and the upproximute amount of expenses, 1 think it would he much better to leave it all to the Bond of Works, who are must nssuredly the bost juilges in such matters.
Mr. Daniel Alrander. Witson, of Cotoau du Lac, called in ; and examined :-
Answer to Q.56. It would to of immense advantwe to the community at large, of the city of Monworl, and to the inhalitants of the upper part of the Province, that a firee commumication rond should be Province, that ance cominmicalion rond shoud bo
nutreal to Upper Canada.
Ansum to Q: 57. I think that to carry out that whjeet, it would he highly proper to yut in comexion the Cedas phank romu from the Cotean with the Ishad of Montreal, by a rourl from Coton du Lac to Vaudreuil at Pointe nux Renards, there to comicat the nain romd by a bridge to lla Perrot, continue the roud naross. Ite I'errot to on nempy opposito the lockroud noross he Perrot to or nomy opposito the bek-
dam at Site. Ame, where a bridge should bo buile which would be likely to be safe from the ice man the rise of water in the spmin-loing protected hy the dam of the loeks; that ronte would be shorter by about five miles, and greatly more convenient to the perple of the hiterion and to those living on the $S$ t. Lavivicnce.
Answer to Q. 58. That ronte would angment the distance by at least five miles.
Answer to Q. 59. I do not think that line would le advaitageotus.
Ahswer to Q. 60. The ronte from Cotem du Lac would the the shortest, the must advanageous to the penpleat farge, and would be the cheapest-would best satisfy 1 he public and the people living cither in the rear or in tho front, and would be more convenient to the peoplo living in the ncighbouring comotics, and the most followed and used, as woll as the ensiest to keep in repair.
Anstocr to Q. 62. By building a bridge at Pointe aux Renards, whieh wonld be the safest and cheapest to build and keep in repuir.
ditswer to Q. 64. A road as proposed would be so much ued, and dave so much of the travelling commuth wed, and Mraw so math of the traveling comversa, that there is 'no doulht it would amply repay itself'and all expenses in a short time.

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from Montroal, and vice borst, as well as for the conLawrence, and the intorior of the country at lage
from Montreal, and vie orrat, as well as for the conveyance of the mails, especially in the spring and fall of the year.

Ansuer to Q. 67. No; it wonld belvery casy to procure the neecasary materinls. A vorsint wn Ste. Ame to Montreal, hy the interior, to Petite Cote St. Autoinc, would be preferable to a roal on the front, as it would be shorter, less expensive to



make nud to repair, more centrul and more convenient for the people living in the Upper Province, who would prefer to trayel on a roud which they would be certain to find at all tines well kept in grood repair, the advantage and superionity of which would be known to those who trivel on the front rond. Sueh rond would be chenjer and more used than the front road.

Tursday, 4t; March, 1845. Mr. François Xavior Dacjardins, of Vaudrevil, mer-m chant, called in ; and examilied:-
Answer to Q. bin. It would bo highly alvantageous $^{\text {and }}$ that a roud of communication should bo opened between the I. Iland of Montreal and the upper part of the Province; such in road would facilitate the transfer of the mail expecially, and all persons engaged in commercial and agrichltuml pursuits wond derive from it the greatest possible ndvantage. It is nocossnry that it should start from Montrent, in a direct line to Ste. Anne, where it should be put in comnection with Ilo Perrot, by a bridge at or near the locks and dam at Ste. Anue, contimue the route from that bridge ucruss lle Perrot to the place opposite the Scignior's mill at Vnudrouil, or nerrly so, where a bridge could be easily built, and sufficiently protected from the ice mad rise of water, the place being unrow and shallow and protected by islands; thonce through the centre of the County of Vaudrenil, and throngh the Countics of Clengary and Stormont, to join the great rond leading from the St. Lawrence to the Ottawa. Such a roul would be of immense advantage to the public at harge, and would decidedly become one of the most advantageous rontes in the whole Province, as it would pass through the interior of thickly settled Counties, and facilitate to the residents of the Counties of Viudreuil, Glengary, \&c., the access to our markets, while, as long as the roads continue in their present state, a great number of these persons are prevented from coming to markot, being absolutely shut up in the woods. Potash and grain being produced to a great amount in the interior, it is certainly very desirable that the inhabitants should have a road to market, and this would be a far shorter route than the present by at least thirty miles, from Bredalbonc, on the Ottava, to Montrenl.
71. Do you think the tolls on such a route would be sufficient to pay its expenses? - It would not only pay the expense of mangement and repairs, hat would also, in a very short time, refund the capital expended. When it is considered that this road would be travelled by the thickly settled districts of the interior, in winter as well as in summer, and that by shortening the distance between Bytown and Ninatreal, and between Cornwall and Prescott and Montreal, it would draw travellers from the remote parts of the Upper Canada districts, the expense of opening such a route would not be so great as might at first appear. The difficulties to overcome are not extrioxdinary, the country being level and gencrally well timbered. The bridge to be constructed at Yaudrenil would be more useful at the Seigniors' mill than any other place, on 1, waic is
those residing on the Ottawn; and it would be less those residing on the Ottawn; and it would be less expensive. I have no property on the route I have recommended that could be increased in value by it, either directly or indirectly, With regard to the road from Ste. Anue to Moutreal, I think that these public ronds should always follow the shortost and most contral lind. The people on the front of the Esland of" "enl having the advantage of the navinom burd not suffer such grent inconvenience as hus been represented, while those living in the interior would derive from it the greatest possible advantage. A road through the interior would intersect the cross rouds, save the expense of making
a road on each side of the ishund, shorten the distunce to market not ouly for the people living on the island, hut for those in the upper part of the province, and more particularly for those in the interion botween the St. Lawrence und tho Ottawa, and would on that account alone drow na immense trade to Montreal; and as it would puss in the high lands of Montreal, it would facilitate the transfor of quary stones to supply the city with building materials. It is to be expected that that rond would be used, because the advantages it would unite would at all times induce the travelling community to pass on it.
Gcorge René Saveuse de Beaujeu, Tisq., Scignior of Soulanges and Nouvelle hongucuil, called in; and oxamined:-
Answers to Qs. $56,57,58$. It would be highly advantageous tlat a rond of communication should be opened between the liland of Montreal and the upper part of the province, not only to facilitate travelling, but also to facilitate the transfer of tho mails; trade in genctal would be benefitted by it, and it would give to the farmers of the surrounding country, it more ready access to the Montreal market.
72. To carry out that object, what line wonld you recommend?- lf it be the intention of the Government to make nece of the Cascades plank road in car-rying out that olject, it would be better for the road to commence at the Cascades, going on to Vnudreuil as fur as Pointe aux Renarls, to connect that place with Tle Perrot by a bridge, open a rond from thence to opposite Fraser's house at Ste. Anne, where, although thic river is wider, it is shallow, nad a bridge built thare would bo less exposed to injury from the ice and the rise of water, and I think that on account of the interests of the proprictors along that line, the facility afforded by the navigation at the Cnseades, and the ferry between the Cascades and Beauharnois, it would be preferable that it should commence at the Cascades,-to say nothing of the extra expense of purchasing the land and completing a longer distanec of rond to open it in any other dircetion.

Answer to Q. 59. It would lengthen, instend of decreasing, the distance, and there would ulso be a very steep hill.
73. Do you think the route you propose, will be shorter, and more advantargeous than any other route. to the majority of the inhabitents of the surrounding country, and the upper part of the Province?-I think there would be little difference in length, in comparison with other routes. I think it would have been better, at first, to open a woad of communication between Upper and Lower Crmada in the interior, and to hare continued it in a straight line through the Island of Montreal.
Answer to Q. 61. Decidedly, by adopting the rond from the Cascades to Pointo aux Ronards, it will be found the cheapest; a bridge at Pointe mux Renards would be perfectly safe, the bottom of the river being rocky, the channel only one hundred fect wide, and only six fect water or so in summer, with no current. By Pointe aux Renards, it is understood the point so milled on Jle Perrot, opposite the farm of Xnvier Valois, on the side of Vaudrevil.
74. Do you think the tolls on that roud would pay Whe expenses and refund the cupital?-It certainly will be so; wherens the road as it is there will never pay its expenses, unless it is continucd as proposed; and it would be casy to procure the materials to make the road and bridges.
75. To you consider it preferable to open the road fromi Ste. Anne to Montral by the interior, instead of following the front road?-If casy to be made it would be preferable, being, shorter. If the rond on the front be adopted, it should be made ns short as possible, by avoiding the points.

## SECOND REPORT.


#### Abstract

The Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of M. F. Valois, and others, Inbabitants of Lachine and other parishes, and various other Petitions, relating to Roads on the Island of Montreal,-to the Longueuil and Chambly Turnpike Road,-and to a Plank Road from the Horse-Ferry along the West Bank of the Chambly Basin to the snid Turnpike Road, with power to report from time to time, again have the honor to Rerontin part:-


Your Committec have considered the Petition of the Rev. 1. MI. Nignault and others, pmying for a planked rund from the horse ferry, along the west bank of Chumbly Basin, to the Longueual and Chambly Tumpike Roud, and have taken evidence therewith, which is appended hereto, and are of opinion that the rond in question would prove extremely beneficial to the public.

Your Committee have also consilered the Petition of the Trustecs of the said turnpike road, and the accounts of monics receired and expended by them, sent down by His Excellency; and they would recommend that authority be given to the Trustees to borrow a further sum of $£ 4,000$, to enable then to discharge the debts contracted hy them for the completion of the original turmpike road, and to carry into effect the further inprovement above recommended.

All which is respectfully submitted.

> A. JOBIN,

Chairman.
10th March, 1845.

## MInd'tes of evidence.

Andre Jobin, Eisquire, in the Chair.

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\text { Wednesday, 12th February, } 1845 .
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John Yule, Junior, Esq., called in ; and examined:-

1. Do yout think that according to the terus of the Orlinance relating to the Longucuil and Chimubly Turapike Roal, it would le right to rum a branch thereof along the basin, so ass to bo as advantageous to the inhubitants of the village of Chambly basin, as to those of the Conton? - I think thataccording to the terms of the Ordinnce, the Commissioners could not run a branch of the road along the busin.
2. Sotting nside the terms of the Ordinance, do you think it would be just that the inhabitants should have that lranch rond i-I think it just that they should have that advantage.
3. What, in your opinion, would be the cost of making the road along the basin of Chambly? As far us I can judge, it would cost alout $£ 700$.
4. Would the proposed road give any increase in the amount of tolls, beyond the present receipts?-1 do not thiuk so.
5. If the Trustees were authorized to borrow money for the purpose of making the proposed rond, what means then would they have of paying the interest?-Reckoning the revenuc of the steamer with the road, we could, I presume, pay the interest out of the revenue ; but as, after paying the interest
on the cost of the rond; there appens to be a deficit of about $£ 70$, it would be necessary, if the interest were paid from the pruceeds of the rond alone, to increase the tolls, or ndd a toll gate on the proposed road.
6. Do you consider the rerenue derived from the stemer as likely to le permanent?-No, it is not.
7. Supposing that branch of the road were made and placed under the namagement of the Trustecs, do you think the rond from Longueuil to Chambly, with its appurtenances, would pay the intercst on the capital without an increase of tolls? -That would depend on the opposition we might meet with on the St. Lawrence ferry, as, from tho first, we depended chiefly upon the revenue of the stemer to pay ous expenyes and interest.

Mr. Willium Wilson, of Chimbly, called in; and examined:-

Answer to Q. 1. The inhabitants have suffered losses, and ought to be indennified, as the road has deprived them of the advantages of trale; they would be indemnified if they were allowed a rond on the front of the lasin.

Anster to Q. 2. I do really think so.
Anster to Q. 3. Without including bridges, it might cost $\mathfrak{E} 680$.

## Answer to Q. 4. I do not think so.

Answer to Q. 5. If we were allowed enough money to make the roud in question and to build anothor steamer, it might cover tull expenses.

Answer to Q. 6. That will depend on the protection that may be extended to it.

Answer to Q. 7. If the steamer met with any opposition, it is not probable that the proceeds will cover the interest and expenses; but, on the contrary, if it were certain that the Legislature would grunt an exclusive privilege for it, no matter how small, the proceeds would cover the expenses and interest, and would eren leave a balance that might be applied towards liquidating the principal.
8. Do you think the report and estimate of Charles Thibcau and Narcisse Luroque, now submitted to you, to be correct? I I do.
Mr. Amable Demers, of Chambly, called in; and examined:-
Answer to Q. 1. Yes, it would be very just.
Anster to Q. 2. Yes.
Anstiver to Q. 3. $£ 500$.
Answer to Q. 4. I do not think so.
Anster to Q. 5. By the tolls that are now colected.

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Answer to Q. 6. If it were, kept up, the revenue might be permanent, and there might even be somie 10th March. hope of all increase.

Answer to Q.7. Yes.

Ansicer to Q.8. I do; and they have been made from a knowledge of the facts.

## Mr. Educard Glen called in ; and examined:-

Ansces to Q. 1. Yes, for they might have made it from the beginning without crossing the fields; and that at a much smaller cost, as the distance would have been four arpents shorter:

Ansicer to Q. 2.-Yes, very just.
Answer to Q. 3.- Between $£ 500$ and $£ 600$.
Answer to Q.4.-No, unless another toll gate were erected.

Answer to Q. 5.- By the general traffic on the road, which would always increase with the population on that side of the basin.

Answer to Q. 6.-Yes.
Answer to Q. 7.-Yes.
Answer to Q. 8.- Yes.

Tursday, 25th February, 1845.
Mr. Eusebe Frechette, one of the Commissioners of the Chambly Turnpike Road, called in; and ex- 20th Maroh. amined:-
9. Do you think that, according to the menning of the Act, the persons residing on the Chambly Besin wercentitled to a branch of the macadamized road along the basin?-I think the road ouglit to have been carried through the villnge on the basin at first, and it could have been done then without encreasing the expense.
10. Do you think the persons residing on the Chambly Basin have been injured by the rond being carried in its present directiou, and that it would be right to make one for them along' the" basin P-Yes, I think they should have a branch road, as they have suffered in their property and their trade, which has been greatly decreased.
11. If thint branch were made, would the tolls with the profits of the stcamboat, be sufficient to pay the interest of the whole sum expended? Judging from the revenues of the present year, I should think they would.
12. How much would the road along the basin cost ?-About $\mathbf{2 6 0 0}$, currency.

## THIRD REPORT.

Appendix The Selict Comintree to which was referred the Petition of M. F. Valois, and others,
(L. L.) Inhabitants of Lachine and other parishes, and various other Petitions, relatipg to Roads on the Island of Montreal,-to the Longueuil and Chambly Turnpike Road, -and to a Plank Road from the Horse-Ferry along the West Bank of the Chambly Basin to the said Turnpike Road, with power to report from time to time, have the honor to make their final Repont :-

Your Conmittec have considered the Petition of Benjamin Brewster and others, comphining of injustice done them by the Trustees of the Montrenl Turnpike Roads, and other petitions of a similar nature, and have taken cvidence on the matter, which they append to this report Your Committec are ready to adnit that in the construction of the Longue Pointe Road, (where the petitioners reside,) some persons may have sustained injury, and bad their property deprecinted in value by the alteration of the former line of road; Dut they are satisfied that the Commissioners have, whenever it has been in their power,' made compensation for damages caused by thicir opicrations; and have given sufficient explanation of theircondact in relation to the said rond. Your Committee are at the same timo of opinion, that it is expedient to alter the present system of managing the road, by providing that the "toll grtes be "aniually let by nuction to the highest bidder"; ind also, by giving out the repairs every ycar to public competition and they would further recominend that mo much of the "Act of the Palliment of Lower Canadn, of 36 Geo 3 , chaptcr 9 , as ' requires the occupiers of lands adjoining the scyeral machannized ronds to perform statute labour titercon, be repealed,
inasmuch as those persons paying tolls for the use of the roads contribute their full share towards keeping the same in repair:

All which is respectfully submitted.
A. JOBIN,

Chairman.
20th March, 1845.

## MINUTES OF EVIDENCE.

Andne Jomn, Esquire, in the Chair.
Fripay, 14 th Felruary, 1845
Benjamin Brewster, Esq;, called in; and examined:-

1. Have you been called upon to pay statute labour on the Upper Lachine road, besides paying the toll on that rod?-I hye been culled upon to pay the statute labour, by public advertisement, buit I refused to pay it
2. Have you sold timber to the Montreal Turnpike Rond Trustecs, if so, have the grodness to state what quantity, what description, what it amounted to, whether it was by public contract or by privato bargain, and to what use this timber was applied ?I have not sold any timber to the Trustees. I have bought $a$ raft or dram of hemlock square timber, and a few sticks of other kinds, for the Trustees, by the order of the Secretary, I think about four or five thousand feet, for building the wharf opposite Messrs. Handyside; I paid, I think, two pence half-penny a foot.
3. Have you had any conversation with any of the surverors that were employed by the Road Trustees, relative to the two lines of road that were traced by them, the one in the front, aud the other in the rear, of the premises of the late Mr. Trustee Handyside's distillery; and did cither of the surveyors say to you, that you knew he was a servant, and must do as he was ordered?-One of them, I think Mr. Thompson, said to me he thought the back line would be least expensive.
4. Do you not think there has been a large sum of money thrown awny in building that immense wharf in tront of Mr. Trustee EInnlyside's property, which would have been avoided by adopting the rear line? -I think the rear line was a hetter one, and would have saved the expense of the whatf, and the damage caused by the ice, and also the sum paid to Mr. Grecee for damages, as he would have allowed the road to pass his property ly the rear line without charging anything, except about ten pounds for the removal of the fences.
5. Do you think the trustees, in adopting the line in front of Mr. Handyside's property, did so to fivor him,--entailing an everlasting and growing expense on the public, and destroying private property under the highest state of cultivation, consisting of orchards nad gardens? -I cannot say that they did it to favor Mr. Hundyside, but at the sume time I consider that the road should have passed in the rear linc. With regard to the orchards and gardens, I think the proprictors thercof have been paid for the land or damages.
6. Do you think the ice will injure that wharf every year?-I think it would very likely be the case every year, more or less.

## Mr. Simon Valois called in ; and examined:-

7. Do you think it was necessary to alter the old line of roud from Montreal to the Bout de l'Ile?-I do not think it was: on the contrary, it has been a grent injury to the proprietors, and also to the public. The proprietors on the line of roml from Ruissenu Bigeon, to the end of Côte St. Martin, offered to the Trustees to give them without chargo, from ton to thirty feet to straighten the road, and also the stone requisite for making the road and maiutaining the banks; offering at the same time to rcinburse to the Trustecs the expense of maintaining the bank, by instalments of $\& 86 \mathrm{~s} .8 \mathrm{~d}$. per arpent on the width of their farm, during three years.
8. Did the Road Trustees, or Grand Voyer on that road, ever assemble the proprictors for the purpose of taking their advice respecting the proposed change in the line of road?-I have never boen notified to that effect.
9. Do you not think there was a large sum thrown away in building the wharf in front of Mr . Trustee

Handyside's house?-I think the Trustees should Appendix have continued the road in the rear of Mr. Handy- (L. L.) side's property, as had been done in every other part, especially as at that particular spot a large expense ${ }^{20 t h}$ March. would have been saved which was incurred in building that wharf; but still, the front road was the best for all purposes.
10. Do you think the Trustees, in adopting the front line, did so for the public good, or for any individual interest?-I do not see, nor can I conceive, why the Trustecs did not adopt the rear line all the way, or why they brought the rond in front of Mr . Handyside'sproperty, as the expense above mentioncd would have been saved by continuing the rear line.

## Mr. J. B. Dezery called in; and examined:-

11. Did the Rond Trustees make a forcible entry upon your property for the purpose of quarrying stone? - They have opened a quarry upon ny property without my leave, and carried out about two hundred toises of stone, and they destroyed many maple trees, for all of which dumages I have been paid but nine pounds.
12. Do you think the Trustees, in adopting the line in front of Mr. Handyside's property, have done so for the public good, or for any individual interest? -I camnot conceive why the Trustees did not adopt the rear line all the way, as the expense of taking it in front of Mr. Handyside's property was fir greater than continuing the rear line.
Mr. Francis M•Numee called in; and examined :-
13. Had you any contract with the Turnpike Rond Trustecs, and if so, state what it was, and how they treated you? - I had a contract with them for the second and third sections of the Longue Pointe Ruad, for maculimizing those sections, for which I was to receive two pounds a rod coutaining sixtecn feet and a half, English measure, and eightecn wide. After having laid brokenstone on eighty rods of the third section, by their orders, they refused to macadamize that part of the road;- the stone was left there, and I was obliged to take for them what they chose to give me; and the yoad was planked instend of being macudamized. The Trustees ulso gave me a contract for broken stone, to repair the road; which stone was delivered as they requested, and they afterwards would not reccive them from me, nor give me any remuneration for them; they lie there still, although I offered to give thein to the Trustecs for anything they chose to give me, but they would not take them. They entered upon my premises without leave, took away my stones, and would not pay cither for stone or damages; although, when I went on the property of other persons to get stone, when I had a contract, the Tristees deducted from the anount of my contract the sum chamed by those persons for damages, amuunting to $£ 2510 \mathrm{~s}$, although I was authorized by them to take stones wherever 'I could find thent, on paying the dnmages according to arbitmetion.
14. Did Mr. Frundyside, the Trustee, when you took stone upon hís premiscs, charge you heavier damages than were allowed to other persons? -The urbitrators, Mcessrs. James Somerville and Knox, appraised the dumages comnitted on Mr. Handyside's' property at double the sum at which they appraised the damagics on the property of some other persons.
15. Were you not ordered by the Trustees to stop work, in 1841, when the dection of Messis. Delisle and Leslie was going on at St. Laurent, and to take your men to $\mathrm{St}_{6}$ Laturent to assist Mr. Deligle in his election against Mr. Leslie P-1 went out with my
men to St. Laurent, and remained there two days with them, according to the order of the Trustecs, to support Mr. Dolisle's election, and I paid the men out of money that I got from the house of Messrs. Maitland for the pirpose. I would not have gone to St. Laurent if I had not bech in thie power of the Trustecs, and I was afraid of being injured if I refused to obey their order; and notwithstanding my sulmitting to their orders in every respect, they deducted $£ 107$ from the umount of my contract, which was justly due to me.

## Tuesday, 25th February, 1845.

Mr. J. B. Millet dit Latremouille called in; and examined:-
16. Were you employed by the Rond Trustees in taking down the proprictors' line fences on the new line of rond lending from the Ruissem Migeon to Longue Tointe, to adinit of the land being ploughed by the Road Trustees" in the year 1840, and what time of the year was it in-September or October? -Ycs: it was at the end of Octaber or beginning of November.
17. When the fences were taken down, did not the cattle stray off the furms?-Yes; there was nothing to prevent their straying.
18. Were you ovdered to proceed without any regard to the protests or remonstrances of the pro-prictors?-No. I was ordered if any one resisted, to inform the Trustecs, and they would take the necessary steps to take them down; but I met with no resistance.
19. Did you not take down the fences of gaviens and orchards along the line?-Yes; and also the fences belonging to Mr. Decary's orchard.
20. Was the line traced in that direction with a view of fayoring the late Mr. Trustee Handyside?In my opinion it was.

Frederick Cornelius Greece, Lequire, called in; and examined:-
21. Did you see the operations of the Turnpike Road Trustecs on that part of the Turnpike ruad leading from the Ruissean Migeon to Longue Pointe? -Yes.
22. Did you see the late Mr. Trustec Handyside nccompanying the Surveyors when they were tracing the new line, and pointing out'to them the line most favourable to himself?-He was frequently with the Surveyors, and laid out the road to suit his own purposes.
23. Was not the line altered on your premises', 10 as to prevent tho roud from encroaching on his property where his trees were growing in front of his house ?-Yes, it was as I strted'at first.
24. "In altering the fist line of road that was traced, did it not occasion a much greater expense to the public, 'as well ns damage to yourself?'-Yes, the extra expense to myself would be $£ 150$, and to the public $\boldsymbol{E}_{100}$ more, independent of the large sum of money that was expended in front of Mr. Handysides house, in building a whiuf and filling up ubout 18 feet wide of new road nid 15 fet deep.

[^7]line, and must continue so; and it was not necessary to take it away fiom the river's edge, ns' the banks Appendix could have been maintained, and the inhalitants offered to maintain them.
20. When the old rond on the river's edge was in usc; were the public ever preyented from going out upon that rond and coming to Montreal ?-I never remember, for the last tiventy-five years, that we Were ever prevented for one single day from going to Montrenl by the old road; but, by the new road, it has been impossible for two days at a time twice within the last three yeus, and the rond has been for the last three weeks almost impassable.
27. From the spring of 1841 , when the Trustecs commenced operations on that road, wore not the inlabitants obliged to keep up the roads in fron't of their promises, and pay toll at the same time?-I wis obliged to keep up the road in front of my prenises, and I paid them for tolls $£ 3917 \mathrm{~s}$, and the usina value of repaiting my own road wa about $£_{2} 10$ si mnually.
28. Was not a road made by the Trustees on purpose for Mr. Handyside to come from the Distillery to the Turnpike road, and then another immediately opposite to it, to go down to the river? Only a part of the rond from lis private bridge to the main rond, and from the main road to the river, was made by the labourers who usually worked on the road and under the usual foremin' but I do not know at whose expense.
29. Has not the wharf that was built opposite to Mr. Handyside's been destroyed in whole or in part, for the last three yenrs, by the ice?-It has been twice injured by the ice, and once by the weight of carth: in the spring of 1844, two thirds of it had to be renewed.
30. Have you not always heard that the Trustees had given up the old road to the proprictors? I always understood it so from tho Trustees.
Mr. Sean Bte, Gaudry dit Bourbonnien culled in;'and examined:-
31. Did not the Tumpike Road Trustees commit the most wanton damage on your property, by opening large ditchas through it, and did they not fill up the ditches again at the public expense, sooner than let it be scen that they paid for suchia breach of trust? Yes, they opened a large ditch on my land, and did not fill it up until I sued them before the Quanter Sessions: there was no necessity for opening the ditch, as there was in natural water-coursc on the land.
32. Were you pnid damages by the Trustees for opening the ditch, and how much ? - was prid daminges, but cannot say how much, particularly for the ditch," it was included in the amount awarded to me for the yoad.
33. How much were you offered by the Trustees in the first instance, and how much were you nctrially paid for damnges done to your property? In the first instince I was offered $£ 34$, and afterwis for the ditch, they offered $£ 15$, and after laving been sied they gave me el 60 , and paid the who oosts,
34. Was it necessary to alter the line of roado There was, in my opinion, no necessity for altering the line The old hico of rod would hate been more convenient, both for properetors wad tor the puibios as the propritfor ofter to furnith materiats or
 The tods would not fay bee mpassible in tio winter season as they dre at present
35. Was the line traced in that direction with the view of favouring the late Mr. Trustec Handyside? -I cannot say whether it was, but it has the appenr20th Marath ance of having been so.
36. In your opinion, how much did it cost to build the wharf opposite Mr. Handyside's, and to widen the road as it was done? - In my opinion, I think it must have cost between $£ 900$ and $\mathcal{E} 1000$.
37. If a necessity existed for altering the line of road, ought it not to have been moved buck fron the river's celge, there more particularly than at any other phace?-It would have been better to move back the rond nt Mr. Handyside's, than to have let it remain is it is: it would have been less expensive, as well in making as in keeping it in repair.
38. How were you treated by the Bench of Magistrates, when you applied for the verdict of a jury?-When we were called to the Court, with our arbitrators and witnesses, by summons from the Court, the Maristrate, Mr. Gugy, then sitting on the Bench as Chairman, left the Court without receiving the verdict of the jury or hearing any further testimony on the sulject, which was the canse of my paying $£ 24 \mathrm{~s}$. costs, hasides $£ 2$ more that I was called upon to pay, but have not yet puid.

## Mr. John Iludson called in ; and examined:-

39. Have you sold any timber to the Montreal Turnpike Trustees; if so, have the goodness tw state the quantity, what description, what it amounted to, whether hy public contrict or by private bargain, and to what use that timber was applied ?-Yes, I sold then a quantity of hemlock and pine last yearabout June or Suly; nbout 20,000 running feet of scantling-tamarac and hemlock. It was by private contract, but there were several temders previously received by the Trustees, and my tender was 30 s. below the others. It was used for the phank road. Another lut, to the value of about 530 , wis used entirely in the wharf.
40. Do you remember signing a petition, headed by the signature of Benjamini3rewster, to His Excellency the Goveruor Gencral, containing various complaints against the 'Turnpike'Trustees, and one among others, viz:" that the system adopted at present by the Trustees, compels the people living upon the roads to pay toll twice over, being called on, under penaltics, to commute the statute labour in cash"?-No.
41. If you do not remember having signed such petition, is that now produced your signature ?-It is.
42. As you acknowlelge that to be your signature, and os the petition contains the charge referred to, you are requested to state what you know concerning the correctness of the charge ?- $[$ know nothing of such a system, nor was that charge contained in the petition brought down for my siguture.
43. Do you believe the charge to be coirrect?No, by no means; on our rond we pay wo statute lahour:
44. As you admit that your signature was affixed to the petition in question without a knowleclge of its contents, please say if you desire it to be erased? -I do.
45. There are other signatures affixed to it, of persons living, like you, at the Cross, and liave you not reason to believe thiat they, like yourself, were ignorant of that charge in the petition, and would be willing, also, to have their unnes erased ?-I know whang, Mr. Griffiths, one of the signers, would wish his
nume crased, and I believe that the other signers in my neighbourhood are of the same opinion, on atcount of that charge contained in the petition.
46. There are certain allegations in the suid petition regarding the exaction of toll at the Lower Lachine turnpike gate; have you any knowledge whatever of the practice of exacting toll upon that road?-I have no knowledge of it. When the petition was brought to me the contents were not read: it was a shect containing an outline genernlly of what was wanted, but the allegations regarding the exactions of statute labour and the pructice of the Lower Lachine tumpike gate, I know nothing about.
47. Hnye you a knowledge that the winter before last an advertisement was put in the newspajers, signed by the Secretary of the Montreal Turnpike Road Trustees, stating that if people on the line of the turupike roads would take doyn their fences on the line of road, it would be taken in lieu of committation for statute labour? - I cannot say.

## Wednesday, 26 th Fedruary, 1845.

Mr. Jomes M. Vey called in ; and examincd:-
48. Have you been called upon to pay statute lathour on the Longue Pointe roud ?-I was called upon, in an advertisenent by the Turnpike Trustees, to pay my statute labour, or take down my fences alung the road.
49. Was there not $n$ notice put up in the carly part of Outober 1843 , describing the form of sleigh to be used which would exempt the farmers using them from paying toll?-1 altered my sleighs in conformity to that advertisement, and was put to considemble expense on that account.
50. When you cane to the gate with your sleigh so altered, in compliance with that advertisement, were you permitted to pass toll free? I I think I was permitted to pass free when my sleigh was so altered.
51. Are you not aware thut, within 14 or 15 days after the first advertiscment, an alteration was made in the regulations? - I ma aware that min alteration took place, having been obliged to alter my sleighs a second time.
52. Have the Tumpike Road Trustees destroyed property in a ligh state of cultivation, consisting of orchards, gardens or emplacements; to bring the new line of road in front of Mr. Handyside's property? They have destroyed such property; but I will not take upon myself to sny they did it with that intention, though it is my opinion they did.
53. Did they not run the line out into the river St. Lawrence, and there make a wharf about three or four arpents long, at the pullic expense, evidently to fruout Mr. Handyside :- They did so, apparently with that ricer.
54. Are your aware that that wharf has been erushcd by fine ice several times since it was made, and that it is liahle every year to be destroyed from the sume ciuse?-Yes; the first time it was damaged very slighltly.
55. Do you think the Trustees have spuandered n large sum of moncy in adopting the line in front of Mr. Handyside's house in prefererice to that in the rear?-Had the rear linchave been chosen, the expense would have been far less.
56. Do you recollect seeing Mr. Handyside accompanying the Surveyors, and pointing out the line

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most favourable to himself?-I have often seen him with them pointing out the line, but I cannot say whether he intended it for his own bencfit: he said it was for the good of the public.
57. Do you recollect seeing the line of road favourable to Mr. Handyside, having been marked out with white flags, on the day that the Chairman of the Board of Works and the Rond Trustees came to view and decide on the best of the two lines leading from Ruisscau Migeon to Longue Pointe, and that there wha no flig on thie line that was best for the public?-I camot answer the question, as I know nothing about it.
58. Do you recollect that the Trustecs took posscssion of the property of private individuals along the new line, tore down the fences, and set it out to be ploughed, many months before they acquired it, or even served the proprictors with notice that they required it for the use of the publio?-I do.
59. Did you act as arbitrator on behalf of Mr. Jean Buptiste Bourhonnier, to "assess the dnmages done to his property?-Yes' I was arbitrator for damages done by cutting a ditch from the road through liis fields.
60. Were the parties bound by my written agrec-ment?-Yes, the parties signed a bond under a penalty, to abide by the decision of the arbitrators: Mr. Somerville and 1, with Mi. Evius as umpire, proceeded to artitiate, came to a decision, and minde award, which award was left in the possession of Mr. Somerville and Mr. Evans; and when Mr. Bourbonnier wanted to get possession of it, it could not be obtained.
61. Did the Trustecs abide by the avard you made ? - They did not.
62. Was there a second award made by Mr. Somervile and Mr. Evans, without your being pre-sent?-I believe there was.
63. Did Mr. Bourbonnier abide by the second award?-No, he did not.
64. On what terms did he setile with the Trustecs? -He commenced a suit at law before the Quarter Sessions, and after the jury had been to see the damages, rad had returned ugan to Court,', thoy were too lute to procecd that night; and on the following day they were empanclled, and the chairmin, Mr. Gugy, Ieft the Court," consequently there were io further proceedings; and cventually they settled privataly with Mr Bourbonnice.
65. Did not the Trustees pay additional costs in consequence of not aliding by your award?-Yes, they puid considetably more.
66. Did you hat no nuitnator for Mr Michel Durand and his sister, and state what stepis vere taken for the adjustmeitt of Mr. Dutand's claim for damages P-Mr. Knox and I were appointed arbitratoris, under a bond of authority of 1100 or more, to abile, by our decision, if we made one, but we did not agree hpon the appointuent of a third person. Mr. Knos wrote me a note stating that he would
cone down and arbitrate relative to the site of the cone dlown and arbitrate relative to the site of the road, But he did not come.
67. Do you think Mi: Janes Somerville would give nnything ike an adequate conaponsation for danages done by the Hoad Trustees? - I think not:
68. Have you any knowledge of respectable citizens having been abited, or threatened by the

Trustees to be sent to gaol ?-In consequence of my Appendix having turned people off iny property, and prevented them from trespassing and taking stones, the late Mr. Handyside, one of the Trustees, threatened to send 2014 March some Hussars after me and my son.

## 69. How long have you lived on that line of rond? -About 15 or 16 years.

70. During that time, have you ever been preyented on the old line of road from going out upon it, in consequence of the accumulation of snow; and at the present time is it not nlmost impassnble?-From ny experience during that time, f would give the preference to the old road, and I think it was more easily kept in repair than the present one.
Mr. Benjamin Trudeau called in; and examined:-
71. Are you a proprictor at Longue Pointe? Yes.
72. Did you not join in a petition to prevent the road from being carricd by the Trustees throigh your farm ? $-\mathbf{Y c s}$.
73. What were the terms of that petition ?-We offered to allow the rond to pass close to our houses, leaving only a footpath; to keep the road in xepair, and, should the banks of the river ever give way, to repain them at our own expense: and, in another petition we offered to furnish all the stone necessary to macadanize the road twelve inches thick, and supply the stone that might be required for permanently securing the bauks fiom falling away, and to pay 200 livies por arpent frontage, towards the expense of doing this work, payable in three ycair, and we offerd to give mortgnges on our property to secure tho paymient.
74. On what terms did you settle with the Trustecs for daunage done to your property by ruining the new line of road through your farm?-They paid me $x 9$ or $£ 910$ s, and I requested to have the receipt that I'signed read to me, which they said was not nocessary, aud for this reason I do not know tvhat. I signed, as I cannot read; but they told me that they gave me up the old road in parit payment of land taken for the new-to do with it whatever I thought fit.
75. Whien the old road was used, could you not in the worst weather pass and repass on it ?-At all times: I never knew any one to be hindered.
76. Are you not often prevented from using the present rond during tho winter senson? ${ }^{-Y e s, ~ w h e n-~}$ ever the weather is bal.
Mr: Hypolite Decary called in; and cxamined:"
77. Are you not living at the Côte St. Martin, on the rom leading to Bout de llle ?--Yes
78. Did you suffer nuy injury from the oncrations of the Trustees of The Turnpike Trust?-They destroyed ny boarl foncé, eut do ifn eleven applo trees, two eherry trees, one butternut tree, an elm and an ash, and cncumbered my land with stonc, besides the inconvenience of the roud running through the farm in ren of my buildings, and the road in winter bcing always in a bad state; and I also suffered by their entering upon my property without permission, andid when I remonstrited with then, a person, 1 think one of the Surreyors suid, thiat if I tried to stop then, they would get the police and send me to giol.
79. Did they notify you thit they would purcline the land, before taking possession of it? Th They gave me notice after taking possession of the land whey it was necessary to appoint Arbitrators:

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80. Could the rond on the edge of the hank be kept in repuir ?-It could be kept up and mantained nt much less expense than the new one.
81. Do you concejve that the roud was trinced so as to to bring it in front of Mr. Mandyside's property for tho purpese of firvouring him?-1 have no doulit of it.

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82. Will you examine the petition of 3. Brewster and others, and say if it is in your hand-writing? It is.
83. Were there any signatitres on the shect when you wrote the petition?-None whatever.

## Mr. William Evars called in; and examined:-

84. Will you exumine the petition of B. Brewster and others, and more purticularly the 5 th parngraph, und inform the Committee whether you have a knowledge that while persons, living within a mile and a hali of the town on the Lowrer Lachine road, pay full toll at the turnpike gate, others living at a greater distance on the sume roud, and consequently travelling further on the roud, pay much less:-I know that my sons, who live about a mile from the gate, pay tull toll, while others living at a greater distance pay only half.
85. ILave you been called upon to pay statute habur?-Onily by an advertisenent in the newsprper, dated th November 1843, which paper I now [roduce-(The Times of 20th November, 1843.)
86. Have you altered your sleigh according to the tems of the notice jesued by the Trustecs on 19th Oetuber, 1843, in order to obtain the advantage of that wotice? -When the Ordinance was passed for the regulation of winter carriages, I had three new double sleighs made in conformity to the terms of the Ordinance; but when this notice appeared, I found that none of them were of the dimensions specified therein.
87. Have you applied for permission to commute the tolls on this road?-I applied to the Secretary of the 'Trust hins year, and he suid that it was impossible that anything of the kind could be done at that time.
88. Are you aware that the people on the Lower lachine road pay only half toll?-I am aware of that, and I nun myself compelled to pay full toll, athough under similar circunstances, besides having half a mile of rond to mantnin at my own expense, from by house to the turnpike iruad.
Mr. Hirem Gilbert, of Montreal, Butcher, called in; und examined :-
89. Did you sign the petition of B. Brewster and others?-I did; and suw it before John Hantser had signed it; it wos then written in full, as it is at present: I saw it also immediately after he had signed it.
90. Inave you applied to the Trustees to commute your tolls ? - I have applied to two of the Trustees and the Secretary, and been refused.
91. What distance on the macadamized road do you use? - - About 3 acres.
92. What is the grentest mount of toll you have
 for two years it was as much as $£ 32$.
93. When you applied to the Trustees to commute in conformity with the 12 th section of the Ordinance, Appendix
(L. L.) what reply did you receive? -They answered in a contemptuous wry, " we may if we choose, lut we goth Mardh. are not compelled by the law to do so."

## Vednesday, 5 th March, 1845.

Mr. Peter Fisher, of Longuc Pointe, ycomun, called in ; and examined:-
94. Do yon own auy property at Longue Pointe? -Yes.
95. Docs the new line of Tumpike Road run through your property? --Ics.
96. Did not the Tumpike Rond Trustees enter upon your property, tear down your fences, let your cattle stray about the country, and plough as much of your lund as they required for the use of the rond, without having previously acquired it, or even served yon with notice that they reguired it for the use of the public, notwithstanding your protest and remonstrinec ?-Yes, they did.
97. Will you state how the Trustees treated you in the spring of 1841, whon they commenced operations on the new line?-After passing Mr. Clarke's farm, they cane to mine, and at the same time tore down my fences in my absence, and let my cattle loose; the catle went into the grain crops of my neighbour, Mr. Clarke, that were reverul inches above ground, and did him great damage which it was out of my power to prevent, as I was at work on another purt of the farm. As soon as I was informed what the Trustees had done, I went to any neighbours to enguire what I should do about my cittle, whether I or the Trustees ought to gather them, and whether I could make the Prustecs pay for them if they should be lost; and I was udvised to look after them myself. I therefore went with my men and collected them and fastencl them up in my yard, to prevent them from being lost, or from doing any more damage to my neighbours; but great was my surprise when, shortly after I had secured them, Mr. Yule, the Road Trustee and Superintendent of Roads, came up with carts laden with timber to make the plank road, and forced a passage through my yard by breaking the gate liy order of the J'rustees, as I vas afterwards told. I resisted the outrage, merely by fixing my gates and kecping them closed ; and luld Mr. Yule; at the same time, I had rather the 'Letastees would pass through my incadows, than open my yard to let my cattle struy agrain. When the Trustees found that I fastened my gates and would not allow them to be forced open, being determined to trample upon all suced rights, they ordered their' Superintendent, Mr. Wm. Yule, to go and swear a grievious assault against me, which he did; and in a short time two policemen cane down from Montreal, went up where 1 was with a pair of horses, (it being seed time, seized upon me as if I were a felpn, and foreed me into the Montreal Police Office, where I was obliged to give bail for an offence I never committed, or in default loe sent to gaol. I was taken from work, and the horses left in the fich without any person near to take care of them, or to take then home, and I vas obliged to attend the Court all the term following, waiting for my trial ; but no one appeared against me, and I have henrd nothing of the matter since. Mr. Trusice FLandyside, and Mr. Ferres, Secretary to the Trustees, were looking on at the manner in which II was trented, and appeared to exult much at it. The Trustees afterwirds tore down my fences, and made a road through iny meadow, I, have not been paid for the damage done me by the operations of the Trustees ; and I'deem it my duty to state, that

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in coming to force $n$ passuge through my yard, they passed by the end of the new road, and mude the difference of cirtage several acres longer by crossing my property:
98. Did you join in a petition with many other proprictors of the parish, in offering 60 feet front of your property, and to sustain the banks of the river at their own expense,-and that the public might sustain no loss, giving an obligation on your property for thic due fulfilment of the agreement, provided the Trustees would continue the road in front a certain distance, which would not have made the new line either longer or more copoked? - Yes, I did so; but we reccived no answer to our petition, and our offer was not complied with.
99. Are not the banks in front of your property secured by having stones put down?-Yes, the bank is secured by stones, except in one small place: which might easily be made scecure also.
100. How long ago is it since these stonos were put there?-About 20 or 25 ycurs, to the best of my recollection.
101. Does not the present rond, in consequence of the accumulation of snow in the winter scason, very often become impassable? - Yes, very frequently.
102. Do the Trustees pay that attention to it which you think they ought to do?-No, I do not think they do.
103. When the road whs on the edge of the bonk, did it ever become impasisable in the winter sedson? -Yes, sometimos, in the case of a very heavy snowstorm, it became so; but it could "always be made passable after the henviest stom, by a couple of houre' work.

104 Did you ever see the corpenters, carters and labourers cmployed to work upon the road, working for weeks together at Mr. Handyside's private work? TYes, I have scen them working at a rond leading to the water, which I believe to have been his private property; and they made a wharf on the river side, whero Mr. Handyside was in the habit of unlouding schooners.

Mr. James Fenguson of Longue Pointe, Grocer, called in ; and examined:-ry;
105. Are you not the owner of a house and adrden situate near the property lately in the possession of Mr. Handyside, one of the Road Trustecs P-Yes.
106. Was not a new line of turnpike rod leading from Montreal to Bout de l'Ile, run through the centre of yout propertys with the apparent intention of favouring Mr, Handyside ? Yes.
107. Was Mr. Handyside always with the Surveyors, pointing out to them the line most fatourable to limself, did had he the line diltered severall times to suit his own interest ? Yes, he altered it to fitt límeelf.
108. When the line came opposite his proper was it not run out into the Rver Saint Lawrence several feet, and a costly wharf built there to suit his purposès? Yes.
109. Was not this wharf torn to pieces several times after it was mades and is it not likely to be destroyed by the ice eycry year?-Yes, and it runs the same danger that it did before.
110. Did you see the carpenters carters and labourere 'employed on the rodd, working at Mr.' Handyside's private work for weeks together ?-I
have seen them working at a road leading to the water; thicy filled up foir or five feet there, built a wharf and maculamized the road, and were employed some weeks.

111: Do you think the Truistecs have destroyed private property to a great' extent, and entailed a great expense on the country, by adopting the line in front of the lateMy, Handyside's property, inpreference to that suryeyed and marked out in the rear of his buildings?-I think the land destroyed by their going in front was more valuable than that which would have' been used if they "had gone in rem of lits buildings.
112. Is the present line of road opposite Mr . Ermatinger's farm, just above yours, overfowed every spring ? It is overtowed every spring, and I consider it to be owing chicfly to the neglect of the Trustees in not keeping the drains properly" opened. "One day last week I was completely inundated.

Fnuday, 7th Mardit, 1845.
Mr. David Higyins, of Montreal, Sawyer, called in ; and examined :-
113. Did you see the Montreal Turnpike Road Trustecs, or their late Sccretary, Mr. James Moir Ferres, with a number of men at night, destroying the ice road leading from the south side of the St . Lawience to Montreal, und place a large quantity of timber upon it, to prevent the public from pitissing to the city of Montreal by that route; nud was not the said road destroyed," ania the timber placed within the limits of the City of Montrenl, and beyond the juris. diction of the Trastees? Is saw the timber, which was fastened together by chains placed rear the toll gate, but cannot exactly say whether it was placed within or without: it was carted by John Skimmings, and I sawr Mr Forres about the place during that night: I afterwards assisted in putturg upa gateand fence, in a small street, on Mr. Dufiesnes property within the limits of the City of Montreal, to prevent the people from coning up the e : was taken down a few days after, but I cannot sey by whose nithority: I was set to work at the gate and fence by order of the Trustees, and was paid by then.
114. Were not the lives of the people who passed on the road abovencntioned in the most imminent danger from the perations of the Trustees in this instace, at was not horse hores killed in consequence of the same I heard that a horse was injured there, and Think it was about that time It was dangerous for people to pass whice the timber Was the e epeciall at nght; but it was notalloyed to romnin there Jong.
115. Can you state what number of corpenters and laborers the trustees enployed tht the work, What do yot think cost the public? - When I worked at it, there were about feven or cght cart penters and labores I vorked only two dayg and Irecived 2 od pe day I do not now what the
 probdbly costabout £ 10 .
Me. James Higgins, Laborer, was called in' and the evidence of Mr . David Higgins being read to him, he corroborated the same io every particular:

## Mro Joseph St Aubin, Carter, colled in; and exam-

 ined:-116. Were you employed by the Turnpike Road Trustees, as a cauter to work on the publio road ?
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20in March.
117. Who hired you, and how much per day were you paid for the time you worked?-I wus engaged by Mr. Yule, and received 5s. per day, for one week, und afterwards only 4 s .
118. Who kept the accounts of the work done on the rond; was it Mi. Yule the Superintendent?-It was Mr. Thomas.
119. During part of the time that you were in the employment of the Trustees, were you not, with many others, carpenters and laborers, employed in working at a private road for the late Mr, Trustee Handyside?-Yes, I and others were a part of the time employed on a private road of Mr. Handyside's.
120. Who puid you for the whole time you worked on the roads, as well on the private as on the public road?-Mr. Ferres.
121. At what times were you paid?-Once a fortuight.
122. Did you give any receipts when you received payment 1 -No.
123. Was there any difference made when you were paid for work donc to the public rond, or that done to Mr. Handyside's private road?-None.

Tuunsday, 13th March, 1845.
Mr. William Tate called in ; and examined:-
124. Did you sce the operations of the Montral Turapike Rond Trustces, on the Côte St. Luc rond, situate at the back of the Montreal mountain ?-I did, I was living at the time on Mr. Robertson's faim.
125. Is the St. Luc road, situate as alove stated, bounded on one side partly by a property belonging to the heirs of the late Colin Robertson, Esc!, and on the opposite side partly by a property owned at the time the said road was macadamized, by Benjamin Holmes, Bsfl. one of the Trustees?-Benjamin Holmes, Fsg. had a property on that road, just opposite Mr. Robertson's furm upou which I was living myself.
126. Was the fence of the late Colin Robertson, Est., bounding the St. Luc road, moved back on his property by the Trustecs, and was part of Mr Holmes' fence on the opposite side of the road moved out several feet upon the public road, theroby adding to his property land to which he had no right i- Mr. Robertson's fence was removed back on his farin about fifteen feet, to give the breadth required for the road; and the line in front of Mr. Holmes' property, though projecting on the road, was not removed; but that line so projecting on Mr. Holmes' property had so projected before Mr. Holmes became proprietor of the land.
127. Did the Trustecs commit any acts of darage on Mr. Robertson's property, situate as above doacribed ; and did they use any means to prevent Mr.

Robertson from getting a sufficient compensation? -The Trustecs took stone and gravel off Mr. Robertson's farm, and I understood from him that he received only $\mathcal{L 2 7}$, or thereabouts, as a compensation, which he did not consider sufficient, as he had suffered damages to a greater monount.

Mr. Joseph Jeannot dit Lachapelle called in; and cx-amined:-
128. Where you born at Longuc Pointe?-Yes, I was born and brought up there.
129. Are you proprictor of any land on the Longue Pointe road? - I am.
130. Did you sccure the banks of the river in front of your property?-I did so about twenty years ago, and the ground of the bank has not fillen away since that time.
131. Since the roud has been removed, have you been obliged to abundon your property ?-My property being too far from the new road, I wais obliged to purchase another piece of land on that road, and to build a house thercon, to enable me to continue my business as a tayern-kequer. I hayc been obliged also to leasc out a picec of ground as a road, to lead to the new road from my former property ; and by the changing of the old line, my property has much diminished in value.
132. Is the new road as good in winter as the old one was? -The new road is not so favourable as the old rond in the winter season: it is sometimes inprssable on nccount of the snow.
133. Have you applied to the Trustee for compensation ?-I have applied to Mr. Ferres, the Secretary of the Trustees, for redress, and he told me that the Trustecs had prid all damages.

Mr. Andrew Galt, of Longue Pointe, called in ; and exumined:-
134. Did you own any property on the Longue Pointe road, when the new road was made ? - I had no property at Longue Pointe when the new rond was made. I have bought the property whereon I now live since that time.
135. Have you any access to the new road, and have you applied to the Trustees to get access to it? -I have no access to the new road, and when I applied to the Trustecs to get'access to it they refused to comply with my request.

Danièl Salmom, Esquire, Advocate, called in; and examined:-
136. Were you employed by the proprietors on the Longue Pointe road, to take their interest on that rond? - have boen employed by them to draw petitions, and as a lawyer to suo the Trustes for the recovery of their rights, and to defend miny of them when prosecuted by the Trustees. I know the locality of Longue Pointe road from. Rulisena Migeon down to Bout de l'Islo.

## FIRST REPORT

Of the Special Committee to which were referred the Public Accounts, with power to report from time to time.

Tur Special Committee to whom were referred the Public Accounts laid before your Honorable House this Scssion, as well as those laid before the late Parliament in the Sessions of 1842 and 1843 , and which remaning unexamined by any Committee of the late Assembly, Your Honorable House have also thought proper to refer to Your Committec for investigation, beg leave to make this their Finst Report.

Your Committee commenced the duty entrusted to them, by first examining in detail those items in the accounts laid before the late Assembly in the Sessions of 1842 and 1843 , and the present Session, expressing the sums advanced for the Public Service during the ycars 1841, 1842 and 1843, without the nuthority of Parliament, and on the responsibility of the Exccutive Govermment, and "for which an appropriation is required." It is accordingly to this branch of their enquiry that the present Report is
confined.

Your Committee called upon the Deputy Inspector General, Mr. Cary, to produce the different accounts, papers, and vouchers relating to the sums so expended, and they were accordingly laid before the Committec, and explained by that Officer satisfactorily to the Committee, who found no cause to question their
accuracy.
After examining the Deputy Inspector General, Your Committee decmed it thio duty to require the attendance of the Chairman of the Board of Works, the Hon. H. H. Killaly, with the view of obtaining from him such information as he could afford relative to the outhy of the several sums specified in the items to be found in Statement, letter G. of the Public Accounts to be found in the Appendix to the Journal of your Honorable House for 1843, headed: "Statement of the amount expended by the Board "of Works in the Province of Canada, without the "authority of Parlianent, and for which an appropria"tion is required," and the nutlority under which this expenditure, making a total of $£ 14,94317 \mathrm{~s} .3 \mathrm{~d}$, currency, was incurted, and the necessity for it.
The statements of Mr. Killaly to your Committe, who append to their present Report his explamations as to the several purposes to which the above outlay, incurred in 1841 nnd 1842, was made by his Department, is exhibited in the accounts under revision, are
also satisfactory: He states, in substance, thate the sums advanced ivere indispensably necessary, and that they were solely for the purposes mentioned in the Public Accounts; that they were anade at the periors therein specified, by the advice and on the responsitime being, in this Province, of whom he was one, giving it as his convictionce, of whom he was one, ment assumed the responsibility of making the adyances in question, at the time it did so, for the several purposes specified, the public interests might have suffcred soriously, and that much heavier expenses probably would have been incurred in the long ran, by a delay; and your Committee have found no cause to doubt the justness of his state-
ments.
Your Committee therefore recommend, as the result so far of their enquiry, the introduction and passing of a Bill of Appropintion, including the
whole of this class of expenditure to be found in the Public Accounts laid before the late Assembly in the Sossions of 1842 and 1843, and in the present Session, amounting in all to $£ 43,20716 \mathrm{~s}$. 5 d . currency, which, on the responsibility of Her Majesty's Advisers in this Province at the period to which they refer, was ndvanced from the Trensury towards the Public Service, as accounted for in the accounts under re vision, and explained by the Public Officers who have been callecl upon for the purpose, and of indemnity of all concerned in the advising and advancing of the sums alluded to, and authorizing the said anount to be charged against the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Province.

Your Committce append, in case it shall be necessary hereafter to refer thereunto, a Schedule specifying the items or sums constituting the total above mentioncd, (Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4,) as taken from the accounts before $y$ our Committee, and on the $\mathbf{J o u r n a l}^{2}$ of the House, and for which total they recommend a Bill of Appropriation and Indemnity ; and would respectfilly recommend that, in like manner, to prevent all misunderstanding as to the items or sums hereby intended to be included, the same Schedule be appended to any Bill that may be introduced and passed on the subject.
Your Committee have further to remark, before concluding this Report, that deeming it their duty to call for the vouchers or copies of the Order or Orders in Council, pursuant to which they presumed the several advances for the repairs to the different Public Works, and other purposes mentioned in the accounts, were made, they were surprised to learn from the Clerk of the Executive Council, who appeared before them, that-excepting a letter from the Won. H. H. Killaly, Chairman of the Board of Works, dated 13th October, 1841, and a memorandum endorsed upon it by Sir R. D. Jackson, then administering the Government, (copies of which he produced, and are hereunto annexed, No. 5, ) and by which letter he requested a sum of $£ 4000$ to be placed at the disposal of the Board for the purpose of ro-building the bridge at Gannoque, on the main post road between Montreal and Kingston, and for repairing and securing the bridge over the Grand River at Paris on a main line of communication, to save it from total destruction, and further, for the bridging and repairing of a portion of the Mail Road between Chathan and Sandwich, - there were no writings, orders, nor minutes of any kind relating to any of the expenditures in question to be found of record in lis oxpenexplanatory of the motives or reasons for those advances from the Treasury of the Province. Your Committec are of opinion, that in all cases where the Government for thi time being shall hereafter feel themselves compdled to resume theresponsibility, (and such cases may occur,) of making, before a vote of the Assembly can be obtained for the purpose, any MVances from the Treasury towards the Public Selvice, whether for indiapensable repairs to Public Works, such as those alluded to, or for any other just or nccessary purpose, the reasons inducing the assumption of such responisibility ought to be distinctly and filly recorded in the Books or Registers of the Executive Council Offlce, together with every explanation necessaly to a full and right understanding of the subject, whenever the same shall become mat
ter of encuiry before either branch of the Legislaturo, in order that they may be conabled fully to judge of the propricty of the advances, and the expediency of giving to them the sanction of a leggialative enactment.
Your Committec have also to notice a discovery male in the courso of their enguirics, of a serious muission in the printed copy of the Journals of your Honorable House for the Sessiom of 1843, of the vote passed on the 4th day of Deceniber of that year, for $£ 57,08014$ s. 11d. towards the curront services thereof,-an omission which has not becn satisfuctorily accounted for to your Committee, and into which, therefore, they recommend that an enquiry be made.
Tho whole nevertheless humbly submitted.
ROBERT CHRISTIE,
Chairman.
6th Murch, 1845.

## MINUTES OF EVIDENCE.

## Rongat Cnmetra, Esquire, in the Chair.

 Monday, 20t/2 January, 1845.Joseph Cary, Esquire, Deputy Inspector Gencral of 1'ublic Accounts, culled in; and examined:-

1. What is the amount of the excess paid for printing over the umount voted by the Legisslature in $1842 ?-£ 583$ 0s. 5 d.
2. There are three itoms in the accounts of 1842, for emigration in 1841. viz.: to Mr. Buchanan at Qucbeo, £263 6s. 2d; Mr. Hawke at Kingeton, for bulance of lis contingent account, $\mathrm{Ell}_{1702} 15 \mathrm{si}$ 8d, and Jannes Allison at Montreal, for ditto, $\boldsymbol{x 1 8 0} 4 \mathrm{~s}$. $2 d$, making a total of $£ 2,1366 \mathrm{~s} .0 \mathrm{~d}$. How comes it that this is charged upon the general funds of the Country, and not upon the Emigration fund ? - It mises from a want of funds that years, owing, I bolicve, to the expiration of the Emigrant tax. There were funds for the purpose, but not sufficient, and this anount is the excess.

## Wednesiay, $22 n d$ January, 1845.

Ilumituon H. Killaly, Esquire, President of the Board of Works, culled in ; nnd examined:-
3. The Committee wish to know by what nuthority the several iteme mentioned in No. 21 of tho Public Accounls of 1844, as expended by the Boart of Works, were incurred? - With respect to the Chambly Canal, the Commissioners for that work having reported to the Govemor that the funds at their dispowal were expended, and that they congidereli a further sum of $£ 10,000$ or $£ 12,000$ would be necessary to finish the work, and were of opinion that if it were not conipleted before the winter set in, the River Richelion would overflow and destroy the works already done, I was sent for to the Council, and my opinion on the subjoct asked, when I fully concurred in the Comniissioners' statement, and recommended that a sum should be provided for the completion of the Canal; it was accordingly so ordered in Council immedintely, and the Board of Works aoted upon that order: The course pointed out by the Council being, that the returns and pay lists should be submitted to the Board of Works, and on being audited by them, the amounts should be paid.

The Chaudière Bridge having been represiented by the Commisaioner to be ina dangerous state, requiring


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a very considerallo exponditure for repaixs, which ho Appondix rocommended should be exceuted under the Bomrd of (M. M.) Works, inquinies were made by' the Council as to what receipte from the Bridgo were applicable to 6 Narch. those repairs; the Inspector Genomal reported nbout £450, and tho repuirs wero necordingly ordered.


Tho Buyone Bridge boing swopt awny by the rising of the waters of the River St. Lawrence, and those of the Bayome, it was nocessary to rebuild it, so as to restore the communiention between Quobec and Montrent, interrupted by the desiruction of this bridge; this expenditure was consequently incarred on the responsibility of tho Government, and I presume a Minutc in Council on the subject is on record.
The original grant for the Ste, Anne Rupias was merely a grant to commence the work, by an Ordinnnce of the Special Council, in Sir John Colborne's time: the sum so approprinted was found insufficient, and this sum was upplied to its completion, by order of the Governor in Council. I Buppose there must he somo memornandun of the matiter in the Executive Council Office.
The sum expended on the Toronto and Saugin Rooal whs hid out in procuring a survey, in compliance with an Address of the House in 1842.
The expenditure on the Tecumsek Road was in consequence of a reprosentation froin the Deputy Post Master Gencral, stating that the loand between Chathun and Sandwich was impassable for tho Mnil. The sum was oliginally to be exponded under three Commissioners, but was aubserquently placed under the Boarl of Works. 1 cannot state by what muthority the original grunt was made.

The case of the Paris Bridge is exaotly vimilar to that of the Chaudiere Bridgo; the Commissionors originndy uppointed had ceased to aet, and on the upplication of one of thom to the Government, desseribing tho very dangervus state of the byidge, the Board of Works was directed to have tho repairs offected.

As to the River de Msle Birilye, an application wa male to the Govemor ant Special Council by the inhabittante of the neighbotrrood, recquesting an aid to build this bridge, as it was on the high road between Upper and Lower Chnaila; they were informed that an aid of one half the expense would be given, and the surn' ontered in the 'Pliblle Accounts is the hulf allowed, and which wers, granted on the condition that the work should be dorie under the direction of the Board of Works: the inhabitants contributed their half.
With respect to Jight Houses, there is every year some expenditure not estimated for, which the inture of the work renders unavoidable. These items of expenditure were nude on the responsibility of the Government, and had it not assumed that responsibility the works must have gone to ruia.
The sum put down to the Cap Rouge Bridge I imagine to be an excesa over the original grant intonded to complete the work.

## Mowday, 27th January, 1845.

Etienne Paient, Esquire, Clerk to the Executive Council, appeared before the Committee, anill stated that he was uathorized by the Council to produce to the Committce all papers and dociatridnts hirvifts reference to the itbems of expenditire ly the Board'sf Works as mentioned in's the Publio Arecountare for 1843, letter $G$; he acoordingly laid before thetw letter and a Minute of Counoil theregn, which he stated to be the only docurnent on crecor relating to the said expendituro; acotsfied copy of which letter and Minitu is appendedu(App, No. 6.)

## Appendix <br> (M. M.)

No, L, "cs STATEMENT of Wayrants issued on tho Receiver General of the Province of Canada, in "Payment of cortain indisponsable Expenses of the Civil Government for the years 1840 and 1841, "for which an Appropriation is required."-Taken from the Publio Acoounte, (Journals of Assembly, Appendix K,) for the year 1842.


No. 2.-" S'RATEMENT of Warmnts issued on the Rocaiver Genemal of the Province of Canedan on "acount of the undermentioned Services, during the year 1842, for which an Appropriation is "requirell"-Vide Publio Accounts for 1842, in Journal for 1843.-Appendix A, letter Di

No. 3.-"STATEMENT of Amount expended by the Buard of Works in the Province of Canada, Accounts of 1842 , had before the Legislative Assembly in 1843 .-Appendix A, letter G.


No. 4.-"STATEMENT of Amount expended by the Bumd of Works in the Province of Cunuda, " between the 1st Janury, 1843, and thic 31st Jmuary, 1844, without the authority of Parliument, "and for which an appropriation is required."-See Public Accounts of 1843, laid before the Legishative Assembly in the present Sessiun.-Appendix A, No. 21.


No. 5.-Letter from the President of the Board of Works to Mr. Secretary Marrison.
(Cory.)

> Office or Boamd or Wonks, 13th October, $18+1$.

Sir,
I have to request that you will draw the attention of His Excellency, the Administrator of the Government, to the necessity of pheing at the disposal of this Board a sum of money for the purposes of rebuilding the bridye at Gananoque on the main Post road with Montreal; it is extremely desirable that this shoukd be done at once: also, for the repairing and securing the bridge over the Grand Rirer at Paris, which is also on a main line of communication,- the expenditure of a few hundred pounds on this bridge will save it from total destruction, it being in a very dangerous state. Another work intended to be accomplished is the bridging and repairing of a portion of the road between Chatham and Sandwich, by which the Mail is now and will be carried for two seasons at least.

It is likewise proposed to have the necessary preliminary surveys and location made of the several Works alrcady approved of by the Legislature; the season is now very suitable for such operations, and by their being immediately undertaken, a full year will be saved-a matter of vital importance. In the whole of the foregoing, the sum of $£ 4000$ will be
ample, and I consider there will be no difficulty whatever in obtaining it from any of the Banks. Upon the loans for these end scveral other Works being negotiated, the expenditure now proposed can bo charged against each appropriation respectively.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your very obedient serviut, (Signed,) II. II. KILLALiA.

## S. B. Harrison, Esquire,

Secretary West.
Secretary's Office,
13th October, 1841.
Referved to the Honoumble the Executive Council for their consideration.
(Signed.) S. B. HARRISON.
In Council, 13th October, 1841.
Ordered, That the Receiver Generul be instructed to negotiate a temporray loan with one of the Banks for the sum of $£ 4000$, and that the same be placed at the disposal of the Board of Works, for the purposes mentioned in the letter of the President.

(Signed,)<br>R. D. JACKSON.<br>Certificd, E. PARENT.

# COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS. 


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The Special Committee appointed to examine the Public Accounts, laid before the House during the several Sessions of the last Parliament, and the present Session, beg leave to make their Third Report, as follows:


Your Comaittec, since their First and Second lieports, have examined the Accomets of the application of the Supplies roted during tho several Sossions of the Legislature, in the years 1841, 1842, and 1843, by the late Assembly, towards defraying certain indisponsable expenses of the Civil Goverument for those years, as well as the expenditure for 1844, in so far as the Account for this last year has been laid before Your Honourable House, -and hare now the honour to submit this, their Third Report--sccond as respects the Public Accounts referred to them.

The Accounts with which Your Committeo lave now to deal, relate partly to payments mado undcr certnin Acts of the 1st and 2d Session (1841 and 1842) of the last Parliament, appropriatingmoneys towards defraying the indispensablo expenses of the Givii Government for those jears, and partly to payments under votes of the last Session (1843) of tho Assembly, for the like purposo, but which, oring to circumstanecs, were not cmbodied in the shape of a Legislative enactment, by the late Parliament.

Amnunt apprapriated by Act 48
5 Vict, cap. 50, and to be ac-
counted for, $x+9,853 \quad 3 \quad 8 \mathrm{cy}$. Expended and
accountedfor, 45,106 $19 \quad 3$
Less than the
approprintion, $4,805 \quad 4,8 \mathrm{cy}$.
The necessary expenses of tho Civil Government for the year 1841, unprovided for by law, were voted by the Asscumbly in the Session of that year, and an Act (4th and 5th Viet.
cap. 50 ,) pursuant to the vote, was passed, appropriating for the various purposes onumerated in it, $£ 49,853$ 3s. 8 cl . currency, to bo accounted for in detail, "during the first fifteen days of the Session of the Provincial Parliament next after the exponditure," It would appear to Your Committce that of this sum, $£ 45,19619 \mathrm{~s}$. 3 d . currency has been expended, being $£ 4,656$ 4s. 5 d. currency less than the amount appropriated by tho Act.

The supply voted in 1842, "for the purpose of "defraying the necossnry and indispensable exponses "of the Civil Government of the Province for the "year 1842, and not otherwise provided for," was E83,303 6s. 8d. currency, and an Act (6th Fiot. chap. 9) was accordingly passod, placing that sum at the disposition of the Exceutive Government for the service of the year, and enacting that "an account in "detail of the soveral sums paid and applied under " the nuthority of this Act, shall be laid before both "Houses of the Provincial Legislature, within fifteen "days after the opening of the Session next aftor the " expendituro of such sums respectively."

The same Act also placed at the disposition of tho Executive a further sum of $£ 29,777$ 15s. 6d. curroncy," for the purpose of defraying the necessary "and indispensable expenses of the Civil Govern"mont, from Dhe lst January, 1843, to tho 31st "March of the same year," liable also to be accounted for as above provided.

Your Committeo have cxamined the appliation of those moneys, as exhibitod in the Accounts laid before Your Honourable Mouse, and find the actual outlay of the appropriation for the year 1842 to have been $£ 76,8 \pm 716 \mathrm{~s}$. 9 d , currency, boing $£ 6,4559 \mathrm{~s}$. Amourt appropriated by Aet $G$ 11d. currency less than the Vict. chap, $9_{3}$ and to be ac- sum appropriated for the counted fur, Es3,303 68 year by the Act alluded to.
accounted for, 76,847: $16 \quad 3$
Less than the
appropriation,
This sum of $£ 76,847$ 16s. 9 d is made up of the items detailed in the three accounts which are hereunto appendod, (soverally numbered 1,2 and 3 ,) to the end that they may be referred to in case of need hereafter. The first of the said Accounts is to be found in the Appendix to the Journals of 1843 , of Four Ilonoumble Ilouse, headed, "B. 9 . Statoment "of payments on accoint of the expenditure of the "Ciril Government of the Province of Canada for "the year 1842, provided for by the Act 6 Victoria, "chapter 9." It oxhibits in detail the expenditure $570,2554 \mathrm{G}$ of $£ 70,257 \mathrm{4s}$. 6 d . of the sum ap$\begin{array}{rlll}4,644 & 18 & 1 & \text { propriated by tho Act (App. No. 1.) }\end{array}$ 1,945142 The socond exlibits, in detail, the ex$\overline{£ 76,8+7} 169$ penditure of the further sum of $£ 4,644$ $\xlongequal{26,8+7} 169$ 18s. 1d. currency of the aforesaid appropriation, and is to be fomd among the Accounts in the Appendix to the Journals of the present Session (1844-5), headed "No. 18. Statement of Warrants "issued on account of the expenditure of the Civil "Government of the Province of Canadn, from 1st " January, 1843, to 31st January, 1844, for servicos " of the year 1842, prowided for by Act 6th Victoria, "chapter $9 . "$ (App. No. 2) ; and the third, accounting for $£ 1,945$ 14s. 2d. currency, is to bo found in the Appondix to the same Journal (1844-5) anong the accounts laid bcfore the House on 26 th February last, headed, "No. 16. Statement. of Warrants issued on "the Recaiver General of the Province of Canada, " on account of the expenditure of the Civil Govern" ment, for services for the year 1842, paid between "tho 1st February: 1844, and 31st January, 1845, "provided by Act Oth Victoria, chapter 9." (App. No. 3.)

In the Session of 1843 , the supply, of $£ 57,680$ 14s. 11d. inaddition to the $£ 27,77715$ s, 6 d. voted, as already noticed, at the previous Session, for the
$\begin{array}{llll}557,680 & 14 & 11 \\ 275\end{array}$
27,777 156
285,458 $10 \quad 5$ the 31st March, 1843, was placed by vote at the disposition of the Executive, to enable it to meet the whole of the necessary expenses of the Givil Government for that year.

This vote (omitted -in the printed copy of the Journals, as mentioned in the first report of Your Committee) stands recorded in the manuscript Journals of the IIouse, and took place on the 4thDecember, 1845, and is as follows:-" Resolved, that in order to en"able IIer Majesty to meet the nocessnry and in-

Appendix:
"dispensable expeuses of the Government of the "Province for the year 1843, not otherwise pro" vided for, there be granted to Her Majesty, out " of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Pro" vince not otherwise appropriated. a sum not ex" ceeding $£ 57,68014 \mathrm{~s}$. 11 d . currency, to be ac"counted for in detail at the opening of the ensuing "Session of the Legislature."

In addition to this rote of supply, it was also, at the same time, pursuant to a Message from Ilis Excellency, the Governor General, of the first day of the same month of December, "Resolved, that a " sum not excceding $£ 1,40717 \mathrm{~s}$. 9 d . sterling, be " granted Her Majesty, to defray certain items of " expenses of the Civil Government of this Pro"rince for the year 1843, as recommended in the " Message of Ilis Excellency, the Governor Gen"eral, of the 1st instant." A copy of the Message containing the items referred to, making in currency $£ 1,564$ 6s. 4 d ., is appended to this Report. (App. No. 4.)

The total so roted for this ycar (1843). and to be accounted for, consequently, was $£ 87,02216 \mathrm{~s} .9 \mathrm{~d}$. currency, including the $£ 27,77715 \mathrm{~s}$. 6d. granted by the above mentioner Act of appropriation. It is also to be observed, that a vote on the same day (4th December, 1843) was passed, placing in like manner at the disposal of the Executive £21,364 12s. 7d. currency, to defray the necessary expenses of the Government not otherwise provided for, from the 1st January to 31 st March, 1844, and to be accounted for in detail.

The amount expended under the votes for $18 \pm 3$, is first $£ 47,23417 \mathrm{~s}$. 9 d . sterling-(in curroncy, $£ 52,4834 \mathrm{~s}$. 2d.)-as appears in detail in the account to be found in the Appendix to the Journals for the present Session, (a copy whereof is hercunto appended, App. No. 5,) headed "No. 19. Statement of "Warrants issued on account of the expenditure of "the Civil Government of the Province of Canada " for the year 1843, paid between 1st January, 1843, " and 31st January, 1844-out of a yote of the Lc"gislative Assembly of last Session." In this account there is an itcm of $£ 1192 \mathrm{~s}$. 10d. curroncy over and above the aforesaid sum, said to be for a survey of a projocted canal, intonded to have been called the "Missisquoi Canal." This was included in the Estimate for the year 1843, as part of the expenses incurred in 1841 and 1842, for services " unprovided for." Your Committee, on referring to the Deputy Inspector General, Mr. Cary, being satisfied that the exponditure has boen duly incurred, include it as a charge proper to be covered lyy an Act of appropriation for the other moneys comprehonded in this Account, as admitted by your Committec. With respect to the items (of $£ 1,31217 \mathrm{~s}$. $1 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$, anl $£ 3,895$ 8s. $8 \frac{1}{2}$ d. currency, ) in the said account relating to Schodule A of the Civil List for 1841 and 1842, your Committee not yet having entered upon the examination of the Accounts explaining the application of the moncys appropriated annually by the Union Act, for the Civil List, during the last four years, are not for the present prepared to Report upon them.

A further account in detail, of payments for 1843, amounting to $£ 26,043$ 14s. 5 d . currency, has been laid, this Session, before Your Honourable House, and is, in like manner, to be found in the Appendix to its Journals, headed, " No. 17, Statement of War" rants issued on the Receiver General of the Province " of Canada, between the 1st February, 1844, and the "31st January, 1845, on account of the expenditure " of the CivilGovernment of Canada for the year 1843 "-out of the vote of the Legislative Assembly of that "Session," and is appended hcreunto, (App. No. 6.)

ع52,433 42 This and tho former sum, making to26,043145 gether a total of $£ 78,52618 \mathrm{~s}$. 7 d .
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17th March. fis, 826 i8 ? currency, constitute, in so far as the the amount chargeable upon the votes for 1843, and are short of the sum voted, by $£ 8,49518 \mathrm{~s}$. 2d, currency.

The sums expended on account of the Civil Government for the year 1844, and for which a vote additional will he necessary, is $£ 52,2644 \mathrm{~s}$, 8d. currency, $£ 21,364$ 12s. 7 d . of which is provided for by the vote of the 4th December, 1843, above referred to. The details of this expenditure are also to be found in the Appendix to the Journals of the present Session, among the Accounts of 1844, headed," No. " 18-Statements of Warrants issucd on the Re" ceiver Gencral of the Province of Canada, between " the 1st February, 1844, and 31st January, 1845, " on account of the expenditure of the Civil Go" vernment for the ycar ended the 31st December, " 1844 , and for which a provision is required."(App. No. 7.)

In this last account there are several items of a description, not, as your Committee apprchend, contemplated in the vote of Supply at the last Session of the late Parliament, which was confined to those sums nocessary to defray the ordinary expenses of the first quarter of 1844 . The expenses alluded to, aro those incidental to the removal of the Seat of Government, and which, at this advanced period of tho Scssion, there is not sufficient time to investigate with the attention that ought to be bestowed upon them.
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Your Committee recommend a minute investigation of them at the next Session: they relate to repairs made to the St. Ann's Market, or building used as the l’arliament House, $£ 3,322$ 12s. 2d.; Repairs, \&c., to Monklands, the Governor-General's resilfence, $£^{£ 5,8605 \mathrm{~s} \text {. 2d.; Repairs and alterations to the old }}$ Government House, Montreal, used as Public Offices, $£ 1,6393 \mathrm{~s} .4 \mathrm{~d}$. ; and transport of Government Officos and effects from Kingston to Montral, £3,147 5 s . 10 d ., making a sum of $£ 14,746$ 6s. 6 d ., which, until examined, ought not, your Committee submit, to be included in any vote of appropriation.

Reserving, therefore, these charges for future examination. and deducting their amount from the account alluded to, the sum of $£ 37,517$ 18s. appears, by the accounts laid before Your Honourable House, to have been actually expended, towards defraying tho (usual and ordinary) necessary services of the year' 1844, and which boing nearly in accordance with the votes for the previous years, ought, in the opinion of your Committce, to be admitted. Against this sum, however, the vote of 4th December, 1843, for $£ 21,36412 \mathrm{~s} .7 \mathrm{~d}$. is to be placed, leaving $£ 16,153$ 5 s . 5 d ., to be provided for by an additional vote, besides the amount that it may be still necessary to vote for defraying the rosidue of the indispensable expenses for 1844.

From the above, the necessity of covering, by an Act of appropriation, the moneys expended under the votes of the House during the Session of 1843, will be apparent to Your IIonourable House. They amount, according to the foregoing Statement, to an aggregate of $£ 86,76210 \mathrm{~s}$. 4d. currency, and for which your Committee accordingly recommend the passing of a Bill of appropriation. Your Committeo annex a tabular statement of the Supplics voted for the years 1841, 1842, 1843, and 1844, exhibiting at one view the expenditure under the votes for cach yoar, and the amount saved or short of the votes.(App. No. 8). The balances of course remain in the

Appendix Treasury, and are available at the vote of the Legis(MM.) lature, to the public purposes of the Province, as part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund thercof.
17th Mareh.
Your Committee, in conclusion, have to draw the attention of Your Honourable House to some charges in the Public Accounts, worthy of remark. The Department of the Adjutant General of Militia for Lower Canada, is an annual charge upon the Province, for several years past, of $£ 750$, and for which it docs not appear to your Committee that any adequate service in return is performed. Your Committee callod upon the Adjutant General for an explanation of the duties of his office, and his answers to the questions put to him on the subject, are annexed to this Report. There are in Lower Canadn no Militia laws in activity, nor indecd, it any such be in existence, are they enforced. The head of this Department, nevertholoss, receives, and for several years has received, $£ 500$ a ycar. There are two Clerks in his office; one recciving $£ 137$, the other £01 a ycar,-at a per diem allowance to the former of 7s. 6d., and to the latter of 5 s ., besides a Messenger at $£ 20$ per annum,-an expenditure of the public moneys which, in the opinion of your Committec, calls for immediate reform. The duty imposed by a law of the late Province of Lower Canala, on the Adjutant General, of prying out among certain Militiamen, pensioned in consequence of wounds received in service during the war with the United States, a sum, in small pensions, amounting at prosent in all to $£ 390$ annually, your Committee recommend to be transferred to the Receiver Gencral : and as a revisal of the Militia Laws has been alluded to in the Speech from the Throne at the opening of the present Session, $y$ ir Committee being of opinion that one Adjutant Gencral's Department, and under one head, ought to suffice for the whole Province, also recommend accordingly, that when the subject is taken up it may be enacted that the whole Militia of Canada shall be under the superintendence of but one such Department, and that there be but one Adjutant General of Militia for the whole Province.

Your Committec have also to observe, that the salary and allowance to the Master of the Grammar School at Montreal, of $£ 282$ 4s. $2 d$. currency, secms to them an over compensation for the sorvices rendered; but as the incumbent is aged, and has been long in possession of this income, they are unwilling, in considcration of his long tonure of it, and services, that he should undergo a reduction, but recommend that the salary and allowance to his successor should be graduated on a seale corresponding with, and in proportion to, the allowances that are given to other Scholastic establishments.

There is, in the accounts of last year (1844) a new charge, for twelve months salary to a Commissioner of Customs, at the rate of $£ 50$ sterling por month, and allowance of travelling expenses, stationery, postage, \&c. to the 31st December, 1844, £768 18s. 8d. This is a new office, the propriety of the establishing whoreof not being referred to Your Committee, nor properly within the scope of their inquiry, they have not deemed it their duty to inquire into, and they therefore confinc themselves simply to the observation of its existence, leaving it to Your Honourable House to deal with the mattor in such manner as it shall deem fit: but Your Committee foel it to be their duty strongly to protest against the creation of now nffices of emolument, and the expenditure of the public revenue by the Executive, without the previous vote or recommendation of Parliament.

All which is respectfully submitted.
ROBERT CHRISTIE,
17th March.
Chairman.

## MINUTES OF EVIDENCE.

## Committee Room,

5th March, 1845.
17th March.

Josepir Cany, Esquire, Deputy Inspector General, called in; and examined:
41. The Committee perceive in the accounts for 1843, sent down this Session, a charge of $£ 450$, sterling, to the Adjutant General of Militia for Lower Canada, besides $£ 123$ for a first Clerk, $£ 82$ for a second Clerk, in the office, and $£ 18$ for a messenger. Can you inform the Committee what are the duties performed for these salaries and allowances?The duties of that Officer, that come within my knowledge, are, the payment of the Militia pensions of Lower Canada, asrequired by law, each six months, and rendering accounts of the same, and reporting on the claims of persons, applying to be placed on the Ponsion List.
42. What is the amount of those pensions?-The amount paid in 1844 was $£ 390$, currency.
43. Are there no other duties?-None, that I am aware of; he has to render his account of the pensions paid, and to report on applications relative to pensions. He may have other duties to do, that I am not informed of.
44. Are there any Militia Laws in force in Lower Canada?-I really cannot say.
45. There is in the same account, an item of $£ 3,950$ Sterling, for expenses of the Provincial Penitentiary for 1843 -bave you the vouchers for this expense? No, they don't come to the Inspector General's Office; these disbursements are by law accounted for in dctail to the Legislature through the Governor ; theaccounts and vouchers are sent by the President and Board of Directors of the Penitentiary, to the Provincial Secretary, by whom, or by the President, they are laid before the Assembly.
46. They are not at all then sent to, nor audited at your Office? -No.
47. Would it not be better that they should in the first instance be audited there, before transmission to the Assembly? -I think so.
48. Have you the accounts and vouchers for $£ 675$ towards the temporary Lunatic Asylum at Montreal? -Yes thcy are here. (Witness produced the voucher's in question.)
49. Have you the accounts and vouchers for the $£ 2,250$ charged the Lunatic Asylum at Toronto ? The Law provides a Board within the Institution itself, for auditing its accounts quarterly, and which are by the same law annually to be furnished to tho Legislature;-This Law is the same Act that provides for the Asylum and for the means of erection, which means are accumulating, and, I believe, now constitute about $\mathcal{L} 12,000$. The sum here alluded to, is not from that fund, but a temporary aid from the Provincial Treasury, which ought to be accounted for in detail to it, but which has not been tho case.
50. The Committee observe in the Accounts of 1844, a charge of $£ 76818$ s. 8 d . for twelye months salary to J. W. Dunscomb, Esq., as Commissioner of Customs at $£ 50$ sterling per month, and allowances for travelling expenses, stationery, postage, \&c. ; by what authority is this paid him?-There is no authority by law, but the necessity for an appointment
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Appendix of the kind, arising from the extensive smuggling along the Lower Canada frontict, induced the Gorernment to make the appointment temporarily, particularly for the enforcement of the Act of the last Session providing for the protection of the Agricultaral interests. The same allowance is given liin, i believe, as was allowed to Mr. Cameron, for a service something similar to it in Upper Canadi.
51. There is an item in the Accounts of 1843 , of $£ 230$, to Mr . Spragge, as Master of the Central School at Toronto;-is that establishment $y$ et in existence? -No ; it ceased on 30th June last.

Saturlay, 15th March, 1845.
Colonel Gugy, called in; and cxamined:
52. Are you the Adjutant Gencral of Militia in Lower Canada? - I am.
53. Is there any Militia Law in force or activity for regulating the Militia in Lower Canada, or for regulating the Department of the Adjutant General of Militia? - All the Acts of the Provincial larliament of Lower Canarla, as well as the three Ordinances of the Special Comencil for regulating the Militia, having expired, (the latter on the 1st May, 1843;)
there is no Militia Law "in force or activity" unless the Ordinance 27 Georgo 3, chap. 2nd, and the Ordiumee 20, George 3, chap. 4th, be considered "in force."-It is a question which has been much dis- 17 l Mareh. cussed, which has divided tho Province, and which, I respectfully submit, it cannot be my province to dotermine.
54. By what law or authority docs the Department exist? ?-It is my duty to obey more than to enquire, and I have not enquired; but I believe that the Department exists in virtue of the Royal Authoritythe Sovercign being the Commander of the Militia, as woll as of the regular Army.
55. What are the particular duties of your Office as Adjutant General; state them fully ?-The Adjutant Genoral is the medium through which the Govcrnor for the time boing, promulgates his orders to the Militia, and through which the latter communicate with the Governor. It is his duty to class and enrol the Militia, and to keep records thereof ; to regulate the changes and promotions; to mustor, arm and equip the same; to superintend and enforce the exetion of all orders; to provide for the training and drafting of the forces, or of part thercof as the case may be; to receive and pry the pensions and allowances, granted by Legislative authority.
(No. 1.)
B. 9 .

STATEMENT of Payments on Account of the Expenditure of the Civil Government of the Province of Canada, for the year 1842, provided for by Act 6 Victoria, Cap. 9.


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STATEMENT of Payments on Account of the Expenditure, \&c.- Continued.


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STATEMENT of Payments on Account of the Expenditure, \&c.-Continued.


Inspector General's Office, Kingston, 1843.

## (No. 2.) <br> No. 18.

STATEMENT of Warrants issued on Account of the Expenditure of the Civil Government of the Province of Canada, from the 1st January, 1843, to the 31st January, 1844, for Services of the year 1842, provided for by Act 6th Vict. cap. 9.

| To whom paid. | SERVICE. | Amount. | 'lotal <br> Sterling. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alexr. Buchanan, Commissiouer, Jas. Porteous, Post Master, Montreal, <br> J. L. Turcotte, : | Seigniorial Tenure Comnission. <br> On Account of the Contingent Expenses of the Commission, <br> Account of the Postage against the old Commissioners, Balance of remuneration as Secretary to Commissioners, . <br> Unforeseen Expenses. |  | $\pm$ s.d. |
|  |  | 15550 |  |
|  |  | $\begin{array}{rrr} 27 & 11 & 2 \\ 75 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Comanissary General Filder, | Cost of conveying Troops from Kingston to Belleville and returning, <br> For his Services as Law Clerk to the Government in 1842, <br> -For Assessing the T'ownships of Sydney, Rawdon and Madoc, | 6588 |  |
| G. W. Wicksteed, P. J. Roblin, |  | $\begin{array}{rrrr}90 & 0 & 0 \\ 49 & 10 & 0\end{array}$ |  |
| William Lunn, Treasurer, | Towards the support of the Tenporary Lunatic Asylum at Montreal, being balance of aid for 1842 , | $200 \quad 0 \quad 0$ | 20418 |
| W. B. Jarvis, | Do do Toronto for do | $9718 \quad 4$ | 297184 |
|  | Carried forward, | ... $\quad . . .1$ | $76013 \quad 2$ |

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No. 18.
STATEMENT of Warrants issued on Account of the Expenditure, \&c.--Continued.


## JOS. CARY, <br> Deputy Inspector General.

## Inspeotor General's Office, Montreal, 1844.

STATEMENT of Warrants issued on the Receiver General of the Province of Canada, on Account of the Expenditure of the Civil Government for Services of the year 1842, paid between the 1st February, 1844, and the 31st January, 1845, provided for by Act 6 Vic. cap. 9 .


> W. B. ROBINSON,
> Inspector General.

Inspector General's Office,<br>Montreal, 1845.

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## C. T. METCALFE.

The Governor General recommends to the House of Assembly the accompanying Supplementary Estimates of Sums required for the Service of the present year.

Government House,
Kingston, 1st December, 1843.

SUPPLEMENTARY Estimate of certain Items of Expenses of the Civil Govermment of the Province of Canada, for the year 1843-for which a Supply is required.

Expenses likely to be incurred in the Survey of the Boundary Line between this Province and
New Brunswick,
$450 \quad 0 \quad 0$
Expenses likely to be incurred, attending the Commission of Enquiry into the Riots at the Beauharnois Canal,
Expenses likely to be incurred for Transport of Troops on the same occasion, . . . . . 13581
Expenses of Doctor J. B. Meilleur, as Assistant Superintendent of Education in 1842, . . 90149
Further, towards liquidating the claims of Upper Canada for Services rendered previous to the
Union of the Provinces,
$50 \quad 0 \quad 0$
Contingencies of the Legislative C'ouncil over and above the amount in the General Estimate, $\quad 500 \quad 0 \quad 0$
Total amount Sterling,
$£ 140717 \quad 9$
(Signed, )

JOS. CARY,<br>Deputy Inspector General.

Inspector General's Office,
Kingston, 1st December, 1843.

STATEMENT of Warrants issued on Account of the Expenditure of the Civil Government of the Province of Canada, for the year 1843, paid between the list January, 1843, and the 31st January, 1844, out of a Vote of the Legislative Assembly of last Session.


STATEMENT of Warrants issued on Account of the Expenditure, \&c.-Continued.


No. 19.
STATEMENT of Warrants issued on Account of the Expenditure, \&cc.-Continued.



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## JOS. CARY, <br> Deputy Inspector Gieneral.

STATEMENT of Warrants issued on the Receiver General of the Province of Canada between the 1st February, 1844 and the 31st January, 1845, on account of the Expenditure of the Civil Government of Canada, for the year 1843, out of the Vote of the Legislative Assembly of that Session.

| NAME. | SERVICE. | Amount. | Total <br> Currency. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C. Jackson | Education. | £ s. d. | £ в. d. |
|  | - Aid to the Charlestown Academy | 10000 |  |
| Rev. M. Willoughby | - Do. British North American School Society at Sherbrooke | 11123 |  |
| Henry Jessopp . | Do. National School at Quebec . . . . | $\begin{array}{lll}111 & 2 & 3\end{array}$ |  |
| Wilder Peiree . | Do. Staustead Seminary . . . . . | 10000 |  |
| William Baker . | Do. Durham School or Academy . . . | $100 \quad 00$ |  |
| Benjamin Tremain | Do. British and Canadian School at Quebec | 20000 |  |
| Wm. Ritchie and Saml. Brooks | Do. Sherbrooke Academy . . . | $\begin{array}{llll}111 & 2 & 2\end{array}$ |  |
| Dr. Boys, Bursar | Dr. Upper Canada College, Toronto . . | 1111 |  |
| Rev. R. Murray | Contingent expenses as Assistant Superintendent of Education (West) for the year ended the 31st December, 1843 | 311911 |  |
| J. B. Mcilleur - <br> J. Spragge | Do. as do. Canada East | 1221611 |  |
|  | Do. as Master of the Central School at Toronto | $\begin{array}{llll}32 & 0 & 3\end{array}$ | 2181 § 11 |
|  | Hospitals and other Charities. |  |  |
| R. L. Morrogh . | Commissioner for the relief of Iusane persons, of Foundlings and Indigent Sick persons, in the District of MontrealBalance to defray the expenses of these objects for 1843 | $\begin{array}{lll}958 & 6 & 8\end{array}$ |  |
| J. P. Burenu . . . . | Do. do. at Three Rivers for 1843 . | 702184 |  |
| William Lann . | Balance in support of the Temporary Lunatic Asylum at Montreal for 1843 | $\begin{array}{llll}472 & 4 & 5\end{array}$ |  |
| Sarah A. Richardson | Aid to the Laties of the Benevolent Society at Montreal | $100 \quad 00$ |  |
| Mrs. N. Freer | Do. Managers of the Female Orphan Asylum at Quebec | 100 0 0 |  |
| Eliz. ILeid | Do. do Montrenl Protestant Asylum | $100 \quad 0$ |  |
| Robert Symes <br> Thos. Mirkpatrick, President <br> W. B. Lindsiy, Clerk House As- $\}$ scinbly | Do. Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum at Quebec | $100 \quad 0 \quad 0$ |  |
|  | Aid to Literary and Inistorical Society at Quebee | .. ... ... | $\begin{array}{\|rrr} 2533 & 9 & 5 \\ 50 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$ |
|  | Balance of the Grant for the Provincial Penitentiary for 1843 | ... ... ... | 2455111 |
|  | Balance of the sum voted by Address, on account of the Contingencies of the House of Assembly | ... ... | 617750 |
|  | Miscellancous. |  |  |
| $\begin{array}{cc} \text { Desbarats } & \text { Derbishire, Queen's }\} \\ \text { Printer, } & \cdot \end{array}$ | On account of Printing the Acts of last Session. | 3140710 |  |
| Do | For Printing Consus Forms, Packing, \&c. | 306161 |  |
| Do | For various other Printing, Publishing Proclamntions, \&c., and furnishing the Official Gazette, in the 6 months ended the 31st December, 1843. | 546004 |  |
| Asiser \& Kemble, . | For publishing Praclamations, \&.c., at Qucbec in the do. | 100143 |  |
| Thomas D. Ifarington, | Expenses of Packing, Forwarding, and Distributing the Acts of last Sesson in Canada West. | $\begin{array}{lll}188 & 4 & 9\end{array}$ |  |
| J. E. Turcotte, | For translating the Acts of the last Session into French. | 33368 |  |
| Thomas A. Begly, | For sundry repairs, \&c. to Public Buildings. | 147162 |  |
| l. C. Small, | For Contingent Expenses attending the care of Public Buildings at Toronto for the year 1843. | $143 \quad 310$ |  |
|  | Carried over,.............. | 4906911 | 1234411 |

(No. 6-Continued.)
No. 17. $\overbrace{\text { 17th Aacch. }}^{\text {Apendix }}$ (MM.)

STATEMENT of Warrants issued on the Receiver General, \&c.-Continued.


STATEMENT of Warrants issued on the Receiver General of the Province of Canada between the 1st February, 1844, and the 31st January, 1845, on account of the Expenditure of the Civil Government for the year ended the 31st December, 1844, for which provision is required.


STATEMENT of Warrants issued on the Receiver General, \&c.-Continued.


STATEMENT of Warrants issued on the Receiver General, \&c.- Continued.


## No. 18.

STATEMENT of Warrants issued on the Receiver General, \&c.-Conlinued.


The sum of $221: 30412$; Currency was granted by Act of the Legislative Assembly in its last Session, on this account.
W. B. ROBINSON,

Inspector Generul.
(No. 8.)
STATEMENT of Supplies voted towards defraying the necessary and indisnensable Expenses of the Civil Government, for the years 1841, 1842, 1813 and 1844.


## REPORT.

The Select Committee appointed to enquire into the present method of disposing of the Crown, Clergy and School Lands, the amount collected and paid, from year to year, into the Public Revenue or any other Fund, from the proceeds thereof,-expenses attending the same, and from what Fund paid, including the Receipt and Expenditure of the Territorial Revenue,with power to report on the best method of appropriating the proceeds of the said Lands, have the honor to Report:-

That in the investigation of the important topics involved in their order of reference, your Committee proceeded to collect cvidence from various official sources, the result of which they now respectfully submit for the consideration of your Honorable House.
The subject matter of their inquiry naturally divides itsclf into two heads: First, as to the system herctofore pursued in the management and appropriation of the Lauds and Territorial Revenues of the Province; and, secondly, as to the best method of regulating and appropriating the same in future.

With reference to the first branch of inquiry, your Committee beg to refer to the following statement, shewing the computed quantities of Public Lands originally surveyed, and the manner in which the same has been appropriated and disposed of, and the quantity since purchased from the various Indian Tribes, and the number of acres still remaining on hand; the income at present arising from all sources constituting the Territorial Revenue, and the method of collecting and appropriating the same:-

## NUMBER OF ACRES SURVEYED AND HOW DISPOSED OF.




## INCONE FROM LaNDS AND TERRITORIAL REVENUE.



The Scigniory of Lazoon (Nio. 12.) contains about thinty-six square learues of land, the return from which, in 1842, ( (hy duc Public Accounts,) was $£ 1,222$ 8s. Id. No returns are shewn in the Public Accounts for 18.43.

It appears from the Statement of A. A. Parent, Eissuire,( No.17, that ahout $\mathbf{L} 2,500$ perannum, hasheen mid, and that a large delt is due for arrears: and that at least $£ 3,000$ atyear ought hereafter to be realized.

The ineome of this Estate is valued by Mr. Stevenson, at $\mathcal{E} 4,000$ per amum.

Quints, forming a part of the Chown Eund, are derived from the sale or alienation of Scigniorial Fiefs at each mutation, one-filth of the purchase moncy being paid to the Receiver Gencral, which in 1843, (1)y the Public Accounts, No. 5, amounted to 1135 2s. 9 d . For a more full desctiption of this find, see the evidence of the TVon. F. W. Prinines, hereunto nunexd. Amount duc $£ 12,000$; estimatedrent hereatter $£ 1,500$.

Loveds et Ventes are ducs of onc-twelfh or $8:$ per cent. upon the sale of Lauds hehl under Scigniorind Tenure, paid ly the censitaire or purchaser, which, in 18t3, (by the Public Accounts), anounted io $\pm 2,340$ 6s. 14d. Amount due $£ 50,000$; cstimated rent hereafter $£ 5,000$. Fer more full description of this fund refer to the above mentionel evidence of the Hon. F. W. Primrose.

King's Posts.--This revenue is derived from the lease of a Territory extending from Black River, County of Sagnenay, to Cape Cormorant, a distance of 300 miles, and extending thence due north to Itulson's Bay, and then along the highlands westward to the head waters of the St. Maurice, and down the same to the rear of the Scigniotics and Townships, and thence castwardly along the same to the place of beginning. The amount of rent paid for this territory, macluding the fisheries, is $£ 600$ per unnum; formerly $£ 1,200$.
The Forges of St. Maurice, containing about 30,000 acres of lavit, leased at $£ 500$ per annum, may, under proper maurgement, bring hereafter $£ 1,000$ (No. 12). Sce the evidence of E. Greive, Lisquire, a Member of Your IIonovalle House, and the Return to an Aduress from the Legishaive Assombly, of 13 th danuary, 1845.

Jesuits' Estates.-This property is managed by a Commissimer, the IIm. J. Stewart; a Return of its ammal ralue will be seen by reference to Statement No. 13. The income appears to vary from $£ 1,493$ 1s. $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$. collected in 1834, to $£ 5,367$ 14s. $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$, in 1841 , which ineone has been relinguished by the Crown, and placed at the disposal of the Legishature for the purposes of Dincation, and forms no part of the Consolidated Fund, although regularly paid into the Provincial Treasury, where i balance at present remains of (by the Public Accounts, 1843,) 129,592 18s. 11d. No statement has becu furnished the Committec of the deluts dae or the arrears of rents,


School Lands.-No Statement of the receipt or expenditure of the proceeds of the Lands of the Uviversity and Upper Canada College, Toronto, luve been furnished your Committec.

By (No.9) the mount of money received by the Receiver General, on account of the sales of Gram-
 Upper Canada Debentures, bearing interest at 6 per cent.
Balauce on hand ... .... ... £288 78
The only Retum your Committee has obtained of the sulles of the above Land is from the Crown Laud Office. (No. 14.)

From an examination of the Statutes, 2nd, 4 th and 5 th Victoria, it would appear that 258,000 acres, forming a part of the original grant for Schools, had been appropriated in accordance with the original grant, which, by reference to the Despateh on that subject, as carly as 1797, (see Appendiv to Journals of 1831, page 105), appen's to linve been primaily intended for the codowment of Grammar Schools, and subsequently for a University, as stated in tho preambles of those Acts; but from the answer of the Surveyor Gencral, this giment appers not to be defined with sutticient precision.

MERIIOD OF COLLECTING AND APPROPRLATINO THE same,
From the various dutics devolving on your Committec, and from the delay in procuring information, and from the number of Officers employed in colleating the different buanches of this revenuc, their investigations must necessarily be limited and imperfect.
With respect to the system of iesuing Land Scrip, it appears thintat an carly day whon large tracts of land were surveyed and granted, only one single Dopartment existed in Upper Canada tor the transaction of businoss connected therewith, viz., the Surveyor Gencral's Office, -the Registrar's Office being connected with that of the Provincinl Scorctary.
The Crown Land Department was not establishod in that Provine till 1827, and it had not been long
in operation before it was found to be attended with great additional expense, without any adequate aclyantage, and ultimately crcated so much dissatisfaction, that, in 1837-38, the Finance Committee of the Ilouse of Assembly recommended its abolishment.
Among other expedients introducerl with a view of improving the old systom, an Act was passed in 1837, placing a valuc on all U. E. rights, (at the rate of 4 s . per acre, and 8 s , on land); this Act was amended in 1841, and the Crown Land Office thereby authorized to issue Scrip for every description of land claims, and to receive it, not only in exchange for land, but also in payment of debts due for lands formerly sold.
Before this Act came into operation, the children of U. E. Loyalists, as they became of age, as well as other persons acquicing a claim, conld obtain lands only in their turn, in remote situations; in addition to which they had cither to settle on the same, or perform the settlement duties. In consequence of this arrangement, U. E. rights of 200 aeres were then only worth from $£ 5$ to $£ 10$; since which period their value has increased to from $£ 20$ to $£ 40$. The practical operation of this lav, and the cffect produced by the present system, camot be more forcibly described than by the result produced,
It appears from Statement No. 19, that since the 1st July, 1841, there have been sold on account of the Clergy Fund 3,2501 acres, for the sum of $£ 1,830$ 4s. 6d. ; reccived during the same period for snles previously made, $£ 69,079$ 18s. I Id, ; expended, £16,034 18s. 4d.

Indian Fund (No. 3),-13,894t acres sold for $£ 11,887$ 19s. 5 d . ; received $£ 12,590$ 189. 8d., expended $£ 5,89211 \mathrm{~s} .5 \mathrm{bl}$.

Ginmmar School Fund. - 1932 acres sold for $£ 1449$; reccived $£ 3,167$ 3s. 8d.; expended $£ 149$ 48. 6d.

Crown Lands.-Number of aeres not ascertained, Amount including debts due, (No. 21) 577,222 $3 \mathrm{~s}, 4 \mathrm{~d}$. ; reccived in cash, $£ 6,18819 \mathrm{~s} .6 \mathrm{~d}$. ; in Scrip, $\mathfrak{E} 90,053$; cxpended, (No. 19) $£ 28,50919$ s. $4 d$.


The amount of No. 2, $\mathfrak{f} 26,26214$ s. received on , that although many thousands of pounds bave been accume of dubts due the Provincial Government on baid by the Canadia Company ( $£ 295,000$, Joumals the 1st July, should be added to the above, ns woll 20 \& 27 ), and other individuals, for the purchase of as the amount of the Military Reserves (19) about lunds, not one furthing up till the presont moment £12,000, which has also been absorbed in Scrip.
The Serip account, which is a mere exchange or liarter for liarl, should never have appeared in the mash thansactions of the Province, as it had a tendency to conceal the practical operation of the system, and nislead the puldic as to the actual expenditure of the Department.

Time will not admit of Your Committec onquiring into the extent of Scrip issued, the mature of the daime on which it has been granted, or the authority by which it has been sanctioncl, their atfention having been wholly directed to another object.

It appenss hy reference to the Report of the Filas been paid from the proceeds thereof, (except E6,733 8s. 8d.) into the Provincial Revenue, notwithstanding the expenses of that Department have been sustrined out of that Revenuc, the amount of which for the last $3 \frac{1}{2}$ y cars, appears above; further comment on a systen producing such results is unnecessary. Statement No. 8, from the Inspector Generul, shows the method of collecting and remitting money by agents, as well as the expenses attending the same.
Before catering into the consideration of the njplication of the proceeds, Your Committee beg leave to submit ank cstimate of the probable value of the lauds, founded upon the opinion of the Surveyor Gencral:nance Committec of the IIouse of $\Lambda$ ssemhly of Upper ('anadth, in 1837-38, and by thePublic Accounts sinco,

IN UPPER CANADA, (Nos. 1 and 11.)



LAND AND TERRITORIAL REVENUE FUND.


Although the above value of land is computed by future application of the proceeds of cand and those who are most competent to judge, your Committec have no expectation that the amount is likely to be realized for many years to come; at the same time, they strongly recommend that immedinte steps be taken to create a pormnnent fund, in order that whatever income may hereafter be realized, may be appropriated for a specific object.

This brings your Committec to the investigation of the second part of their inquiry, viz:-
tere nest method of regulating the collection of tad mevenue in yuture.
As Publio Officers are already appointed to perform specific duties for which they receive remuneration, it would be desirable in most cases to employ them to collect the Revenues from every source connected with this fund, for a moderate consideration; the person paying rent or duties to remit the same direct to the Receiver General quarterly; to make a return at the same time of the amount to the Inspector General, with a duplicate to the Treasurer or Registrar in the respective districts, who should have a local superintendence over this Revenue, and make an annual Report to the Inspector General, pointing out any remission of duty in the Lessee, and suggesting any future improyement. By this simple method, economy nnd vigilance will be secured, inasmuch as a failure in those duties will involve the loss of a more valuable office.
territomal nevenue.
Your Committee are influenced in their decision as to the best application of the proceeds of the remaining lands and territory, for the following reasons:They find, by reference to the Journals, that the Legislatures of both Upper and Lower Canada have been, for many years past, most desirous to obtain an appropriation of a part of the public domain for the support of Common Schools. They also find that one of the first objects sought by the Legislative Assembly of United Canada during its first Session, was to appropriate $£ 50,000$ per annum, from the Provincial Revenue, until the Government should apply the proceeds of the Waste Lands of the Crown for that purpose: this appears by the following clause of the Act 4th and 5th Victoria, which says: "And be it enacted, that for the establishment, sup"port and maintenance of Common Schools in each " and every township and parish in this Province, "there shall be established a permanent fund, which " shall consist of all such monies as may accrue from "s the selling or leasing of any lands which, by the "Legislature of this Province, or other competent au"s thority, may hereafter be granted and set apart for "s the establishment, maintennnce and support of "Common Schools in this Province, and of such ${ }^{4}$ other monies as are hereinafter mentioned; and all "s such monies as shall arise from the sale of any such " lands or estates, and certain other monies herein-
"after mentionel, shall ho invested in snfe nud profi"table securities in this lrovince, and the interest of "all monies so invested, and hac rentw, issues and "prolits atising from such hande or cestaices as shail he
" leased or otherwise disposed of without aliemation,
"shall he ambully applied, in the maner hereimfter
"provided, to the support and encoungroment of
"Commun Schools."
As the only desouree of in new enuntry is its lands, the first duty of the Goverment is to appropiate them, wo as to confer the carliest benclit and must equitable distribution to the entire population.

The lauds are situnted in the most remote parts of the $l^{1}$ rovince and the inlalitumts residing in their immedinte vicinity contribute a fing genter proportion of their menns and haber to endanee their value than those residing in either cities or towns. No purt of those hunds have ats yot been appropriated for the instraction of youth neme their own residence, or in their respective distriets, mul they feel that the : 1 ipropriation herctofore mude, pratetioully exduder them from a due proportion of the bencites derived thercfiom.
This feeling being founded in resson and justice, will continue and inerease mitil the canse shatl be removed.
Four Comanitee lave reason to believe that the aplication lerein contemplated woild not only mect with general approbation, but would reconcile the mhabitimis to the ermuts heretofore made, lecenuse their dissalisfaction did not arise cither from ibn quanfity, anomit, or wheed, but heenuse there had not in the first instance been an apropration made fior the support of Common Schuols.
The sulutury efficts proluced ly a fund of this description, cannat be more favombly presented, or more forcibly put, than in the following cxtracts from a Mesage of 11 is Excellency the Governor of the State of New York, published last month:-
"Five hundred thousand aress of the Publie Domain "were appropriated by the Government many years "past. In 1823 , the entire proceeds therefrom were " inviolably appropriated mad npplied to the suppert of "Common Schouls. In 18:36, the deposit funds
"arising from their proportion of proceeds of lands "apportioned by tho Genern (Govermant, was also "approprinted for that olyect. This revenue, in " $184+4$, incrensed to $\$ 208,826$, which las produced " the following most gratifying result:-10,000 Suhoul "Districts have been organized; 4902,222 have been "paid for wages to Common Schoul T'eacheres : " 709,10 , chitdren have hecn taught in those seloods, "and 1,038,396 volumes of bouks are repurted in the "Schoul Jistriet Librarics,"
" 'lhese fincts present evidenco both striking and "satishictory of the immense extent of the public " benefit which those revenues bave produced in so " limited a term of yeas."
"No public fund is so unpretending, yet so all "pervadiug,-so lillle seen, yet so universally felt,"so mild in its exactions, and yut so bomifiul in its "cffecta, as this fund fur the support of Common "Schouls."
" The dhankfulucss we owe to those who have gone "hofure us fur the inntitution of this fund, fur its "constitutiomal protection, and for its snfe and pru"dent adumistration hitherto, we ean best repay by " imitating their example, nud improving upon their "work the the increased menns phacel in our hands "shall give us the ability."
These remarks are the more opportunc, and apply with equal force to the sulject now under consideration. One of the prominent causes of the imattention to the collection of the Revenue of the Teritorial or Cwenn monerty, wises from the want of some specilic olject to wheli it shoulc be aipine?
Your Committee therefore unnnimously concur in recomnending its future apmorriation for the purpose of ereating a Fioul for the sapport of Common Schonls und the establishment of Librarics throughout the Province.

It has not escaped the observation of your Committee, that a question may arise, or an oljection bo made to the transfering the procecds of the Land and Tervitorial Revenue from the Consolidnted Fund; but to iemove all apprehension, the following statement is submitted :-


Your Conmittec feel confilent, that so fur from impairing the crelit of the Province, no single act of the Legislature will phace it on a more firm and per mauent basis, apart from the inmediate saving which is shewn from the above; providing the means of education will elevate the chanacter of the entire population, and form the surest guarantee for the Haithful performance of all their obligations.
The only party which can be affected by the increase or diminution of our Reyenuc, is the Goyern-
ment of Great Britain, whose eredit hns been extended for our benefit ; their concurrence will be necessary, and, for the reasons assigned, will be rendily gimuted to insure this important olject.

It may also be urged, that appropriating all the waste lands of the Crown will be too great a proportion to sct apart for the support of Common Sehools and Libraries.


Wherons in tho Survoyor General's Estimate, the formor is valued at only 4s, the latter at 2s, 6 di, from whitch wo may afely deduct for unsottled chaims

Invosted at five per cent, wonld only yield, per ninum. £30,000 0
$1,400,000$ neres, estimated by Surveyor Genernl at 4t.

## MINUTES OF EVIDENCE.

William ILamifton Memutre, Esq, in the Chaie.
Wedhesday, 5th February, 1845.
Edward W. Thomson, Esquirc, called in; and ex-amined:-

1. Wore you a Momber of the Provincial Legislature of Upper Canada in 1837 ?-I was.
2. Do you know the value of U. E. rights, which entitled the claimant to two hundred acres before thint periodi- They were sold from $£ 5$ to $£ 15,-$ average about $£ 10$.
3. What price have they brought since that periocl? - From £20 to £20.
4. To what cause do you attribute this incrense in price:-1' the Scrip being nvailable in consequence of the Aet 7th Willimin IV., cap. 98, passed in 1837, in myment of Crown Lauds.

## Weduesday, 12th February, 1845.

Whward Greive, Eisquire, a Member of the Honsc, called in; and examined:-
5. What do you consider the annual value of the Forges of St. Maurice, and the property attached thereto P- $\mathbf{f} 500$.
6. Are you aware of nny other property in your District now claimed by the Crown, and the value thercof? --The Township of Caxton in rear of Three Rivers, in which there are few inhabitants; the unsettled lands are worth 2 s . 6 d . per acre. Also, the Jesuits' Estates at Cape Magdelcine, namely, the Seigniory, twenty lcagues in depth by two leagues in front, but partially settled, and if sold might reatlize 2s. 6d. per nere.

William Stevenson, Esquire, of Quebec, called in; and examined:-
7. Can you give the Committee any information respecting the Jesuits' Estates, or nny other description of property held by the Crown in or about Quebec, or in Lower Canada?-I cannot give any detailed or positive informntion respecting the Crown property, excepting the prevailing general impression, that they are badly managed and at a great expense. The Seigniory of Lauzon should afford a sum of $£ 4,000$ per annum; it is now to be sold, and were the Crown' to purchase it and change the Tenure, it would bring, on a loag credit, from $£ 70,000$ to $£ 80,000$,

Saturday, 15th February, 1848.
The Honorable Francis Ward Primrose, Inspector General of the Queen's Domain, and Clerk of the Terraps or Land Roll, in Lower Canada, called in and examined:-and handed in Statement No. 16, appended to the Report.
(N.N.)

Tth March.
8. You state the amount of income on this Domain, will, in your opinion, average, for the next ten years, $£ 7,000$; in what proportion, or from what sources, will it be obtained? -From Water Lots, $£ 500$; from Quints, $£ 1,500$; from Lods et Ventes, £5,000.
9. What specific sum ${ }^{*}$ mentioned in your Report, do you consider arailable, as follows, if proper steps are taken for the collection? -

Quints now.duc ... ... ... $£ 6,000$
Do. to be transferred ... ... ...- 6,000

| Considered good |  | ... | £12,000 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Lods et Ventes due Transfers not ascertained | ... | ... | £25,000 |
|  | ... |  | 25,000 |
|  |  |  | £50,000 |

of which $£ 27,000$ are considered good, and $£ 23,000$ doubtful.

| Water Lots | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $£ 2,000$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Old King's Wharf |  |  |  |  |

of which $£ 4,000$ are considered good, and $£ 500$ doubtful. If proper steps were taken, I think the above is as correct as can be ascertaincd at present.

## Tuesday, 25th February, 1845.

The Honorable Augustin Norbert Morin, a Mcmber of the House, called in; and examined:-
10. Do you know the state of the Public Lands generally in Lower Cauada, and do you see any objection to their being appropriated to create a fund
for the maintenance of Public Schools, as provided by the second Clause of 4 th and 5 th Victoria? - I have paid much attention to the Public Lands in Lower Canadia. I speak only of those lands which have never either been granted or promised in various forms by Government, for all so promised should remain in abeyance until further action thereon; as to the rest, they could not be approprintel for a more useful object. I should, however, be happy, and have long entertained the opinion, that a portion of those lands should be reserved for affording means for assisting the higher branches of Education, as an endownent, or as connected with any general measure which may herenfter be adopted on the subject.
11. Are there any specific claims that you are aware of, which would interfere with this interpre-tation?-I am speaking only of lands held or to be held in free or common soccage; there are some Indian claims to particular tracts, which may be included as those mentioned by me as in abeyance. The Indians of Lorette bave for many years claimed an indemnity for the Seigniory of St. Gabriel, which they say they were deprived of by the Jesuits. I do not pretend to give any opinion at present on the claim, but it has been represented on their part, that as their young men are desirous of abandoning their ancient habits, and becoming cultivators of the soil, and as the Chief last year made a proposal to have a free grant of a block of land at the Saguenay, or elscwhere, I think it would be wise to encourage then.
12. What number of acres do you think should be reserved for the alove objects?-I should say for the higher establishments of Education, about five Townships, or 200,000 acres; and for the Indians of Fow relic, fumb 0000 to 10,000 acres, which, apart from all claims, would be a means of rendering them useful members of civilized society,

## A P PENDIX.

No. 1.-The Surveyor General submits, in complinnce with a requisition from the Committee of the Honorable the Legislative Assembly, the following Statement in reference to the expenditure of the Surveyor General's Office and Department, for the years 1840, 1841, 1842, 1843 and 1844; and, also, a Statement in relation to the Public Lands:-



The preceding Statement includes the expense of the Survey of the Iudiam Lands on the Grand River, -the Surveys of the Owen's Sound Settlement,-the Survey of the London and Port Sarnia Road,-the Survey of the Clergy Reserve Townshins adjoining Woolwich and Wilmot, and the five northerly Townships in the second tier on the westerly side of the Ottawa,-in addition to various minor Surveys effected during the period referred to ; and the last charge includes the expense of certain extensive Surveys carried on in the Saguenay country.
statement sitewing tue computed quantities of surveyed and unsurveyed land in canada west.

Surveycd lands.......18,153,219 acres.
Unsurveyed lands.... $13,592,320$ aters.
The surveyed lands may be considered as varying in value from four shillings to ten shillings, per acere. With respect to the unsurveyed lands, the tract between the Township of St. Vincent, the Siuging, Goderich, and the rear of the Gore and Weellington Districts, is understood to be of fine quality, and it is prothule that the lands thercin may be fairly computed as ranging from five to ten slillings, per acre, according to quality and situation. The greater por-
tion of the other unsurveyed lands is situated in the tract to the northward of the settled Townships in the Home, Colborne, Victorin, Midland, Bathurst, and Dalhousie Districts, but the explorations therein which have been undertaken are insufficient to convey any just iden of the value and capabilities of the tract. The computation in respect to its contents is computed, giving as its bounds the surveyed Townships in the above named Districts to the southward, and as its rear boundary, French River, Lake Nipissing, the Portage, and the Ottiwn River.
The quantity of ungranted surveyed land in Cauada West maty be computed, in round numbers, at 1,500,000 acres, the greater part being of iuferior value, and situated in Townships which were open for many ycars for location with U. E., Militia, and other frec grants, and these lands cannot be estimated at a higher rate than four shillings, per acre. The more valuable ungranted surveyed lands are situated chicfly in the Townships of Ashfield and Wawnnosh, to the north of Goderich, and likewise the Townships of Arthur, Sydenham, Sullivan, Euphrasia, \&c., to the northward of the Gore, Wellington, and Home Districts; they are of superior quality, and the lands therein may be stated at the average value of eight shillings, per acre.

STATEMENT exhibiting the principal Public and Special Appropriations of the Surveyed Lands, Canada West.



The unsurveyed lands are situnted in rear of the Townships and Scigniories, and are computed as extending to the Hudson's Bay Territory and northern boundary of that part of the Province formerly the Prorince of Lower Canadia. No correct estimate can at present be formed of the value of these lands. It may however be assumed that that portion extending back a depth of from ten to twenty miles may, in the districts of Quebee and Gaspé, he cstimated at from one to two shillings per ace; in the district of Three Rivers, from troo to three shillings per acre; in the district of St. Francis, from three to four
shillings per acre; and in the district of Montreal, from two to four shillings per acre.

The quantity of Crown Land surreyed in whole or in part, at the disposal of the Crown, amounts in Canada East, to about 3,907,000 acres. Those in Townships situated in the north castern and western sections may be estimated at from one shilling and sixpence to three shillings per acre, and the seattered Crown Reserves, and the ungranted parts of the Eastern Townslips, and upon the Ottawa, at from three to five shillings per acre.

STATEMENT exhibiting the principal Public and Special Approprintions of the Surveyed Lands, Canada East.


THOMAS PARKE,
Surveyor General's Office,
Montreal, 28th January, 1845.

No. 2.-STATEMENT of CROWN SALES made by the CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT from 1st July, 1841, to 31st December, 1844.

| 1841 |  | $\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{f} & \text { s. } & \text { d. } \\ 1,257 & 9 & 0 \\ 3,277 & 5 & 10 \end{array}$ | $\mathbf{£} \quad \text { s. d. }$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1842 |  | $\begin{array}{rrr} 7,771 & 14 & 4 \\ 1165 & 4 & 7 \\ 1979 & 18 & 0 \end{array}$ |  |
| 1843 |  | $\begin{array}{rrr} 24,825 & 5 & 3 \\ 750 & 5 & 8 \\ 229 & 14 & 0 \\ 8838 & 14 & 6 \end{array}$ |  |
| 1844 |  | $\begin{array}{rrr} \hline 25,841 & 2 & 4 \\ 389 & 9 & 6 \\ 113 & 18 & 6 \\ 162 & 2 & 8 \\ 620 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$ | 27,126 12 |
|  |  |  | £77,222 8 8 4 |

[^8]No. 2.-(Continued.)-STATEMENT of BALANCES DUE on account of CROWN LANDS, on 1st July, 1841, and 31st December, 1844.

|  | Principal. | Interest. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| upper canada: | $\mathrm{f}_{\text {c }} \mathrm{s} . \quad \mathrm{d}$. | £ s. d, |
| Amount Crown Instalments, West, due 30th June, 1841 ... ... ... ... Amount receipts to 31st December, 1844 ... ... ... ... ... | $\begin{array}{rrr} 18,751 & 18 & 4 \\ 8,724 & 4 & 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll} 8,163 & 2 & 9 \\ 3,808 & 2 & 9 \end{array}$ |
|  | 10,027 14 | 4,355 0 0 |
| $\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Crown Sales by Instalments, } \\ \text { Less received on account } & \text {... }\end{array}$ |  |  |
|  | … $\quad . .1$ | $\begin{array}{rrr} 50 & 13 & 4 \\ 2,105 & 9 & 1 \end{array}$ |
|  | £11,022 110 | $\begin{array}{rrr}6,520 & 2 & 5 \\ 11,022 & 1 & 10\end{array}$ |
| LOWEr Canada. |  | £17,542 43 |
| Amount due on Crown Instalments, East, 30th June, 1841 ... ... ... Principal Amount receipts to 3 lst December, $18+4$... ... | 14,950 13 3 <br> 6,230 3 6 | 8,720 |
|  |  | £26,262 140 |

Cnown Lands Office,
Montreal, lst March, 1845.

No. 3.-STATEMENT of SALES of CLERGY LANDS, from 1st July, 1841, to 31st December, 1844.


STATEMENT of SALES of INDIAN LANDS, from 1st July, 1841, to 31st December, 1844.

| Year. | Acres, | Amount. | Village Lots. |  | Total. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Number of Lots. | Amount. |  |  |
| 1841 | 200 | $\begin{array}{lll}\mathbf{E} & \text { s. } & \text { d. } \\ 100 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | 1 | f s <br> 10 d | $\begin{array}{cc}\text { f } & 8 . \\ 110 & 0\end{array}$ |  |
| 1842 | 2,704 | 2,909 10 | 20 | $157 \quad 10 \quad 0$ | 8,067 ${ }^{0}$ | 0 |
| 1843 | 950 | 52500 | 8 | $52 \quad 10 \quad 0$ | 57710 | 0 |
| 1844 | 10,040 | $\begin{array}{lll}8,183 & 9 & 5\end{array}$ | ... ... ... | ... $\quad .$. | $8,198 \quad 9$ | 5 |
|  | 13,894 | $\begin{array}{llll}11,667 & 19 & 5\end{array}$ | 29 | $220 \quad 0 \quad 0$ | 11,887 19 | 5 |

[^9]$\qquad$
(Letter accompanying the preceding Statements, No. 3.)

## Department of Chown Lands,

Montral, 4th March, 1845.
Sn ,
I have the honor to enclose Statements of Sales of Clergy and Indiun Lands, from the 1st July, 1841, to the 31st December, 18.4.

I beg to observe, howerer, in regard to the former, that sales of Clergy Reserves have been suspended throughout the Province since the list July, 1841, and that the fuw Sulces which appear in the present Statement were all made previous to that date, but from some cause or other remaned in abeyance until lately confirmed, at various times, by Orders in Council.

I have the honour to le,
Sir,
Your most humble servant,
T. BOUTIIILLIER.
W. H. Merritt, Esquire,
M. P. P., \&c., \&c.

No. 4.-STATEMENT shewing SALES and PROCEEDS of CLERGY RESERVES, in UPPER CANADA disposed of, the Funds arising thercfrom, and disbursed on account thereof, furnished in compliance with the recpuest of a Sclect Committee of the Legislative Assembly, dated January 15th, 1845.


Recapitulation of General Disbursements.

T. BOUTHILLIER.

## Crown Lands Office,

Montreal, 29th January, 1845.
(N.N.) No. 5.-STATEMENT shewing SALES and PROCEEDS of CLERGY RESERVES in LOWER

CANADA disposed of, the Funds arising therefrom, and disbursements on account thereof; furnished in compliance with the request of a Sclect Committee of the Legislative Assembly,
dated January 15th, 1845.

| Acres. |  | Amount <br> of <br> Sales. | Amount collected. |  | Balance due. | Amount paid into Public Treasury. |  | Amount paid into any other Fund. | Disbursements <br> (See Recapitu- <br> lation.) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Original quantity. | Disposed uf by Sule. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 903,443 | 308,452 | $\begin{array}{ccc} f & \text { s. } \\ 72,182 & 0 & 4 \end{array}$ | Principal Interest ... | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{rrrr} \hline f & 8 . & d \\ 65,158 & 10 & 8 \\ 474 & 13 & 4 \\ & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & \end{array}\right.$ | $\begin{array}{\|cccc} f & s_{0} & d \\ 7,023 & 9 & 8 \end{array}$ | Principal Interest... | $\left.\begin{array}{\|cccc} \hline x_{1} & 8 & d \\ 790 & 19 & 11 \\ 402 & 11 & 4 \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ |  | $\begin{array}{ccc} \underset{y}{t} & \text { s. } & \text { d. } \\ 0,664 & 13 & 10 \end{array}$ |
| 903,443 | 308,452 | $\overline{\text { £72,182 }}$ |  | 65,633 40 | $7,023 \times 8$ |  | 1193113 | $\pm$ 53,383 18 9 | 9,564 1310 |

Recapitulation of General Disbursements.

| Commission to Agents | $\begin{array}{ccc}\boldsymbol{f} & \text { g. } \\ 3,255 \\ \text { g. } \\ \text { d }\end{array}$ | Amount lrought up .. | $\boldsymbol{E}$ s. <br> 9,157  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Printing nnd advertizing ... ... | $670124 \frac{1}{2}$ | Miscellaneous ... ... ... | 7659 |
| Inspections and Surveys ... ... | 33435 | Repayments ... | 13383 |
| Salaries ... ... ... ... | 4,595 15 15 9 | Office Expenses ... ... | 2816 4\% |
| Stationery ${ }_{\text {Postage }}$... ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | ${ }^{88} 5078$ |  |  |
| Postage $\ldots$ Contingencies of Surveyor Generail's Office | $\begin{array}{rrrr}373 & 1 & 9 \\ 39 & 12 & 4\end{array}$ | Add proportion of disbursements brought from | £9,395 176 |
| Amount carried up ... | £0,157 71 | Upper Catada Clergy Accounts ... | 16816 |
| , |  |  | £9,604 1310 |

Chown Lands Office,
Montreal, January 29th, 1845.

No. 6.-STATEMENT of SCRIP issued by the Commissioner of CROWN LANDS, to 31st December, 1844.

| Amount of Scrip issued in Lower Canada, under Lord Durham's Proclamation of 11th September, 1838, being exclusively in liquidation of Lower Canada Militia Claims ... ... ... ... <br> Redeemed to 31 st December, 1844, on the sawe | $$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| Yet outstanding ... ... ... ... | £24,800 1510 |
| Amount of Land Scrip issued since the Union, under Land Act, in liquidation of U. E. L. land righte, Upper Canada Militia, Military Claims, and Compensation, under Orders in Council... Redeemed to 31st December, 1844 | $\begin{array}{lll} 96,262 & 7 & 2 \\ 67,802 & 13 & 0 \end{array}$ |
| Outstanding ... ... | £28,459 14 2 |
| Amount of Scrip issued under Sir Charles Metcalfe's Proclamation of the 20th February, 1844, in liquidation of Lower Canada Militia Claims <br> Estimated amount of Scrip yet to be issued on account of the same... | $\begin{array}{lll}23,400 & 0 & 0 \\ 70,198 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ |
| All outstanding... | £93,598 0 |

Appendix

T. BOUTHILLIER.

Cnown Lands Office,
Montreal, 3rd February, 1845.

No. 8.-STATEMENT of the TERRITORIAL REVENUE of the PROVINCE of CANADA, for the year 1843, as shewn in the Account No. 5, laid before the Legislature at the commencement of the present Scssion.

| Paid by the Hudson's Bay Company for twelve monthes rent of the King's <br> Posts, for the year 1843 <br> Rent of Fervies, as per particulars in Account ... <br> The above amounts are paid directly by the parties to the Receiver. General, there being no expense attending the collection. | E s. d, | £ s. d. | $\mathrm{f}_{\text {s. }} \mathrm{d}$ d. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |
|  | ... ... | ... ... | 930 |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Quints. |  |  |  |
| Amount paid by sundry persons, being a fine to the Crown of one-fifth of the purchase money on the sale of Seigniories | ... -." | $135 \quad 29$ |  |
| zods et yentes. |  |  |  |
| Paid by sundry persons, being a fine to the Crown, as Seignior, of oneiweffth of the purchase money on cach sale of property within the |  |  |  |
| Queen's Jomain in Lower Canada ... $\quad .$. | $\ldots$ | 2,340 6 |  |
| Reat of Water Lots, being gencrally at a certain rate per foot of front on the River, established by the several Leases granted by the Governor in Council | $\cdots$ | 61732 |  |
|  |  | 3,092 $18 \quad 0$ |  |
| The expenses attending this portion of Revenue and ather deductions are, as detailed at the end of the printed Account No. 5, viz.: | Sterling. |  |  |
| Salary of the Clerk of the Terrars of the Queen's Domain for the year 1848 | $90 \quad 0$ |  |  |
| Commission to the Inspector. General of the Domain, at $7 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on the amount of Quints, Lods et Ventes and Rentes received ... |  |  |  |
| For copies of Notarial Extracts ... ... ... | 7142 |  |  |
| Survey of the Harbour of Quebee ... ... ... ... | 117180 |  |  |
| Remission to John Bonner, expenses in Cross Appeal The same to Wm. Petry ... ... ... ... | $\begin{array}{lll}126 & 1 & 7 \\ 24 & 1 & 10\end{array}$ |  |  |
|  | £408 14.8 | 45420 | 2,638 15 |
| Nett amount of Territorial Revenues ... ... | ... $\quad$.' | -•• $\cdot \cdots$ | £ 3,33115 |



WOODS AND FOREST ACCOUNT.


JOSEPH CARY,
Deputy Inspector Generah

Inspecton Generan's Ofrice,
Montreal, 5th February, 1845,

No. 9.-Letter from the Receiver Gcneral to W. II. Merritt, Esquire.
Receiven General's Office,
Montral, 8th February, 1845.
Sin,
In reply to the Query containel in your letter from the Committec Room of the Legislative Assembly, dated the joth, I have the honor to acepuant you that the monies received as "Principal" on Sales of Clergy Reserve Lands of Upier Camala, are invested in Upper Canala Debentures, with the exception of £11 Us. 1hl. sterling, and those for Lower Canadi, in the three per cent. Consols in England, viz.:


The "Principal" monies received on account of Sales of Crammar School Lands, are invested in Upper Canada Debentures hearing interest at six per cent, to the anount of $£ 22,359$ currency, leaving a balance in the Reccivor Gencral's hands, uninvested, of £288 17s. 8d, currency.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient humble servint,

## WILLIAN MORRIS,

Receiver General.
W. Il. Merarty, Esquirc,

Chairman of the Committee, \&c. \&c. \&c. Legislative Asscmbly Rooms.

No. 10.-TABLE of Surrender of LANDS by the INDIANS, for Aunuties, shewing the dates of the Surrenders, the numes of the different TRIBES, their present numerical strength, the number of Acres ceded, and the amount of the Annuities.


* This Tribe did not commence receiving their Annuity until the 1st January, 1840.
$\dagger$ Resident in the two Villages situated at the mouth of the Saugeen and at Owen's Sound.


## Surveyor General's Office,

Montreal, 11th February, 1846.

Appendix (N.N.) 7th Miroh.

No. 11.-Qunsrions submitted by the Committee of the Honomble the Legislative Assembly, with Replies thercto, connected with the Return dated Surveyor General's Office, 28th January, 1845, on the subject of the Public Lands:-

Question 1st.-From your Return of 28th Jnnuarry, the original quantity of lands appears to have heen surveyed in Upper Canada, is - 18,153,219 acres.

From which las been appropriated 3,764,143 You also estimate now on hand - $1,500,000$ do do do

Leaving
how has this balance been disposed of?
Answer:-The quantity here named, as being the amount of lands in Upper Canada appropriated, is incorrectly extracted from the Return of 28th January, 1845, which is as follows :-
 do for Canada Company
in Huron Block 1,100,000 do
do fordo on Crown Rescrves 1,384,413 do
Remaining quantity of School Lands 258,330 do
Indian Reservations - - - 808,540 do
Total of pub'ic and special appro-
priations - - - 6,248,556 acres,
and not $3,764,143$ acres, as expressed in the Committec's Question No. 1; therefore the ease will stand thus-

Shewing to have boen disposed of
to individuals - - 10,404,663 acres.
This amount has been disposed of by grants, location, and sales to individuals. The grants and locntions are under the following heads:-To U. E. Loyalists and Military claimants of the Revolutionary War,-to children of U. E. Loyaliste,--to the Militir claimants of the War of 1812;-to Officers and discharged Soldiers and Senmen,-to Contractors of Surveys, compensated by a per centage,-to Settlers and Emigrants from various countrics, from the Peace of 1783 to the present time,--to the various Religions denominations, and to purchasers from the Government. The quantities granted separately to each of these classes could not be ascertained, wilhout occupying time which would materially retard the enquiry of the Committee.

Question 2nd.-What is the quantity of land lying between the Township of St. Vincent, the Sauging, Goderich, and the renr of the Gore and Wellington Districts, and valued at from 5 s . to 10 s . per acre, and the quantity of the remainder (unsurveyed lands) situated in the tenct to the northward of the settled Townships in the Home, Colborne, Victoria, Midland, Bathurst, and Dalhousie Districts; at what value would you compute the general average of ench ?

Answer.-The quantity of unsurveyed land contained in the tract between St. Vincent, the Sauging
and Goderich, and computed in the Return of the 28th ultimo, as ranging in value at from 5 s. to 10 s. per acre, consists of about 1,421,440 acres, and it is probr:ble that the average value may be taken at 7s. 6 d . per acre. The quantity of unsurycyed land to the northward of the settled Townships in the Home, Culbornc, Victoria, Midland, Bathurst, and Dillhousie Districts, is estimated at $11,546,880$ acres; but, as stated in the former Return, this Office is not in posscession of atiy data upon which to form an cstimate of the value of the unsurveyed lands in that quarter. It any sum were named as their value, it should be that for which they probably would sell; and it may be questioned whether within any moderate period, if offered, they could be disposed of. The computed quantity of this tract of course includes lakes, rivers, swamps and mountains situated therein; and, judging from the character of the lands to the southward, which have been traversed, which abound with lakes of considecrable extent, it may be assumed that full one-third of that quantity is covered by water, nod land unavailable for agriculture; the remainder, it is probable, may, when the lands contiguous to the setilements of superior quality, shall have been disposed of, realize from two to three shillings per acre.

## Note and Question 3rd.-School Lands.

Note--It may be well to remind you that there is a difference of 1,301 acres, the original appropriation being - - - - 549,217 acres.

University - - - 225,944 do Upper Canada College - - 63,642 do Subject to be claimed - - - 258,330 do Deficit - - - - 1,301 do

549,217 acres.
Answer.-The quantity of land, named ns still arailable for the gencral purposes of Education, namncly, 258,330 acres, is the amount recognized by this Office in December 1832, as remaining available. But if the full quantity of 66,000 neres authorized to be granted to Upper Canada College, be made up to that Institution, it would somewhat reduce that amount. Under the circumstances, therefore, it was considered advisable to adhere to the former statement.

Question 3 rd.-It appears from your Return of the 284 ultimo, that there remains, subject to be claimed for the general purposes of Education, 258,330 acres. It also appears, cap. 10, 2 Vict. clauses 3 and 4, that the Governor and Council are authorized to set apart 25,000 actes of the Waste Lands of the Crown to be sold at not less than 10s. per acre,-the procceds arising therefrom to be invested in Upper Canada Debentures at 6 per cent. Is this the same land referred to in your Return, if so, what part of the above has boen sold, at what price per acre, what amounts have becn received, what amount invested, and when and how appropriated in the ycars 1841, 1842, 1843 and 1844, and the expenses, if any, thereon; what number of acres remain unsold, where situate, and of what value?
Answer:-The Act to provide for the advancement of Education, 2 Vict. cap. 10, provided for an approprintion of 250,000 acres of land for the support of Grammar Schools,-not 25,000 netres, as expréssed in the question of the Committee. This 'Act was repealed by the 4 th and 5th Vict. cap.' 19. This last Act embodies some of the provisions of the former Law, but docs' not direct the carrying out of the ap. proprintion in quiestion, and consequently no lands beyond those originally set apart have been devoted
to the gencral purposes of Education, or for Grammar Schools. In reference to the second division of the Question, it may be observed that there is mothing in the repealed $\Delta$ et which would lend to the infurence that the 250,000 neres proposed to be set. apart for the support of Gramum Schools, should be taken from lands appropriated for the general purposes of Elucation; lat the wording of the 4 th clause points oul clenty that they were to he set apart out of "the Waste Latnds of the Crown." It will remain for the Receiver General's Department to state whether, previonsly to the repend of the. Act in question, any sums of money were received and invested in Pullic Scentities with a view to the proceeds being devoted to the parposes of general Education, and if invested, in what maner applied in the yeurs $1841,1842,1843$ and 1844 .

## CANADA EAST.

Question 4th.-From your Return of 28th Jauary, the original quantity of laud appars to have been:
Origiually surveged in Lower Ca-
nadil - - - 18,048,669 ncres.
From which has been appropriated $2,374,733$ do Aud renaining to be appropriated $3,907,000$ do

## 6,281,733 do

12,366,936 acres;
how has this balance been disposed of'?
Ansure-Quantity of laul survesed in whole or in part in the Seigniories and Townships in Lower Camada, as per statement of the 28 th danuary last,

17,685,942 acres,
and not 18,648,669 acres, as in tho
question:-
Appropriated as per Statement - 2,377,733 do
Disposable land - - $3,907,000$ do
About 900,000 acres of which are not yet subdivided, and 307,-
000 neres are under Location
Certificates expired
6,284,733 do

Balance - - - - - 11,401,209 acres.
Lands belonging to the Jesuits' Estates not inchuded in the Statement, and appropriated for Educational purposes, forming pari of the quantity of $9,027,880$ acres, granted on Seigneurie, about
Granted in Fief and Scigniory to individuals, by the Crown of France
Granted in free and common soccage to Leuders of Townslips and $\Lambda$ ssociates, Emigrant Settlers, Officers, Non-commissioned Officers of the Army and Militia, Officers of the Navy, Pensioners, Purchasers of Crown Lands, Adjudications and claims on the district of Gaspé 57,580 acres.

7,496,000 do

$\qquad$<br><br>$\qquad$<br><br>3,847,629 do

$\square$

$\qquad$ .

Question 5th.-Wow many acres do you supposo
Here are in a depth of from ten to twenty miles back in the districts of (Quebee and Ginspex, mud which you estimate at from 1s. to 2s, per acre,--in the district of Three Rivers, from 2s. to 3se per acre,--in the district of Sis. Fruncis, at from 3 s, to 4 s . per acte, -and in the distriet of Montreal, at from 2 s. to 4 s . per acre, and to cstimate the avernge value of the whule?

Anstert--Assuming fiftecn miles as a meen depth of arailable land extending in the rear of the Seigmionies and Townships of Lower Canada, the number of hereses colimated at 1 s . to 2 s . would averuge-
In the districts of Quehec and Gappe as fullows:-

| Conutics of Suguenay rency and Qucbe | Montmo- | 2,000,000 acres. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| County of Gaspe | - - | 1,000,000 do |
| do of Bomavent | - - | 1,200,000 do |
| Countics of Rimousli makka and LiIslet | Krmou- | J,800,000 do |

In the district of Three Rivers, at from 2 s . to 3 s , per acre:-
Counties of Stint Maurice and Portneuf - - - 500,000 do
In the district of St. Francis, from 3s. to 4s. per acte:-
st. Francis tervitory, Comenty of Shernrooke - - - 500,000 do
Megmitic torritory, district of
250,000 do
In the district of Montreal, from 2s. to 4s. :
North Shore of St. Lawrence mul Ottava - - $\quad$ - $1,250,000$ do
$8,500,000$ acres.
The average value of which quantity may be fairly estimated at about two sliflings and sixpence per acre; and the whule, thercfore, at $£ 1,062,500$ currency.

Question 6 th.-Will you have the goodncss to state whit quantity of land is situute in the north-castern and western scetions, and the cstimate per acre, you would put thoreon?
Ansuer.--The tract of country mentioned in the following answer, is the same as that stated in detail in the answer to the fifil question. The quantity of land situate in the north-eastern section of Lower Camada, contemplated in the Return, comprised in the district of Quebec, may be about six millions of acres, at the average value of two shillings per nere; that in the western section, comprised in the districts of Three Rivers and Montreal, north of the St. Lawrence, one million and seven lundred and fifty neres, at the average value of three shillings per acre; and that in the sonth-enstern section, the district of St. Francis and part of that of Quebec not distinguished in the Return, three quarters of a million of acies at four shillings per acte.

THOMAS PARKE, Surveyor General,
Surveyor General's Office, Montreal, 11th February, 1845.

## No. 12.-Letter from the Surveyor Gcneral to W. H. Merritt, Esquire.

Sunveyon Genemal's Office.
Montroal, 12th Feloruary, 1845.

## Sni,

1. have the honor to transmit you, for the information of the Committee of the Legislative Assembly whercof you are Chairmm, the following replies in answer to the questions proposed seriation in your communication of the 5th instant, being all the information this Department possosses upon the various subjects the encuiries relate to: and where it is deficient, from the circuanstunce that several questions relate to matters beyond the cognizunce of the Surveyor Ciencral's Office, I have in ench case mentioned the Depratment where I conceive, on reference thereto, the information can be oltained. In the first question, the Committec desire to be informed what disposition has been made of the Jesuits' Estates, returned by this Department on the 28th ult., at abond 616,500 aces, for what purpose they are intended, and of what value.
Tn the original concession of the different Scignioxies and Fieffe, granted by the Crown of France to the Compaynic de Jesus, and the Pères Jésuites, various motions and considerations are set forth, of which the principal are the propagation of the Roman Catholic Ruligion, and instruction of the Indian Trilles in Nouvelle France or Canada, the maintemance of the Colleges of the Order ; which eoncessions, on the death of J're Casault, the last of the Jesuits, in the year 1800, becune the property of the Crown, and was phaced under the managenent of a Commissioner and his $A$ gents in the different districts: the revenues arising from which Estates were to be approprinted for Educational purposes. The tenure of these lauds (being feudal or Scigniorial, may necount. for their not lanving been placel under the direction of the Surveyor Geueral's Department.

Upon an average, about one-third of those Scigniories and Fiets have been laid out into concessions, a lurge portion whercof has been conceded as follows:
Laprairic de la Mugdeleine - 58,000 arpens,
district of Montren, which
is all conceded.
Sillery, district of Quebec - 10,634
St. Gabriel do- - - 40,000 one-fourth.
Belair do- - - 14,112 two-thirds.
Cap de la Magdeleine, Three Rivers
Batiscan - - - $-67,000$ onc-fourth.
Notre Dame des Anges - - 28,0000
Isle aux Reaux - -
Pachingny, Three Rivers
La Vacheric, Quebec -
St. Nicholas in Lauzon -
Tadousac - -
Coteau St. Louis, Town of Thrce Rivers - 135

265,100 arpens.
In respect to the value of these establishments, this Department can only state approximatively, the rate per nere, of the unconceded lands lying in the Seigniorics of St. Gabricel, Batiscan and Cap de la Magdeleine, amounting to about 456,000 neres, the value of which may be catimated at from two to threc shillings, per acre. In regard to the conceded parts of the Jcsuits' Estates, their value dopende upon the annual returns derived from Cens et Rentes, Redovances, Lods et Ventes, Mills, \&c. information which can best be obtained from the Commissioner of those Estates,

The description of land held under the Crown in Lower Canada, not distinguishoclin the Return from this Offico, although included in the quantum of lands grunted under Segniorinl Tenure, are, the hands of St. Regis, granted or reserved for the Indians of that nume, situate on the shore of Lake St. Francis, district of Montrenl, where the Province Line strikes the River St. Lawrence, containing about 27,000 acres, most of which has been conceded, or granted, under the management of the Indian Department. 2nd.-The Fiofs or Scigniorice of Sunult St. Louis, and angmentation thercof, grunted by the Crown of France to the Jesuits, in trust for the Indians at Caughnawagra, in May 1680, and containing about 30,000 arpens, situnte in tho County of Denuhnenois, district of Montreal, south of Lake St. Louis, almost all conceded, and under the mangement of the Cummissioner of the Jesuits' Estates. 3rd.-The Lands of the Forges of St. Maurice, in the district of Three Rivers, consisting of the Fiofs St. Etienne and St. Maurice, granted to the Company of the Forges of St. Mnurice, 13th Mny, 1740, now the property of the Crown, and under lense to the Honorable Matthew Bell, which lease is about to expirc, containing together about 30,000 acres, (which lands are now being surveyed and subdivided for setthement, and may be estimated at from 2 s . to 3 s . per nere.)
The Quecu's Domain, consisting of property situate in the towns of Quebee and Three Rivers, within the Censive of Iler Majesty, is under the special inspection and manarement of the Inspector (rencral of the Quecn's Terrars, the Honomble F. W. Primrose, to whom soference might be latd as to their extent and value, especially as deducible from tho Seigniorial lues thercon in "cens et rentes, luds et ventes" mad " redevances."

The Scigniory of Lauzon, belonging to the heirs of Sir John Caldwell, Bart., has been taken in exocution at the suit of the Crown, to be sold by the Sheriff in liquidation of the delot due ly Sin' John to the Province. That Seigniory, situate in the district of Qucbec, connty of Dorclioster, and containing 36 square leagues, is under the management of A . Parant, Esquire, Quebec, agent of Sir John Caldwell, about onc-sistle part of which is not yet conceded,

The property called "Caldwell's Manor;" (private pronerty, ) composes the Seigniory of Foncault, siluate on the Province Line, district of Montreal, and belonging to John Doncgani, Esquire, who rendered "fealty and homage" fur the same, in the year 1820,
About screnly bench and deep-water lots have been grauted by the Crown in Quchec, under descriptious from this Office for Letters Patent, in free and common soccage, and in Scigniory, since the yenr 1766; about eight at Three Rivers and Port St, Francis, nud three more at Montreal, and also two in Gaspé. From these are derived certain amnual rents, some merely nominal, and others at one shilling per foot front; in others, since about the yenr 1830 , the rent has been based uponan evaluation of the lot, per squave foot. I nun not awnere that " lods et ventes" are derived from mutaion of water lots, although probably on the beach lots, within the Censive of the Crown. The Inspector General might be referred to for more certain information on these points.
"Quints" are dues to the Crown of 20 per cent. on the sale or alienation of every Scigniory or Fie? at each mutation, that is to say, 20 per cent. on the purchase money is paid into the Receiver General's chest. The "Droit de Quint" to the Crown, is commutable under the Imperial Act, 6th Geo. IV., chap. 59 .

Appendix
(N.N.) 7 tli Marilh.
"Lods et Ventes" aro ducs of onotwolful, or 8 per cent. upon the sale of a conceded land; paid by the Censitaire or purchaser to tho proprictor of tho Scigniory or Fief', mad pryable to the Crown ouly when the Seigniory or lief lies within t.a Cersive of our Surereign Latuly the Queen.

Another source of Revenne is derived from the lease of the tract of comutry called the "King's Posts," and occupying all that tervitory extending on the north const of the St. Lawrence from Bhack River, cominty of Sagnemy, to Capo Commomat, a distance of about 300 miles, and extemuling thence on a due noth line to the bomadnry of Mudson's Bay, mal then along the highlimels westward to the hear waters of the St. Mausice, down the same to the rear of the Seigniuries and Townships, and thence enstwardly along the same to the place of beginning.

Part of tho territory comprised within the above limits, colled tho "Snguonuy," is hoing surveyed for actual settlemont, ne combining had highly suseeptible of cultivation, tes reserved in the last leuse from from the Crown to the Intedson's 13ay Compmy.

I have the honor to be,

> Sir,
> Your very obodient Servant,
> THOMAS PARKR, Surveyor General.

Wm. Hamiton Meumtr, Esquire, MiP.P., Chairman of Commitlec, \&c. \&c. \&c.

No. 13.-REVENUE of the JLSUITS' ESTATES, commencing 1st October, 1831.

J. STEWART,

Commissioner.
Jesuits' Officis,
Quclec, 10th February, 1845.

No. 14.-STATEMENT showing SALES and RECEIPTS by the Commsionen of Crown Lands, on account of SCHOOL LANDS, in the yenrs 1842, 1843, and 1844; furnished in compliance with a request contuined in a letter from a Select Commitiee of the Legislative Assembly, dated 3rd February, 184d.

| Salea by Commissloner of Crown Iandn. |  |  | Collections on old Salce. |  | Groas Amount of Receipts. | Payments to RecoiverGeneral. | Dlabursemente. | Balance in hand of Commlasioner of Cirown Lands. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Acres. | Gross Amount of Sales. | Proportion recelved, | Principal. | Intereat. |  |  |  |  |
| 1,932 | $\begin{array}{cccc}\text { E } & \text { d. } & \text { d. } \\ 1,449, & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc}\text { £ } & \text { d } & \text { d } \\ 305 & 10 & \\ 30\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc}\text { f } & \text { B. } & \text { d } \\ 1,087 & 10 & 5\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc}\text { £ } & \text { s. } & \text { d. } \\ 884 & 3 & \\ 8 & \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} \boldsymbol{£} & \text { a. } & \mathbf{d .} \\ 3,187 & 3 & 8 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{cccc}\text { f } & \text { b. } & \text { d } \\ 1,868 & 17 & 0\end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{ccc} \& & \text { d. } & d . \\ 1,161 & 12 & 2 \end{array}$ |
| Average 15s. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |



The Sales of Selool Lands were phaced under the management of the Departinent of Crown Lands, lyy order in Council of the 14th Decomber, 1841. No sales, howevor, have been mado under
 by the Ilonomble Colonel Thlibot, under his former instructions, it is presumed, from the Gonem Board of Education.

Colomel Thilbot censed to make nuy new sales, howeyer, in 1843, on an intimation to that effect from this Onfice. The total amount of collections by Coloncl Talbot, to the 31st Decomber last, is $£ 2,815$ 14s, 11d.; the further sum of $£ 419$ 18s. 9d, was received at the desk, and through $\Lambda$ gents.

## T. BOUTHILLIER.

Crown Lanis Officr,
Moutreal, 6th Februnys, 1845.

## No. 14.-(Continued.)

GENERAL S'TATEMENT OF SCHOOL LANDS.


## STATEMENT OF SALES OF GRAMMAR SCHOOL LANDS.



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ESTHMATED valuc of remaining GRAMMAR SCHOOL LANDS.


* It does not appear in the Return out of what Funds the Balance has acerued.


## T. BOUTIIILLIER.

Crown Land Departhent,
Montreal, 17 th February, 18tu.

No. 15.-STATEMENT of the Inspector General of the Queen's Domain and Clerk of the Land Roll.

The Quecn's Domain in Lower Canada, under my inmediate control and management, consists of-

1. The Scigniorics of which the Queen is Seignior Paramount or Suzerain.
2. The lands which are held on roture directly of the Crown, of which the Queen is Seignior Censier.
3. The lands which have been granted by the Crown in free and common soccage, in consideration of amnual rents.
In respect to the first class, namely, the Scigniories, the Crown is entitled on cevery sale and conveyance equivalent to a sale, to exact from the purchaser by way of fine, a sum equal to the fifth part of the purchase money, called "Droit de Quint."

This right affects all the Seigniorics in Lower Canada which were conceded under the ordinary conditions and according to the Custom of Paris, and which comprize by far the greater number: some Seigniories, however, by their original titles, were exempted from it, and wore subjected to the pryment on such mutations of a small piece of gold moncy, or the revenue for one year of the Scignior's domain, only. This right of Quint has ccased to exist in all cases where the proprietors have commuted their tenure under the provisions of the Imperial Statutes passed for that purpose.
In respect to the second class, namely, the lands hold en roture directly from the Crown, called "Censives," they consist of the larger portion of the city, suburbs, and banlieu of Quebec, and of the town and banlicu of Three Rivers. The Crown, like other Scigniors, has the right to exact from the purchaser of property situated within its Censive, on every sale, and conveyance equivalent to a sale, a sum equal to the twelfth part of the purchase money, called "Droit
de Lods et Ventes." This right, like that of Quint, has ceased to exist in respect to all such propertics of which the tenure has been changed into that of free and common soccage. In respect both to Quint and Lods et Ventes, it has always been customary to grant a remission of one third of the amount on prompt payment, i. e. on payment within a specificd period from the date of the deed of transfer, which, under the present regulations, is fixed at three months for Quints, and six mouths for Lods et Ventes.
In respect to the third class, it chicfly comprizes beach and deep water lots granted on the banks of the St. Lawrence and St. Charles, on payment of certuin ground rents.
The annual value of the Droit de Quint is very fluctuating, dependiug, as it does, upon the transfer of a description of property not very frequently in the market. The receipts since the year 1830 have amounted to about $£ 8000$.
The annual value of the Lods et Ventes, if rigidly exacted, or even if collceted under an improved system, would far exceed the amount received. That amount, in ordinary years, has been about $£ 2500$ per ammun. I am of opinion that it might be doubled, if not trebled, under a properly arranged mode of collection, without exposing the Cersitaires to any hardship.

The ground rents referred to in the third class at present, if fully collected, would amount to about $£ 500$ per annum. These rents are increasing by fresh grants, and are not so subject to fall into arrear as the other description of dues, their amount boing ascertainable by the public officer in charge of the Department.

The amount of Quints ascertained to be duc and unpaid, may be stated to be about $£ 6000$.
The amount of Lods et Ventes ascertained to be due and unpaid, may be stated to be about £25,000.
It may be estimated that there is due upon transfers not yet ascertained, an amount equal to what is known on both these heads.
The amount of ground rents in arrear may be about $£ 2000$.
The arrears of Quints may be considered as nearly all grod, and both capable and likely to be recovered.
The aurears of Lods ot Ventes, I think, may be classed thus,-one moicty bad as to immediate recovery; the other moicty good, and if judicious meuns were adopted might be recovered in a period of ten ycurs. Of the moicty classed as bad, a considerable portion would from time to time be recovered when the property in respect to which they are due may come to be sold at Sheriff's sale at the instance of private creditors, the claim of the Crown having ly law the first privilege upon the proceeds: the remaining portion I consider as bad debts, either from having become prescribed, or from attaching upon property not worth the anount due, together with the costs of recovery, or perhaps belonging to persons so poor that were the Crown to take the necessary procecdings to enforce payment, they would be involved in absolute ruin.
The arrears of the ground rents may be considered as nearly all good and recoverable, if legal proceedings were taken.

The annual valuc of Quints, Lods' et Ventes, and ground rents, if properly collected, (exclusive of arrears, might, in my opinion, bo estimated at $£ 7000$ per annum.

The steps I would recommend to be adopted to ensure a more prompt collection of these ducs are:-

1. That legal proceedings should be taken against all those apparently capable of paying, who shall neglect payment of the Scigniorial dues for more than two years after their respective acquisitions.
2. That the same proceedings should be adopted when the ground rents shall fall into arrear for wore than four years after they shall have respectively bccome duc.
3. That legal proceedings when taken should be prosecuted to execution.
4. That in respect to such Censitaires as may be entitled to relieft, they should, according to circumstances, obtain a total remission, or be permitted to compound for arrears, and to pay such composition, if their situation should require it, by instalnents.
5. That such remission or composition, except under extraordinary circumstances, should not apply to cases where the present proprietur bad kept in his own hands, out of the purchase money, the arrears due by his predecessors, or had himself contracted to pay them.
6. That it should rest with the Inspector General of the Queen's Domain, and upon his responsibility, to select such persons as should be prosecuted at law, for the pryment of their dues.
7. That the claims for remission or composition, or dclay for the payment, should be made through the Inspector Gencral of the Queen's Domain, who should report upon the propricty of granting the same to His Excellency the Governor General for his ultimate decision.
8. That by Legislative enactment, the Crown should be enalled to recover costs in all legal proceedings taken for the recovery of these and similar dues, which, by the recent decisions in the tribunals of Lower Canada, it has been determined it is not, in the present state of the law, entitled to. This provision is imperatively called for, both as respects the Qucen's Domain properly so called, as the Jesuits' Estates, inasmuch as in a great varicty of cases the sums accruing and recoverable at law would not cover the costs, a state of things operating as a denial of justice, having a very imnoral effect upon the class of persons indebted to the Crown, and tending to a great diminution of the revenue to be derived from such property.
9. Were these ducs collected by an individual appointed for that purpose, instand of being paid in each individual case directly into the hands of the Receiver General, I am of opinion that the annual anount would be very considerably increased.
I am not aware that I can furnish to the Committee any further information respecting other property not under my immediate control claimed by the Crown, or the value thereof, except as far as the obscrvations I have made may be considered applicable to the Jesuits' Estates.

I had omitted to state, that the charges of collection have not been deducted from the suins estimated. There is now allowed $7 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. upon the amount actually collected.
Not knowing when I left Qucbec, what information the Committee was desirous to obtain, I have not with me the documents which would enable me to furnish a more correct estimate; but from memory, I believe what I have mentioned to approach nearly the truth.

Independently of the property I have mentioned, there is a part of the old King's Wharf at Quebec, under lease at $£ 250$ per ammm, in the possession of Mr. Junes Reynar, on which there are arrears due. amounting to about $£ 2500$, for the recovery of which a suit is pending.

FRANCIS WARD PRLMROSE,
Inspector General of the Quen's Domain, and Clevih of the I.and lioll.
February 15th, 1845.

No. 16.-Letter from the Surveyor Gencral to IT. II. Merritt, Esquirc.

> Sunveyon General's Office, Montreal, 17 th February, 1845.

Sir,
Your letter of the 12th instant, addressed to the Assistant Commissioner of Crown Lande, having been referred to this Office, I have the honor to acquaint you, for the information of the Committee of the IIouse of Assembly, of which you are the Chairman, that the lands referred to in the various Surrenders from the Indians to the Crown, from the 17 th October, 1818, to the 9 th August, 1836, comprising 11,277,280 acres, constilute (with the exception of $1,296,313$ acres of the Sauging surrender of $1,500,000$ acres) a portion of the amount of $18,153,219$ acres, stated in the Return from this Office of the 11th instant, to lave been surveyed in Upper Cauada.

Of the quantity of $1,500,000$, contained in the Sauging surrender, about 303,687 acres have heen surveyed, out of which about 100,000 acres have been disposed of, and the remaining 203,687 acres forma part of the surveyed ungranted Crown Land estimated in the former Return from this Olfice, at $1,500,000$ acres. Therefore, over and ahore this quantity of surveycd Crown Land, there will remain unsurvejed in the Sauging Tract, and available 1,196,313 acres Crown Land.

It is presumed that the amount of $1,880,000$ acres of surveyed disposable land in Western Canada, alluded to by the Commissioner of Crown Lands, embraces both Indian and Crown Lands, whereas in the Return from this Office of the 11 th instant, the Indian Lands are arranged under the head of Special Appropriations, in order to distinguish them as not arailable for gencral Provincial purposes.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient humble servant,
THOMAS PARKE,
Surveyor General.
W. H. Merritt, Esquire,

Chairman of Committce of Legislative Assembly, \&c. \&c. \&c.

No. 17.-Letter from the Agent of the Seigniory of Lauzon, to W. H. Merritt, Esquire.

Quebec, 22nd February, 1845.

## Sir,

I acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19 th instant, and I have the honor to make the following reply.

I estimate the actual value of the Seigniory at $\$ 36,000$, in the least; a value which can but increase when about 342 muconceded lots of land will have been conceded, when all the mills will have been conpletely repaired, and when a plan or general Land Roll of the Scigniory will have been made out; the old plans and Land Roll having been totally destroyed by fire several ycars ago, and previous to my appointment as Agent of that Seigniory.

The annual Revenuc of the Seigniory has been, since I have had the management thercof, about $£ 2500$, that is, in money received since 1835 , leaving fur cach year a considerable deticit of unaid rents and Lools et lentes.
When a regular plan and Land Roll shall have been made out, and the mills thoroughly repaired, I am led to believe that the lowest rate of the Revenues will be about $£ 3000$ per annum, without including the arrears which might remain due every year. But it will require continual work and trouble, such as I have experienced, even without a Land Roll, to watel over the different changes of temants (tenanciers) who, often in their transactions, try to defraud the Seigniors of their just rights.
I musi add, that the revenues of the Seigniory are susceptible of being greatly incrensed, from its proximity to the city of (lucbec, and from its having the advantage of containing several rivers and watercourses whereon flour and sitw mills may be crected.
The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted to the Committec on Public Lands, by

## Sir,

Your most obeclient servant,
ANTOINE A. PARENT,
Agent of Lauzon,
and Curator to the Estate and Succession of the late Sir John Caldwell.
W. II. Meraitt, Esquire,

Chairman of Committec of
Legislative Assemuly, \&c. \&c. \&c.

No. 18.-Letter from the Surveyor General to the Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Sunveyon General's Office,<br>Montreal, 15th February, 1845.

Sin,
In reference to your letter of the 12 th instant, I beg to acquaint you, that the Fees paid into your office, chargeable upon Crown Patents, aro exacted under certain regulations known as following, established by Orders in Council.

Regulations prior to July, 1796, established by Order in Council of 19 th August, 1795.
Regulations of 9th July, 1796, established by Order in Council of 6th January, 1796.

Regulations of 22nd December, 1797, established by Order in Council of 10th July, 1797.

Regulations of 30th December, 1802, established by Order in Council of same date.

Regulations of 6th July, 1804, established by Order in Council of 9th January, 1804.

Regulations of 5th January, 1819, cstablished by Order in Council of same date.

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Regulations of 1st Jnnuary, 1820, established by Order in Council of same date.
ith March.
Regulations of 31st January, 1824, estallished by Order in Council of same date.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your obedient humble servant,
THOMAS PARKE,
Surveyor General.
The Honorable
The Commissioner of Crown Lands, \&c. \&c. \&c.

Mr. Bouchette's Answers to the Questions proposed by W. IH. Merritt, Esquire, Chairman of the Committec, Legislative Assembly.
1st. I should sny from about $£ 700$ to $£ 1000$.
2nd. The present annual value of the Seigniory of Lauzon, from Seigniorial dues, Corn Mills, and other privileges, averages from $£ 3000$ to $£ 4000$, from which should be deducted the expense of management, repairs of Mills, \&c. If all the lands were conceded, and the Seigniory managed, to the best advantage, it would not yield less than $£ 4000$ net annual revenue, in my humble opinion.
3rd. The latter plan would appear the most advantageous, and also the most economical plan of manage-
ment, if brought under the direction of the Crown Land Department.
4th. The lease of the King's Posts to the Honorable Hudson's Bay Company for 21 years, dated 27th June, 1842, contains an exclusive right to the Scal Fisheries within the limits thereof.

A further revenue is now derived from Leases to individuals engaged in the Lumber Trade to cut timber along certain large rivers emptying into the St. Lawrence, and up the Saguenay and its tributaries,一the amount of which is ascertainable in the Crown Land Department.
The Salmon Fisheries, under judicious regulations, might be made an advantageous source of Revenue.
There is no probability of an increase in the rate of the lease as at present fixed, namely, $£ 600$ per annum, as the trade with the Indians, in furs, is fast decreasing,-and that decrease being still more accelerated by the proposed settlement of the county of Saguenay, and other parts of the coast.
The value of this territory may therefore be estimated on the grounds of an increase of the lumbering business now carried on, the lease of Mill privileges for the manufacturing deals, \&c., which cannot but ycarly augment, from the extensive forests of pine and other timber existing in that section of country, and the facilities afforded by navigable rivers and streams for its transit to the coast, which latter offers numerous safe and convenient harbors for shipping.
J. B.

Montreal, 17th February, 1845.

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N゙o. 20.-Letter from the Assistant Commissioner of Crown Lands to WF. H. Mervitt, Esquire.
Crown Lands Departmint,
Montreal, 26th February, 1845.
Sin,
I have the honor to enclose herewith the Tabular Statement of the Disbursements and Receipts of the Department of Crown Lands lately required.

On comparing these Statements with the $\Lambda$ ccounts periodically rendered the Govermment, (in a totally different shape, I find in the general result some discrepancy, arising no doubt out of some omission or error of calculation, which I should have wished to correct before transmitting them. But from what I understood from yon on the subject of these $\Lambda$ ecounts, $I$ am induced to send them in their present shape, leaving the error to be corrected hereafter.

The Accounts now submitted include no part of the monics paid on account of the Inspection of Clergy Reserves ordered in 1843, which will amount to about $£ 6,000$. The greater part of this sum has already been paid, but will only enter the Accounts of the present year.

I beg to observe, that the proportions of the Office Exponses eharged to Crown Lands ought not to be considered as incurred for the management of sales alone.

Old locations, claims to free grants, and many other land matters altogether unconnected with sales, take up a considerable portion of the time and labour of the Department, and ought, consequently, to bear an adequate share of that cxpenditurc. As an instance, I may state that within the last twelve months alone, some five thousand of Lower Canada Militia Claims, now of thirty years standing, have been received for investigation and adjudication.

> I have the honor to be,
> Sir,
> Your most obedient servant,

> T. BOUTHILLER.
W. H. Mernitt, Esquire,
M. P. P., \&c., \&c., \&c.

## REPORT.

The Select Committee to which were referred the Petition of John P. Waterson and others, Licensed Deal Cullers of the City of Quebec, and various other Petitions, for amendments to the Lumber Act,--the Petition of Ruggles Wright and others, Inhabitants on the Ottawa River, interested in the production of Lumber, against any alteration of said Act,and the Bill to regulate the Culling and Measurement of Timber, Masts, Spars, Deals, Staves, and other articles of a like nature, and to repeal the Act of the seventh Victoria, chapter-twenty-five, have the honor to Report :-

That your Committee have carefully considered the several Petitions referred to them, as also the Biill, and have taken evidence nt considerable length, of individuals belonging to all classes interested in the Timber trade, and in the inspection and measurement of that article of our cominerce.

The result of their inquiry has led your Committee to adopt the compulsory measurement of Square Timber, Masts and Spars, but to render culling of all descriptions of Lumber optional to either of the parties, buyer or seller.

Your Committee hnve accordingly altcred and amended the Bill referred to them, and they now beg leave to report the same as amended and altered, together with the evidence.

All which is humbly submitted.
T. C. Aylwin,

Chairman.
7th March, 1845.

## MINUTES OF EVIDENCE.

Thomas Cusinng Aylifin, Esquire, in the Chair.
Thursday, 19th December, 1844.
Mr. Joseph Homond, Lumber Merchant, called in ; and examined:-
1.-Are you engaged in the Lumber Trade? I am.
2.-How many Rafts have you been connected with this season, I mean 1844 ?-I had about forty; they would amount to nearly two millions of feet.
3.- Are you convorsant with the Law now in exfistence for regulating the measurement of Timber, pand would you, after your experience, desire to do away with the principle of the said Law? I I am; I am well acquainted with the working of the Bill, and would not desire to see the principle of it altered.
4. Are there any parts of the details of the Bill which you would wish amended ; and is not the description of merchantable articles of Timber too severe in the present Law? -I do not approve of breaking up of the tenth part of the rafts, and would prefer that the whole should be made merchantable,-there is no other detail of the Bill that I disapprove of.
5.- According to the Tariff of fces established by this Act, is it not a great deal less than what you were formerly in the habit of paying?-It is.
6.-Owing to the particular nature of the Lumber trade, is, it possible to transact the business. without measurement taking place; and, in your opinion, by whom should that duty be performed?-I do not see how it would be possible to proceed with the Timber trade without having the Timber measured,--but by independent men not engaged in the Lumber trade, or by the seller or buycr.
7.-Did the Bill facilitate or impede your business this year?-It did facilitate it.
8.--D ${ }_{0}$ you think it fair or bencficial to the working of the Bill, that the Board of Examiners should be merchants; or is not the Supervisor the person who should have the full power ?-I think it should be the Supervisor, with the assistance of other cullers, who should compose the Board of Examiners. I would not exclude merchants from the Board, providing they had practical knowledge of the business.
9.-Is it not a fact that Timber is in many instances shipped as fast as it is measured, therefore, by the time the specification is handed in, the poor man can have no redress, as he is deprived of the power of referring to the timber?-I am not aware that this occurred this year, except in cases where the buyer and seller were agreed. In former times, when the merchants cmployed their own cullers, it frequently occurred, the timber was shipped without the consent; and even without the knowledge of the seller.
10.-Do you export timber to Great Britain or elsewhere on your own account?-I do not.
11.-If you were in the practice of exporting Timber on your own account, would you think it necessary to have such Tinber mensured by the Supervisor before shipment?-I would.
12.-What reason do you assign for this opinion? I think it would advance the sale.
13.-If you were a Cove owner at Quebec, and had a commercial house nt the place to which you sent your Timber, would you then think it advantageous to have it measured under the Supervisor's direction before shipment; if so, state why ? - I would, for the renson I have before given, which I think equally applics to the one case as to the other.
14.-With reference to the two last questions, could you not ship your own Timber at a much less cost of money and time by your measurement, than
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by going through the process of the Supervisor's office? -I I do not know that I could gain any time, but I think that the mensurement could be done at less expense by omploying my own men.
15.-Do you not think that it would be preferable to the prosent system, if it were cnacted that Timber should be measured immediately ugon its arrival at the port of shipment, before it was offered for sale, so that the seller should meet the buyer with the speoification of the Timber in his hand?-I do think it would be much better if it were so.
16.-Were the complaints under the old system principally by the manufacturers of the Timberbrought to Quebec, or by the merchants shipping it there; or did both parties complain?-Principally by the manafacturers of Timber.
17.-In what did the grievance mainly consist, in so fiur as the manufacturers were concerned?-In the measurement of the Timber by hired sorvants of the buycr, meaning the merchant.
18.-Is the grievance, in so fir na the manufacturer is concerned, redressed by the Act of last Session?[ consider that it is to a certain extent, but it still requires modification.
19.-Are you aware of any hardships suffered by the merchants at Quebee in consequence of the existing Law?-I am aware that they are complaining, but do not know the grounds of their complaint.
20.- You have stated that under the previous Law of Inspection, Tlimher was slipped without the knowledge of the seller previous to his being settled with for the same, and that he had no recourse; will you explain what you nom by his having no recourse? - By no recourse, I mean that I have no check on the Timber shipped, and that it is out of my power to call a survey, the timber being shipped.

John Eyan, Esquire, Lumber Merchant, culled in; and examined:-

Answer to $Q .1,-I \mathrm{Im}$, in Square Timber only.
Answer to Q. 2.-About two million and a half (about 55 cribs.)

Answer to Q. 3.-I should not wish to do away with the principle of the Bill.

Answer to Q. 4.-There are measures that I think might be amended, that part whore it refers to Merchantahle limber is too stringent.

Answer to $Q .5 .-\mathrm{It}$ is.
Auswer to Q. 0.-For the settlement of transacfions at Quebec, mensurement is necessary, but measurcment should be done lyy disinterested measurers.

Answer to $Q$. 7.-It facilitated it to a great extent.
Ansuer to Q. 8.-I think the Supervisor should have the full power to select a Board of Examiners.

Answer to Q. 9.-In the present instance you can avoid that, by having it mensured by the Supervisor's measurers, (under the old system you could not do so, and selling your specification after it is measured to any person disnosed to purchase.

Auswer to $Q .10,-$ No.
Answer to Q. 11.-Yes.
Answer to $Q$. 12.--Because if the Timber is not measured, I should have no check upon the Captain, who generally is bound to give a receipt for such

Timber, but could not do so unless he had some data to go by.

Answer to Q. 13.-Alrendy answered.
Answer to Q. 14.--For onc or two rafte it would not pay ; if I had fifty or sixty it would-but without a boom I could not do it at any expense.

## Answer to Q. 15.-Y'es, most decidedly.

Answor to $Q .16$. - It was the manufacturers that complained; under the old system, a merchant in England looks to the Quebee merchant that the specification rendered to the purchaser in Englama would hold out from 8 to 10 per cent. over the Canada measurement; whether it does so under the present system or not, it is impossible for mo to say.

Answer to Q. 17.-In that the measurement of the hired servant of the buyor monsured, and that thore was no legal recourse against his measurement if he did not do justice.

## Answer to Q. 18.-It is in a great measure.

Answer to Q. 19.-I am not aware, as they might have redress by a survey.
21.-Are you paid or employed by any person or persons for your loss of time or outlay of money?-No.
22.- Yu have stated that the standards for Timber are too stringent,-is this opinion entertained by the seller as well as buyer, or by the seller only fThere has not been, in my opinion, a raft sold this year merchantable, because they could not conform to the Law.

23,-Under the operation of the previous inspection Law have many disputes about measurement oceured between the masters of vessels and the shippers of Timber?-I have not heard of any.
24.-Does the present mode of paying the cullers give them any interest calculated to mislead them; and if so, what remedy could yon suggest?- I do not kuow that the present mode does, as he can have no interest, only to diselarge his duty.
25.-Do you not think it would be advantageous to the trade in gencral, if it were optional for the buyer and seller to agree to their own measurement and inspection, and in the event of a dispute to have reference to a Board of Supervision? ?-I think it would be to the ndvantage of the merchant, but not to the trade-I mean the manufactures:
26. -Would a reference to the Supervisor not have the effect of rendering a fitir reward between the merchant and the manufncturer? - Yes, it would be, if it were practicable, before the Timber was shipped, to have the Supervisor's decision.
27.-From your experience with the working of the present Bill, have you any modifications to suggest; if so, please state them ?-I think that the Board of Examiners should be appointed by the Supervisor, and that a culler being wilfully found guilty of unfair measurement should have his Comnission taken from lim, and punished.

James Bell Forsyth, Esquire, Merchant, of Qucbee, called in ; and examined:-
28.- Are you engaged in the Lumber trade?-I am extensively engaged as a Broker, and both buy and sell on account of others,-I have not bought on my own account.
29.-How long have you been in busincss?-About two years.
30.-Are you deputed on the part of the Quebec Board of Tride p-1 am; and beg leave to hand in the following:-

## (Copy.)

That one of the members of this Council be requested at the proper time, to proceed to the Seat of Government, to explain and advocate the passing of the above amendments; and that J. B. Forsyth, Esquire, be requested to represent this Council, to that end.

## (True Extract,) <br> W. Stevenson, <br> Hon'y Sec'y.

Councli of Trade Room,
Quevec, 11th December, 1844.
Objections to the present Lumber Bill:-
1st. That it is often oppressive to both buyer and scller, compelling them to ubide by the measurement or culling of partics in whom neither have confidence.
2nd. That geverally, when Square Timber requires overseeing, and in culling deals much judgment and discrimination is required, and the necre chance of a good or bad culler, though both may be honest, may make $n$ difference to buyer or seller of 8 to 12 per cent, as will be shewn in a case of Mr. Stewart's.

3rd. That the compulsory part of the Bill has iucreased the tax on the Trude to the extent of the nonual expense of the Supervisor's office; for the Law has deprived the Cove holder of a great part of the means by which his establishment was supported, and forces him to levy a charge for the use of his cove on the Lumberman, which in one cove this year has excecded $£ 300$.

4th. That while the standard of deals is raised to a pitch that will make first quality unknown, the interests of all saw millers are gricvously affected. The poor man with his all invested in his or their bateau loads, is compolled, instend of selling for shipment on board a vessel by count, to land, cull, and pile at a loss frequently of 15 to 25 per cent, and this merely because compelled by Law. That on Lathwood and Birch the objections are equally strong, no benefit by any possibility can be derived by either buyer or seller having recourse to the Supervisor, Birch being bought generally by the single stick.

5th. That viewing the compulsory part of the Bill as oppressive, the Council are anxious to have an independent Board of Survey, and such a Board as will give prompt and immediate redress, and without cost, the present system of surveys being most objectionable.

6th. That much of the complaint on the part of the merchant and the manufacturer of denls would ccase, if the measurements or culling could be ontrusted to one, two, or three Inspectors, whose incomes could be such as to place them beyond suspicion, but without imputing to 50 or 60 cullers as a body, any direct dishonesty, still they may be tempted; and if so, they can hardly be convicted, for however glaring their crror, it may be set down to crror of judgment.
7th. That while the Council would prefer seeing two or three Inspectors alone permitted to measure or cull, yet this being impracticable, they cannot see why a culler cannot be made cqually dependent; for if anmable by fine or imprisomment for erroneous surveys, he is an agent directly responsible to both buyer and seller.
8th. On the Committee are three members interested in the three leading branches of the trade;

Deals, Staves, and Square Timber; and if I am prepared to shew that oach in his own person has suffered to a large amount, I think the Committec will agree with me, that from such undeniable testimony, the poor Lamberer must ofton have suffered to a greater extent.
Deals.-In expense there is a difference of 1 s .6 d . a hundred, but all concur that in culling, the difference this season is 8 to 12 per cont. in projudice of the manuficturer and seller,

Staves.-Independently of the loss sustained by culling, the difficulty of the seller collecting the half culling, which formerly was included in thie shipping charges, makes the present Act much more prejudicin than formerly to the selles.

Square Timber.-Without alluding to the well grounded complaints of the Lumberman in the early part of the season against the measurement of their Timber, I will confine myself to the last Raft brought down by Mr. Stewart, -a Raft ostimated by him to average from 43 to 45 fect. It was sold to Mr . Jones, and measured by a party who is considered an excellent culler, and one who $I$ um certain would not be binssed cither way. The contents were 66,469 fect, or an average of 38 feet. No survey was called, but I believe one was talked of. Mr. Stewart was paid, and on the re-measurement of the Raft, it contained 71,821 feet, or nbout 42 feet, shewing a loss to the manufncturer of 5,351 feet.
31. What is your greatest objections to the Bill as it now stands? -That it compels buyer or seller to trust the measurement of the Timber to the man at the head of the Supervisor's list whether he be a good measurer or not. Because the system of surveys is bad in making cullers judges of one another, and mainly because perfect freedom in the choice of a measurer is debarred to buyer and seller.
32.-Then you think all measuxing or culling should be optional?-Decidedly.
33.-Those in the trade complain of being defranded under the old system, do you wish to revert to it?-By no means. Under the old system there were many abuses, and all parties had great reason to complan, mainly I think from the difficulty of getting survers.
34.-How would you remedy this; and would you recommend any Legislative Act?-I would decidedly wish to see an Act similar in most of its provisions to the one now in force,-adding two good judges of Timber to the Supervisor to set as a Board to grant licenses, and personally to perform all surveys; making it compulsory on all measurers and cullers to take a license,-to give security for their due performance of the duties; and in all cases of survey to make the decision of the Board final. All Timber, Deals or Staves sold, to be measured or culled by a sworn culler, except the proprietox, was the shipper; in which case it is manilestly unjust to make him pay for services that are literally neither useful to aim nor to others.
35.-Do you think a culler would act as independently, if cmployed by thic merchant, as under the present system? -I think he would act as inpartially, f he was subject to fine or dismisseal by the Board of Survey for any erroneous neensurement.
36.-Do you think the present system works well, of taking the mensurer of the lis's of the Supervisor? -No:
37.-Your reasons?-Cullers being dependent for their salaries on the number and extent of the rafts

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they mensure or cull, are naturally anxious to please those who cmploy them; and although I believe it was nover contemplated by the origimator of the Act that it should be known who was at the head of the list, it was so notorious, hat I deemed it my duty to apprise the Supervisor how wrong it was to allow either the Merchant or the Lumbermnn to have nay knowledge who the party was. He said that neither ho or any in the oftice ever gave noy intimation till the requisition went in, but that the cullers knew among themselves. And I recommended that requisitions should be put in a box, and every second or thind hour drawn promiscuously, which would effectually put an cud to all collusion; but this was not acted on,
38. -Should the Committee not see fit to recommend your views which I under:tand to be licensod cullers, subject to the Board of Survey, whether employed ly the merchant or not, what in yout opinion would be the next alternative?-L wonk suggest that all Timber should be sold marchantuble, and Square Timber to be culled, as woll as Denls and Staves, which would prevent much bad and inferior Timber being made; or, if' the Committee did not agree to sucha reasonable proposition, to leave it to the buyer and seller to choose any licensed culler, notifying the same to the Supervisor, should they prefor doing so, to taking the one at the head of his list.
39. In your first oljection you state that the Bill compels parties to abide ly the monsurement of persons in whom neither have confidence; is there not an appeal under the 1 bill in all cases?-There may be an appeal, but why,-the difference may be 5 per cent. either way. People will not take the risk of obtaining a survey, as the party losing must pay the difterence.
40. To what circumstance do you ascribe the inreased value of Cull Staves during the present year; and state their value? - I am aware that Culls were acurce this year, which accounted for the high price they sold at. Culls brought last year £40, this year £ 30 .
41. -Were there not more Culls upon the whole gencrally of staves culled in 1844 than in formet years?-1"es.
42.-In your third objection you state that the Cuve hulders have been deprived of the means of supporting their establishments ly the operation of the bill?-The clarge they made for measurement of 4U. per torn, is now taken from them.

Ansecr to $\mathrm{Q} .1 .-\mathrm{I}$ am; as an agent.
Answer to Q. 2.-I had ahout 40, they would anount to uearly two million feet.

Answer to Q. 3.-Y̌es, ducidedly.
Anszer to $Q$. 4.-I think the whole frineiple should be done away with, and refers to statement handed in and inserted above.

## Ansuer to Q. 5.-Yes.

Answer to Q. 6.-I think that mensuremont should be absulutucly necessary between buyer and seller, and that it should be performed by persons equally dependent on both.
43.-Is not the Culler a judge between the partics? - He is.
44.-Would you approve of the person who is to judge of your rights being dependent upon yourself? -Yes, provided he was equally responsible to the sther.
45.-Would you not think it more proper that he were equally independent of you both. I think the result would be the same, but I would prefer this latter mode, that the whole trade could be entrusted to two or three Inspectors or Cullers.
Answer to Q.7.-In our business as brokers, it made no difference, but the trade in general complained bitterly.
Auswer to Q.8.-I think tho prosent system is bad, and the one proposed infinitely worse, as it throws the whole trinde into the hands of the Supervisor: I think that the Board of Examiners should appoint two Cullers as Supervisors, to have equal power with the present.

Answer to Q. 9.-It has not happened in our own case, or with any partics with whom we have been cuinlected.
Answer to $Q .10 .-N$ N.
Answer to $Q$. 11.-I should think not.
Answer to Q. 12.-I could get a mensure of my own superiur to most of those cmployed by the Supervisor:

Answer to Q. 13.-No, for the renson given in my last.

Answer to Q. 14.-As to time there would be very little difference. It could be shipped however at a much less cost of muncy without a Supervisor.

## Monduy, 20th January, 1845.

John Thomson, Lisquire, of Queboc, Merchant, called in; and examined :-
46.-Are you engaged in the Iamber Trade, and in what branch? - l an engaged in the manufacture of deals.
47.-How long have you been engaged in the business, and to what extent have you carried it on's -I have been engaged in the lusincess for the last 27 years, and have superintended the snw mills of the late Sir John Caldwell; these saw mills are extensive establishnients, eutting from 200,000 to 400,000 deals aumually.
48.-Have joul any knowledge of the practical working of the Lumber Act passed last Session of Parliament, and if so, be pleased to state what you know upon the subject?-It has noted in a very vexatious and expensive manner to manufacturers of Deals, as regards their elassification; culling has been much more stringent without any additional remuncrating price, that is to sny, the standard of groodness has been increased by raising the standard; the first quality of Deals hus been diminished, and others in proportion.
49.- In what particular do you conecive the description of first clase Deals, as given by the Statute, to be unreasonable? - The Statute requites that first class Deals should be free from all knots; Spruce Deals are not to be fiund without then, except in few instances. I should think that sound knots, and particularly black ones, do not impair the quality of Deals so as to prevent them from belonging to first class.
50.-Are you nvare of the standard of goodness of Deals in the British markets, say London and Liverpool?-The standard in Grat Britain varics, London being the most difficult market to please, the standard being higher; necording to the Liondon
standard, knots, if they be sound, do not exclude a denl from being considered as first quality, if it be moroly a black knot.
51.-State in what particulars you concoive the Bill to have operated injuriously to you as a manufucturer of Deals, either in adding to your expenses or otherwise?-The culling of Denls is much too high; during the last twenty-five years the price for culling Deals hus been 3d. per standard 100; by the present tariff the expense is 3 s . During the present season, I manufictured 200,000 standardDeals, which, at 3 d , per 100 , would amount to $£ 25$; the same quantity at 3 s , to $£ 300$. I object to being compelled to have my Deals culled, and to the expense which the Supervisor's office ontails upon manufacturers. I object to the provision of the Act by which the cullers are taken alternately from a list, as there is a very great difference of knowledge and skill between one culler and another; and when I get a good one I should wish to keep him. I am one of the Board of Examiners myself, and have observed that some cullers are not so competent as they should be; it is almost out of the power of the Bond to prevent this. Many of the best practical cullers were prevented from obtaining commissions, as thicir knowledge of raading and writing prevented them from drawing up specifications, while their knowledge of Timber was very great. I an in the habit of shipping Deals on my own account, and the specifications which I send 'with my Deals are drawn up in my own office, so that the specification lodged in the Supervisor's office was of no manner of use. I also know that Messrs. Hamilton \& Low ship about 400,000 Deals annually, which they send home with their own specifications. In point of practice, the specifications are made out by the shipping clerk of each ehipper, and the Supervisor's office is never troubled on the subject. In this respect, the Law as it now stands is inoperative. The Law is partial, as all Deals manufactured below the Island of Orleans, and above the Port of Quebee, are exempted from the effects of the Bill. I am told that, in some instances, the present system has created delay; but as to myself, I cannot complain upon this ground. I do not now recollect any other objec.tion to the Bill as far as I am concerned.
52.-Would you approve of the system of stamping Deals to mark their quality, being made compulsory :-No; becalse Deals upon arrival in Great Britain are almost invariably reassorted without reference to any culling or stamping here in Canada. Another reason why I object to the stamping of Deals is, that I have been in the habit of supplying parties in England with large quantities of Deals culled in a particular manner for specific purposes; for instance, the number of knots is not oljected to, provided they are free from wane or sap.
53.-Do you know how the Bill operates unon the owners of small mills who were in the habit of selling their Deals deliverable on board ship in the stream? -I have understood that, under the new system, mellers of Deals in small quantities have been compelled to land their Deals for the purpose of being culled before shipment, and in this way have been obliged to pay wharfage, landing nnd shipping charges, amounting in some crses to 20 per cont. of the value.
54.-Besides your Mills at the Etchemin, have you any Mills elsewhere which are not under the supervision of Cullers?-I have not.
55.-In the event of no alteration being made in that part of the Bill which prescribes compulsory culling, do you conceive that any altemation is required in the Tariff, and if so, what?-I think that the present rate ought to be reduced two-thirds.
56.-Are you acquainted with the class of men
who now practice as commissioned Cullers?-Yes.
57.-What, in your opinion, ought men bolonging
to that class to make, duuing the season, in the oxercise of their business? are unemployed during the winter; others get omployment in culling both denls and saw logs in the woods. The light in which I view the Cullers is that of a superior class of labourers,-I apeak of the class generally; some of the Cullers are woll educated men, and form an exception.
58.-With reference to the description of first class Deals, is not the evil susceptible of remedy without referenco to Legislation at all; would not the evil cure itself by raising the price of second quality?-I think it would in the course of time.
69.-Do you not think it would be advantageous to the trade in gencral, if it were optional for the buyer and seller to agree to their own inspection, and in the event of a dispute to have reference to a Board of Supervision ?-I do.

Mr. Alexander MBean called in; and examined:-
Answer to $Q .1$.-I am in all kinds, with the exception of Staves.
Answer to Q. 2.-Five Rafts of Denls and Square Timber.
Answer to Q. 3.-I am, and would not wish to do away with the principle. I should like to see the present statute modified, especially in the culling of Deals.

Answer to Q. 4.- Yes, the culling, which I would like to see better classified, and the Deals more particularly. With reference to Square Timber, I have had none culled since the Act cume into force, but I know that they are more severe in rejecting knots in square white pine than they were before the passing of the Act. I should wish to see the classification altered, and made as follows:-With reference to Masts, I am of opinion that three feet to the inch would be sufficient without any extreme length: these are the dimensions of Masts used in merchant vessels. Under the present Bill, the extreme length which is now exacted operates in favor of the merchant and against the manufacturer, inasmuch as the Mast may be dressed as well under as above this extreme length, although the piece of Timber is equally fit for the purpose. In this way, a stick of Timber mensuring 21 inches, is reduced to 18 inches, when it has not the extreme length, and the value is diminished one-half, I do not approve of the breaking up of the raft, viz, one-tenth, without the consent of the parties. I would wish suoh a modification of the Law as would enable buyer and seller to regulate the measurement of their Timber among themselves: I refer to the 14 th Section, and the breaking up of one-tenth of a Raft when there is no specifo agreement to the contrary, and would wish that part of the law to be abolished.

## [The Witness then handed in the following Memo.]

First quality or merchantable Deals to be well sewed and butted, not more than 3-4 inch wane, free from rots, rotten knots, open case knots, splits and shakes; all sound knots, not exceeding one inch in diameter, notwithstanding calor, to be received as merchantable.
Second quality,- to be sawed and butted, not more than 3-4 inch wanc, free from rots, rotten knots, splits and shakes ; all sound knots, notwithstanding Bize or color, to be received as second quality.

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Culls to consist of such ne do not como within tho definition of first and second ¢ualitices.
7 th March.
The Stradned hundred Deuls-wto be cqual to 100 pieces, 12 feet long, 11 inches brond, $2 \frac{1}{2}$ inehes thick Dends of all gundities shanl not be less than 8 foot long, 7 inches brond, $2 \frac{1}{2}$ inches thick; Deal onds 6 feet long. All Denls when culled, to be stamped by the Culler wihh the letters:-M. on Merchantable, S. on Sceonds, 12. on Culls.

Aluswer to Q. 5 .-It is between 40 and 50 per cont. on Deals, and 40 per cent. on Square Wimber.
Answer to Q. 6.-It is impossible. By sworn Cullers, independent both of buyer und soller.

Ansuce to Q. 7.-I managed to settle my busincss in one half the time, in consequence of the fucilitios in culling. When the culling was done by persons employed by the Cove owner, great delays were experienced, as the Callers would be ordered from one raft to mother, as their sorvices were more or loss repuired, und the seller was detained to suit the convenience of the Cove owner; and after the culling was over, we found that great injustice had been dione to us, and that what we considerod as Second Deals when sold to merohants, were First Doals when shipped.

Answer to (2. 8.-When the culling whe complained of, the persons culling cxotsal thenselves hy sying that they were neting under compulsion. 1 have known instinces where, upon my complaining of the shictness of the culling, the Cove owner has come down with me, and instructed the Culler not to be so very particular;-which order las beeu uleyal.

## Friday, 2 th January, 1845.

Mr. Alcarander M'Bean again called in; and ex-amined:-
60. Is it not a fact, that Timber is in mmy instances slipped as fast as it is measured; thercfore, loy the time the specification is handed in, the poor man can liave no redress, as he is deprived of the power of referting to the Timber? - According to the fild practice, in many instanecs, two-thireds of the yafts were broken up and slipped before the seller could obtain a specification, -often to the grent detriment of the seller.
61.- Do you export Timber to Groat Brituin or elsewhere, on your own account?-I do not.
62.-If you were in the practice of exporting Timher on your own account, would yout think it necessary to have such Timber mensured by the Supervisor lefore shipment?-I would.
63. What reason do you assign for this opinion? -I think it would advance the sale.
64.-Are you aware of any hardshing suffercd by the merchants of Quelec, in consequence of the existing Law? -The Cove owners in Quebee are gencrally losers by the new Law, inasmuch as they lose the fees of the Cullers.
65.-Do you not think it would be adrantageous to the trade in general, if it were optional for the buyer and seller to agree to their own measurement and inspection: and in the event of a dispute, to hnve reference to a Bonted of Supervisors? -Inmy opinion it would le injurious to the manufacturer.

Mr. Churles. E. Dunn, of Quebec, Mercinant, called in; ind oxamined:
Answer to Q. 1.- I am.
Answer to Q. 2.-I Ind about eight rafts of $S$ gunvo Ouk aud Slaves, valued at about 240,000 .
Ansicer to Q. 3.-I would not.
Answer to Q. 4,-They are.
Ansuer to Q. 5.-Thoy nre less. Squaro Timbor and Stundard Stuves abont one-third. West India we higher by tho present tuxiff than fomerly. Deuls 50 prer cent. less.
Ansuce to Q. 6.-It is impossible; the dutics should be performed by some person independent of both: bayer aud seller.
Ansuer to Q. 7.-Compared with former years it theilitated it.
66.-Do you think the Board of Exmminers would be improved ly making Cullers part of such Board? -It would.
67.-Is it passible to carry on the Lumber trade without mensurement taking place, to determine the respective rights of parties ; if not, should that duty be performed by the hired servants of the purchaser, or by partios legnlly commissioned and independent of buyer und seller? - No.
68.-Wus there any systom at all in existence licfore the present Law, whoreloy a party aggrieved could get any reulress at all in reference to culling and mensuring lumber?-There was not.
69.- Is the definition of merchantable Denls too stringent by the Lav; if so, have you uny anendment to offor: more suitable to the gencral nature of the trade P -Quite too stringent.
70.-Are you atrare that fraul is committed in shipping Deals, owing to their not being inspected, to wit, thirds as seconds, and seconds as firsts; and would it not benefit the producer by having them stamped and shipped under their proper denomina-tion:-I cannot diswer the first pmit of the question: but I approve of the systen of stamping.
71.-Should not herrt Staves be recoived at 4 and $3 \frac{1}{2}$ inches wide, and $5 \frac{1}{6}$ feet long, in accordance with the former system of oulling, and be now legnlized so ? - I would not.
72.-Are there not many merchants in Quebec who are intercsted in the Lumber trade, ngainst the repeal of the present Law ?-There are some.
73.-Was it not usual that three small worm holes were nllowed in Staves, if otherwise good timber?It is usual.
74.-What was the churge of culling Deals befure the Lav, and what is the charge now under the law, and what the Quebec Thuiff?-Ihe charge formenly was 4 s . 6 d . ; it is under the present Law 38 .
75.- Hrs the operation of the present Law the effect of rasing the charneter of Lumber in the Home market?-It has.
76.- Is not the charge for culling and measuring Lumber in gencrul, ly the present Law, much lees than what was formerly exueted?-From 25 to 50 per cent. lower.
77.-Are you aware if the members of the Board of Trade aro interested as Cove Lolders; and if so, to what extent? -The majoxity of them are, and to a very considcrable extent.

Mr. Donall MrArthur calledin; and examined:-
78.-Are you enguged in the Deal trado?-I am,
70.--Did you sign the Petition of Messra. EInmilton \& Low without reading it, and under the improssion that it ouly prayed for the modification of the merchantable definition of Denls?-I did; and I understood that it was to place the Deal trade on a better footing.
80. - What do you object to in the Petition to which you lave alluded?-My wish in, that we would bo enabled to go into tho market and know what we woro buying and solling.
81.-Aro you satisfiod with the standard for Deals, as defined by the present Aet;-I am, as rogards size, but not us regards quality.
82.-1) 1 o you dosire any altoration in the 13ill, to tho offect that commissioned Culkars in the hire of the purchasing merchant should cull your Deals; or would you proter that duty being performod by a Cullor under the Supervisor" "--Under the Supervisol:
83.-Do you recommend a more moderate defh nition of merchantable Deuls; and do you think that stmuping their cuality and denomination upon them would bean improvement nad advantage to the trade? - I certainly do.
84.-How many Deals do you manufacture annually ? - -About 20,000.
Mi. Alonzo Cook called in; and examined:-

Answer to Q. 78.-I am
Answer to Q. 81.-I an, as to standard of sizo, but not as to clnssification.
Answer to Q. 82.-I would prefor a Culler under the Supervison:
Answer to Q.83.-I would recommend a more moderate courso, and would approve of thoir being sinmped.
iss.-Are you aware that fraud is committed in shipping Deals owing to their not being inspected, to wit, thirds rs seconds, and scconds as firsts? - I rm aware that in some cuses formerly, seconds were slipped as firsts.
86.-Do you think that a Cuher engagod undor n master, is in $n$ position to be as indopendent us if nuder a neutral party subject to the Law ?-I do not
87. --Is it possible to carry on the Lumber trade without measurement taking place to deternime the respective rights of parties; if not, should that duty be performed by the hired servants of the purahaser, or ly parties legally commissioned and independent of both buyer and seller? -I do not think that it is ; it should be performod by a Culler independent of both buyer and seller.
88.--How many years have you heen in the Deal trude, and what quantity do you manuficture annually ?-Ten years, and mnnufacture from 40,000 to 60;000 Deals amnually.

The Chaitman liaid beforc the Committee the folfollowing "Observations by Mespris, Homilion \& "Low, ou the Lumber Inapection Act of December, " 1843 ."

Hawkesbury MHll, January, 1845
1st,-Wo are" Coveholders," yot not in the goneral accoptation of the torm, for wo do not buy uny Lumbor in the Qucbee manket, and our establishment at New Liverpool (silx milos nbove Quelpo, on the opposite alope, is only ubed for sorting ond dolivaring for shipmont, Deals manuficturod by un here,
2nd.-The Lumber Act in its prosent compulsory form, hus proved vexatious nnd expensivo to an pnprecedented degree, in our ouse, duling the past scason.
3rd-Wo ohject not to Cullers boing sworn and liceused, neither to Deads being culled by suoh before shipment; we would not wish toslip Deals unculled; and even that operation is necessnry in order to their being priced and invoiced.
4th.-But we do claim that the option mny be pormitted to buyer and seller, to employ any Cullor qualiffed by Law, without being shackled by the cumbersome and expensive provisions of the Act,
5th.-W0 derive no ansistance or ndvantage from the Supervisor's deprytmont, und therefore protest apuinst boiny compecled to pay a large amount of fees thicro, literilly for nothing. It is even said that the Deal trade was designedly lrought under the present Law, with a view of maintaining the culling estabLislment for Square Timber, by aid of an extraorlinarily high twiff of culling fees on Deals! During the past senson we paid about $£ 700$ for such fees and charges, more than any previous period. Besides from the want of control or dircetion on the part of the owner of the article, over the work of the present Cullers, muoh confusion and disorder is apt to occur, esyocially in such localitices as Now Liverpool, which is subject to the frequent ohanges of the tides, by night and day. On this account alone, our extria labor in hands cost us 50 per cent, mure list season than for: merty.
6th.-The culling fces for Deals (which do not cover laborers' wages, that have to be paid by partics besides,) might properly be reduced tivo-thirds, and there would still be a handsome compensation left for the services of Cullers.
7 th. -Under the Act, we have also suffered loss by the classification of our Denls. Our first and sccond qualitics were diminished cight per cent.; tho thirds and culls being grently augmented. Even the Cullers themselves now admit thint in adhering to the prescribed rules for culling Dealds, they werc obliged to go beyond what they considered a just staudard, to the injury of the manufacturer.

8th. -The Act is also partial, in exempting the Port of Montreal, nud all below the ishand of Orlenas, (vide the 23 rd section,) which is manifestly unfuir towards those doing business in less favored places, And if it be any object of the Act to give a uniform chancter to Canida Deqle, why not cubrace all the shipping ports? It is evident, therefore, that the Act is rot that immaculnte measure which some of its advocates would scem to reghard it.

9th.-The manufneturer exporter of Deals is also exenpted; on the ground, it is presurned, that the ships his own commodity; wherefore nok on tho same principle, also alibow the privilege of like exemption to buyer and solleir, if tibigy ahoind mutatly agree to have the artiple morted by p qualifiedi Culler, without coming under all the provisionis of the tuaiw? Surely the.charector of the netiole could not poseibly suffer in the one cabe to ore that in the oder?
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curs to us that the regulations for Cullers might be advantageously assimilated to those of Trinity House for Pilots, as nearly as may be; for instance, let individuals properly qualified and able to give reasonable sccurity for the due performance of the duties, have commissions as Cullers, and leave them to find employment like members of any other licensed calling or profession. The Culler of experience and charncter would then be sure of finding employment, and yet be deemed worthy of the confidence of all partics concerned. A method for a temporary suspension or dismissal from office of Cullers, for incapacity or misbchaviour, (regarding which the present Law makes no provision, might also be advantageously introduced, and the power in such case might be conferred on the Board that would issue the Cullers' commission.

11th.-The qualification of Education inserted in the Act, does not appear to us as applicable to Deal Cullers, to answer any desirable cnd; for while it serves to disqualify many uneducated persons of experience and good judgment in that capacity, still, others have been licensed under the Act who are extremely deficient in these respects, at the same time that they are incapable of making out their own specifications. Let this qualification of education be then dispensed with, and yet the educated Culler will nevertheless be preferred, if well qualified in other respects.

12th.-Another grierance of the Act is the authority deemed to appertain to the Supervisor's office to withdraw a Culler from a party's employment, at any moment and without any reason hoing alleged, when it may be desirable to retain him, from his having become acquainted with the routine of that party's busincss, and can therefore more satisfactorily discharge his duty, than a fresh hand substituted in his place. We were once threatened with the exercise of this objectionable authority in the course of last season.

13th.-The practice of "measuring off" Square Timber without Culling, is understood to lave first engendered distrust, and given rise to complaints in that branch of the trade; yet, strunge to say, the present Act would seem in effect to legalize the same practice, (vide 14 th Scction.) And what is more, the privilege of "measuring off" Square Timber, at a comparatively light fee, virtually amounts to an optional exemption, so far, of it; while, from the circumstance of Deals necessarily requiring to be sorted, the law remains compulsory in respect of them. It does secm hard that the Deal trade should be inyolved, as in our case to its prejudice, in a measure intended to remedy abuses, real or imaginary, in another branch of the Timber trade.

14th.-To enforce the stamping of the different qualities of Deals may be objectionable, for as much as the Quebec exporter ought to be allowed to send his article to the British market free from any distinguishing mark which might possibly prevent some Deals from being classificd according to their real quality and estimation there. It were uselcss to enforce compulsory regulations for Deal culling in Canada, more complicated and stringent than may be requisite in the Home market, where it may be presumed dealers in Timber are experienced practical men who need not the so-called protection of the present Lumber law ; and where after all that may be attempted here, the quality of the article alone will ultimately decide its class and value.
15th.-For these reasons, it is enrnestly desired that the present Lumber Inspection Law may be now rendered non-compulsory, in some of its provisions, as respects the Deal trade; for which purpose a Bill is
about to be brought into the Legislature during the present Session, intended in effect to enact "that all Canadian Deals and sawed wood shall be exempted from all the provisions of the said Act, saving the relative standards of measurement, and excepting the 28th and 29th Sections, unless the owner and buyer shall agree and require that the same $F$ all be measured and culled under the said provisiouc: Providing always that it shall be lawfal for any Liennsed Culler to hire for any time to cull, measure, and ship such Deals and sawed wood for the owner or buyer for such wages as the parties may agree upon; and in every such case of hiring no fees or charges shall be payable under the said Act."
It will readily appear that cither the buyer or seller may, nevertheless, avail himself of the Act, if he think proper so to stipulate with the other party.

## (Additional Note to Observation 13th.)

Toshew how far this optional exemption from culling is deemed a practical benefit in the Square Timber brunch, it may be observed that of 340,744 pieces (of all kinds) of Square Timber in Quebec market last scason, only 3,093 pieces were actually culled, (vide Supervisor's printed Returns, Document No. 1.) This exemption must therefore be of immense advantage to that branch, else it would not have been so extensively adopted; but the same favourable privilege is denied by the Act to the Deal branch, where culling under its expensive provisions is strictly compulsory.
Another fact worthy of remark is, that the sums paid to the Supervisor, as culling fees on Deals and Plank, amount to $£ 4621 \mathrm{ls}$. $6 d$. , while the fees paid on S'quare Timber culled, amount only to $£ 87$ 15s. 5 d .
These two results go furcibly to demonstrate the necessity which exists for granting to the Deal trade a rclaxation of the existing system of compulsory culling, as well as a reduction of the high tariff of fees; more especially as it appears from the Supervisor's accounts, that the fees collectable from Square Timber are sufficient to support the present culling establishment for itself.
The subjoined calculations, which are made from data furnished in the Supervisor's printed Returns, will also shew that, taking the respective valuations of last season's sales of Square Timber and Deals, the Supervisor and Cullers' fees on Deals, (exclusive of the additional heavy cost of labor, \&c., paid by parties,) are at least double those paid on Square Timber. Besides, the specifications for Square Tinber are prepared and registered in the Supervisor's office, without any additional charge, while we, and other shippers of Deals at a distunce from the office, have not that advantage afforded to $u s$.
The present Law bears with peculiar severity on our business as saw-millers. As already mentioned, it is compulsory on the Deal branch, yet affords an optional exemption from culling to the Square Timber branch, although, as between the two branches, it occurs to us that the Deal manufacturers have an undeniable just claim to more lenity and favorable consideration, considering the large amount of capital necessarily invested by them in crecting saw-mills, and making other improvements for their operations, which again are well known to benefit the localities where the same are cstablished, in a permanent manner and to a much greater degree than the necessarily more transient operations of the Square Timber business. But the Act goes to reverse this case, and places the Deal branch in a most unfavorable and discouraging position.

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COMPARATIVE ESTIMATES, based on Printed RETURNS furnished by the SUPERVISOR of CULLERS, for the year 1844, (the quantities only, not the estimated valuations, being so furnished.)


Charles Adamson Low, Esquire, called in; and examined:-
89. How many years have you been engaged in the Lumber trade, and in what branch of it ?-I have been 30 years; I have always been in the Deal, and partly in the Square Timber trade.
90. Have you heard any Lumberer on the Ottawa river, who is a manufacturer of Square Timber, complain of the charges for measuring or culling, and, if so, name them? I-have not. I have, however, heard complaints from Mr. Wright and Mr. Montmarquet, of the folly of appeal from Cullers' decision.
91. Do you think that a Culler engaged under a master is in a position to be as independent as if uder a neutral party subject to the law?-I do, provided he gives security, and is amennble to the Board, who, if he acts wrong, will either suspend or dismiss him.
92. Was there any system at all in existence before the present law whereby a party aggriezed could get any redress at all in reference to culling and measuring Lumber?-I conceive that there whas just as much before as now.
93. Is the definition of merchantable Deals too stringent by the Law; if so, have you any amendment to offer more suitable to the general nature of

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the trade?-I do not consider that it is defined at all by the present Law, and that it may be either not sufficiently stringent or too much so.
94. Are you not aware that frand is committed in shipping Deals, owing to their not being inspected, to wit, Thirds as Scconds, and Sceonds as Firsts; and would it not bencfit the producer by having them stamped and shipped under heir proper de-nomination?-I am not aware of the first; and I do not think that the list would bencfit the trade.
95. How much did it cost you to cull your Dcals before the Law was in existence?-Four pence per standard hundred, Culler's fees.
96. What was the charge of culling Deals before the Law, according to the Quebec Tarift? - I do not know what the charge was before the 'Tariff, but the present charge is 3 s .
97. IIow much did you charge the partics purchasing from you, for cuiling the hundred standard of Deals:-I charged 5s. per standard, for labor and culling.
98. Is not the charge for culling and measuring Lumber in general, ly the present Law, much less then what was formerly enacted?-As regards the first part of this question, I do not know; to the hast I have already answered.
99. Is it possible to enrry on the Lumber trade without measurement taking place to determine the respective rights of parties, if not, should that duty be performed by the hired servants of the purchaser, or by partics legally commissioned and independent of both buyer and seller?-I recommend that it should be optional.
Mr. Low then handed in the following certificate :-
We the undersigned merchants, of Quebec, who annually purchase from Messis. Hamilton \& Low, almost the entire quantity of Deals they manufacture, do hereby certify that, from the mode in which the Deals are prepared in Moulinette, and shipped into our various vessels, it is impossible that the specifications which we receive from them, can come through the oftice of the Supervisor of Cullers, and therefore for the one-third of the fees, viz.: one shilling per Quebee standard hundred of Deals, paid by them, ateording to Law, into the said office, Messrs. Hamilton \& Low receive no value whatever.

> II. \& E. Buhstall.
> A'rinson, Usborne \& Co. Ciambes E. Levey \& Co. James J. Lownes.

Quebec, November, 1844.

## Monday, 3rd February, 1845.

John Sharples, Esquire, Supervisor of Cullers, Quebec, called in ; and examined:-
100. Are you practically skilled in the measurement and culling of 'Limber, Deals, Staves and Masts, and if so, how long have you been engaged therein? -I have been actively engaged in the Lumber trade for the last 15 or 16 years, and I am practically acquainted with the nature and qualities of Lumber generally, as also the system of measuring Timber and culling Deals and Staves as practised at Quebec.
101. Lid any disputes or difficulties occur last scason in the measurement and culling of Lumber and Deals, under the present Lumber Act, and if so, please state in what manner they were disposed of?-

On the whole of the Lumber measured and culled, surveys to the number of fourteen were constituted; the following is the result:-seven were decided against the Culler; five were decided in favor of the Culler; two could not be proceeded with as the law required, owning to a portion of the lot or raft being broken up or shipped. In some, I mean a dozen instances, where the parties expressed themselves dissatisfied, the Culler, by the consent of both parties, was directed to re-examine his allowances and measurement, and if he discovered any crror to correct it.
102. Were complaints made to you last season of the oppressive operation of the present law, and the insufficiency of its provisions for the ends proposed; and if so, state to the Committee the names of the complainants, and the branch of the trade in which they were engaged?-The produccrs and manufacturers generally expressed themselves as favorable to the principle of the present Act, at the same time they conccired that some of the details of the law required to be modified and amended; on the other hand, two or three extensive Deal producers expressed themselves dissatisficd with the Act and its provisions; of the latter, Messrs. Mamilton \& Low and John Thompson so expressed themselves.
103. Were all the persons employed last season as Cullers of Timber and Deals, at the Port of Quebec, efficient in their respective departments?- Two or three Cullers employed by the Office were not, at the commencement, so efficient as they subsequently became by practice during the midule and latter part of the scason: one or two cases of incapacity occurred; with these exceptions, the Cullers employed by the Office were efficient. Of those employed by the Merchants as Shipping Cullers, I can render no opinion, I refer to Timber Cullars solcly.
104. Were they in number more or less than roquired for the proper despatch of business? -The number cmployed enable the Officer to mect the pressure of business on the respective departments, and in busy times all were actively engaged.
105. Is it within your knowledge that parties having Timber to be culled or measured, submitted to delay in order to get Cullers of judgment and experience when it came to their turn to be employed, rather than employ those who at the tinc happened to bo at the top of the list?-I have reason to suppose that in some few instances requisitions were timed; whether delay was submitted to or not I cannot say.
106. Are there not some very efficient Deal Cullers who, in point of education, can barely sign their names and make rude figures, and have such had their full share of employment during the past sea-son?-There are four or five Licensed "Dcal Cullers coming within the limit of education referred to, and who had their full share of employment.
107. Can you state the quantities of Deals and Timber shipped from places exempt from the operation of the Lumber Act, namely, the Port of Montreal, and places below the Island of Orlenns? I do not know; but I belicve the shipment of Lumber from the Port of Montreal to be of a very limited extent.
108. Are the provisions of the Act sufficient for correctly ascertaining the average quality and contents of rafts of Timber measured of, or has deception been practised by sellers, which was only discovered when the rafts were opened up for shipment; and if so, have such instances been frequent during the past scason?-Assuming that this applies to the fourteenth clausc, (the breaking up one-tenth to make sound the

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average residue of the raft thereby,) I would remark that but few rafts were measured under the provi- sions of this clause. Complaints were made by parties that the average of soundness thus furnished was at times incorrect. In my opinion it is not calculated to ascertain with certainty the fair proportion of cull timber contained in a raft. I did liear, occasionally, of rafts when broken up by the purchasers for shipment turning out worsc, as regards culls, than they have anticipated or calculated upon; but have no direct knowledge of such.
109. Are you prepared, as a practical Deal Culler, what should constitute each grade of quality, say, firsts, seconds, thirds, and culls, keeping strictly in view the respective qualities of woods produced from and width of the deals; if so, be pleased to state the same?-As one practically acquainted with the trade, (but not as a Culler,) I annex a definition of merchantable Deals of the respective woods. As regards second, third, and cull qualities, I do not conceive that a definition to embrace each and every defect, number and size, and description of knots to be allowed on the respective qualities could be drawn up. The Culler's judgment must be the guide to a considerable extent. To be merchantable, white or yellow pine Deals should be free from rot, rotten knots, open casc knots, worms, shakes, splits, and black or dead sap, with perhaps a trifling exception on the end or cdge of a Deal. It is usual to allow to the extent of three sound solid knots from one to one and one-half inches diameter, and fuirly divided; if smaller, a greater number: small hard black knots to the extent of three or so, were formerly allowed, owing to the difficulty of procuring Deals free from such knots. Under the present Act such knots cannot be received, as the definition prohibits them; Deals, with one clear side are allowed more latitude as regards knots than when knots appenr on both faces. $\Lambda$ small wane of ono-half inch is usually allowed, and if confined to the eud of the Deal, a little more. Real Pine Deals of merchantable quality are allowed more latitude for sound knots than White Pine, and it is desirable for Red Deals to be pretty free from sap; a slight henrt shake may be allowed, but with these exceptions they come under the same definition as White Pine Deals. Spruce Deals, to be merchantable, should be free from rot, rotten knots, open case knots, worms and splits; a trifing heart shake is usually allowed. It is the nature of Spruce wood to contain small sound grey and black knots in great numbers, consequently first quality Spruce are not to loc procured without them. If the Deal is pretty free from knots on one face, a dozen or more of these small knots ought to be reccived as a merchantable Deal. However, to lay down a standard of knots for Spruce is, I conceive, very difficult.
110. Have the provisions of the prosent Act tended to facilitate the transactions of the Deal manufacturers during the past season at Quebec, or other-wise?-Every despatch was afforded to the Deal manufacturers equally with the producérs of other lumber; and no complaints were made of detention. One or two extensive deal wharf proprictors informed me, that this ycar they were enabled to give much greater despatch to the bateaux bringing the deals from the mills, as they could command, by means of the Supervisor's office, any number of Cullers to meet any particular pressurc.
111. Did you during the past season furnish a specification to each vessel in which deals were shipped from the establishments of Messrs. Hamilton \& Low, John Thomson, and Peter Paterson, and what proportion of the entire export from Quebec of Pine and Spruce Deals did these establishments furnish? -No, I did not. The specification of Deals culled
for the thrce firms named, were furnished as requested and directed by themselves, in accordance with the law. The Supervisor is not expected to render specifications of shipments to vessels, the Office or Culler not having anything to do with the matter: this is the business of the wharf or Cove proprietor. The three firms alluded to have respectively passed through the Supervisor's Office about 800,000 standard Deals and about 130,000 pieces Boards and Planks.
112. Will you state the cost, including labour of culling and measuring one thousand feet Square Timber during the past season, and the like cost upon Deals of all kinds, Quebec standard 100 ?-

Cost of culling and measuring, 1000 fect of hardivood Timber, is 25 tons, @ 8d.
the amount of labour will depend upon whether the Timber requires to be redressed or otherwise.
Deals, culling one Quebec Standard Hundred.
Labour, supposing them to be floated:-
Pine Deals landed $\}$ Landing 2s. 6d.
and piled on a wharf. $\}$ Piling...2s. 6d. - $0 \quad 5 \quad 0$
with a triftc for washing, if requircd.
113. It appears by your Returns, that of 340,724 pieces of Timber, which passed through your office at Quebec last season, only 3,093 were culled, the remainder having been measured off and not culled; can you account for the proportion of culled being so small ?-With respect to Square Timber, the custom at the Port of Quebec for many years back, has been for the producer to dispose of his raft by selling it mensured off, and this rule of sale was continued the past season; added to which, the present stringent definition of merchantable Square Timber would of itself deter parties from scling inspected, as a limited portion only of a good raft would be found to meet the present standard. Deals and Staves on the contrary are and have hitherto been invariably culled or inspected.
114. If the manufacturer of Deals may ship on his own account without culling, why should other parties desiring the same freedom be subject to compulsory culling?-I believe the manufacturers of Deals claimed and obtained the excmption upon the ground that no conflicting interest was brought into play; that in fact no riglits of respective parties had to be determined, therefore no Culler was required. On the other hand, if the rights of parties had to be ascertained, then it was deemed necessary that the Culler should be independent of both parties, in order to admit of the free and unfettered exercise of his judgment.
115. Are the same qualities of Timber and Dauls suitable for the Markets in the United Kingdom?As regards Timber, I conceive there is both common and prime Timber furnished the respective 13itish Markets; at the same time, the proportion of prime Timber shipped for certain ports, exceeds by far the common wood, and, on the contrary, to other ports, the export of common is in excess of the prime, With respect to Denls, the Liverpool Market is furnished principally with third quality Deals, a small proportion of seconds, and but few of any firsts, The small London Market oonsumes a heavy propor: tion of first quality, with seconds and thirds to a limited extent. The other ports vary, some requiring a greater proportion of one quality over another.

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116. Can you state the amount paid to you for culling by Messis. J. Thomson, and ILamilton \& Low, respectively, and what portion of such amount was repaid them by the purchasersp-ares;

John Thomson paid ... ... £196 Hamilton \& Low ... ... ... 563
These amounts, respectively, embraced the full Tariff, halt of which by law is directed to be paid by the purchaser; I presume, therofore, the one-half was refunded by the respective purchasers, but have no direct knowledge of such being the case.
117. Can you state the rates usunlly paid to Deal Cullers by the Wharf proprictors when employed hy the joh, prior to the passing of the Act?-The rates varied according to the extent of the lot to be culled: I an aware of 2s. 3d. per staudard hundred having been paid Cullers for weighty rafts, and for smaller lots, 2s. 6d. to 3s. 6d.
118. Were any Deals courted off direct from bateaux on ship-board, and is it practicable to cull Deals without their being lauded; or if the present law in this respect interferes with the former cus-tom?-1 received requisitions for several bateaux of their Deals to be counted off, throwing out the badly split and rotten, and which were shipped direct on ship-loord. The present law does not, to my knowledge, interfere with any former custon or practice of the trade ; and if it be practicable to cull direct on ship-board, it may be done as well by a Licensed Culler as any othcr. In my opinion it is impracticable so to cull Deals to any extent, for the following reasons:-it would be very difficult indecd to oltain a return of the number and quality of the respective dimensions and sizes, added to which, vessels usually have orders for a specified quantity of one quality only, or a certain proportion of firsts, secouds and thirils.
119. Can you furnish a comparative statement of the gross amount of fecs for culling and measuring all Lumber through your Office the past season, at the present rates of tariff, and the rate of tariff charged prior to the passing of the Act?-Gross amount of fees for culling mid mensuring all Lumber under the present Act, (see Supervisor's Report, $£ 12,753$ : The same yuantity of Lumber calculated at the tariff of fees existing prior to the Act.-

## Measuring White line Timber

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do West India... ... ... 15s. 0
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do Lathwood ... ... ... ... 4s. 6d.
do Oars and Handspikes …
Masts, Spars, \&c. assumed as the same
will amount to the sum of $£ 17,410$.
120. Does not the alsence of defined modes of mensurement in the present law give rise to disputes, and is it not desirable to define certain modes, in order that the Merchant and Cullor may clearly understand the meaning of the law?-Undunbtedly it dues; the orders for measuring of Square Timber were frequently filled up in an unintelligible manner. At the commencement of the satson, it was the every-day practice of parties concerned to fill up their requisitions for the raft to be measured off, making illowances for all visille defects. The sellers gencrally, in disposing of their rafts subject to this mode of measurement, supposed the allowances comprehended consisted of allowances for rotten and split ends, and rank culls only; whereas the purchasers conceived that any and every defect, whether injurious to
the Timber or not, was therein enibraced. With this wide difference of opinion existing between seller and buyer, it was almost impossible for the Culler to satisfy both partics, consequently early in the season many complaints arose from both sides. After the first three wecks operations this mode of filling up requisitions was abandoned, and in licu, the speciffic defects mutually agreed upon wero severally inserted; thus the seller and buyer understood each other, and the Culler's duty was more clearly established; and with the introduction of this chango complaints about the measurement of Timber ceased, or nearly so. By confining the measurement to certain well defined modes, the duty of the Culler would be simplificd, and thereby enable him to satisfy both partics.
121. What would be the practical result if hired Cullers were permitted to measure Lumber without reference to the Supervisor's office, and could such an office be at all sustained in terms of the present Law? -The practical result of enacting that Lumber might be measured or culled with or without reference to the Supervisor's office, would at once disconnect the operative Cullers from the Supervisor's office; the Cullers feeling that the amount of work to be obtained from that office would be of so uncertain a nature and of so limited an extent, they would without doubt be under the necessity of engaging their services upon salary to the respective Cove establishments. These establishments being in number linited, would immediately secure the scrvices of the Culler, and this being gencral, and as no Lumber can be shipped without passing through a Cove, it follows that all Lumber would require to be measured or culled by the Cullers connected and attached to the respective Coves; and in addition, the Supervisor not having Cullers at command, would not be in a position to execute any orders he might receive.
122. Would it not be advantageous to the shipping merchant to have Timber put into shipping order and into a merchantable state by the seller, and at the same time lcaving it open to measure off Timber if parties so agreed?-Undoubtedly it would be adrantageous to the shipper to receive his Timber in this state,--sound prime rufts would no doubt be received measurch off.
123. Should not Heart Staves be reccived at 4 and $3 \frac{1}{2}$ inches wide and $5 \frac{1}{2}$ feet long, in accordance with the former system of culling, and be now legalized so? - Prior to the passing of the Act, Heart Staves of $5 \frac{1}{2}$ fect long of $4 \frac{1}{2}$ inches broad, wore received as merchantable. I consider they ought to be received of the above width $4 \frac{1}{2}$ inches.
124. Are you of opinion that the culling or the measuring of Lumber of all descriptions, or of any description in particular, should be compulsory, if so, state for what reason it slould be so?-L am of opinion that if any act of mcasuring, culling or asw sorting, is required in order to cstablish the rights of parties, it ought to be compulsory that this be performed by a Licensed Culler, independent alike of both partics. In viewing this question of option uplicd to the Lumber trade, it is necessary to take into consideration the nature of the Lumber trade, and the practical operations connected therewith at the principal Shipping Port (Quebec.) If the optional system. were adopted, cach shipping establishment would immediately enlist the services of a Culler, and thereby render the Supervisor's office inoperative as respects acts of measuring and culling being performed under its superintendonce, the office being deprived of the Cullers' services; and thus sellers would be under the necesssity of having their Lumber measured or inspected by the Cullers connected with the
respective Coves. This, without doubt, would be the result, and therefore the question is narrowed down to whether Cullers who have to decide the gucestion of quantity and quality between man and man, would be in a botter position to exercise their judgment more frecly and fearlessly when independent alike of both parties, or whether as the paid servants of either one party or the other. Belicving that a Culler is in a more eligible position as an independent man, I an therefore of opinion, that the mensuring and culling ought to be performed by Cullers acting under the Supervisor's office.
125. Had you occasion last seasom, in the exercise of your office as Supervisor, to remove, or attempt to remove, Cullers assigned to partics, in order to give rotation to other Cullers; and if so, name the instances in which it occurred and where?-Orders of removal wore furnished Cullers culling at various establishments, among which, I belicve, were Messrs. Le Mesurier \& Co., J. J. Lowndes, W. Henry, J. Thomson, Wm, Pricc \& Co., Hamilton \& Low, and Peter Paterson. The ground of removal was twofold: it was apprehended that by allowing Cullers to remain too long at one establishment, their inspection might be influenced; and, sccondly, the carnings of the Cullers might be more equalized thereby:
126. Are you of opinion that the seale of fees now allowed to Cullers is too high; if you think so, state in what manner you would wish to reconstruct the scale? -The present scale of fees will admit of a reduction of one-fifth to one-sixth, but I do not conceive that the proportion of fees now paid to the Cullers is too high. The Cullers have heavy responwilhilities comnected with their office, and the value of property submitted to the judgment of each Culler will be found, if estimated, to be very henvy; it is, therofore, desirable that their standing and position should be considered, and that they should be well remunerated for their services. The carnings of the Callers in their respective departments, will be more equalized next season, as during the past one many of the Cullers were not licensed until a part of the sconson had expired; this, of coursc, caunot occur next yca:. However, a certain difference will always exist, as one Culler will execute the same amount of work in much less time than another. The scale of fees might be reduced as follows:


Masts, Spars and Bowsprits, same as present scale.
Oars and Handspikes, and Lathwood, do.
Boards and Plank, two inches and uader, 1s. 9d. per 100 pieces.
The rmount of fees paid to Cullers to remain the same, or nearly so ; the reduction to bo from tho proportion allotted the office. Annexed is a Statement of the average earnings of the Cullers in their respective departments, with an cstimate of disbursemonts deducted. In viewing their earnings at present as compared with former years, it ought to be romembered that, in addition to the amount of snlary allowed them, they wore invariably furnished with a house free of irent, and firewood, oqual to ! $? 0$ to $£ 35$ at least.
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The Cullers on the Timber Department have to pay partics to assist them to measure; thcir expenscs range from $£ 50$ to $£ 90$ each, leaving, upon the average, the sum of at least $£ 65$ cach, to be disbursed out of their gross carnings. The avcrage net reccipt of Timber Cullers will be found to be £160 to £165 cach.
The Denl Cullers' expenses average, I conceive, $£ 20$ to $£ 25$ cach, which, deducted from their gross carnings, will leave an average of $£ 105$ as net reccipts.

The Stave Cullers expenses averaged about $£ 9$ to $£ 10$ cach, which, deducted from their gross carninge, will leave an avcrage of $£ 75$ each, as net reccipts.
It is necessary to keep in view, that the quantity of Timber mensured last year, excceded the average of the four or five last years by fully onc-fifth. Deals, also, I believe to be in excess of former years; but, on the contrary, the quantity of Stares culled last scason was considerably under the average of the four or five prior years, sny onc-third or thereabouts: thercfore, assuming an average of four or five years, Timber and Deal Cullers will not enrn equal to lnst senson, and Stave Cullers will carn more.

James Dean, Esquire, of Qucboc, called in; and examined:-
127. What is your name nud firm, and do you ship Lumber to the United Kingdom from thie Port of Quebec?-James Dean, of the firm of Dean, Rodger \& Co., of Quebec, shippers of Lumber from that Port to the United Kinglom.
128. Are there not many merchants in Quebee who are interested in the Lumber Trade, against the repeal of the present law? - I belicve that all the merchants in Quebee engaged in the Lumber Trade, and not directly or indirectly interested in Coves, are opposed to the repenl of the present Lumber Act. They desire such alterations in the Act as would render compulsory cither the partial or complete insjection of Timber, (the latter I think in preference, and the complete inspection and culling of Deals and Staves. With this also, the gicater number of those interested in Coves would be satisfied; but they would prefer the repenl of the $\Lambda \mathrm{ct}$, or that it should be rendercd non-compulsory, which, in my opinion, amounts to about the same thing.
129. Do you think the Board of Exmminers would bo improved, by making Cullcrs a part of such Board? -I do not think that the Board of Examiners would be improved by malsing commissioned Cullers members thereof.
130. Are you aware that fraud is committed in shipping Deals, owing to their not being strmped, to wit, thirds as seconds, and seconds as firsts, or intermixed; and would it not benefit the trade by having them stamped, and shipped under their proper denmination?-I am not aware that frauds are committed by shipping third quality Denls as seconds, and scconds as firsts. It is quite possible, however; aud I know of nothing to prevent its being done. I think it would benefit the trade were the several qualities of Deals to have distinctive stamps or brands put on them, so as to prevent mistakes.
131. Is it possible to carry on the Lumber. Trade without mensurement taking place to determine the respective rights of parties; if not, should the duty be performed by the hired servant of the purchaser, or by parties legally commissioned and independent of buyer and seller?-It is impossible to carry on the

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Lumber trade without the mensurement of Timber, and the culling and assortment of Deals ami Staves; and when thicse are necessary in order to determine the respective rights of buyer and seller, it is just and rensomble that they shonld be performod by properly qualified persons independent of either party, and not by the servants or persons under the control of cither.
132. Would it not be advantageous to the shipping merchant to have Timher put into shipping order, and into a merchantable state, by the seller, and at the sance time leaving it open to measure off' Timher, if the parties so agree?--It would be decidedly advantageons to the shipping uncrehant to have Timber put into shipping order, or into a merchautable state, by the seller; and I believe it would he equully so to the honest lumherman, and those who furnish him with the means of bringing his Lamber to maket.
133. What would be the pactical result, if hired Cullers wore permitted to measure Lamber without refurrnce to the Supervisor's office, and could such an office be at all sustained in terms of the present Law?--The practical result would be, that (as heretufbre, under a similar syst m, ) some injustice would be done, and a vast deal of dissatisfaction and distrust createch on looth sides, from the apprehension of more, and the want of protection to cither buyer of seller Uuter such a system I do not think a Supervisur's office would be necessiny, or that such an establish ment could be sustitined.
134. Does not the alsence of ilefined monles of masurenent in the presemt datw give rise to disputes, and is it not desimble to define certain modes, in order that the Merchant and Culler may clearly understand the meaniug of the Law "-It is desirabic as fill as possible to define the modes of measurement and culling, but I (lo not thiuk this can le done completely. A great deal must be left to the julgment and experience of the Culler or Measmer:. I considen uniformity in measuring mad culling of much greater importance than my particular mode of performing these operations, and in order to introduce and secure this, two or more Surveyors should be appointed, whose duty it should be to superintend and control Measurers and Cullers in the actual performance of their work. Uuder the present Law the Supervisor's duties are limited by the walls of his office, beyond which he sees nothing of what his offiectrs are about and of course can exercise no control over the way in which they perform their duties. The consequenee is, that there are as many modes of culling and measuring as there are Cullers and Measurers, cach putting his own construction on the definition of his duty given in the Act, or contained in the special agrecment, a copy of which may have been given him tor his guidance.
135. Are you of opinion that the culling or measuring of Lumber of all descriptions, or of any deseription in purticular, should be compulsory; mat if so, state for what reasom it should be conpulsory : -I an of opinion that the culling and measuring of Lamber of all descriptions ought to be compulemy my rearons for this opinion will be found in my answers to the preceding questions.
136. Are yon a member of the Board of Trade of Qucher, and were you present at the meeting of the Council thereof, when it wats determined by the Buard to petition against the present Law to regulite the masturenent and inspection of Lumber? I am a member of the Board of Trade of Quebec, and was present at the mecting of the Council Hereof, when it was determined to petition against the present Law to regulate the measurement and inspection of Lumber; but I did not agree to or concur in the Petition adopted.

## Thursday, 13th February, 1845.

Mr. George Benson Hall, of Quebec, called in; and examined :-

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137. Are you engaged in the Lumber Trade? Not on my own account, but as agent for Mcessrs. P. Paterson and Sons, of Montmorenci, largely in the Deal trade.
138. ILow long have you been engaged in the business; and to what extent have you carricd it on? -For the last 16 years; and have manufactured to the extent of about 400,000 Deals annually.
139. Have you any knowledre of the practies working of the Lumber Act passed last Session of Parliament; and if so, be pleased to state what you know upon the sulject?-It has in many instanees been a source of very great monoynce, and heen attended with very serious loss to manufacturers of Deals. It has also interfered with the management and economy, and increased the expense of manuficturing Deals.
140. In what particular do you concecive the description of frest chass Deals, is given by the Statute, to be unceasonable?-The Statute recquires that first chass Deals should be free from all knots. Spruce Deals are not to be found without them, exeept in few instances. I should think that small sound black knots do not impair the quality of Deals, so as to prevent them firm belonging to first clase. I approve of the classification of Deals contained in the circular forwarded by the Committec to Mr. Paterson on the 21st December last.
141. Are you aware of the standard of goorluess of Deals in the British markets, say London and Liverpool?-I an not.
142. State in what particular you conceive the Bill to have operated injuriously to you as manuficturers of Deals, either in adding to your expenses or otherwise?--The fees for culling are exorbitant. For the last 20 years the cost of culling the average quantity of Deils manufactured ammally at our estalhishnivent, say 400,000, has never exceeded £90 or $£ 100$; whereas last seasun, I paid into the hands of the Supervisor the sum of $£ 598$ for culling the same quantity, shewing a loss of $£ 500$ in that branch of the Lumber trade, for which we received no benefit whatever from the Supervisor's officc.
143. Would you approve of the system of stamping Deals to mark their quality, being made com-pulsory:-It should not be compulsory; it should le optional with buyer and seller.
144. Do you know how the Bill operates upon owners of small mills who were in the lablit of selling their Deals deliverable on board ship in the stream?-I caunot say.
145. In the event of no alteration being made in that part of the Bill which preseribes compulsory culling, do you conceive that any alteration is required in the Tariff; and if 80 , what ?-I consider that one-third of the fees, viz., 1s. per Quebec standard thousand, which is now paid into the hands of the Supervisor for the support of the office, should be no longer paid in cases where the said office can perform no service to the parties, as the case is with me,-and that the amount paid the Cullers be reduced one half.
146. Are you acquainted with the class of men who now practice as commissioned Cullers?-Yes.
147. What, in your opinion, ought men belonging to that class to nake during the season in the exercise of their business?-Before the Law came into
operation, we paid them from 7s. 6d. to 10s. a-day, during the summer months. These men are sometimes omployed to cull logs, \&ce. in winter at a lower rate.
148. With reference to the description of first class Denls, is not the evil susceptible of remedy without reference to Legislation at all;-would not the evil cure itself by raising the price of second quality? -l't has not yet operated in that way.
149. Do you not think it would be advantageous to the trade in general, if it were optional for the buyer and seller to agree to their own inspection, and in the event of a dispute to have reference to the Board of Supervision?-I do.
150. What may be the mature of the relief which you claim for the Deal trade under the existing Law? -To make it optional for buyer and seller.
151. Irave you any practical suggestions to offer in respeet to the regulation of the office of Culler, or any other suggestion?-To fucilitate and advance the trade, I pray that the compulsory measure be abolished, and that buyer and seller, where they find it to their advantage to employ a person in whom they have confidence (not a Culler on the books of the Supervisor') to cull or measure their Timber, they may be at liberty to do so; and, on the other hand, if the parties desire it, they shall have the privilege of employing a liconsed Culler under the Supervisor; this, in my opinion, would be doing justice to all parties, and conable manufucturers of Deals to have the management and economy of their business in thoir own hands again, of which they have in a great measure been deprived under the existing compulsory law. The Deal trade requires strict conomy to emble it to compete with the large exportations from foregn and the lower ports.

## Monday, 24th Fobruary, 1845.

Mr. Charles Cazeau, of Quebec, Culler, called in; and cxamined:-
152. The Committee understnud that you are a commissioned Culler; if so, state in what department and duting what length of time you have held a commission?-I cull Square Timber, Deals, Planks, Boands and Tathood. The first commission that I had as a Culler was about thirty ycars ago.
153. TIave you prneticed extensively as a Culler? -Yes, since that time, I was employed ten years, by Mr. Atkinson as a Culler.
154. Fave you perused the Bill brought in by Mi. Stewart, of Bytown P-T have.
155. Be pleased to offcr any observations there-upon?-The third clause is an improvement upon the last Bill, as the Board at present constituted is composed of merchants interested in the trade, and their personal interest I consider to be at variance with their duty. I think that the power which the new Act gives may be safely lodged.
156. Have you rend the Bill before the House, and is the description of merchantable Deals such ns you think suitable to the trade?-I do conceive the description an improvement on the present Act, inasmuch as it is not so severe in describing the number of knots.
157. If optional culling and measuring were introduced in the Lumber trude, what effect would it have, and could the Supervisor's Office be sustained
as prescribed by law?-It would have the effect of Appendix (0.0.) bad measurement, and compel the Cullers to seek employment from the merchants as formerly; the Supervisor's Office therefore could not be sustained.

Mr. Alexis Dorval, of Queboc, Culler, called in; and cxamined:-
158. Have you read the Bill before the Iouse; and is the description of merchantable Deals such as you think suitable to the trade ?-I have; and I ap)prove of the description therein contained.
159. If optional culling and mensuring were introduced in the Lumber tride, what effect would it have, and could the Supervisor's office be sustained as prescribed by the Lav? -It would have a bad effect. and the Supervisor's office could not be supported.
160. Do you approve of the mode of appointing the Board of Examiners as preseribed in the Bill now before the House?-I do.
161. Is the $24 \mathrm{th}^{2}$ clause suitable to your views of the trade, and would you recommend option to the extent permitted in that clause? -I would not

Mr, James Scott, of Quebec, Culler, called in; and cxamined:-
162. Have you rend the Bill before the House; nod is the description of merchantable Deals such as you think suitable to the trade?-I think it is, as it modifics the old Act,
163. If optional culling and measuring were introduced in the Lumber trade, what effect would jt have, and could the Supervisor's offico be sustained as prescribed by the Law? -It is my opinion that if optional culling were allowed, the office of Supervisor would necessarily be done away with, and could not be supported. It is now considered a very useful office for the protection not only of the Culler but of all parties concerned in the Lamber trude. Tho Cullers who are now employed by the Supervisor would be obliged to have access to the old system of being employed by merchants owning Coves and Wharves, and who perlaps would not look so much to the respectability of the Culler, as to the chennness at which they could employ him. It would also tend to destroy the independent footing on which Cullers are now employed.
164. Do you approve of the mode of appointing the Board of Examiners as prescribed in the Bill now before the House? - I do; but I disapprove of the mode of appointing a Board of Examiners according to the existing Law.
165. Is the 24th clause suitable to your views of the trade, and would you recommend option to the extent permitted in that clause?-I would not: I am of opinion that a Board of Surveyors should be appointed.

166، Do you think that the present truiff of fees for the measurement and culling of Timber can be reduced?-I should say not, as the expenses to which Cullers are subjected, are very great, viz., travelling expenses to and from the place where the Timber to be culled is, payment of laborers and other assistance. My expenses the last season, as a Culler of Deals, amounted to $£ 40$, and they would have been much groater if I had culled Square Timber, as I would then have required two trpe holders, and a scriber; besides, we have sometimes to pry $£ 25$ for an assistant. In measuring Deals we require only one person.
167. Can you state the rate of salary whioh shipping Cullers receive, when employed by morchants upon their own private account? - An experienced first-rinte Culler in the omployment of a Morchunt, us his hired shipping Culler, would reccive a salary of about $£ 200$ a-yan' ; I mean over and above lodging and fuel. An instance of this, is Mr. Roderich M'Gillis in Mr. George Burns Symes employ, and Mr. James MrFee, in the employment of Messrs. Wood \& Gray. The duty performed by this chass of men, is looking after the shipment of the Timber as woll as the culling:

## Tucsday, 25th February, 1845.

Mr. Charles Cazeaungin callodin; andexamincd:-
168. Do you think that the tauiff of fees for the mensurenont and culling of Timber ean be reduced: -No, I do not think that the turiff' cinn be reduced without lowering the character of the boly of Cullers, and risking their integrity. The expenses they incur are very licavy, mounting in some instances to $£ 70$ of $\mathfrak{L} 80$ : th-yent. Tho tarifl', as it now stands, is 3 s., of which 1s. gues to tho Supervisor's office. Uuder the old taniff of Lower Cunida, the Cullers were allowed 4s. Gd., from which no deduction was made; hat the old tarift was evaderd, as prutics interested :anstained from having their Timber culled by Cullers. Cullets are not cmployed at all during the Winter, and they tre prohibited under the Law, as it now stands, from buying or selling cither for themselves or for others, 'Ximber of any kind; or manufacturing for themselves.
109. Can you state the rate of salary which shipping Cullers receive when employed hy Merchants ulion their own private account?-I connot state positively, but I believe that some of the persons belonging to this chass reccive $£ 150$ per ammun.
170. What time, in your opinion, is necessary to qualify a person to become such a judge of 'Timber ats to be able to cull it?-In my opinion, a young man at the age of 18 , who would devote himself for fulur yeurs to the busincss, would have sufficient knowlelge of Timber to qualify him as a Culler. Ho whould possess at least the rerpuisite knowlalge to write and make his specifications of Thimber himroff: he must of coure be able to roduce quantitics into staurlard.
171. Is it to your knowlelge, that in practice, Cullers employel by the Supervisor, have neted at some time as the hired salaried servants of private merchants; and that by arrangement between them, any division of the reccipts from the Supervisor's office has been made between such Culler and his employer?-I know that one Dubois was a Culler in the employ of Mr. Thomson fier the last 10 years, at a salary of, as he told me, $£ 50$ per ammum; and that he auted last season as a licensed Culler embployed by the Supervisor; this Dubois is an illiterate person, and is not one who would be employed if' the choice were left frec. It appears by the Supervisor's return, that this man received last year $£ 12+7 \mathrm{~s}, 4 \mathrm{~d}$. He worked all last senson culling Mr. Thoonson's Deals; and at the close of the senson Mr. Thomson, by agrecment with this man, was entitlecl to the amount of his earnings, as there was an understanding between then that, notwithstanding the bill, Dubois was to remain in Mr. Thomson's employ at the old salary of $£ 50$ a-ycar. I interfered hotween Dubois and Mr. Thomson, and prevented the carrying out of this bargain. Mr. Thomson endeavoured to force Dubois to pay him the money from the Supervisor's office, but I believe that he has since given it up as hopeless. Over and above the gruantity of Timber culled by Dubois, and of which
he has mado a return to the Supervisor's office, there remnins still on Mr, Thomson's premises, of culled and piled Denls, the momut of 200,000 , of which no return has heen made to the Supervisor's office, and in conserguence the feos will not be paid by Mr. Thomen. Tho statement which I make is derived from what Dubois hus told mo himself, and has told many others; but I know as a fact, that Dubois wonked in Mr. Thomson's employ last season, precisoly in the same way as he was in the hahit of doing before the passing of the Bill; he was the only Culler cmployed.

## Robert ITamilton, Reqquire, calledin; andexamined:-

172. Have you any knowlelge of the business of $J$. Thomson at the Etchemin Mills, last season?-I have.
173. Do you know one L. Dubois?-I do.
174. IIow long have you known him?-During the latt season only; he was engrgel in culling Deals during the whole of the shipping scason.
175. Was there any other licensed Culler?-There was not.
176. How many Deals were culled at Mr. Thomson's Mills last scason?-Between 300,000 and 400,000 were cullecl at Mr. Thomson's cetablishment at Etchenin. Dubnis did not cull the whole himeclf, becnuse, after he left, some were culled by an individual not a licensed Culler. Dabois left, as nenr as I can recollect, in the latter part of Octolucr. This person may probably have culled 30,000 more or loss after Dubois left. Dubois knows as much of reading and writing as to qualify him. It is to my knowledge that he was the hived Culler of Mr. Thomson, at in statel sum per month. At the commencement of tho senson, Mr. Thomson was undeciled whether he should ship the Deals he was about to manufacture, on his own nccount, or sell them in the Quebee market; and as the culling of his Deals up to the last season had only cost him at the rate of 2 th. per Quebec standard hundred, and the fees by the present $\Lambda$ et 3 s., he wished to save the differcnce in the event of shipment on his own account. He went to the Supervisor and asked his authority to engige Dubuis, in I was told by Mr. Thomson. The Supervisor referred MI. Thumson to the Law; and as nearly as I can recollect, tho Supervisor, without saying anything to commit limself, said that under the circumstances of the casc, as it was probable Mr. Thomson would be the exporter of his Deals, he thought he would be justificd in engraging Dubois; telling him at the same time, however, that for the Deals he would sell in the Quebee market, he would be answerable to tho Law if there was any difficulty made. At the close of the season Dubois was paicl liy Mr. Thomson the amount agreed upon, which I have just henrd the Chairman say, was stated at $£ 50$; which was three or four times more than ever he had receised before. I was not present when any bargain was made. Dubois made a return to the Supervisor's office of the Deals culled. The Supervisor sent in his bill for payment. Mr. Thomson deducting the Deals he had exported himself, enid that Dubois was alrondy paid, andexpressed his willingness to pay the 1 s . for the office on the Deals sold in the Quebec market. The Supervisor said, that in order to make the books square, the 3s. should be paid. Mr. Thomson belicved there could be no difficulty in getting back the 2s. from the Culler; the Culler, however, refused to pay the amount back for some time, but finally was in a manner compclled to do so, minus the sum of $£ 20$.
177. Are youn manuficturer of Deals and Square Timber, and are you deeply interested in the detnils of the present Bill before the House?-As far as Deals wre concerned I am deeply interested, but I an not in Square Timber.

## RETURN

To an Address of tho Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency would cause to be laid before the House, a Statement in a Tabular form, of all Sums of Money which have been expended from the Public Treasuries of the several Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, for Public Improvements and Education, in each of the several Counties and Ridings in this Province, since the year 1830, specifying the authority under which such expenditure was made, and the several times of making such expenditure.

By command,

> D. DALY,

Secretary.
Secretary's Office, 6th March, 1845.

Letter from the Inspector General to the Provincial Secretary, with four Enclosures. (Copy.)

> Inspector General's office,
> Montreal, 4 tr Marci, 1845.

SIR,
I have the honor herewith to trunsmit Statements of Monios expended from the Public Troasuries of the severnd Provinces of $U_{\text {pper and }}$ Lower Canada, for Public Improvements and Education since the year 1830, specifying the authority under which such expenditure was made, as required by an Address from the Legislative Assembly of the 9th December last, now returned.

The Records of this office do not shew the expenditure, in all cases, in the several Counties and Ridings ; where not so speciiled, the expenditure within the reepectivo Districte is given.

I have, \&c.,

- (Signed) W. B. ROBINSON.

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W. B. ROBINSON,

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New Brunswick Road
W. B. ROBINSON,

Inspector General.



Inspector General's Office, Montreal, Fcbruary, 1845

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## PR0VINCE OF CANADA

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| Do do Provincial Aide-de-Camp ............................ Contingent Expenses of Postages, Printing, Statiory, Messenger, \&c. | $\begin{array}{lll}200 & 0 & 0 \\ 100 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ |  |
| Canada West. |  | 02826 |
| Salary of one Clerk. | 17000 |  |
| Contingent Expenses. | $50 \quad 0 \quad 0$ |  |
| Expenses of Legislature.-Legislative Council. |  | 2200 |
| Salary of the Clerk. | 50000 |  |
| Do of Two Assistant Clerks | 70000 |  |
| Do of the Clerk of Committees, Law Clerk and English Translator | 250 0-0 |  |
| Do do French Translator.. | 22500 |  |
| Do do Gentleman Usher of the Blaek Rod. | 10000 |  |
| Do do Sergeant at Arms. | 10000 |  |
| Do do Chaplain and Librarian | 20000 |  |
| Do do Door Keeper.. | $60 \quad 0$ |  |
| Do do Head Messenger. | $100 \quad 0$ |  |
| Do do Three Messengers for the Session at $£ 45$ each.............................. | 13500 |  |
| Contingent Expenses................................................................. | 6666134 |  |
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| Salary of the Clerk. | 500 |  |
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| Do do English Translator and Law Clerk. | 35000 |  |
| Do do French Translator and Law Clerk. | 250 |  |
| Do do Sergeant at Arms. | 1000 |  |
| Do do Clerk of the Crown in Chancery. | 1500 |  |
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| William Smith as late Clerk of the Legislative Council of Lower Canada, and Master in Chancery |  |  |
| William Ginger as late Sergeant at Arms to do | 66134 |  |
| Louis Noreau as Messenger to do | 200 |  |
| L. B. Pinguet as Clerk of Committees to the House of Assembly, Lower Canada. | 66134 |  |
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| David Jardin as do do to do in Upper Canada........ | 13368 |  |
| William Coates, the same............................................................... . | 13368 |  |
| Jasper Brewer as late Librarian to do Lower Canada. | $\begin{array}{lll}133 & 6 & 8\end{array}$ |  |
| François Rodrigue as Messenger to do do | 1800 |  |
| Louis Gagné as do to do do | 1800 |  |
| Pierse Lacroix as do to the Legislative Council, Lower Canada, from 1at October, 1841 to 31st December, 1845, at $£ 18$ Currency, per annum. <br> Joseph Bolduc, the same. | $\begin{array}{lll} 76 & 10 & 0 \\ 76 & 10 & 0 \end{array}$ |  |
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Miscellaneous.-Continued.
Freight, Postage, Packing Cases, \&e.
As an extra allowance in favor of L. C. Clement for having taken the Census of the County of Saguenay.
To procure a set of Stumdard Weights and Meastres for the District of Quebec to replace those which were destroyed by fire in 1840 .
To enable the Commissioners for the House of Correction at Three Rivers, to liquidate certain debts contracted by them and to procure working tools and materials.
For travelling allowance for Circuits to the Judges in Lower Canada for 1844 and $1845 .$.
For addition to the Salary of the Warden of the Provincial lenitentiary for 1845.
Allowance to J. Noble for residing on the Kempt Roud with a view to the assistance of Travellers.
For the support of the newly established School at Three Rivers, being the amount ineluded in the estimate of 1842 and 1813 , as an aid to the Suciety of Edacation at that place, but not drawn from the Public Chest, and in addition to the sum for that Institution included in the former part of this cstimate, to assist the Inhabitants in paying expenses they have incurred
As an aid for the support of a Female School at the Village of Lorette near Quebec.
To the Hon. C. W. Grant for the value ol articles of Furniture missing at Alwington House at Kingston, the late residence of the Governor General.
For remumerating the Conmissioners for the revision of the Statutes of Upper Canada......
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To pay a balance due to the Contractors for Presqu'.......................................................
T'o provide for Religione Instruction in the Provincial Penitentiary
To Lieut. Col. Fitzgibbon, in licu of the grant of land rncomamended to be made to him by the Lerislature ol Upper Canada.
To James Lonney, to indemnify him fur losses incurred in consequence of unavoidable delays in commencing his operations as Contractor on the Cascades Road

## For Public Works.--Canala East.

For the Improvement of portions of the Road between the Cascades and Vaudrevil and thence across lale Perrault to Ste. Annes.
For building a Bridge over the Champlain, in a dangerous state at present-total $£ 1,000$ required for this year.
For building Bridge at Jacques Carticr about 300 yards below tho present one, and improvitg the approaches thercto-total cost $£ 3,500$, for this your
For the improvement of parts of the Kennebec Ruad
For works connected with the Gaspe Roads, viz:-Expenses of the Gaspe Road from Percé Point to the settlements on Guspé Basia; do from Litte River Ristigonehe to the mouth of the Mctapediac. Construction of the Melis and Ristigouche Bridges, repairs of the Kenmore Bridge and of the Rond in Percé-total expense $\mathcal{L} 8,564$ rerpuired this year..
For Improvements to the Chemin des Caps-total $£ 1,500$ for this year
For building the fullowing Bridges on the roid sonth of the st Lewrence over Etchemin, the Nicolet, Becancour, Codfroi and Chateaugray Rivers-total cost $\mathcal{L 1 4 , 0 0 0}$ required this year
For upening the "Arthabaska Road," from the Gosford Rond in Halifux, and terminating in the Melhourne and Kingsey Road, thereby opening the I' wnships of Warwick, Somerset, Chester, Atthebraka and Tingwick, including a branch therefrom to the St. Lawrence, in Gentilly through Stanfold and 13landford and the building of a Britge over the St. Francis at Melbourne-iotal $\mathcal{E} 12,500$ required this ypar..
For the improvernent of the Stage Road between St. Johns in the District of Montreal and Stanstead in the District of St. Fruncis, planking or otherwise imptoving that portion of it between St. Johus and Stanbridge, Upper Mills, und improving sundry portions including the Sutton and Potton Mountain Road-total cost $£ 15,800$ required for this yar.
For the Man Eastern Townships Road from Chambly by Granby, Stukeby, Shefiord, the Outlet Barford and Herelord to the Proviuce Line, with branches to Stanstead and Sherbrooke for this year, towards the planking of that portion between Chambly and Granby and the improvement of sundry other parts of the line in grading and forming, there is required.
To cover the cost of an examination, proparation of Estimates, \&e of the Montreal ind Grenville Road by St. Eustache, St. Andrews, \&e., preparatory to the general improvenent thereof; also of an examination and preparation of Festimates for the Timprovement of the Roads from the St. Lawrence at St. Thomas, to the boundary line near the north-west branch of the river St Johns; also of Survey and Estimate of the construction of Harbours at each of the following places, viz: St. Thomas, Berthier, Kamouraska, St. Michel, L'Islet and Riviere-du-Loup.....

## Canada West.

Wor present repairs to the Chatham Bridge
For Improving the Grand River Swamp Road-total, 10,000 required this year.............
For Improving Rouge Hill and Bridge, also another Bridge and Hill east of the formertotal $\mathfrak{f} 6,500$ required this year.
For Belleville Bridge
For the completion of the Dover Road over the Mountain to the limits of the Town of Hamilton and erection of Toll Gates.

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| W. B. ROBINSON, Inspector General. |  |  |

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## SECOND REPORT

Of the Speoth Commurtes appointed to enquire into all matters and things connected with the mangement' and collection of Ducs on the Chambly Canal, with power to report from tine to time.

Youn Commmtee, in the course of their investigatiom upon the manisgement of the Cimal, have made enguiry into the following case:-

It appears by the evidence taken bofore them, that Mr. A: M. F. Blacrae was appointed Lock-keeper and Colletar by the Commissioners of the Chambly Canal, and all the witnessesexamined concur in stating that both from cemacity and moral characer, lic was well fitted fior the sitmation': his silary was CCO a year, and three other Loek-keepers who were not Colloctors, treeived fíjo. When the Board of Works assumed the manaroment of the Gamat, he was sunmarily dismissol, without any reason being assigned, and a Mr. Pholan sot to fill his place, at a salary treble the amount of his, to wit, Si180 a yoar,-though it doos mot appent from any thing in evidence that Mr: Plelan was in :ny respert better qualifed to fill the sittuation than Mr: Macrae.-Who dismissed him, Your Comimitte camot ascertain; the Board of W orks say it mast have been the laspector General's Department, and that Department say thicy know nothing about il.

As Mr. Marme was enguged by the yeir, and had served two months, Your Committee think it hard that he has not been paid the bitance of his salary for the whole year.
It appears further, that a Mr. Borne has also been appointed a Collector on the Camal, at a salary of $\mathcal{L} 200$ per annum.

Thore is something inexplichble to Your Committee in the way that silaries are lipportionted. As already mentioned, three Lark-keepers do the daty for 250 a vear each, while. Messrs. Borner and Phelan receive S. 120 a year each, as Cullectors,-and as lockkeeper, tho one recoives $\mathfrak{f 6 0}$, and the other $£ 80$ al year.
It further appears that in the economical manageinent of the Canal under the Commissioners, the gross abtomat of dues ruccived; was 23525 s . 2d. and that the expenses of maragenent were 2274 0.s. $3 \frac{1}{2} d$. giving a net amount of rovenue to the Province of よits $^{2}$ 44. 10 l d. Under the management of the Bourd of Works, it would appear that the grouss revenue was £342 0s. 01d. and the expense of mangrement and collection 8584 1s. Gd. leaving a deficiency of L192 1s. 5 ld . to be paid out of the general revenues of the Province, besiles the interest of the money expendel in thic construction of the Canal-now amounting to upwards of $£ 9000$ a ycar.

Under all those circumstances, Your Committec are of opinion that the wisest plan would be to resort to the old system employed under the Commissioners, and to render the Canal patent gratuitously to Her Majesty's lieges for some years to come, and thus the public will get into tho halit of using it, at a trifling expense to the revertue, (less than $£ 20$ per annum, ' and, when the public are habituated to it," "n reasonable duty on the trinsit of gords may advantageously be imposed.

The whole ne verthcles humbly submitted.

> W. DUNLOP,

11 hh Mith, 1845

## MINUTES OF EVIDENCE.

Wimliam Dunlor, Esquire, in the Chair.
Salurday, Sth February, 1845.
Mr. A. M. F. Mfucrae called in ; and examined:-

1. Were you in charge of the Chambly Canal? I was.
2. When were you appointed to that charge, and by whom?-I was appointed on the 18th of April, 1842, by the Commissioners and Engineers.
3. What was your salary ?- $£ 60$ per annum:
4. When were you demritel of your office, and by whom?-I was deprived of it by Mr. Phelan on the 18th Jine, 1943, by order of Mr. Killaly, President of the Board of Works.
5. Was there any imputation on your moral character, or your capabilities to perform the duties of your office ?- None were mentioned to me.
6. Who succecded you, and have you any means of knowing at what salary?-Mr. Phelan succeeded me, at a salary of ' $\mathcal{L} 180$ per annum, as I saw "in a letter addressell to him.

Monday, 10th February, 1845.
Mr. A. G. Robinson called in ; and examined:-
7. Were you employed on the Chambly Canal?-1 was employed;as Civil Engincer.
8. Did jou know Mr. Macrae?-Yes.
9. Did you appoint him Lock-icnder-Yes; I did so by order of the Commissioners, at a salary of $£ 60$ a year.
10. Was there any thing against his momal character, or capability of performing his duties?-No; quite the reverse.

Mr. Leonard H. Dunlop called in; and examined :-
11. Were you on the Chambly Canal at the same tine with Mr. Macrae?-Yes.
12. Was there any complaint or mpuration against his moral chacter or caphatily? None whatever; he was rather too particular than cherwise.
13. Do you know any thing respecting his apoint-ment?-Yes; he wasemployedis Clerk of the Works
the Camal, and having received a sovere injury inthe perfirmance of his duty, he was appointed Lock-master. Wo tried to have him paid for the time he was confined to his hed, but not succeeding in that, he was appointed Lock-master in lieu of it.

Mr. Gous $h$ called in; and examined :-
14. Were you employed on the Clambly Canal?Yes; as Secretary to the Commissioners.
15. Did you know Mr. Macrae; and was there any imputation ngainst his character?-There was no imputation of tho kind against him.
16. Did the Commissioners desire you to write for Macrate?-Thoy did so.
17. Where was he at the cime:- At Cotean du Lac.
18. Are you aware that Tolls were collected on the Canal under the Commissioners:-I am.
19. Who eollected them?-Mr. Macrac collected them, and handed them to Mr. Macrae, of SL. Jolins, who acted, latorly, as Chairman of the Commissioners.
20. By what authority were they collected?-By no regular authority, but ly a sori of inderstanding with the persons using the Camal.
21. Was that arrangement sanctioned in any way by Government? - Not that I am aware of ; but the Tolls weie regularly accounted for to Government.
22. Ware the Officers employed on the Camal under the Commissioners, given to understand that they would be contimued under the Executive? -They certainly expected that they were to have a preference, and they would necessarily require confirmation by the Board of Works.
23. Did Mr. Macrac collect Tolls under the Board of Works?- Ife did collect for a short period after llie Canal was given up by the Commissioners, but I am not aware that he did so under any authority from the Board of Works.
24. Did you receive from him any munies so col-lected?- There was upwards of £30 handed to me by Mr. Macrac; but as Mr. Borie had liect appointed Collector, and was then acting, I advised him to pay it to him.

Mr. Peter Redpath called in ; and examined :-
25. What were your duties on the Chambly Canal?I was Superintendent of the Works.
26. Did you know Mr. Macrac ?-Yes.
27. Was lie considered competent for the oflice he filled?-I never heard any comphaint againsh him, cither as to efficiency or moral character.
28. Do you concoive that he did his duty conscientiously, and well?-Yes, hic did; and was always willing to assist others in their duly.
29. Do you know what salary he received ?-1 believe it was $£ 60$ a ycar.

## Tuesdry, 11 h Februory, 1845.

Joseph Cary, Esquire, Deputy Inspector General, called in; and examined :-
30. Arc Cullectors of Tulls upon Canals under your Department?-No; the Buard of Works appoints them, and gives, them instructions, and they account to us.
31. Do you nol furnish them with a Tariffor Tolls? The 'Tariff is, I belicve, framed lyy the Board of Works, and finally "pproved of by the Executive Councia.
32. Were there not some monies reccived by the Government before the Canal' was placed under the Board of Works?-Yes; there were monies received in 1841.

## APPENDIX.

Retune of the Establishment of the Chambly Canal.

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| Michel Borne,.. | Collector of Tolls, Harbour and Lock-Mastor at Chambly,..... | 200 | 0 | 0 | 31st May; 1843; Salary, L120 as Collector- $\mathbf{C 8 0}$ as Lock-Master |
| Daniel Phelan,... | Collector of Tolls and Luck-Master at St. Jolins, $\qquad$ | 180 | 0 | 0 | 31st May, 1843; Salary, $\mathfrak{f 1 2 0}$ as Cullector- $\mathcal{L} 00$ as Lock-Master |
| Michacl Dre,.... | Lock Tender, Lock No. $2, \ldots . .$. | 50 | 0 | 0 | 3 Employed in 1843. |
| Antoine Moreau, | : Do. do. No. 3,..... | 50 | - | 0 | \}timployed in |
| John Breman,... | Do. do. No. 4,..... | 50 | 0 | 0 | 12 th July, 1844. |
|  | $£$ | 530 | 0 | 0 |  |

N.B.-The Salaries of the Collectors at Chambly and St. Johns (Messrs. Borne and Phelan) cover the payment of an assistant Lock Labourcr at Chambly and St. Johns, respectively, since January, 1844.

The foregoing Establishmont was that fixed on by Report of Chairman of Board of Works, 6 th Jan., 1844.

## REP0RT.

Tif Special Committee to which was referred the Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of Montreal, praying for amendments to the Ordinances incorporating the said City, and also various other Pelitions on the same subject-have the honor to Rerort:-

That having given their attentive consideration to the several Petitious referred to them, having examined witnesses in roference fo the facts cmunciated, and the prayers set forth in them separately, and having roduced the evidence obtained in writing, Your Conmiltee are of opinion, that it is advisable the Ordinance 4 Vict. c. 36, incorporating the City of Montreal, and the Ordinance 4 Vict. c. 32, amending the same, should be superseded by a new Act embodying the provisions of both Ordinances, with the exceptions, modifications and addilions horein mentioned.

Your Commiltce are of opinion that, as prayed for by the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of Montreal, it is desirable to add the payment of a rent of at least Eight pounds currency, jer annum, to the existing qualification required by law, of every person voting as a tenant al the election of a Councillor and Assessor in the said City.

Your Committee are of opinion that, as prayed for by the said Petitioners, the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of Montroal, it will be important that a provision be introduced into the suggested new Act, to deter persons from herealter wearing any flig, ribbon or cockade, or any othor badge or mark whatsoever to distinguish them as supporting my particular Candidate at any election of a Councillor or Assessor in the said City, and from impeding or disturbing any clection by violence, monace, or malicious practice; and from preventing any clector from giving his vole at any such election according to lis wish or desire; and that it will be advisable to enfore the oliservance of such provision, by forfeiture of the penally of ten pounds, or imprisonment for a period not exceeding three months.

It has beon hitherio found impracticable to carry out the provisions stipplied by law, for the Registration of voters for Councillors and Assessors in the said "City, and the granting certificates of qualifiration, inasmuch as one of the qualifications prescribed is residence in the City ond a jarticular Whrd for a specificterm noxt before the day of election, thus rendering it impossible for the required residence boing determined; or thequalification of the voter porfected, till the moment the election commences.

Your Committee are of opinion this dificulty would be obviated by tho lengih of residence being made to terminate (ns prayed for by the Petitioners') at a period antecedent to the day of eloctions and so as to allow of a sufficient interval for the registration of the names of voters, and the granting of certificates of quatlification.

In connexion with this sulject, Your Committe are of opinion it would be desirable to introduce into any new laws granted to the Petilioners, a declaratory prorision defining the amomint of property, or the quantum of annual rental, necessary to qualify co-proprietors and co-parteers as voters in this respect.

Itis necessary, for the purpose of arriving hereater at a more correct estimate of the value of property lia-

We to assessment in the City of Montreal, than it has been litherto possible to attain, that the number of As:sessors in cach Ward of the City should be augmented from one to three; and Your Committec concur in opinion with the Petitioners, that two of the said three Assessors should be hercafter annually elected by the Citizens, and that the third slowld be appointed by the Council. Provision should likewise be made, Your Commiltee humbly conceive, that the Assessors should not hereafter base their proceedings upon a fancied value or rental as at present; but that they be required to assess on the interest of the actual value or positive rent paid by the tenants; and when liouses are occupied by the proprietors, that they should be assessed for the rent which, in the opinion of the Assessors, could le obtained for them at the time, were they offered to be let.

Mich inconvenience having been annully experiencel from a defect in the existing law, whereby the Mayor's torm of office is made to expire befure the election of his successor; Your. Committee respectfully suggest that it be hercafter provided that the Mayor of the City of Montreal be and remain in office, not only till the election of his suceessur, but likewise until the latter shall have been sworn in A qualification, -to be'swon to-by Auditors, should be provided in any new Act. Io be allowe the Petitioners; similar to that required of Asscssors or Councillors.

Your Committee are of opinion with the Petitioners, that the guthority to a magistrate, to grant in order on the Treasurer of the City to pay monies provided for in the 33 rd section of Me Ordinance 4 Vict. rap. 36 , is unnecossary, and mighi be attended by inconvenience'; and should consequently be repealed.

Experience having shew that the periods (May and November) at which the acedunts of the Treasurer of the City of Muntreal nre now required to be made up', were injudiciously chosen, no objection can exist, your Committee humbly conceive, to liaving the financial yoar inade to trminate hereafter on the fifterenth day of the month of Folruary; or to laving the' Trea* surer's yearly statement of accounts made up to and exhibited nt "liat date.'

Your Coinmittee are further of opinion, that it would be highly desirable that all future elections of Councillors be held on the first Monday in the monith of March.

The confusion of terms complained of inthe 37 th Section of the 4 th Vic. cliap 36 , Your Cominittee are of opinion, would be removed by the substitution of the word "Holidays" "for" "Sunday."

Your Committee are of opinion, that the Council of tho City of Montrenl slould"be"empowered to impose fine or imprisonment soparately, for the violationtor disregard of is Byelaws and that the doubts existing on this heat, which bave led to the opinion, that the said Council is obliged to impose" both fine and imprisonment in every caso, hould be furthwith remored.

In he ofinion of gat Committer, it is highly desirable to provide that in ata athence of owners of pro.

 ing egainat bef proprictur; and in the event of the alo suce of the tather, and the nom-payment of such avessmeat hy and asent of other permon on his belali, provisim shoun he midet that all iterense of ten per cent shoul ammaly acrues upon and be made to all arrears: of assussment duc on said froperty; and that after the lapse of tive geme withut payment of the sail assossment, the suid prepurty, or a suflicient portion thereor', if it be canify shaceptible of division, should, after six monthis botice in the usual form, he sold hy the Sherif' of the Distrivt of Aontreal in payment and liquidation of the said hasessment, and the saitif per centage due thereon; provided that the monies lovied by the said Sherift be duly returned heffro the Cuart of Queen's Bench, fire the proper dintribution and disposal thered according to lavi, and that any bulance remaining in the hands of the Sherift, mappropriated and unclained on behall of the propictor of the property sold, be paid over to the satid Cumail of the stid City of Montreat, to remain in its hands at imeres, till legally called for ty the party or parties having a right thereto.

Four Commiltee are nol of opinion that the athority anked fon hy the Pelitioners should be grumted them, to comped the proptectors of propery enlanced in value by any particular improvement made by the Conined, and ile proprictors of all other property in the neghborthod aummated in value by the said ins. provemenh, torentrate 25 per cent of the inereased Fithe of their parienty havads the cose of the said improvemethe.

Tour Commitar are, luwerer, of opinion, that all innhiguities should lo renteved from the terms of the 32 nd Sertion of the Ordinames, $4 t h$ Vic. cap. 32 , so that nothing thercin chamaned shall defeat or delay the righitiof the Corporation to have the value of any property icquired for pable improwemenis determined by a dury in the mamer provided lior in and by the sitid Section; ind hat it may appear the morle of having He sad value dememed ly arbitation, adverted to in the first part of the saind Suctim, sleall or may only be abopted in the athenee of all shjection thereto, and hy the concurren desire of hoth parties,- The Council wa the one hame, and the propietor or propricturs on the ulter.

Your Commition respectully recommend that in heu of the authrity now possesed by the Council of the wall City, whornow money on the credit of the Sity to the coven of the argeregto amount of its at'renues for five yemre, the shill Combil should be hercafter permitted to horow or become indebted to the ostent of One humbed and firty thousand pomeds currency, anding firther, at any one tine; provided, however, that the sums owing and to hecome dive on account olthe Montreal Water Works, he not included in the said sum of One hundred and fifly thousind pounds currence: ; and provided also, hat no highor rate of interest than six par cent, per annum, bealloved or paid for any monies borrowed or owing by the satid Cosuncil.

Your Committec are of opinion, that it is advisalle, as prayed for loy the Potitioners, that the whole Cily revenies, dermed from any source whaterer, may he dechared spectally chargal and pledged for the repaymentorl ans minios which the said Council may be hereafter pumittedto bortow: provided, however, that no uxisting mortgage or pleige shatl be eflected by the provision of this clause; but that all such slall take precedence and have priarity of, and be chassed in their present order, before any engrgethents or obligations
whe hereafter entered into, or assumed by the City Cumait.

Yur Committe are injpressed will a comrctions that igrat amonat of expense and inconventence, now pmong heavily umen the citizuns of Alumpal, and the porer classen of then in particular, whold be avoided, and mach pultic bentit would arioe fiom the extatilisment of a Masmal Cour in the said Citr, as prayed for the recorer of a onents, mates and dues, and the enforement of the L'ty Regulations and By-Laiss. Your committe, therefore, recommend for the present, the esahbishment of such a Court, with a right of anpeal, however, from is clecisions, by the stumary means of petition to the Court of Quen's Beach.

Your Commitice recommend that, as prayed, for by the Petilioners, a pecuniary penalty may be altached to the refusal to act, of any member of the Council, appointed by the Mayor of the City, to preside at any election of a Comicillor or Assessor for any Ward in the City, or for the neelech or distegarel of duly ly any memere so appointed; that the Council of the said City shond le anthor + dy law to make provision for dio therision of ant erne sted election, should any suebs never at the manisi abom of Counciltors in the said Cily; that in the abouce or illuess of the Mayor, the Conncil of the said City should be empowered io elect, fr:m among the persons by whon it is conposect, the member who shall, for the time being, bo iuvested with his authority; and that in case of cither the alsenco on illuess of the City Clerk, the Marur of the City be mathrized to appoint an Assistan City Clerk, whuse acte, for the time beng, slall be as valid as ifexecuted by the principal himeelf:

Your Committee respectfully recommend that as the dhty of establisling and matutaing a Pulice force in the City of Montreat has now devolved upon the Gouncil thereof, the said Council should bo provided wihn more spocific and comprehensive powers for' that purpuss, than thuse they at present possess.

All power and nuthority relating to Ferrymen and Ferriage within the City of Montrall horetofise vested in the Justices of the 户eace, having been translerred to the Council of the said City, save anilexeept the authority to isste Licenses to Ferrymen, Your Committee respectfully enncoire, with the Politioners, that they should be invested with that authority likewise.

Youn Committee are of opinion, that, for the preserration of lives and property, it is desitable that no high-pressure Engine, or Camphine Oil Manufictory, or' ofher manufictory of alike nature, dangerons to the public safety, shall hereafter be pormitted to be establislied in the City, inless the same shatl bo surrounded on all sides by an open and unoccupied space of at least seventy-five feet in extent.

In the opinion of your Committee, it will be advisable, for the purpose of preventing extensive and destructive conflagrations, that the Council of the City of Montreal he especially authorized by By-Law, as prayed for by them, to prohibit in future the erection of wooden huildings in the main or prineipal streets of The several Suhurbs of the City, viz:-in St. Mary, St. Lewis, Si. Layrence, St, Antoine, St. Joseph, and Wellingtou streets; and, likewise, that they be, erpecially authorized to prohibit the erection of any wooden outhonse in that part of the City heretofore knowin as the Town, and contradistinguished by that appellation from the Suburbs of the City; and further, that they be specially empowered to compel the erection, within dree yoars delay, of stone or brick division walls in the last aforesaid part of the City known as the Town,
in which the erection of wooden buildings is already by law pruhibited.

Provision should also be made to enable the Council to regulate the weight and quality of all Bread sold in the City.

It should also be provided that all arrears of assessment and City dues, for a period not exceeding two years, be regarded as privileged debis, and classed as such in all cases of bankruptcy and distribution of monies.

Your Committee do not consider it advisable that the authority vested in the Commissioners for the Improvement of tho Harbour of Montreal, should be transferred, as prayed for by the Pelitioncis, to the Council of the said City; but they are neverthcless of opinion that provision should be made to enable the Council at all times to open and have access to the public sewers running through the wharves, and that part of the City under the jurisdiction of the Comimissioners; and alsw; to huthorize the City Police to preserve the peace, and eifforce order on the said wharves.

Your Cominittee are persuaded that it will be highly advantagoous for the City Council to be authorized to ellect, by By-Law, the molifications prayed fur by them in the system of siveeping the City chimnies; also, that they be empowered, if deemed necessary, to impose the special assessment of three-pence in the pound, asked for, on the yearly revenue of all property in the Cily, to meet the expenses of the City Fire Department; and moreover, that the said Council be peruitted, after the occurrence of every lire in the City, to establish a judicial inquiry into the cause and origin of such fire, with a view to the prevention and detection of the crime of arson.

Your Committee respectfully recommend, that it be provided that the Mayor of the Cily should, for the time being, while surh Mayor, be a Justice of the Peace for the City and District of Montreal: that the Aldermen and Councillors of the said City should, for the time being, while such Aldermen and Councillors, be Justices of the Peace for the said City of Montreal ; and that it shall be lawful for the said Council to allow the Mayor for the time being, such salary not exceeding five hundred pounds, and not less than three hundred pounds per annum, in lieu of all fees and perquisites, as they may deem fit; also, that the double vote heretofore permitted to the Mayor in Council, be heroafter dissullowed, and that in future he have butone vole, wiz: a casting vote whensoever the Council; or that purtion of it present, shall be equally divided:

Your Committee are like viso of opinion that it would be advisnble to empoiver the Council of the said City', 1 st. To regulate the weights as woll as the measurement' of all firewoind, coals, salt and grain brought into the City for consumption; to determine if all or any of the said articles shall be sold eilher by weight or measurement, and to appoint weighers or measurers of the saidarticles 9 and, for these purposes; Yourcomittee recommend that any law now in force requiring any or all of the said rticlos to be weighed measured or sold it any particular manner, be repealed, so that the said Council may be free to defermine the manner in which the said articles may hereafer be disposed of, either by weight or measurement

It whuld Be also ad titble that the said Council shoult bo chopoted to pult down, demollih or re moveranghouse wall or building within ble City that may be in a dilapided or ruinous state, or hanger


Your Committee would likewise respecifully adviso that the said Council should be empowerell to impose a ponalty on parties acquiring properly and neglecting to encluse it that all vacant lots, bounding on streets received by the City; shall be valued by Assessors, to the extent of one hundred feet in deptli from the line of the street and no further, and that the assessment of such lols shall be made on the interest of such value, and not according to the revenue derived from such va cant lots.

That the said Couticil be authorized to impose, by By-law, a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds, on Assessors refusing or neglecting to perform their duty; that the said Council may be enabled, in the event of the destruction or injury of jroperty" within the City: limits, by any molb, or riotous assemblage, to assess the Citizens to such an extent as will cover the loss sustained by the owner or owners of the property injured or destroyed; and that the said Council may be autho rized to levy the assessment of one shilling and six pence in the pound on the owners or occupiers of pro. perty, or on both, in any proportion they may deem just and advisable.

With regard to the Petition from be inhabitancs or Hochelaga, for the extension of the limits or the Cily in a northern direction, Your Comittee are not of opinion that it would be advisable, at least fur the present, to allow the prayer thereof.

Your Committee gave their serious attention to the Petition of Messrs. Connolly and others, praying for a sub-division of the St. Mary's' St. Latwrence and Queen's Wards; but are not of opinion that any such sub-division is desirable or would prove judicious.
In reforence to the Pelition of Mr. O'Brien and other tavern-keepers, complaining that the dity inposed on them by the City Council is excessive, Yourcommillee io not think it would be advisable, under existing circumstances, to interfere in the mitter, as the Couitich is empowered to le vy the duty referred to and the ought necessarily to bo the most competent to determine the rate at which it should be fixed.

The whole nevertheless respectfully submitted.

## SABREVOIS IEBLEURY, Chainan.

11th March, 1845:

## MINUTES OF EVIDENCE.

The Honorable C.C. Sabrevors DeBleory, Esquiee, in the Chair.

Frilay, 1 1uh Jnuazy, 1845
Jumes Ferrier, Esquire, called in ; and examith ed:-

1. How long have youben Mryor of Montreat? Since lie 9 th Dccember last.
2. Can yourduce astatement of the dob of the Corpotion f Ulie City of Montreal can, and now produce the same ${ }^{2}$ dpendix $\mathcal{N}$. 1 )
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 1843, , and write one for the chrentyear? The

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Revenud fom 151910331.1 , is 20003917 s . Th. Tho revenue from 18.18 to 1841 , is 2.4590 3s. Til., 'the
 pendix, Nos. 2,3 and 4.)
4. Du you consider that the fases imposed by the Comporation are, or are not, too high? - l do not; and From the prosprous slate of the City thenk they romht be increased. Thero aro nany bramehes of trade which are not taxed at fresme, such as manafacturors, and the varions incorpmated and other bodies, carrying on Imale as Bankers, Fire Assumame Companios, money brokers, and varinus mandieturers who cond well ablind to pay tases is well as the redail merchants, who are rew prying ton for cont. on the rent of the respective houses they occupy.
5. According to what principlo do you suggest that the ditherent diasses, mentioned in vour preceding answer, should be taxed"?-I would jirnpuse at prenent, (1) levy a tax upon he reat of the premines hey vecuby - I mean an inctense of tax an the rent they pay. I will lay before the Committee in ar lew doys, a seale applicable to each branch of commerce.
6. Ought altiy part of these taves to be reduced, and in what proportion?-I am mot prepared to inswer at present, positivoly, but I think not; the more su as the imbahitants of Mombeal uppear to be satishad with the present scale.
7. Do you think that these laxes bear faitly and equitably umon the rich and upan tho poor:- I consider the present rates fint and proportiname.
8. Does the annual revonme, after deducting thercfrom the annual and necessary expenses of the City, teare a sufticiont halance to assist in paying ofl the capital of the debt, and in what proportion? - will lurnish the Committee an exact Statement of the items of the expense, showing the halance after paying the collrent expenses of the year, and which would have been applied to the reduction of the tebts, if new inprovements lad not been further undertaken.- (Appendix No. 5.)
9. What is the rate of interest paill on the deht due by the Corporation?-Six per cent.
10. Do you propose to extend the inereased taxation on the manufacturers to all the mechanioss or tradesmen? -The clause in the pelition relating to this question fully embodies my view on the subject.
11. Can you produce a Statement of the population of the different Wards of the Uity of Montreal ?--Yes, I now produce it, and I have added in column shew. ing the amount of the assessment raisad in each Ward. -(Appondix No. 6.)
12. Can you produce a Stntement in detail of the revenue raised in each Ward, shewing under what head they are so raised?-I now do so.-(Appendix No. 7.)
13. Hat the City Countil, before the last Municipal Election, aloplod a petition to the Legislature, or resolutions, or proccedings to servo as a basis for' such netition, for the purpose of praying for changes in the laws under which the setid Council is constituted?Yes, the Council hat considered the alteration required in the Act incorporating the City, and come to certain resolutions thereon, which resolutions were in some degree modified since the last election, in the petition before the Council.
11. Can you produre a copy of the proceedings so
madified, as, they stwad before such modifiation? Yes, I will.
15. When, for the firm time, was any resolution alopted in Comncil, soliciting changes in the Laws incorporating the Cunncil;--when was the first petition to that elfect adopted;-and when did the modifications alliuled to ill your answer to question 13, fake place? -I will give my answer to this question within a few days.

## Monday, 201h, Jonuory, 1845.

James Ferrier, Esquive, again called in, and further examined:-

In reference to Q. 5.- 1 have nothing more to alth.
In answer to Q. G.- l have only to ald, that frith must be kept with creditors of the City, the Works already linished must be upheld, the polier, fire, and lighs deparlonents krpe an an elliciont liphtite salary of tho oflicers \&c.; to necomplish which onj.est will prechado the pussibility of making any reductions on the present rates of axation.

In answer to Q. 14.-I will bring the copy to-morrow.

In answer to Q. 1 5:-The first resolution adopted with a view to ohtain ameniments to the Ordinance of Incorporation, was ao early as the 2 lih Juhe, 1842less than two years after the entablishment of the Cunncil,

2014 rane, 1849.-On that day a Committee was appuinted on mulion of Councillor Bourret, seconded by Cumbillar Despivitres, to report the amendments required tu" Ordinances incorporating the "Cty.

15th Angust, 1842. -The Committee repurted.
291h Ausust, 1942.-The Report wals adopted and the Committec authorized to prepare a petitim.
$51 /$ Spptember, 1542.--The petition was brought up, considerol, adopled, and ordered to be presented to the Legislature.

On the 1 blh dugust, 1843, -on motion of Councillor Beaubien, seconded liy Councillor Gagnon, ano. ther Commiltee was appointed as above.

10th October, 1843.-Their Report was adopted, and pelitions based thereon, authorized to be presented by His. Worship the Mayor to the tliree branches of the Legislature,

8th Nov. 1844.-A thind Committee appointed,
22nd Nov. 1844.-Committec reported.
27th Nov. 1844.-Report considered and alopted.
9th December, 1844.-The Report ordered to bo reconsidered."

11th Dec. 1844.-Report reconsidered, finally adopted, and Petition ordered to be prepared thereon.
16. Do you think that any of the present Wards of the City ought to be subdivided?-No; I am not of that opinion.
17. According to the Return of the Census which that the pepulatom of St. Mary's, st. Lawrence, and Queen's Wirts, is threo, ind even dur times, greater than that of unch of the others; is it not just bat they should be rejresented in in the City Council, as much as possible in the same proportion?-My reason tor answering in the negative is that the representation oughtito be based on the amount of the revenue cullected from the different Wards, and not exclusively on the population.
18. As you wish to establish the right of Municipal Represelation on the principle of revenue, ato you of opinion that the right of voting at Minicipal Elections should be on the same principle? - No.
19. What are your reasons for not wishing the right of roting at Municipal Elections to be establishod on the same principle- hat of revenue?-1 am of opinion the numbier of Representatives or Councillors in each Ward, should be regulated loss by a regard to the population of the Ward than the amount of its revenues, the principal object of deliberation in the Council being tho distribution of the City Funds,-formed of the collective revenues of all the Wards; for, if it were otherwisc, a Ward with a larger amount of population, but a lesser amount of revenue than, perhaps, its adjoining one, would bo more numerously represented in the Council,-would have a preponderating influence in vontes, and might consequently absorb all the revenues of boh its own and its neighbouring Ward, and have the monies had out exclusively, within its own limits. To make my meaning still plainer, if any particular number of persons in any separate section or placesay, for instance, 2000 citizens in Ward A. contribute C2000, and 5000 citizens in Ward B. only contribute a like sum of $\mathcal{L 2 0 0 0}$, it is only consistent that the 2000 bitizens in Ward A. should have as much yoice as the 5000 citizens in Ward B. could claim to liave. Now if 'the representation was governed exclusively. by' a regard to the population, this would not be the case; fir, by the way of example, if the 2000 citizens in secLion A. were allowed two Representatives to act on their belall, in the distribution of the monies, that is, ono Representative for every 1000 persons, then the 5000 citizens of section 3 . would be entitled to five Representatives to act on their behalf in the same trust, and they could clearly dispose of the whole $£ 4000$ as they might please, without reference either to the wishes or interest of the Representatives of section A. or the constituents of that Wart, by whom a full half of all the money had been subscribed.' II would have every householder contributing to the revenue of the Ward, entitled to vote at the election of a Representafive for the Ward, and though I can readily understand that the man contributing most largely to that revenue, would feel the largest interest in it, and be most concerned in its distrubution, yet the difference in amount of assessments paid by any two particular individuals cannot be sufficient to justify either of them being allowed a second vote, and less than one vote could not Do given, even to the smaller contributor or rate payer of the two.
20. Are you of opinion that a person possessing property in several Wards ought to have the right of yoting in each Ward wherein his property is situated?No ; the priprietor should only vote for the Ward whero he resides, inasmuch as bis other property is represented by the tenants occupying the same.
21. Ought not any one holding property in any of the Wards, to have the right of voting at the Municifal Dlections of the cilty, although be might reside befond the limits of the city ? - I think not, as the projerty is represented by the tenants occupying the same.
22. If that persion had no tenant of his propery situated in the sity, should he not have the right of votiug? - [ thimkso, because property paying tax should be represented.
23. If the proprietor and the tenant of his property so situated in the city, reside beyond the limits of the city, whinh of the two has, at prosent, the right of voting, or which ought to have the right of voting on that property?-I believe neither can vote now; and in the caso suppused, I am of opinion that the tenant ought to hive the right to vote.
24. Are you of opinion that persons entitled to vote at the Municipal Elections should be onregistered previous to the ir voting at any such election? -Yes, I am.
25. What ront should the terant pay to entitle him to vote ?-I'en pounds currency.
20. Are you of opinion that the number of Assessors shombl be increased; if so, what are your rea-soms?-Yes, to three-iwo by the people and one by the City, the majority of whom, in case of division, would rule ; and my reason for this suggestion is, that at presont unly one Assessor being appointed, and he the solo judge in deciding on the assessment of property, the City has suffered serious losis by partiality, in passing over property without assessing it at all.

Wednesiday, 22nd January, 1845,"
Jumes Ferrier, Esquire, again called in; and further examined:-

In reference to a furmer question, I hand in a Statement of the probable revenue, terminating the 15th July next, shewing a balance of $£ 8,829$ 18s. Od. for $1 \mathrm{i}-$ quidation of debt on public improvements. From the two first items may be deducted a considerable amount lost from the want of a Mayor's Cuurt, from death, bankrupecy, or departure of parties from the City, mistakes of Assessors and thair Clerks, \&c.' 'The same remarks apply, to alimited extent, to the third item.... (Appendix No. 5.)
27. Do you think it material that a pecuniary qualification for the Auditors should be prescribed by law? -I do think so, inconvenience having been felt in consequence of the omission in the Act; the attention of the Leggislature is called to it on account of the discrepancy of that clause of the Act.
28. What are the reasons which prompled the Petitioners to pray for a repeal of the last part of the 33 rd Section of the Ordinance 4th Victoria, ch. 36 ?-Because it creates a conflicting authority which might be exercised to the prejudice of the Corporation, in so far as magistrates are concerned.
29. Are you of opinion that the neighbouring prow prietors should contribute to the payment of the indemnity granted to the person whose property might be entirely or in part taken possession of for public improve ments?-Yos, on account of the augmented value of the property having to be described by a Jury in all cases.
30. Might not this forced contribution be unjust in several caste, for instance, in that of minors, interdicted persons, proprietors who might have nothing else to live upon than the rent of their property so assessed, wheri perhaps the rent would be barely sufficient for his sub sistence and that of his family?-It certainly would bear vory bard upon such persons.
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91. Thas the Corporntion nuthority, under the present lar, to take privato property required for che public comvenience, at a viluation dioreol' by a Jury ? - Yes.

3 . Are you of ithe same opinion as the Petitioners with relerenco to the power of borrowing as much as $\dot{6} 15,000$, and with reference to an unlimited rate of imerest?-1 agree with the Petitioners as to the amount to be borrowed; but as to the rate of interost, it ought not 6 exceed six per cent.
3.3. If the Corporation made a loan, would you be of opinion to make the payment of the interest on that Loan the first charge on the revenue?-I am of opinion that the interest should be the first charge after the payment of the salaries of the Officers of the Corporation, and the costs of collection.
34. Oughe the Ioan of $\$ 150,000$, which the Petitioners pray to be allowed to make, to be over and aboye the actual debt of the city? -It is intended to include the present debt of the City.
35. At what times would you propose the Capital of the loan to be paid, and aro you of opinion that a sinking fund should be established?-I would be of opinion to create a sinking find of $\mathcal{L} 150,000$ Currency, and as the debt would be incurred less for the benefit of the present than of the next and succeeding generations, I would not be of opinion to fully liquidate it in lass than seventy-five yents ; on that account, besides the interest, I would have only two thousand poundsof the Capital paid off annually. It is true that money conld not be borrowed for so long a period as seventytive years, but I would obtain it for lesser ones, say 15 , 20 and 25 years, and at lleir expiration, arrange either to renew the loan, or pay them off by means of new ones.
36. Aro the Corporation Bonds negotiable at present, or at par ?-I an not aware that any have been suld less than par ; on the contrary, the St. Ame's Market Bonds have been sold at a promium.
37. Is it nut the case that contracts for public works have been made payable in the Bonds of the Corport-tion?.-The coneracts for public works having been tendered for, for cash prices, the Contractors have received City Bonds in payment.
38. Why were not the Contractors paid in casl, and not in the Bonds of the Corporation?-Because the clause in the Aci boing defective, the Corporation could not borrow moncy.
39. Before making tenders, had tho Contractors any reason to know that ilhey were to receive Bonds in pay. ment?-No intimation was given in the adverlize-' ment for tenders, which I am now prepared to exhibit, of the mode in which the work was intended to be paid for. The proper inference, therefine, was that it would be paid for like every other similar work, in cash, as the work was proceoded with; and Messrs. Munro \& Con, the Contractors for the stono work, \&c. of the building, tendered under that improssion, for when it was communicated to them that they would have to take Bunds in payment, they domurred, obtained delay to cimsider the matter, and make enquity how thoy could dispose of tho Bonds. Afterafew deys delay theyconsentad to enter into the contract, being for $\mathcal{E 1 0}, 940$, which is the largest undertaking connected with the maket. I have been told Messrs. Kelly \& Co. have got tho carpenters' work, tendered under the expectation of being paid in Bonds.
40. Is it not the case that the Corporation, by oblig. ing the Contractors to receive the Bonds of the Cor-
poration in payment foublic works, have been obliged to paty a hiuther rate or price in consequence?-My answer to this question would necessmity be "mere matter of opinion," formed by inforence from tho facts stated ill my antwer to the preceding question, an opinion at which the Committee, being in possession'ct the facts, aro as coinpetont to arrive as lim,
41. What is your opinion as to the constitution of that Court ?-I am of upinion, that the Mayor should constiate that Court, and that the City Clork slomid ast as Clerk of that Court, and would Chereby save the citizens the heary expenses they are subjuct to in the enfurcing of the By-Laws.
42. Are you of opinion that there should be an aprpeal from the decisiods of that Court?-In some cases.
43. Havo you considered what fees should bo allowed in the Mayor's Court, and if so, state them ? Yes; 6d. for tho summons and copy; 6d. For the service of the same; 6d. for the warmant and executum of the same;- the whole costs not th exceed ls. 6t!, which fees ate to merge in the fund of the Corperation.
44. Is it your opinion that the proposed Court should have the power to roduce the amount of assesments and to excuse certain persons whor are liable to be taxed and not able to pay? - That Courd should onfy enforge the By-Laws, and rates ue assessment passed in the Council.
45. What fity do you think ought to be imposed upon an Alderman or Councillor who might refuse to preside at an election ?- $\mathbf{i} 25$.
40. What plan would you suggest for trying and deciding the elections?-l would propose that a Com mitteo of the Council be belloted for, und that the pruceedingsibe under tho Act commonly called the
49. Wouk you be of opinion that that power should extond to tho removing of such establishments now existing in the City?-No, unless, hey are found to be dangerous, or injurious to the publie health; in those rases it ought to be in the power of the Council to cause their removal.
50. What do you consider to be division walls between properties, which, according to the prayer of the Petitioners, should be, within' a certain delay, erected of stone or brick? -It applies to all division walls whether gable walls, or yard fences.

Grenville Act.

## Tuesday, 281h Jonuiry, 1845, <br> James Ferrier, Esquire, again called in ;and fur.

 ther examined :-47. On what grounds do the Petitioners pray to be invested with authority to give Licences to Ferrymen As the Town Council have the power to make regulations for the Ferrymen, it seems natural that they should have the power of granting Licences, the moru so, as they must be the best judges as to the fitness or unfitness of the applicants.
48. Are you of opinion that Disillerics, \&uc. and other establishments, as specificd in a cortain paragraph of the Petition, should be out of the limits of the Cily? No; it ought to be in the power of the Corporation to define and detormine by By-Law, the part or section and limits wherein none they; or any of them, mey bu hereafior built or used.
49. "On what grounds' do the Pelitioners claim the power to regulate ine price of all Bread sold in the City?The intentiun of the Council is to protect tho poor, and prevent moliopoly. "My private opision is that in baking, like overy other branch of business, thore is sulficient competition to rogulate that pirticular branch.
50. Do the Petitioners intond by their prayor to seek authority to regulate the cuality of Brond, or to prevent the sale of such as is made of unsound flour, and therefore unwholesome? - Nut th allow the sale of Bread that is made of unsound flour, or other materials which are frequently mixed in Bread, that will prove injurious to the health of the inhlabitunts.
51. If the arrears of assessments were made privilegred debts, as prayed for, would you claim suchi privilege eren against debts due to the Crown, mind funeral expenses?-No.
52. Will you explain to the Conmittee in what respect the authority conferred on the Iarbour Commissioners conflicts with that of the Corporation?-By the 52nd clatse of the Ordinance $4 h_{1} \mathrm{Vic}_{\text {, }}$ cap, 36 , it is provided that the jurisdiction and anthority of the Council shall not extend "to the wharves aud slips " crected, anil to loo erected by the Harbour Commis"'sioners." It has, in coinscquence, been made a question, if the Civic Police has any nuthority on the wharves, or can logally interfere to preserve order on them. The Ularbour Commissioners claim exclusive nuthority as far as their works extend; and the right. of the Council to establish a carters' stand along tho parapet of Commissioners' street was, not long since, so strenuously opposed by them, that, at much incomvenience to the public, the intention of doing so was, at least for the time being, akandoned. All tho public druins of the City emplying thamselves in the river, nocessarily pass through the ground under die jurisw diclion of the Harbour Commissioners, and over whids it is contended the Council have not any control; and the inconvenience and public injury that mayarise from this cruse is too obvious to need being commented upon.
53. Are you of opinion that a special assessment or tax shoth he imposed for swoepuing and watering the streets :-By the 45 th Section of the new Act, powor is asked to lery an assessment not oxceeding one' shilling and six-pence in the pound, on the yearly valuo of real estate, to be levied upon the owners or occupiers thereof, or both. I do not think there is a necessily for a special tax to be superadded to the above. An assessment of 1 s . 3 d . in the pound may be laid upon the proprietor of real estate, and 3 d . in the pound upon the occupant, which latter sum may," by resolve of Council, be appropriated in whole or in part, as may be judged requisito, to sweeping and watering the atreets.

## Thursday, 30h January, 1545.

James Ferrier, Esquire, again called in ; and further examined:-
50. What amount of duties or tases loes the Corporation charge the farmors' of the country, when they bring their produce to the manke of Montreal?-Farmers from the country are chatged nothing when they bring their produce to market. As a special privilege in their behalf, when they have other elfects or produco to sell, they are allowed to bring calves, slicep, and lambs in their yehiclos to the Now and St. Ame's markets; instend of being compelle to take tham to the cattle market, on payment of tho same tax or rate that is exacted on the cattle market.
57. Where manufactures aro situated in the same premises that an assessment is levied on, as a commer. cial establishment, is it your opinion to add the rate or dity as a manufacture?-Yos.
58. Will you furnish the Committee with a tabular statement of all lands or property purchased by the Corporation, stating where situated, the extent of each, from whom purchased, the price of the same, and for what purposo said propertios have been acquired; also, what property or properties have been sold, the price of each, and to whom sold ?-1 will.- (Appendix, Nos. 8 and 0.)
50. Do you think it advantageous to extend the northern boundary of the City of Montreal, at loast one mile beyond its present limits?-1 do; and 1 am of opinion that the revenue that would bo derived from the numprous buildings in that location would amply pay for making and keeping the streets in order.

## Thursday, 6lh February, 1845.

## James Ferrior, Esquire, again examined :-

60. Do you concoive that the Corporation is ellpowered to levy a tax or rate on the procceds of goods sold by auction, and if so, is it in the contemplation of the Council'to excreise the power - Thie Corporation havo, by the provisions of the 41 st Section of the Ordinanco, 4 Vic . cap. 36 , the right of " imposing at duty or "duties on sales by auction, not in any case to oxceed "one per cent on such sales." The Finance Committec of the Council lately recommended that a half por cent duly shontld be imposed on all such sales; and the Council, I have no doubt, will adopt the recommendation.

## Soturday, sth February, 1845.

## Joseph Bourret, Esquire, examined :-

Answer to Q. "A. No; I do not consider the taxes at present too high.

Answer to Q: 6.-No; I am not of opinion that the tixes should be reduced.

Answer $t_{0}$ Q. $7,-$ Yes ; ; I think that the taxes hear $^{2}$ fairly and equitably as well upon the rich as upon the poor.

Answer to Q. 16.-I think that St. Mary, St. Latwrence, and Queen's Wards, ought to bo subdivided because they are not represented in the City Comeil according to their population.

Answer to Q. 17.-In my opinion, St. Mary, st. Lawronce, and Queen's Wards, having a population of more than five times the others, ought to be represented in the City Council as much as possible in the same proportion.

Ansuer to Q. 20.-Yes; I am of opinion that a person possessing property in seyeral Wards ought to have the right of voting in eacli Ward wherein his property is situaled.
Answer to Q.21,-Yos; because his property is subject to taxation.

Answer to Q. 25.-I amof opinion that all porsons paying tixes, (excopt commutation for statute laboir) sifould be entilicd to vote at Municipal Elections, without having any reference to the rent they pay.

Answer to 2. 26.-Yos, I an of ophimion that there shund be more than ono Assessor for cench Ward. Tho Ascossur at proven, heing unassisted, is not always capable of doning jusice behween the Corporation and the vilizens: the respunsibility would be less when so dirident.

Anslere io Q. 20.-Yes, certuinly.
Answer to Q. 32, -'es, I am of ulimion that jower should be given to the City Conneil to borrow a sum not excreding ono hundred and fifty housmod pounds, currensy, in order to change he nature of the Cily dobt, but with a limited mate ol interest.

Answer to Q. 33.-Yes, 1 would be of opinion to nake the parment of the interost of that luan the lirst thange on the revente, in ordor to obtain it upon more favomble tems.

Ansiver to Q. 35,-I would propose that the capital of the loan to paid within lhirty yours; and 1 am adso of opinion that a sinking fund hombld be establishad to meat the payment of the said luon-forming, to a vertain extent, its ghamate.

Answer 10 Q. 30 .-I cmmot say, nut being connecitod with monotary tramsactions.

Answer to Q. 37 .-Yes; it is the case
Answer to Q. 30. Wo, the Cuntractors had no reasuns to know that hey were to receive Bunds in paymell.

Answer to Q. so.-Certamly not to my knowledge.
Answer to Q. Al:-I am of opinion that it is highly desirable that a Cotirt should be establishod for the summary disposal of all cases arising from infringements of regulations of polico, non-payment of Corporation duos, \&c. \&e.-the same to be composed of the Mayor, assistell by Aldermen or others.

Answer to Q. 44.-Yes.
Answer to Q. 45.-Fifty pounds currency,
Answer to Q. 46.-The Court of Queen's Bench ought to lave tho power to try and decide contested Municipal Elections in a summary menter.

Answer to Q. 48-Yes.
Answer to Q. 49.-Yes, under certain regulations.
Answer to Q. bo.-I consider the division walls setween tho properties which, accontling to the prayer If the Petitioners, should be, within a cerlain delay, rected of stone or brick, to be all wooden fences and ditision houndaries which now exist within the limits of the town, described in the Petition.

## Answer to Q. $53 .-\mathrm{N}$.

Ansiver to Q. 54:-The Harbour Commissioners 'rold propery intermised with the possessions of the Cit:- All public sewers have to be carried through the malice whares-the upholding of parements, \&c, in :onjunction with those of the City, \&e. \&e. There is a doubt if tho Police regulations of the Corporation have a legal force on the Harbour properly.

Answer 10 Q. $55 .-Y e s$, I am of opinion thint a special assessment or tax should be imposed for sweeping and watering steects, when the same may be asked for by at last two thirds of the indabitants thereof, provi-
ded the amual tax on the citizans do not exceod one shilling amd six-ponee in tho pound, including such sjocinl tax.

Answor to Q. 57.-No; there should bebut ono asvessment, cither on tha manufacturer, or comanercial establisiment.

Answor to Q. 59.-I don't think il vond bo adyantugenss for die present to extend the northern boundary of the City of Montreal ono mile boyond its present limits. The City has alrondy too many streets to keep in ropair and to make.

## Monday, 10th Felnuary, 15d5.

## William Lumpi, Esquire, oxamined:-

Ansever to Q. 4.-In considemation of the hetwy debe dua by the Corperation, incurradon account of the great improvements which hare been made in Montreal during the last three yoars,-that fuith must be kep with the public'crediturs, man that all the existimg establishuments must be continued in full operation,-i an of opinion the tuxes are not too h igh.

Answer to Q. 6.-I do not think that any part of the tasos strould be reduced at present, nor until there is a gradual reduction of the debt; and hen, a corresponding reduction of the taxes might be made.

Answer to Q.7.-Yes; the poor, as occupants of houses, find bound only to pay 3d, in the pound on the rental, which is intended to coyer the expense of swoeping and watering the streets, levolling caliots, show drifts, and removing the snow. The poor who are not occupnits of houses, pay only the commutation tax of 5 s. jer amum.

## Anstuer to Q. 10.-1 think not.

Anstuer to Q. 17.-I am of opinion that the number of Reppresentatives of each Ward should be governed much more by the amount of is revenues, than by the population. If the representation bo exelusively regulated by a regard to the population, the funds collected from all the Wards migh be wholly absorbed ly the Representatives of the more populous or suburban Wards, to the entire exclusion of the olher Wards. If any Ward has a chaim for extra representation, both on the score of revenue and jopulation, it is the Queen's Ward.

Answer to Q. 21.-1 hink not; his property is re. presented by his tenants.

## Answer to Q. 25.-Ten pounds currency:

Answer to Q. 20.--lam of opinion that there should be three Assessors for each Ward ; two to be elector thy the inhabitants, and the third to be appointed ly the Corporation; inasmuch as three persons are more competent to judge of the value of property than one, -and that a more equilable and just assessment may lee levied.

Anstuer to Q. 99.-Yes; liccause the property in the immediate neighbourhnod would be materially 'in creased in value by these improvements.

Answer to Q 32.-1 am of the same opinion as the Petilioners, wilh reforence to the sum which they seek permission to borrow; but the Corporation might be restrifted to 6 per cent. interest.

Answor to Q. 35,-1 am of opinion the loan should bo very gradually liminished by numal prymonts on account of the principal dobt ; my renson for this is, That as the debt would be incurred ratiee for tho bencfil of the two next ganerations than the prosent one, it is only right they slould be permitted to pay of thair propiortion of the lom. This, in my opinion, will bo prefurable to a siaking fund.

Ansiver to Q 36, In consequence of tho Bamks in Montrenl restratining their discounts' and rendering money scarce, oupitalists aro endeavouring to tade advantuge of the circumstance, and Corpmation Bonds are not, just now, negotimble at par. If the monay marketwere easy, an it it no doubt will soon be, they would undoubtedly command par.

## Answer to Q 37,-Xes.

Answerto Q. 30-1 beliere not; the atvertizomont for tonders for the erection of the New Market Full, did not express that payinent would bo made in Bonds.

Answer to Q. 10.-1 think not. The largast Contractur for the New Market Hall, Mr. Mumo, the mat son, stateil that he had made his calculation on being paid in cash;" Befbre neceptiag his tonder, the question was put to him, if ho were willing to receivo paymont in Bonds of the Corpmotion; ho mate inquiry of their value, and returned, stating to the Committee that he would accept Bonds in payment for the work to bo performed according to his tender.

Answer to Q.41.-I think such a Court is very necessary for the benefit of the public generally, but especially of the poorer classos, who are frequently procected against for arrears of assessmen, and for' violations of the City rogutations: the costs, at present, are ruinously high to them. "If a Mayor's Court were established, the proctedings would, I believe, occasion loss losis of time, and be much less expensive.

Answer to Q. 42.-I am of opinion that there should be no appeal.

## Ansiver to Q. 44, -Yess.

Anster to Q. $45 .-$ One hundred pounds.
Answer to Q. 46.—'The Returning officer should be bound to discharge his duty failhfully, under heavy penalities.

Answer to Q. 48.-I an not of opinion that Disfilleries and uther establishments specified in a certain paragraph of the Petition, sloould be altogether out of the limits of the Clity; but I think that authority may be given to the Corporition to define the particular sections wherein none, thoy, or any of them, may bo built.
Answer to Q. 49.-Certainly not.
Answer to Q. 50.-Division walls referred to in the Petition, aro those betiween proporties separating houses, stables, \&c. These division walls, I think, should be of brick or stone.

Answer to Q. 53.-Certainly not.
Answer to Q. 54. -I am not aware of any.
Answer fo Q. 55.-1 am of opinion that a special assessment should be imposed for swoeping, watering streets, and removing snow, when two-thirds of the inhabitants of a streot pray for it.

Answer 10Q. 57.-Yes I am of that oninion, with a diserotionary power to the Corporation to examjt certain manufictorios.

Answer to Q. b0.-T think it would be advantagoous so to exteind the limits of the City, and that the City would bo benefited by the additional revonue it would hus obtain. I also think, it would be adyispble. to oxtend the Jimits of the City, westwardly, so 'is to include the wholo of the mountain wilhin its boundarics.

Thursday, 20th February, 1840

## Mr.' Grifilh callod in ; and exmnined :-

61. Do you beliove it advisable to extend the nor: thern limits of the City;-please give your reasons, If you are of opinion to extend, what extont would you suggest i-In consequence of ibo difficulty of rafls being rowed into Montreal by reaspo of the rapidity of 010 current opposito die Town, and the limited necomino: dution when there, has heretofore caused them to fall diwn to the fiot of the current, and into the Port of Hochelaga, whero ships of any burden that could nscend tho river from Quebec would lond for foreign ports. That which was intended for the supply of the City was carted from thence; but since the Toll-bar was placed between the Port and Montreal, the expeise of the Toll greaty limited the quartily sent up by carts, to the manifest injury of the citizens of Montroal. Previous to the erection of the Toil-bar, lumber could be delivered at Montreal from Hochelaga much cheaper than it could be obtained in the Harbour of Monireal, as the expense of getting it was heavy; bosides the risk of being carrich away by the current, and not being allowed sufficient time to load it and carry it away from the wharl' or beach. While tho river is open, large quantities of firewood are brought in barges; and if the wind be fair and strong enough to propel their barges up the current, - which must be strong enough to propel vessels at the rate of $7 \frac{1}{2}$ knots an hour,-they can' ascond the curront;' but if less, they are obliged to fall into the Port of Hochelaga, to wait a strong and, fiir wind, (which may not occur for many days,) or be towed up by steamers, at an expense they can ill afford to pay. As a proof of it, wood can always be purchased "from 1s. to 3s. lower than in the Harbour' of Montreal; but independent of this inconvenience and expense, the barges, when they arrive in the Harbour of Montreal," often cannot unlond for many days, which is a great loss to the owners, not only in actual expensos but in time, which is all-important where the seasons are so short. They, hovover, are not the only sufferers, but the poor of Montren ; for if the quantity of wood required don't come in due senson, advances will take place: "Forly vessels may be seen at the foot of the' current at one time when the wind is adverse, many of which would discharge at Hochelaga, and that part of the City from Panet Street could be supplied at about the same rate of cartage as from the Port of Montreal'; and there is now a dense population, and generally of the labouring classes; but few vesisols discharge there on account of the expenso of the Toll. Stone and said. are precluded from being brought into the City: the cost of the latter is 6d. per load, and the turnpike 4d. The Toll for stne which costs ton shillings, nt the quarry, per toise, is four to five shillings' per toise; and the lover part of the City cannot be supplied with these two articles but at a much grenter distance from them. There is also clity of the best quality, and sund, for making lricks, but in consequence of the Toll no bricks are made. As regards the traffic across the river',
thic sleighs haded with" hay find it much more conrenient to land at the Torsc-bmat Whart than to come up the ice to the Tea Store, which'many now do to avoid the Toll, but, in the spring and fall, at great risk of life and property. Even in the summer, were tha buats to han at hie Horsc-bont Whare as formerly, one trip in three could be saved, and the great population of travolters, which cross, the ferry in their own or public carriages. The cilizens of Montroal are deeply interisted in getting the Gates remored Gather from the Cily, as daily may be seen the must respectable families dihing eacreise in carriges ; they drive to the Tollbar and then returb. If the Bar was removed of mile from its present position, it would enable them to extend their drive, and being on the banks of the river part of the way woild be more pleasint. The citizens, of Hochelaga are lully aware that, by petitioning to be included in the charter of Montreal, thoir tases will be much gicater than what they now pay in tollage, but they prefer this to the daily incontentence of the Toll-bar.
62. Since you are of opinion that the City lintits should be extended, are you not of opinion that they should be extended as far as the limits of the E'arish of Longue Pointe? -I cannot conceive that any alvantage would be lerived by extending the northern limits of the City farther than prayed for.

## Mr. Ross called in ; and examined :-

Answer to Q. 61.-I am in farer of exiending the northerin limits of the City of Montreal one mile, for the same reasons assigned by Mr. Grifith.

Answer 10 Q. 69.-My opinion is that it would not at present.
63.-Is not your principal object in asking for an extension of the City limits, to have the Toll-gate removed for the future, further of than the place where you reside?- No; my rensons are that a mile comprises the whole of Hochelaga Harbour.

## Mr. Bronigcest called in ; and examined :-

Answer to $\boldsymbol{Q}$. 61.-I would suggest the extension to Hochelaga, so as tocomprehend the natural Harbour of Hochelaga. My reacons are, that I am of opinion the Trade of the City must increase in that direction; -that in a for years the Farbour will be required for the use of the shipping to a much more considerable extent than at present-the whole of the lumber trade of Montreal is carried on there. Were that pirtion in the limits of the City, large quantities of firewood would be landed there instead of occupying those wharves in the present limits of the. City, which will shortly be required for Steamboats. The population is also so considerable as to require that the usual regulations of Cities should be extonded to that quarter.
64.-Would the extension of the Police regulations to Hochelaga be beveficial to the inhabitants of that quarter?-Yes.

Nr. Gilbertcalled in; and examined:-
Answer to Q. $61-\mathrm{I}$ am opposed to the extension of the northern limits of the city. My reasons are that the present large debt of the City would be shoul-
dered on us, and that we would be in the outskirts of the City, and without the benefits of the Municipal Law. About twenty-five yoars ago, a law existed forlifdding slaughter-houses within the limits of the City, and if the present limits are extender another such law might be passed, which would ollige me to move further, therely causing me great loss and inconvenience.

Simon Valois, Esquire, of Huchelagn, called in; and examined :-

Answer to Q. 61.-I do not see that there' is' any necessity for extending the northern linits of the City of Mintreal so as to comprize, whether entirely or in part, the space which lies between the said limits, and those of the Parish of Longue Pointe. If they are to be extended on that side, they ought to be extended cqually in every other direction. My reasons for objecting, are, - ist. That there are yot within the present northern limits of the City a great many vacant lots on which there are not yet any huildings.-2nd. That we will be obliged to pay the City taxes, without reaping any benefit therefrom for a number of years.
65.-Is the Landing phace of the Longuenil Ferry, outside or inside the limits of the City at present?It is now within the limits of the City.
66.-Dhes not Mr. Grifith, a witness examined befure this Committee, keep a public house in the Village of Huchelaga? - Yes.
67.-Have not the tavern-kepers an interest in wishing that the Toll gate should be beyond their ta-verns:-Certainly.

## Monday, 24h February, 1845.

## Benjamin Holmes, Esquire, cxamined:-

Answer to $Q .4 .-N_{0}$; untilthe whole system is rerised.

Ansiver to Q. 6. No reluction can be at present contemplated. The works alretdy executed must be upheld, and faith must be kept with the public creditors, when capital has been advanced to carry on the works.

Answer to Q. 7.--The present system does not, in my opinion, bear fairly and equitably upon the rich and poor. The alove three questions, however, bear upon or towards the same point, consequently I would be allowed to reply further; that the taxes now imposed, or sought to be imposed, under the authority petitioned for by the Corporation; are not higher than it is necessiry they should be to onsure the realization of a revenue commensurate to the wants of the Corporation, and the ensuring to the Council the ability honombly to discharge its engagements; but I more than doubt the correctness of the principle, or the justice even, of throwing so large a share of the burthen upon the industrial or manufacturing portion of the community. The inprovements of the City, however desirable, or oven necessary, add more to the wealth of the wealthy, and to their convenience, than to that of the poorer classes; property being augmented in value by every improvement or cmbelishment in a city, to an extent far beyond the proportionate contribution levied upon real estate: in short, I colsider that property, real and persmal, should be the source from" which tlie rovennes of the City sliould be chiefly drawn ; and the exceptions:

Appendix
(S. S.)
lith Mareh.


1th March
I should say, wonld be taxes levied on Tavern-keepers and Venders of Spirituous liquors,' Hacks, Cabmen, Carters, '\&c. Moderate Licences to those whose business is, though necessary, oftensive in a City.

Answer to Q. 9.-The rate of interest paid by the Corporation is sis per cent.

Answer to $Q$. 10.-The petition from the Corporation before Your Honorable Committee, sets forth fully my object, as one of the City Council, which is to extend the power of the Corporation, and to tax several that cannot under the existing law be reached, such as Money Brokers, Insurance Companies,' Banks' and Bankers, Auction Sales, Professional men's Offices, and various Manufictures; but I advocate the seeking of authority to tax those, because others are taxed, and to raise reyenue - not because I consider the taxing of those trades or professions the best sourcos from whence to derive the necessary revenue, but because I have found those who frame the taxes and laws generally unfavorable to laying the burthen upon property, though constrained to admit the nocessity of increasing the revenue of the city, and consequently, as revenue must be had, I am willing, if I cannot increase it by taxes on property; to take it from whence the majority of the Council will give it ; and it is here to be borne in'mind, that if the citizens think proper to elect Representatives of different opinions to those which I have expressel, they have no right to complain of the result of their own acts.

Answer to Q. 13.-Yes; the Council had considered, matured and addressed a petition praying for certain modifications and changes in the Ordinances incorporating the City, which Resolutions , vere, subsequent to the last Municipal Elections, again called up, and certain clauses praying for the adoption of a subdivision of Wards, and the establishment of additional polling booths, in all Wards having over a certain number of yotes, expunged from the petition previously determined upon.

Answer to Q. 16.-Yes; because the outer.Wards of the City are rapidly increasing in wealth and population, and will contimue so to inclease, while the East Ward and Centre. Ward are not susceptible of any material increase, their limits being already filled.

Answer to Q. 17.-I admit to the fullest extent, that representation should be based upon property, and consequently, as respects Municipal Representation, upon revenue, and not exclusively upon population; but, nevertheless, population and property jointly should be considered, and the capabilities of increase and improvement in the several Wards; and, as the Act of the Legislature now prayed for by the Council is to govern the City for years to come, 1 am of opinion that it would be advisable to subdivide the Queen's, St. Lawrence, and St. Mary's Wards,those three. Wards containing more than five times as many inhabitants as the other three; and the revenue derived from one of them, (the Queen's, exceeding by about' a third, the revenue derived from the most productive of the smaller Wards (the West,) and nearly doubling the East, Ward.

Answer to Q. 20.-Yes ; upon the same principle that persons holding landed estates in various Counties, are, by the Election Laws, allowed to vote for Members of Parliament in each County, where he possesses a qualification.

Answer to Q. 21.-Certainly such is my opinion. The owner of property subject to taxation should have a right to vote, no matter where residing.

Answer to Q. 22.-Unquestionably, I think he should have that right.

Answer to Q. 23--My belief is that at present neither possess the right of voting. That right in such cases ought to exist, I think, and be vested in the proprietor.

Answer to Q. 24.-I am of opinion that, for Cities, the introduction of a system of enregistration of votes would be most desirable. Enregistration, combined with arrangements for additional polling places in the Wards,-that is, a polling booth for every three hundred votes, would enable the elections to be decidedinone day, and would, by instilling into the minds of the electors a conviction that they could doposit their votes in sufety, and without fear, save the City from the election riots which have long disgraced it.
Answer to Q. 25.-I think not less than' Ten pounds.

Answer to Q. 26.-My opinion is, there should be three Assessors,-iwo appointed by the Wart, the other by the Corporation. Under the existung law, one only can be appointed ; and I am of opinion that the City may seriously suffer by a combination to appoint an Assessor who has an interest in underrating the assessments, and moreover, the duty may be partially executed, and the Assessor may pass over property. I have heard that instances of this kind have occurred; therefore I consider it uniwise to confide to one man the execution of duties of so jmportant a character.
Answer to Q. 27.-Upon reflection, I am inclined to think not, as, if paid, the Assessorships might be canvassed for ; and as men of superior station. would be rather anxious to avoid the duty, the nominations would be more apt to fall on those whose opinion could be less relied upon as a just decision between the citizen and the Corporation.

Answer to Q. 28. -The Section in question would appear to authorize Magistrates to direct the Clerk to make payments, which creates a conficting authority.

Answar to Q. 29.-When the neighbour's property is materially augmented in valuc, by the payment of an indemnity for property, entirely or in part, taken
possession of for public improvement, I am of opinion an indemnity for property, entirely or in part, taken
possession of for public improvement, I am of opinion that the neighbour or neighbourhood should be assessed for such improvement, to such extent only, however, as by a jury may be determined.

Answer to Q. 32,-Yes, I'am of opinion that the Council should have authority to horrow to the extent Council should have authority to horrow to the extent
of $£ 150,000$, and that the rate of interest shouid not be limited, but left to the Corporation to decide; and for this reason-money may be scarce, and, in the case of a cetain improvement or the execution of some important work absolutely necessary, delay might be detrimental to the public interests. If the Corporation was not in funds, the work woudd have to be delayed, however important, if money could not be had at the limited rate of interest; whereas, if the Corporation was allowed to borrow at such rates as money could be
obtained at, it would rest with the Representatives of was allowed to borrow at such rates as money could be
obtained at, it would rest with the Representatives of the City to determine what was the best course to be ' adopted, and most for the interest of their constituents. I would wish to elucidate the advantage of leaving the rate of interest to be paid by the Corporation unsbackled, by referring to the proceedings of the Road Commissioners, and the Commissioners of the Harbour, both of which bodies were allowed, under the Ordinances of the Special Council, to borrow at rates of interest unlimited, Money was scarce, and the credit of those bodies not, at the time, over favorably considered. 'They borrowed at rates as high as eight per cent.; the works were completed; canvassed for i' and as men of superior station wo

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confidence established; they called in their bonds, and enacted new lonns at six and five per rent. ; and prior to tho Ordinance allowing the Farbour Commissioners sess, I should say no."

Answer to Q. 41.-1 am of opinion that for the better government of the City, it is most desirable. A


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 AAnswer to Q. 54.-The Harbour Commissioners claiming exclusive jurisdiction' over the wharyes and works by them erected, it has become questionable whether the City Council couth ever establish a carters' stand along the parapet in Commissioners' Street, or whether the City Folice had authority on those works.' All the public sewers have to be carried through those works. In the winter season especially, the filth, as well as he ice and snow from the strects, has been thrown over the Revetment Walls and accumulated there to the annoyance and detriment of thecitizens. There is even a doubt whether the Police regulations, framed by the Corporation, have legal effect on the Harbour property. These are all causes of conflict between the Commissioners of the Harbour and the City Council.

Answer to Q. 55.-I am of opinion that whenever two thirds of the imhabitants, resident in any one street, shall call upon the Corpuration to water and sweep the said street, that then the City Council should be empowered to causo the work to be effectually done, and to assess the inhabitants in said street therefor, by special tax.

Answer to Q. 5\%-The commercial establishment being taxed, and a manufactory being established in or upon the same premises, which by a By-Law would be subject to a tax elsewhere, I should say, yes.

Answer to Q. 59.-I do not; it would be beneficial, no doubt, to the holders of property without the present boundaries, but to extend the present limits, would, in my opinion, be to throw upon the Corporation a burthen for the making of and keeping in repair, streets and lanes (of which there are already too many) injurinus to the interests of the citizens generally, however much advocated by interested individuals.

The offect of the extension of the City limits one mile east, would be the cutting of from the revenues of the Trust, a very considerable amount of Toll, and if those who reside one mile east were exempted from the payment of Toll, the same privileges would naturally be expected by those who reside a mile west, and north and north-west of the present Toll-bars.

If the limits of the City were made co-extensive with the limils of the Parish, I would say that the revenues of the Road Trusts would be so reduced as to render it totally impossible for the Trustees to pay the interest upon the monies borrowed, is a very considerable portion of the Tolls collected are levied upon citizens within the Banlieu riding for pleasure beyond the City Gates.

Tuosday, 25th Rebruary, 1845.
Mr. Drake called in ; and examined:-
68. Are you in the habit of contracting for Public Work P-I am.
69. In tendering for Public Work, would you offer to do the work for the same amount payable in Corporation Debentures, as you would do if you were to be paid in cash?-No; I ivould not.
70. What difference or per centage would you make between the Debentures and cash ?-It would depend a great deal upon circumstances; but, as a hazard, 1 would say, at leist five per cent.
71. If the attempt were made to confine all the manufactories to any one locality, would it not tend to-
depopulate the City, and therefore diminish very much the value of the property of the citizens?-I think so.

## Mr. Adams called in ; and examined:-

72. Are you in the labit of contracting for Public Work?-No; but I am in the habit of furnishing materials for Public Works.
73. Do you think it would be advantageous to the City to increase the taxation on the manufacturers?As I am a manulacturer myself, I think it scarely fair to put the question; but, as my opinion is asked, 1 doubt the expediency of taxing manufacturers generally, without discrimination,--lime burners, stone quar-: ries, brick-makers, manufacturers immediately connected with the improvement of the City.-
74. Do you think it would be advisable to confine all the different manufacturers tiany one locality of the City ?-It would be impossible to do so:
75. If the attempt were made to confine all the manufacturers to any one locality, would it not tend to depopulate the City, and therefore diminish rery much the value of the property of the citizens?-I should think it wrould.

7e. Are you in favor of extending the limits of the City northerly ?-I am.

Joseph Bourret, Esquire, being again interrogated, answered:-

The total annual current expenses of the City, exclusive of the repairs of the strects, are, to the best of "my knowledge," as follows, to-wit:


The probable or avcrage annual expense of the repairs of the streets, are, as nearly as they can be ascertained, $£ 3,000$ currency; the annual expense of lighting the City is $£ 2,750$ curroncy ; and the annual expense of the Police is $£ 3,337$ 16s. 6d. currency.

The total amourit of the debt of the City, as now established by the books of the Corporation, is One lundred and five thousand, four hundred and fifty pounds, nineteen shillings and eleven-pence currency ( $£ 105,45019 \mathrm{~s} .11 \mathrm{~d}$. , ) exclusive of the following sums, to -wit:-a sum of Fifty thousand pounds currency, for the purchase of the Montreal Water Works; of a sum of about Two thousand pounds currency, due to the heirs Phillips, for certain improvements made in certain streets made on their farm, and a sum of about Five hundred pounds currency, due to Messrs. Cartwright \& Forsyth, also, for certain improvements made on their farm, which two sums of moncy bear interest; of a sum of Two thousand five hundred pounds currency, 'for, opening M'Gill street as far as the River St, Lawrence;
of the sum of Two hundred and fifty pounids currency, due to John Doncgani, Esq. for the purchase of a lot of ground for opening Dutch Street, (Rue des Allemands;) and, also, of the sum of Seren hundred and forty pounds currency, for the purchase of a certain lot of ground for opening and continuing Juré strect, on a certain lot of ground belonging to the heirs Latour ; and of divers other sums of moncy which are due by the Corporation upon divers contracts, of which I cannot now tell the amount.

## Wednesday, 26th February, 1845.

Mr. Perrin, of Montreal, examined :-
Answer to Q. 4.-I an of opinion that the rate of Tolls is 100 high.

Answer to Q. G.-I am of opinion that the Toll of 3 d . in the pound, currency, imposed for the sweeping of the streets, ought to be donc away with, as I think that tax unjust, and can only be useful to a portion of the persons who pay and profit by it.

Answer to Q. 7.-I think so.
Answer to Q. 9.-Six percent.
Answer to Q. 10.-No.
Answer to Q. 13.-Yes.
Answer to Q. 16.-Yes; the St. Mary's, St. Lawrence, and Queen's Wards, ought to be divided into two Wards each, with a Poll in each subdivision. I frame this opinion from the great population and the kirge extent of these Wards.

Answer to Q. 17.-I think it reasonable that the Wards alove mentioned should be represented by six members, instend of three as at present.

Answer to Q. 20.-No ; I am not of that opinion.
Answer to Q. 21.-Yes; I am of opinion that a person possessing properly in different Wards ought to have a right to vote in each Ward where his property is situate.

Answer to Q. 22.-Yes.
Answer to Q. 23.-The proprictor.
Answer to Q. 24,-Yes.
Answer to Q. 25.-Six pounds currency.
Answer to Q. 26.—Yes; because I consider that one Assessor cannot so well assess the value of property as two or threc could do.

## Answer to Q. 27.-Yes.

Answer to Q. 28.-The reasons which lead me to believe that the latter part of this Scction of the Ordinance ought to be repealed, are, that a Court of Justice or a Magistrate might perhaps not know whether such Order should be signed, as they might not have been concerned in the allairs which necessitated such Order.

Answer to Q. 29.-Yes.
Answer to Q. 32.-Yes; but not more than six per cent.

Answer to Q. 33,-Ycs.
Answer to Q. 34.-No; I would have it include $\overbrace{\text { Ith Marell. }}$ the actual debt of the City.
'Answer to Q. 35.-Wifteen years; and I am not of opinion to create a sinking fund.
'Answer to Q. 36.-I think not.
Answer to Q. 37.-No; 'two only.
Answer to Q. 38. - Because I think that there was no money at cle disposal of the Corporation.

Answer to Q. 39.-Yes.
Answer to Q. 40.-Yes.
Answer to Q. 41-I' am of opinion, that it would not be desirable to establish such a Court.

Answer to Q. 42.-Yes.
Answer to Q. 44.-No.
Answer to Q. 45.-Fifty pounds cirrency.
Answer to Q. 46.-By the judgment of two or more Julges of the Court of Queen's Bench, after hearing the testimony, which should be oral, in order to render the decision more expeditious, and which should be final and without appeal.

Answer to Q. 47.-I have not seen this Petition.
Answer to Q. 48.-I am of opinion, that it ought not to be allowed for the future to build others within the City limits; but that should be only for the future.

Answer to Q. 40.-No.
Answer to Q. 50.-I have not seen the Petition.
Ansiver to Q. 52.-I have not seen the Petition.
Answer to Q. 53:-No.
Answer to Q. 55.-No.
Answer to Q. 57.-No.
Answer to Q. 59.-Yes.

Mr. Francois Trudcau, of Montreal, examined :-
Answerto Q.4.-In my opinion they are not too high; the City expenses being very great, and the want of improvements becoming every day more cvident, and being called for by a number of Petitions signed by the citizens themselves.

Answer to Q. 6.-I think that the preceding answer will also answer this question; but it may be well to remark here, that I mercly speak of the taxes at present existing, and not of those which the Ordinance, \&c., constituting the City Council, authorizes them toimpose in addition. I think it the duty of the Legislature to limit the powers now enjoyed by the City Council. Myrreason for this opinion is that, at each Election, the new Councillors finding the chest empty, and the resources exhausted, have no alternative in order to make any new improvements but to increase the taxes or raisc further loans, which will soon'weigh heavy on the citizens.
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Answer to Q. 7.-I think that the taxes are pretty fairly proportioned, except in some cases which will appear in the answers to some of the other questions.

Answer to Q. 9.-The intercst paid by the Corporation is six per cent, per annum.

Answer to Q. 10.-Not at all, but to the greater portion, such as soap, candle, and potash manufactories, machines for preparing' joiners' wood, and for sawing, -to tanneries, iron foundries, sc.

Ansucer to Q. 13.-Yes, a Potition was ready before the last election of Councillors; this Petition had been finished and examined during, at least, one year, and adopted by the Council; but after the new olections, several amendments were made to it, which had been refused by the former Council,

Answer to Q. 16."Yes, I think that the St. Mary, St. Lawronce, and Queen's Wards, ought cach to bo subdivided into at least two Wards.'

Answer to Q. 17.-I think that the St. Mary, St. Lawrence, and Quecn's Wards are not sufficiently represented, ithough I am not of opinion that hey ought to bo represented accorting to the number of yoters, (because properly should bercpresented,') and I believe that the Contre, Bayt and TVest Wards contain, in proportion to the population, more property than the others.

Answar to Q. 20.-I am of opinion that persons who hold property in different Wards ought to have the right of voting in each Ward wherein such property is situate, for tho same renson that property should be reprosented.

Answer to Q. 21.-Yes; for the same reason as given'in the last above answer.

Ansiver to Q. 22-Y's ; because his property is just as subject to taxition as if he had a tenant.

Ansiver to Q.23.-I think that the proprietor should vote in'preference to the tenant. I an not certain whether at present such is the case or not.

Ansuer to Q ats think it would be good to enregister tho voters before the election; at would snve a great deal of time, and a laiger number of yotes could be polled in the course of the day:

Ansur to $Q$ I I Tink that the sum or $\mathcal{L} 10$ per annum, for house rout, is sufficiently low to ontitle him to vole.

Answer ot 20 Yos $\quad$ hink it beter thattwo or thre Assesorg nould act logother, than one alone, as generally when liee is only one Assestor, the mete or ascosinent is as ofen decided by (the inluence of tho Clark who companies or proctes him, bs by the jutgrent of tho Asecsor himself.

Answer to Q 27 - I think that the Auditorsought to qualify themsolers at least as muth as a Councillor, or eyen as an A derman, sio that they may be interested in, he correctness of the accounts submitted to them for examination.

Answer to Q. 28 - beg leave to be excused from giving my opirion on this clatse todaý.

Answer to $Q$ - 29 -This is a very important gueston. I think that when it becomos necossary to widen a strect, whereby properly sifuated in that
street becomes valuable, all the proprietors onght to bo obliged to coniribute (in part; ) but I am also of opinion that the Corporntion should be authorized to make a By-Lav mposing such special. Tax, only when such improvement shall have been asked for by a Petition-signed by two thirds, or at least by a majority, of the parties laving to contribute to the improvements.

Answer to Q 32:-I think it would perhaps bo advantageous to the City if the present loan were increased io the sum of $£ 150,000$; but at the legal inlerest of six per cent. ond no more.

Answer to Q. 33.-Yes; I think the interest due by the City' ought to be paid in preference to all other 'debts; it is the only means of kecping up its credit.

Answer to Q. 34.-No; the- $£ 150,000$ prayed for in the Petitiun (without refercnce howeyer to the purchase of the Water Works, would inclule the actual debt, but no morc.

Answer to Q. 35.-I think the Corporation should bo authorized to continue thoir loan for as long a time as they may require it, and that they ought to wbe authorized to borrow as fast as the old ilebt is paid off, but provided they do nol exceed the sum of $£ 150,000$, I also think that it would be advantageous fo create a sinking fund.

Ansiver to Q. 36--I thimk the Bonds of the Corporation lave been generally negotiated at par.
Ansuver to Q. $3 \%$ Yos; several of them contracted with the Corporation on the condition that they would receive Corporation Bonds in payment.

Ansiver to Q. 38.-Pecaise the Corpontion had not then, 'ft theit disposill, funds necessary for making cash payrijicnts.

Answor to Q. 39.-The Tenders for building fur the Corporation were not, to my knowledge, made on the condition ilat the Contrectors, would receive doonds. in payment; but l think that the workmen gencrally' were aware that such would be the caso, from conversations which thoy had with different Members of
the Council.

Answo to Q 40 I do not kow posilively if He Uorporation were obliged to pay a higher ato, in consequence of theit paying in bonds, but I think it yery probable.

Ansur to Q. $41-1$ think that a Courthold by die Mayo woild be a geat adrantage, inasmich as it woild liminish the costs of procecs, espectaly in fivor of the poor ; provided hav woro passed the that eiffect:

Answer to Q. 42-I think the ripht of npeal just and equitable, provided tlie costs be defrayed by the Appellant, should he lose this costs

Answer to Q. 43 - I nm not very competent to answer this question; but, in my opinion, the fees should be rey low, elherwise the object, which is to: diminith the custs it faropor the poor, would be lost I thimk hat fom 1s. 3de to 2 s un each simple action. wourd be sulficient.

Answer to $Q .44$ - Thme that such power ought Th be gramed to Cout in maters rot coceeding

Answer to Q. 45.-I think he ought not to be obliged to act as Returning Officer, as he is not more paid for that purpose than for his atendence at the Council.

Answer to Q. 46.-I think the best plan of election would be to open several polling places in each Ward, say one polling place for cach 500 persons or Electors, and that the law would provile for the opening of another pulling place whenerer the population or the number of voters shall be increased 500 more, and their names shall have been registered: this would, in my opinion, be better than the plan of vating by ballot.

Answer to Q. 47.-1 think that one of the reasons is to increase the revenues of the City, and to bave a more immediate control over the Ferrymen.

Answer to Q. 48.-Yes; I am of opinim that all distilleries, steam engines, foundries, and other establistments, being bazardous on account of fire, ought to be without the limits of the City, as they expose the houses in their vicinity to accidents by fire, and in consequence oblige the proprictors of those bouses to fay a higher premium of insurance.

Answer to Q. 49-No; I hink it would canse considerable damage to the proprictors of the establishments in question, if they were ampelled to remore them; but they should not be allowed to rebuidd ia case of their establishments being bumt down, nor even to enlarge the buildings alrcady exisling.

Answer to Q. 50 . - I think that the division walls of the yards in certain lucalities of the City, such as prayed ior by the Petitioners, would do when connected with buildings, stables, or outhouses; but in every wher case I think that board fences are just as good, and even preferable in some cases, for 1 have never seen tire communicated by means of a fence, but 1 have offen seen board fences knocked duwn by a few strokes of an axe, and by that means fire engines antinited, when it would have been impossible to penetrato if the feptes had been of stone. However, the fences and buildings already existing ought to bo let as they are, as long as they will last.'

Answer to Q. 52.-I think that the prayer of the Petitioners is to prevent the sale of unwholesome Bread, atad that it be not under weight; this seems to me to be just; but I would not consider it just to determine the price of the Bread, as proposed by some.

Answer to Q. 53.-No; the privilege asked for ought, in my opinion, to be considered equal to the pivileges of the Crown, and funcral expenses, that is, vithoul prejudice to any other privilege.

Answer to Q. 54-I pray you will exchese me from answering this question: what I kniw oll this subject in of ton lille consequence.

Anstuer to Q. 55.-I am. I think the Corporation should have the right to impose special Taxes for sweeping and watering the streets; it is not fair that all the public should be taxed in equal proportions, which the Council has been obliged to do, not being empowered to impose partial taxes, although in some localitics where the strects are not yet formed, it is uscless to water or sweep them, and it is not fair that the inhabitants of lhose localities should be obliged to pay for the liceping up of their roads.

Answer to Q. 57.-I think they ought to pay as manufactures and commercial establishments; it is a means of protection for persons who carry on only one of these branches of industry.

Answer to Q. $50 .-$ Yes ; I think it is the interest of the public in general that che limits of the City should be extended on the north-east side at least one mile,-that part called the "Ferry," or the "Foot of the Current," being a very good port, where a number of rafts land, and whore they soon will allbe forced to land, in order to furnish the City as well with wood for building as with firewood:-It is not fair that each inhabitant of the City should be obliged to pay Toll at the Turnpike Gate for each load they take through, although they only go over a few arpents of the curnpike road, and almost the whole distance is through the streets of the City of Montral.

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D. Salmon, Eaquire, called in; and examined :-

7\%. Do you represent the Tivern-keepers of Montreal who, some time ago, sutmitted a Petition to the Legishature, comphaining of the taxes imposed upon them by the City Council?-Yes.
78. Do you think the taxes imposed by the City Council on the Tavera-keepers of the City just and reasonable; if not, playse explain in what way you think them unjust?-I think them unjust, and at the same time illogal, this tax being now imposed upon the Tavernkeepers under'a By-Law of the Corporation; and I lo not sce by the Act which establishes the Corporation, that any power has been given them to impose taxes on any kind of industry whatever." I think it unjust for this reason: whether the Tavern-keepers be pro-. prietors or whether they be tenants, they are, like all other members of society, subject to all the contributions which are necessary to be made or levied for the improvement of the City, and paying as they do for their Ticences, and all the other taxes whichI have just mentioned, this additional tax is unjust and vexatious.

No. 2.-Account Current of the Treasurer of the City of Montreal; from 1st Nov., 1842 to 20th April, 1843.
No. 3.-Account Current of the ditto, from 1st May, 1843 to 30th April, 1844.
No. 4-Probable Revenue of the City of Montreal, from 15th July, 1844, to 15th July, 1845.
No. 5,-Liabilities of the Corporation of Montreal.
No. 6.-Return of the Population of the City of Montreal, according to the Census taker in 1844, and of the Revenue by Wards."
No. 7.-Detailed Statement of the Revenues raised in each Ward of the City of Montreal:
No. 8.-Schedule of Properties purchased by the Corporation of Montreal.
No. 9.-Schedule of Properties sold by the Corporation of Montreal.
No.10.-Return of the Officers, Clerks, and Servants of the Corporation of Montreal ; amount of their Salaries, and dates of their respective appointments.

No. 1:-Statement of the Debts of the Corporation of the City of Montreal.




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Moricrect, 'Jaiuary 10th, 1845.

No. 2.-The City of Montreal in Account Current with Arthur Ross, City Treasurer, from 1st November, 1842, to the 29th April, 1843.


Statement of the Accounts of the City of Montreal-(Continued.)
Various Contractors
1843.

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N. B.-The accounts of the St. Ann's Market are not blended with thuse of the City, but will be published separately.

Examined and found correct,
$\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { B. II. LMMOINE, } \\ \text { C. H. CAS'ILE, }\end{array}\right\}$ Auditors.
Montmeal, 29th April, 1843.

RECAPITULATION-Shewing the total Amount of Receipts and Expenditure of the City of Montreal, from 1st May, 1842, to 1st May, 1843.


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No. 3.-The City of Montreal, in Account Current with Arthur Ross, City Treasurer, from 1st May, 1843, to 30th April, 1844.


Statement of the Accouns of the City of Montreal.-Continued.)




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Examined and found correct,
B. H. LEMOINE, (Auditors for the halfyear
C. H. CASTLEE, $\}$ ending 31 st October, 1843.
$\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { D. DAVIDSON, } \\ \text { E. R. FABRE, }\end{array}\right\} \begin{aligned} & \text { Auditors for the half year } \\ & 30 \text { th April, 1844. }\end{aligned}$

[^14] mundred and ninety pounds three shillings and seven pence, ( $£ 24,590$ 3s.7d.)
(S. S.) No. 4.-Probable Revenue of the City of Montreal, from 15 th July, 1844, to 15th July, 1845, at the present rates.


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No. 5.-Liabilities of the Cornoration of Montreal.


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Montral, 21 st Jantary, 1845.

Probable Revenue of the City of Montreat, fur the Eimancial ycar, viz: from $15 \mathrm{th} \mathrm{Ju} \mathrm{J}, 1844$, to 15 th July, 1545.

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| Assessment on Property, ... ... ... | 12774 | 0 | 0 |
| Tax on Itorses, Carriages, Sc. | 3104 | 5 | 0 |
| Wholestle and Retail Merchants, Innkepers and Grocers, ... ... ... | 4846 | 3 | 0 |
| Innkecpers und Grocers, under lioad Act, ... | 550 | 0 | 0 |
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| Pawnbrukets, ... ... . ... ... ... | 37 | 10 | 0 |
| Clark of the Pence, ... ... ... | 20 | 0 | 0 |
| Billiard License, ... ... | 50 | 0 | ${ }_{0}$ |
| lent of Sirop, ... ... | 80 | 0 | 0 |
| Exhibitions,...$\quad$... ... | 35 | 0 | 0 |
| Fire Department, $\quad .$. | 1000 | 0 | 0 |
| Rent of Butchers' Stalls and revenues of Miakets, ... | 4600 | 0 | 0 |
| Fees from Carters, Cabinen, \&c., Registration, | 745 | 0 | 0 |
| Do. City Clerk, ... | 15 | 0 | 0 |
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No. 6.-Return of the Population of the City of Montreal, according to the Census taken in 1814 ; and of the Revenue by Wards.'
WARDS.


CENTLE WARD.


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Dr. Kinber,
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Jeirs Guy,
J. Yiger,

Heprs Lamothe,
F. A. Quesmel,

> Wlic Forsyth,

The Gentlemen of the Sentmary of Montrcil,
'Ludger Durernay,
Trustees of theSt.Ann's Market,
1). Dempsey,
M. Mahoney,
A. Dickenson, ....' $\cdots$,

Pierre Beaudry,

Directors of the City Bank,

Jas. Pigeon,
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Dr. Beaubien, :... ...
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Messrs. Leclere,
P. Jodoin,
J. Grenier,

Hugh Darratgh,
C. M. Delisle,

Dr. Beaubien,
Ins. Ferrier,
Mde. Simpson,..
A. Cuvillici,
S. II. Anderson,
O. Berthelet, ".

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Several lots of ground forming the contination of MeGill Strect arnil Commissioners'Squate to Craig Street, West Ward, and on the north side of Craig. Strect; and a slip of land situate on Lagnuchetière Street, St. Lawrence Ward', to 'form Beaver Spuare, Commissioners Square, 'and widen Lagathetiere Strect,...
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A strip of land comer of St. Francois Xavier and St. Paul Strects, to widen the former,
A parcel of land fronting on St. Joseph and Barrie Strects, to effect the junction of Mountain and McCord Strects, $\mathcal{L} 3555.6 \mathrm{~s}$. 2d, but $£ 200$ being paid by the Seminary of Montreal, must be deducted, $\therefore$.
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ing wooden pavements, The whole of the St. Ann's Market property,
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A parcel of gromel, for the extension of Great St: James Strect accross the Place D'Armes,

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S. II. Anderson, Esq. .

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A. Demers,
S. Janotte,
J. B. Homier,
D. Rac, Esq.

Jancs Grantham,
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A strip of ground forming corner of Mignoune and German Streets, recuined to widen the latter to forty fect,
A lot of land fronting on Lagnuchetiere and Wolte Streets, required for the opening out of the latter Street,
A strip of ground fronting on Visitation Strect, ${ }^{\prime \prime}$ necessary to the connection of Dorchester Street, St. Mary's Warkh,'
Ground required for the widening of Bleury Street to forty feet, in front of his property,
A strip of ground tronting on St. Joseph Strect, required for the extension of Monntain to MeCord Stresta, Queen's Ward,
A strip of ground fronting on Burric Strect, for the sume,
A slip of tund fronting on Dorehester Street, required for the opening out of Geman Strect, St Lawrence Ward,
Ground necessary for the widening and regulating of St. Nicholas "Tolentin Strect, Suint Mary's Ward,
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City Sunverole's Orrice,
'20h Junuary, 1845.
No. 9.-Schedule of Properties sold by the Corporation.


## Appendix.

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No. 10.-Retunn of the several Officers, Clerbs, and Servants; Amount of Salaries, and Dates of Appointments, respectively.


## REPORT.

The Select Commitree to which was referred the Petition of the Reverend J. 0 . Archambault and others, of the Parishes of St. Timothee and St. Clement, praying for compensation for losses occasioned by the construction of the Beauharnois Canal ; and also the Petition of George Robertson and others," of the Village of Milleroches, and other Petitions, praying for compensation for losses sustained by the construction of the St, Lawrence Canal, -have the honor to Report:-

That, in their opinion, the inhabitants of Milleruches, in the Eastern District, have suffered yarious. losses by the construction of the St . Lawrence Canal, in the destruction of their property, and by being deprived of their usual road of communication;' and that the culvert constructed under the Canal at the cast end of the Village, is a dangerous passage, and at timos - wholly impassable, from the backwater of the River $\$$ t. lawrence. The nain road at the western extremity of the Village having been wholly removed, without a bridge or culvert being construcled, in contradiction to the 31st Section of the Act of William the 4th, chap. 18, by authority of which Act the said Canal was constructed, the inhabitants have, in consoquence, been depriyed of the means of earning a divelifood, and haye, in many instances; been obliged to leave their properly, which is now in a state of ruin.

That both fonces and crops have been, in many cases, "destroyed by the lawless conduct of Iaburers. Therefure, Your Committee, in doing justice to the inhabitants of Milletoches, beg leive to recommend for the adoption of Your Honorable House, an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will be graciously pleased to cause an inrestigation into the claims of the inhabitants of Milleroches.

Thie whole nevertheless bumbly submited.

## E. COLVILE;

Chairman

13th March, 1845.

## MINUTES OF EVIDENCE.

Eden Colvile, Esquire, in the Chair.
Wednesday, 291 h January, 1845.
Thomas A. Begly, Esquire, called in' and examined :-

1. "Can you intorm the Commitee what amount has already, been paid to the inhabitants along the line of The Beauharnois Canal, distinguishing the different objects of such payments?-I cannot answer without reference to documonts, but will hand in an answer on Tuesday rext.
2. Are you aware of any application having been made to the Board of Works, or to the Eugineers in charge, by any of the inhabitants, for damage caused by the overflow of heir lands? I am not aware of any application which the Board of Works did not fmme. diately settle,-I mean from the uhabitants. The Seignors have also mado an application for the onlargement of a culvert, which I beliove has boon done'.
3. Are you aware of any communication made to the 'Board of Works with rogard to the want of fences along the line of the Canal, whereby the catto have strayed, and the orops been destroyed:-There wore several communications between the Board and Exe-
contive polating to the appointment of arbitrators in such cases; and when the Boand of Works are mado aname of any dange done by their own peonde, they inmedialedy investagate it, and setto it. Ass wh the fencos atong the Cabla, they have either been mate onco, or the damage baid for to the proprieturs ; if after wirts thase funces have beon destroyed by persons other than these englayod by the Buard of Works', tha Board have been atwised that they, wero not obliged to rephate liona; it being tho opinion of the Law onfeors of the Ctum that the Board of Works are only obliged (1) make the fences onece, and that the fences on tho Camal ires comsidered the same as thess on a high mand. On the sume prineiple, on Hio Cascades lond, the Board of' Works put up the fences in tho first instance, but are not haund tis asep them in repair.
4. Have not the inhabitants of Beaubarmis along the line of the Camal, petitioned or appliad to have the Canal pass theough thoir latuls, offering a free gitt of the gromed requifed, and ofler heilities?-There was no. Pelition, lat dhe Board wero furbishod with a rofontary surtendor of the land under two deeds, which I will prombec. In the arbiteation made and paid for, the inconvenience of crussing was taken into consiteration, as woll as tho groumd; notvilhstanding the asreoment, It was protended on the part of the inhabitank, that they has a right to be paid for the gromact
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5. Aro the Contractors under the Buard of Works responsible for the damage dene to the inhathitants, hy upening yunaries or in laking possession of "service grome?"-Certanly, the same as ayy other individuals.
6. Are you aware of any partios who worked on the Beanhamis Cama while the said work was progresshus under the immediate, chrection of the Board, who hate unsetled clains fit their labient-I hare nut. " 1 atn aware of one individual who diepules, hut we have a wenipt fir the amount, which recopit wo received from the Daymister; that man is, I bolieve, Jowhion Primeat. I know nothing whaterer of the allegations of the other parties named in the estimation of Mossers. Manded and Wetherall, and I am nod aware of any no. plication being made by those persons on the Board.
7. Have the Bearel made any report or representathon as to the means of frotecting the inhabitants against 'Hunder by the workmen? - Yes, they have.
8. Have the Board or any of its Onicers made may reporls, or held ally correspondence with Government on the subject of the arthitration by Messrs. Manuel and Wetherall, and if so, can you produce copies of stuch reports and correspondence, and downmerals mating therob? - Ther have; and. I will produce the documents ill question.
9. Can you m, Tuesday next, produce any other document connected with the above questions, and your answers thereco:-1 sill see it there are any, mal produce them if they exist.

Friday, Th March, 1845.
Donald AEneas Mraclonell, Wspuite, a Momber of the lowise, callod in ; and being interrogtated, answoi-ed:-I an well uequainted with ile local siltation of the Villarg of Millerochos, in the Township of Cornwall, and was laterly ono of tho Board of Commissioners in inljusting the dams of partios who had sustained damiges in the construction of the SL. Lationence Cunal. The Commissioners wero sensible that the inhatitants of Millernches had suffered, but were of optinion that the Act did not nuthorize them, the Commissioners, to investignto and report on thuir clams. "The dangeges complained oll ly the inlabitants of' Milleroches is' caused by the SL. Lavrence Ganal severing the Villuge from the adjacent conntry; and its inhabitants, being principally tralesmen, haw been obliged to leave their proporty, which has gone (o ruinh: By the 31st Soction of the Act of William tho 4th, chan, 18, 'At was obligatory' upon the Commissioners, one month after having intersected the communication with the highway; to restore the same hy means of bridyes; this Section of the Act has been violited, as the road has been removed matl a culvert constructed at the castom extromity of the Village, withont any egress from tho west. Tho cultert is ut all seasons of tho year a dangerous communication, and is not of sufficient hoight ; and I actually consider that persons passing throngh with horses, that are not in the habit of passing, are in actual danger. There ane seasons when tho culvert is impmeticable, from the circunstance of the ice flowing into the culvert' in conseghence of the back-water from tho St, Lawronce: this is generally the case in the months of January and Eebruary. I have seen the inhabitants under the nerossity of making ronds over the banks, which causes buth cost and great trouble. Bofore the construction of the Canal, Milleroches was a place of importance, and gcneral resort by the noople of the country; it has now become runous, and most of its inhabitants have deserted their homes, and many persons that would be disposed to frequent the place on account of the mills and various ifades which are and werecartied on thero, are now obliged to go to a greater distance, on account of the access being dangerous, through the culvert. In nin fully aware that hopes were beld out to the inhabitaints that their chaims would bo actually investigatect, after the completion of the Cinal.
'Tohn Sanfold Mracdonald, EEspuire, a Mernior' of the Committee, said that " a thorough knowledge of "the facts stated in the forgoing answer cnablos h'm "to corrobbrate the statemenis made by Mr. Macdonoll, "in reference to thin grie wances complained of by the " inhabitants of Milleroches."

Donald Aneas Machonell, Esquire, being ngain interrogated, answeted:-On the subject of the Fimition of Jacol) Brown and others, it is common (1) its whole line,-many live suffered; and all that I couvd recumment, would be, that the Government khould in:stitate an enquiry: No doubt the amount of fonces and erop destroyed has been injurjuas;-- small recompense to the sutforers would bo im acceptable remuneration:

## Saturday, 5th March, 1845.

Robert Froste, Dspuire, of Montreal, called in; and heing interrogated, answered:-1 an propiretur of a certain properly at Milloroches, which originally cost me f700 currency. lts extent and location wil more particularly appear by reference to the phan or ore from it. " That portion of the Yillage in which my property is siluated, provigusly to the construption of tho Canal, was thiving and prosperous, and thore whas ayory probubilty, thai is tade would have continued to increase with tho adpance of the surrounding country; but in consequence of tha Caral cating it of hrom tho main road, and rondoting the approach wo it (under a culvert) alimost impracticable, has ruined it as a place for business, and rendored my property ahinost vulueless in every other rospoch, I, thorefure, rospectfully pray that the Comaitee will bo pleised to take sicpis to havo the damago I have suffered ascercuined, and to grant mo rolief with the least convenient dolay.

## APPENDIX.

## Cornwall, $18 t h$ Foruary, 1845.

Personally appored and cance before me, Willian Cline, Esquire, one of Mer Majesty's Jusices of tho Peace for the Eistern District," Julin Marsh, Jhumas M. Cush, Jacul Encry, Slinon Aulf, and Janis Van Caing, who depose and say, that they have visited, and are well ticquainted with, the culvert and the Canal at Mintervelies; and that they buve neasured tho dapth of water in hes said culvert thispresent winler (1845,) when they found a depth of threo tee the inches, thereby readering the sad culvert impassable to any carriage or foof passenger, without inminent danger of loss of "ife, and destriction of temm mad enrenges, to those whi might voniure through. And they firther clepose and say; that on former yoars they have kuown the water to be nuch higher, thereby completely impeding
any ingrest to or cgross from the Yilhige by carriages or ohberwiso, and in cise, nes it whe his present your, What the habibitunts wore nut of fuel or provisions, they conilh not oblain theso indinponsabla requisitos, without crosssing tho Chanh and trespassing upon their neight bours' propertios, horoby submitting themselves tu the possibility of a heavy action of damages in an action of irespriss ; anil fiuther, that the inhapitants of the Villuger, in consequenco of dicir being no other logal means of egress of ingress, excopit heculyert, havoto, jerterm a distance of drequarters of a milo, or more, in ordor to rend (hen larms," whence "thoy have to bring their tirgwoud nad all tha prontuce of their farms, and thence to transport, their manure, \&s.' through a far worse rowd han that which was in existence vofore the commencentent of the Camal.

> JOHN MARSH. JHOMAS M. COSH JACOB EMERY. JANS VURT CAMP:

Swirr bufore me, at Cornwall,
We 18 h day ol' February, 1845 .

## W. Chine, 'J. P.

This is in certify that I have examined the culvert at Millerochos, this day, and find that the water has beon diree feet five inctes high above tho plank floor, which has heen ocensioned by the back-water from the Sh. Latwrence, and that, during the time the water was, up, it was impossible fur teans to pass through.

Cornwal!, 1841 Febutary, 1845.
WM, CLINE, J. P.

## REPORT.

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BuMurel.
The Sblect Commiten to which were referyed the Petitions of J. G. Tourangeau, and Othess, inhabitants of the City of Quebec and its vicinity; of the Mayor and Corporation of the said City, and of Charles Smith and Anthony Anderson, also of the said City of Quebec, Esquires, relating to Dorchester Bridge over the River St. Charles, and to the erection of other Bridges over the said River, with power to report by Bill or otherwise,-have agreed to the following Report:-

With reforence to the Pctition of J. G. Tourangenit and others, of the City and County of Quebec, praying for loave to erect a Bridge on the River St. Charles, at the placo where the old Dorchester Bridige formerly existed, and the Petilion of Messers. Smith and Anderson, praying liat such permission be not granted, Your Commitee would romerk, in thi first place, that the same-subject has iscupied the Legislature of 'the late Province of Lower Canada at three different periods.

In the Spssions of 1832 and 1833, a Bill, the oljoct of which : was to make provisions similar to those now asked for by the Potitioners T'ourangeau and others, was passed by the House of Assembly, on a division of twenty-l wo to twenty two, the Speaker having given his casting yote in the affirmgtive. "rhis Bill wats thrown out by the Logishative Council. In the Scssion of 1834, another Bill for the same purpose was passed in the Assembly, on in division of forly to twenty-three, and again thrown oul in the Council. Lastly in the Session or $1835^{\circ}$ to 1836 , a hird Bill for the same purpose was passed in the Assembly, on a division of tiventyseven to twenty six, and was again thrown out by
the Comali. The pretensions of the Petitioners Smitl and Anderson, who then opposed the passing of the threa" Bials above inentioned, were founded of the exclusiro privilege granted to them by Letters Patent issued in fator of Nathaniel Taydur and others, for the constriction of a Bridge at the very place whoro the Petitimers, I'ouringeau and others; pray for leave to orect a froe Bridge. These Letters Patont, dater' 22nd Alril, 1789, are confirmed in favor of the sait, Nathoniel Taylor and others, by in Ordinance of the Governorand Council in 1790, 30thGeorse III, chat. 10, and the said privilege was renetvel nt a latter period, in 1811, by the Act 48 Gco. III, chap. 10; and lator still, by the 50th Gco.III, chap. 28. The Petitioners for a tree Bridge contended that the words "for gain or hire"' in the clause contaned in the "priginal" Patent, methibiting molles of conveyance over tho Riverwithin certainslimits, and the addition of a clause oxpressly permiting the fording of the kijer or the crossing in a boat or other craftwithout "gainorhire," in the different Statutes and Ordinances, gave the Legislature full liberty to grant their prayer. The original Patent granted the privilege for the space ol fifly

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years only, at the expiration of which the Bridge should belong to His Majesty, His Heirsand Successors. This period of fifty years expired on the "Z2nd of April, 1830, that is, since the last Bill introduced on this subject in the Assembly of the Province of Lower Canada was thrown out by the Legislative Council of that Province. During the period of six years which has since elapsed, the proprietors of the bridge have continued to lery the tolls to which they are entited by virtue of the Patent and the Acts above cited, with the exception of the last summer, luring which, it would appear that they reduced to one lalf the rate of tolls in favor of the people of some parts only of the country. From the information which Your Conmittee hare been enabled to obtain, this toll is so much the more hurdensome, as the inhabitants of the north shore, and persons who travel in that direction, have to pay a very heary toll at the furnpike gite, crected at a distance of a fow arpents from the bridge, and under the control of the Trustecs of the Turnpike Roads in the neighlourhood of Quehec. Both tolls amount to the sum of one shilling and two-pence on cach two-wheeled velicle drawn ly one horse only. Besilits which, the people from l'AngeGardien, two leagues and a hald from the Town, are obliged to pay tull on the bridge over the River Montmorency. These sums, which the farmer is continually obliged to disburse, become a tax on agricultural produce, which in many casos anrounts to twenty-five and oven fifty per cent; and taking everylhing into cousideration, this double toll places such a restriction on the communication between the City of Quebec and the neighbouring Parishes, that Your Committee have no hositation in snying that it is of the grentest importance that something should be done to romedy it.

Your Committee having examined the evidence taken before the Committecs of the House of Assembly of Lower Canada, and having heard the evidence of the Honorable Louis Panet, of Quebec, and of the Sieur Vincent Belanger, farmer from Beauport, are of opinion that the place at which the Petitioners pray for leave to erect a bridge, would in fact be extremely convenient, as it is siluate between the very populous Parish of St. Roch and a new Parish, which the increase of the population in this direction will render necessary to establish at a period not far distant. On the other hand, Your Committee being informed that the River Sr. Charles is navigable, and that vessels are constructed above the site of the intended bridge, could only reemmend to Your Honomable House to grant to the Petitioners, Tourangeau and others, the permission which thoy ask for, on the condition that the bridge to he constructed by them should be a drawbridge, and on' the condition also, that a certain number of them should become responsible for the raising of the drawbridge, in the same manner as it is provided that the proprietors of the present bridge shall he responsible.

But however desirous Your Commitice may be of granting the prayer of the Pelitioners, ' Counangeau and others, on this condition, they are checked hy a new pretension of Messrs. Smith and Aderson, and by the prayers of tho potitions of the Mayor and Corporation of the City of Quelsec, which have also heen referred to then. The pretension of Messers. Smithand Anderson is founded on the 59th (ien. M1, chap. 23, which pasised before these gentlemen', who had aciuired the privilege granted to Nathaniel Taylor aid others, lad monstructed the draw-bridere, which is now situate at the end of Craig Street. TheStalute 48th Geo. III, chap. 10, cuacts "" that the said bridge over the River St. Charle's, "6 nenr Quebec, called Dorchester Bridge, shall be and " is hereby vested in the present proprictors there of, " ( Ihen Messrs. Taylor and others) their heirs and as"s signs, as tenants in common for ever, anything in the "said Letters Patent to the contrary thereof in'any wise
" notwifhstanding: Provided al ways, and be itfurther en" acted by the authority aforesaid, that after the expira"tion of fifty years from the date of the said Letters Pa" tent, but not sooner, it shall be lawful for His Majesty, "His Heirs and Successors, to assume the possession "and property of the said bridge, upon paying to the " saidi, proprietors thereof, their heirs, executors, cura"tors or assigns, the value which the same may at the " time uf sicth assumption bear and be worth." The Statute 591 h Gen. III, chap. 28; on which is founded the pretension of Messrs. Smith and Anderson, who had become proprictors of the old bridge, and which authorizos then to remove the said bridge to the place where the present bridge now stands, and to construct a drawbridge at that place, cnacts that the " said draw-bridge "whencrectel", shall be, and the same is hereby vested " in the present proprietors of the aforesaid Dorchester "Bridge, (then Messrs. Anderson, Smith amd others,) "their heirs and assigns for cver, in the same propur"tions as liey the proprietors, at the time of the pass" ing of this Act, are possessed of the shares and tolls "in and of Dorchester Bridge, unless it shall hereafter " be ollerwise mutnally agreed upon by the said pro"prictors. Provided always, that if His Majesty shall, "after the expiration of fifty yerrs from the date of the "Lellers Patent, in virtue of which Dorchester Bridge " aforowaid hath been constructed," assume the posses"s sion and property of the said drawbridge, with the " toll-louse, turnpike, and the dependencics which mas "thercumto appertain and belong," and the ascent and "s approaches theroto, the proprictors of the said draw "britge, their heirs, exccutors, curators and assigus, "shalli be entitled to recover and have from His Ma" jesty, His. Ileirs and Successors, the full and entire "value which the same shall bear and be worth at "the time of such assumption, and the said tolls "shall, from the time of such assunption, appertain " and belong to His Majesty, His Heirs and Suc"cessors, who shall from thenceforward be substituted " in the stead of the said proprietors of the said draw"bridge, for all and every the purposes' of this Act." Must the continuation of property granted by the last mentioned Act be taken as meaning the privilege itself, or merely the bridge, which, together with the privilege, should become the property of His Majesty at the expiration of the fifty years?' If understood in the most liberal sense, the privilege would last as long as the bridge shall not have been purchased at its value; then the same questions of law, which arose on the Pelitions presented on this suljiject to the Legislature of the late Province of Luwer Canada, would again arise. Under any circumstance, the intrinsic value of the bridge and its appurtenances, in whatever state they may be at. present, and which is all that requires to be paid, would remain to be determined.

Without exprossing their opinion on these questions, which inerit the most serious attention of Your Honorable House, Your Committec must remark, that the two Petitions of the Mayor and Corporation of the Cily of Quebee, which havo been referred to them, conflict with the Petition of Messrs. Smith and Anderson, and that of the Pelitioners Tourangeau and others. The Mayor and Corporation have, in the first place, prayed for loave to construct several bridges, on the River St Charles, wherever they may think it convenient, withnutexcepting, a l least explicitly, he space included within the limits over which extends the privilege granted to Messrs. Smith and Auderson.

By a second Petition they pray to be substifuted for the Crown in the right of acquiring the bridge.-The granting of this last prayer would be incompatible with the construction of a free bridge within, such a short distance, and under another control than that of the Corporation.

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Your Committee are of opinion, that even supposing the pretension of the proprictors of the bridge to be well founded, the continuation of their privilege would be the Act of the Legislature, and would impose on the inhabitans of the City and Comnty of Quebec a heavy lax; and it would cerer be an obstacle to the free communication between the City and the country parts, and that the Provincial Legislature ought therefore to be alone held to redeem the public rights which it alone may have given up.

Your Committe therefore recommend, that in case Your Honorable House should decide the questions which they have the honor to submit, against the Petitioners, Tourangeau and others, Your Honorable House do vote an Aldress to His Excellency the Governor Gencral, praying His Excellency to appoint, as soon as possible, one or several Commissioners, to estimate, under oath, the actual intrinsic value of the bridge belonging to Messis. Smith and Anderson, so that the Province may acquire it as soon as the state of the public funds may permit the Government to recommend that expense,-which, in justico, ought to take preceHence of any other of this nature, with a view to throw. open the bridge to the public gratuitously, or at a rate of toll merely sufficient to cover the expenses of maintaining it.

Your Committee would also recommend to the most serious attention of Your Honorable House, that part of the Petition of the Corporation of the City of Quebec, which has reference to the construction of soveral bridges on the River St. Charles, as soon as the question of Messrs.'Smith and Anderson's priviloge shall have been determined. This project of the CorporaLion will eucounter another much more extensive one, and may probilly be modified in consequence. The projoct which las been conceiver of ostablishing a Dock for vessels, at the mouth of the River St. Charles, comprises also the construction of a drawbridge at the pier of this Dock. This is a great public improvement, which miglt become a source of revenue to the Government. Your Committee see with pleasure that the attention of the Government has been drawn to this sulject, and they have no doubt that, while so large a protion of ' the Provincial funds have been appropriated to the improvement of the Port of Montreal, and for a great many local purposes, the City of Quebec shall in its turn derive some advantage from the establishment of the Board of Works.

Your Committec also hope that, in proposing any new palan for the management of the Roads in the neigthourhood of Quebec, the Committee which is now enquiring intu the complaints brought against the QuebecTurnpike Trust, will provide that the tolls of the bridge or bridges over the 'St. Charles,' if the recommendations' of Your Committee are acted upon, shall be levied at the same time as the turupike tolls, so as not to importune the poople passing on the said bridge or bridgcs and roads, and in order to diminish the expense of collection:

The whole ne vertheless humbly submitted.

## P.'J. O. CHAUVEAU,

## Chairman.

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## MINUTES OF EVIDENCE.

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Pierre J. O. Chauyeau, Esquire, in the Chair.
Tuesday, 25th February, 1845.
Vincent Belanger, Esquire, of the Parish of Beauport, Captain of Militia, called in ; and examined :-

1. Are you acquainted with Messrs. Smith and Anderson's bridge on the River SL. Charles, near Quebec ?-I am, and I pass over it almost every day in summer, and often twice a day:
2. Is this bridure situato in a convenient place for the country people in general, or do you know any other place which would be more advantageous to them; state your "opinion at length and in detail?-I consider the place where the bridge in question now slands, the most convenient fur the greater portion of the country people who resort to the Quebec markets, as it is the most central. Two other places are spoken of, namely, the spot whore the old Dorcliester bridge stood; this bridge would begin at the north side of the river, at the foot of the Charlesbourg road, and would terminate at the St. Roch's Suburbs in Crown street. This spot would not be quite so central, as it would leng then the road of the inhabitants on the north side of the River St. Lawrence; several arpents.
3. Are the tolls of Dorchester bridge too high, and have they the effect of preventing a great number of the country people from bringing iheir proluce to the Quebec markets?-Yes, the tolls are exorbitant; and much more so from the neecessity of paying tolls at the Turnpike,-so that a farmer from Beauport who brings to market a load of wood, lime, or any other articlo for which he receives only from 2 s . to 5 s . is obliged to pay 6 d . at the toll-gate, and 8 d . at the bridge; and a farmer residing beyond the Montmorency Falls, must, in 'addition,' pay the tolls' at the bridge there, which amount to 6d.-so that in many cases ho pays one-half of the price of his load. However, since a frec bridge over the River St. Charles has been talked of, the proprietors of the lwidge have diminished their tofls one-Half for the inhabitants of Beauport and Charlesbourg, with a view evidently to prevent their taking steps to obtain a free bridge.
4. Is the river navigable at the place where a free bridge is desired, that is, at the foot of the Charlesbourg road, and would it require a drawbridge?-Yes; the river is navigable at that spot, and a drawbridge would necossarily be required.
5. What, in your opinion, would be the best system to adopt, in order to make the bridge of any advantage to the public?-In my opinion, it would be expedient and advantageous' that the Government should purchase the bridge from Messrs. 'Smith and Anderson, as it has a right to do so, the privilege having expired ; the bridge and the Beauport turnpike, tugether with one which might be erected on the Clarlesbourg road, might then be placed under one control. In that case, there should be only, one keeper at the bridge and only one toll should be demanded, notexcceding two-pence for going or returning. The expense of collecting tolls at several toll-gates, would thereby be avoided, and the markets would be more resorted to. The inhabitants of the Town and of the country would both derive great advantage from this arrangement.
6. In what state is the bridge in question?-It has been in bad order for scveral years, the proprictors having made but fery repairs to it,

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The Ilonorable Louis Panel, of the City of Quebec, Notary Public, called in; and examined,-

Answer to Q. 1.-Yos.
Answer to Q. 2.-I think it is ennveniently'situated for the country people and the citizens of Queliec ; horrever, as steps are now taking to establish a new Parish at the extremity of the Sc. Vallicr Suburbs, and that the population therein increases from day to day, I think that before a very few years a bridge constructed at the extremity of Crown street, will be muchmore central, and more advantagcous to the public.

Anstuer to Q. 3:- The tolls on Dorchester bridge have, so far, been too high; I think that, logellher with the turnpike tolls, they are in many cases a tax of fifty per cent on articles of agricultural produce, the most necessary to life.

Answer to Q. 4.-Yes, the river is navigable about the phace where a free bridge is asked for, and it would require a drawbridge.

Answer to Q. 5.-The best plan would be, that the

Corporation of Quebec, or the Government, should purchase the rights of Messrs. Smith and Anderson, and that the turnpike and the bridge should be placed under one authority, and only one toll demanded.

Answer to Q. G.-The last time I'passed over the bridge, it did not scem to me to be in a complete state of repair.
7. Do you think that the Corporation of Quebee should be permitted to erect several bridges on the River St. Cliarles, and in what places do you think these bridges ought to be crected? -I think that if three bridges were kept unon the River St. Charles, one at the place called the "Palais," in a line with St. Nicholas strect, -the present lridge belonging to Messrs. Smith and Anderson,-and a third at Crown street, that is at the place where the Petitioners'pray for permission to ercet one, the importance of Quebec would grently increase, and thic City would extend rapidly on Both sides of the River St. Charles. It would be a great undertaking, worthy of the Municipality of Queber, and much more of the Government especially, if, in addition, a dock were established at the mouth of the River S t. Charles.

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The Select Conmittee to which was referred the Petition signed by the Honorable Vallières' de St. Réal, Chief Justice of Montreal, in behalf of the Governors of MrGill College, for the repeal of the Act establishing the Royal Institution for the advancement of Learning, and the Petition of the Board of the Royal Institution, that the Charter of MrGill College be so amended as to permit of the disposal of part of the Endowment,-have agreed to the following Report :-

Your Commtree are of opinion: 1st. That it is not experient to repeal the Act of the 41st Geo. III. cap. 17.

2d. That in orlcr to enable the Corporation of the Governors, Principal and Fellows of II'Gill College, erented by the Charter thereof, for holling the property of the College and for the management of its affurs generally, to provide a suthicicnt revenue for the more efficient cstawlishment and muintenance of the College, it be enated, that power and authority be given to the said Corporation of the Governors, Principal and Fellows, to lease such portions of the property of the College from time to time, and for such limited periods, as they may think fit; or to dispose thereof in perpetuity for an annual unredeemable rente foncière, provided that such rente foncière shall be sulbject to an increase of not less than twenty-live per cent on the original rent, at the expiration of every twenty years, for one hundred years; and provided it slall mect the concurrence of a majority. of the Board of the Royal Knstitution.

3d. That an humble Aldress be presented to His Excellency the Governor Gieneral, praying His Excellency will be pleased to revole the Commissions of the present Members of the Board of the Royal Institution, to appoint a sufficient number of Members thereof resident in Montreal, and to fix their phace of meeting at Montreal, in accordance with the authority given to His Excellency. in this belnalf by the Act of the 41 st Gco. 1II. cap. 17.

The whole, nevertheless, respectfully subnitted.

## SABREVOIS DE BLEURY,

Chairman.
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## NINUTES OF EVIDENCE.

The Honorable C. C. Sabrevois de Blevuny, in the Clair.

## Friday, $24 t h$, January, 1845.

The Chairman laid before the Committee the fullowing letter, received from the Reverend R. R. Burvage, Secretary of the Ruyal Institution, dated Qucbec, 20th January, 1845, in reply to a communication transmitting a copy of the Petition signed by the Honorable Vallieres de St. Real, Chicf Justice of Montreal, in behalf of the Governors of M'Gill College :

Roval Instaturion Office, Quebec, 20th January; 1845.

Sm,-I have laid before the Board of the Royal Institution, your communication from the Committee of the Legislative Assembly appointed to consider the Petition of the Governors of MeGill College, and the copy of the Petition furnished by the Committee, and am directed by the Board to submit to the Committee, the following Minute:
Ata Meeting of the Board of the Royal Institution for the advancement of Learning, held in the Ofice, on Saturday, the 18th instant, the Board took into consideration the copy of a Petition to the Legislative Assembly furnished by a Committee of that body, with a view of obtainining information relation thereto.

The Petition which, while purporting to be from the Governors of M'Gill College, is, in reality, from two of them only, viz. Chief Justice Vallières and Dr. Bethune beging by shewing that in consequence of various enact. ments of the Legislature, the Board of the Royal Institution has ccased to answer the purpose for which it

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was originally constituted, while it continues to be an expense to the country. To this, the Board have only to state that such is really the case, nor has any Member of the Board any interest that this should notbe known, and any step taken, in consequence, that may appear advisable to the Legislature. The cost of the Institution is, however, over-statel, It amounts $£ 151$ Sterling.

The Board are more concerned, howerer, with the conctuding part of the Petition, which brings certain charges against the Board as Trustees of M'Gill College. 'These, are :-

1st. That the Board are in possession of the property of M'Gill College which ought rightfully to be in the hands of the Governors.
gindly. That the Board pretend to exercise control over the Governors, to which' thicy are not entitled.

3rdly. That the Board withhold pecuniary means from the Governors for carrying on the College.

4thly. That they neglect to make the most of the College Endownent.

In regard to the first charge, the Board have simply to say, that they have been adrised by the most emment Combel, that the possession of the College Property is legally vested in the Board, and camot be surrendered to the Governors without a breach of trust. The Board humbly submit that this is a question of law; on which the opinion of either party can be of no value, and which it does not fall within the province of the Legrishature, but of the Courts of Law to decide: And the Board have again and agrain expressed to the Governors their desire to have the question settled, either by an amicable suit, or by the opinion of the Law Olficers of the Croms.

The second charge "of seting up pretended chaims "of control over the Governors," may respect two things: lst. The right to inguire into and to see to the right administration of the College funds : mid so far what has been said in reference to the tirst charge, applies also to this. The Board are legally advised they have such right. Under this advice they are bound to exercise it, where a case of uncessity arises; but they are perfectly willing to abide the result of an anicable suit; or to submit to the deeision of the Law Officers of the Crown. But the 2 nd charge may also respect, 2 urlly. The claim of the Board as Visitors tuder the Royal Chater'. The Governors do not dispute that in the Loyal Charter the Board are appointel Visitors: but they lave intimated to the Boad their opinion that the Crown hat no authority to make such appointmont, and on this ground the Bund were lately resisted by the Governors, when excreising their visitatorial power. This, also, it is obvious, is a question of law, and is only to be settled in the same way as the other:

The third charge is that of witholding pecuniary means of carrying on the College. 'The Board have only to state in answer to this, that the salaries ol the Professors, according to the scale fixed by the Governors themselves, have been regularly paid to the present period; that though the 13 oard did certainly complain of an expenditure of $£ 1700$, in opening the College, the items of which expenditure did then and do still appear to the Board to be wasteful and utterly "unsuited to the necessities and the resources of the Institution, amounting as they did to nearly three yoars revenue of the College, they did yet, at their recent meeting in Montreal," offer to discharge the debt of $£ 1550$, which was then beliered by the Board to include all the liabilities of the College; only requiring the Principal's certificate that such was the case. This certifiente was at furst refused, but a certificite has this day been received, shewing' to the best of the knowledge' and belief of the Principalinand Bursar, the delts of the College, independent of the regular expenditure, to amount to $£ 2596$, all contricted since August 1843 ,
The Bond have also "intimated to the Governors their intention to put the whole of the annul revenue of the

Trust at the 'disposal of the Governors', 'in half-yearly payments, on the 1st July and the list January.

The fourth" charge is that the Board have neglected to make the most of the Cullege Endowment. The' Bonrd have conducted the business of the Trust in a manner which, they are persiadel, leaves no ground for such charge. The profitable disposal of the College property in Montreal las constantly engaged their attention, and they had actually adopited measures for this object, when they were arrested by a logal difficulty. They have now prepared a Bill to be sulmitted to the Legislature, this session, for the removal of this dithculty. It does not apjear that the property, could have' been profitably disposed of without some provisions which this proposed Act contemplates : And the bowd aro convinced that even the delay caused by waiting for the meeting of the Legislature, and the result of an application toit, will not, in a pecuniary point of view, be injurious to the Trust.

There are but two points to which the Board would, rery lespectfully call the attention of the Conmittee. The first, is the danger to which the bequest of the late Mr. M'Gill might be exposed by' an extinction of the Buard. The second, is the necessity', in the event of such extinction, should it be contemplated,' of appointing Visi-tors-vested with the authority, which the Board entertain no doubt they now possess. Such an appointment is necessary on general principles, and, if evidence of the special necessity of such appointment in the present case were wanted, it might be found in the Minute of the Visitation of this' Board in November last, and in the Address to the Grovernor General founded on it, and accompanying' it, to which reference may be had, if decmed necessary.

In those documents measures are suggested which, the Board are persuaded, would produce perfect harmony between the Governors and the Boari, 'and which would render any change of the constitution of the Board unnecessary. It miglit, perhaps, be thought more convenient that the Board should meet in Montreal : If this change should be made in the place of meeting, the Board are of opinion that due care should be taken, by the selection of members from various parts of the Province, to avoid the 'appearance of identifying M'Gill College with Montreal, as if itwere a City, instead of being a Provincial Institution ; and they would very carnestly express their desire, that the case of the Secretary' of the Board should be taken into consideration";-an old servant of the Board, a Clergyman advanced in life, and who, from various untoward circumstances, has been rendered to a.considerable extent, dependent on the emoluments of the office, of which such a change would, in effect, deprive him. The Board think him justly entitled to a retired allowance.

I hare the honor to be', Sir,
Your most obedient servant, <br> > R. R. BURRAGE,
> "Secy. $R, I$. <br> \section*{R. R. BURRAGE, <br> \section*{R. R. BURRAGE, <br> <br> ${ }^{\prime}$ Secy. $\boldsymbol{R}$ I.} <br> <br> ${ }^{\prime}$ Secy. $\boldsymbol{R}$ I.}

Saturduy, 25th January, 1845.
The Right Reverend George Jeliosaphat, Lord Bishop of Montreal, called in ; and examined :-

1. Was not the Royal Institution originally constituted for the purpose of superintending the whole education of the Province, with the exception of Colleginte or other Institutions, not of a Royal foundation?-I believe so.
2. Had not the Roynl Institution, and has it not yet, the control of the procceds of the Jesuits' Estates, as well as of monies voted by the Legislature, for schools under their charge? ?-The Royal Institution has no control whatever over the Jesuits' Eatates.
3." Is it not now many years since all the objects for
which they were constituted have been taken out of the
hands of the Royal Institution, and other provision been matle lor education? - Notall the objects, bat the greater part of them; there remain but two, the visitatorial control ower Mr Citl Colluge and the Royal Grammar School of Montreal.
3. Did not the hate Mr. M'Cill hequeath property and momey to the Royal Lustitution, in trust, to be applied by them towads the erection and mantenanes of a University? - He did. I ham in cerpain extracts from the 7 Fill of the late ML. M'Gill.-( (dpendix No. 3.)
4. Is not the property left by Mrr. A['Cill to the College mumouluetive, for the want of legal anthority to grant leases for more than twenty-one years?-It is so.
5. Are yout not of opinion that if the Gorcmors, a fuorun of whem being resident at Montrenl, had anthorily to diapone of the property to the best advantage, at their discretion; it would rery som produce to the College anple means for carying on the Institution in a creatitule mamer? - My opinion is, that it is certainly highly desimble that power should be given in some quarter, without loss of time, to make that property araitable in the manmer contemplated in the question, for the benefit of the College ; bad am not prepared to say, that any particular alvantage would result from vosting that power in the hands of the Governors: the Royal Institution would have made it so atailable before this time, but for logal impuliments ia their way ; and they have been engagal in putting measures in train for the removal of those impediments. I winh to add, that in any case I think some exterior contrul whould be preserved over the College, such as are exorcised at present by the Royal Institutiou.
6. Are yon aware that the Royal Inatitution have refused to pay the expenses necessarily incurred tor opening the College, fow which the Governors, living in Montreal, are being sued ; nnd have they not akso refuser money for the purchase of the necessaty fiel; so mach so, that the wid Govemors have been obliged to procture some at their own expense; to perent the College doors firm being closed ?-The tacts are very widely different from those supposed in the quesion, from first to last. The difficulties which have existed between the Royal Institution and the Governors cmbrace so numy points, smb range over so wide al field, that il wotld be impossible, in the compass of such an answer as conkl be here renderet, to give a full and satisfactory explanation of the obstructions which have stoot in the way of the pecuniay armagements ; but a reference to the onrrespondence that has taken place between the two bodies, and to a Minute of the procedings of the Board in lits visitatorial capacity at Muntral in November last, will in great part explain those points. I beg to fyle copy of this minute, (Appendix No. 4)-and to state that, subseguently to the sitting held at Montreal, and in purshance of the intentions then entertanech, the Board has 1 novided the sum of $£ 1500$ and upwards, for the liguidation of the claims against the Governors. According to my own conviction, there las been no grount, fin the Whole history of the difficulties lere adrerted to, for any sladow of complaint auranst the Royal Institution, ais if they had acted so as to produce inededess embarrassment, orassuned powers beyond those which they had reason to helicue legally confided to them. I bug to refer to the letter from the Serretary of the Royal Institution, dated $20 t h$ January, 1845.
7. Hare not the Governors been obliged, in their indivilual capacity, to borrow noney to a large amount, for which they are individually responsilje ; if so, to what murunt? They have borrowed some money, is appears by the accounts rendered; but were not placed under the necessity by any act of the Royal Institution.
8. Inal not the Royal Institition, when the College was opened, and erer since, and have they not at the present time, funds sufficient to meet the expenses attending the opening of the said College, and those since incurred in kiping it open?-Certainly not; on the contrary, they thare to regret exceedingly the necessity for breaking in
upon the eapital to mect the expenses incured by the Governors.
9. Under the existence of the Royal Institution, as now established and in force, is not the College paralyzed; and is it not deairable that some provision should be enacted to remedy the evil: if so, would you be pleased to suggest the remedy?-I would state, in the first instance, that the fact that the College is paralyzed, is indisputable ; that the Royal Institution havofaithfully and haborionsly done their best to avert such an effect; that as the Institution is now constituted, and under the provisions of the existing Charter, there are most serious obstades to the efficiency of the Institution, and I conceive it to be inpleratively required, and to be indispensable to the prosperity of the College, that the Board of the Royal Institution should he reconstructed in such a manner, that its operations could be conducted at Nontreal, and that a sudficient number of efficient members, resident at Montreal, should be provided, to insture a competent quorum whenever it mirgt be neecessary to call the Board together for the tramsaction of its business. I would wish to and that, in my opinion, there would be vary great danger in the extinction of the Hourd, in consequence of the distinct reterence to the Rogal Institution in Mr., MrGill's Will.
10. Can you inform the Comnittee, what amount of money is now on hand to the crelit of the College; how it is invested, and at what rate of interest? - [An answer to this Question is conteined in Appendix No. 12.]
11. In what fray would you recommend the bequest of the late Mr. M'Gill to be managed, so as to render it most extensively useful for the purposes for whieh it was originally intended ?-I conceive it necessary that at least a portion of the lands hode for the benefit of the College, should be let in building lots on long leases.
12. Have you and the other Visitors, at any time, made a Report to His Excellency the Guvernor Gencral, upon the subject of M'Gial Collage, and If so, can you' furnish to the Committee ac copy of such Report or Reports? We have finmished the Govemor Gencral with a cony of the Minute, which I have already lad before the Committee. It was accompanied by, a representation, addressed to Fis Excellency, the expediency of communicating which in other quarters, I have doubts of at this moment, without previous reference had to my collengues at the Board.
13. Have you received nny legal advice as to the effect upon the bequest which the nlrogation of the powers of the Visitors would have, and if so, from whom, and what was the purport and tendency of such advice:-I havo had none. The only legal opinion I have had at all, bearing on the subject, is one from Messis. "Stuart and Black, a copy of which I beg to land to the Committec.

The Chairman subsequently Iaid before the Committee the following. Olservations recoived from the Lord Bishop

Observations Supplementary to my Answers before the Committee, ujon the Petition of the Governors of M•Gill College, resident in Montreal.

1st. In my answer to that question which concludes by a desire that I would suggest a remedy for certain matters which are now subjects of complaint; I believe that I omited, inadvertently, to state my conviction of the urgent necessity which exists for the appointment of a sufficient body of Governors, so locully situated as to be brought together, without difficulty, at proper inter. vals, in such number as to yemove all question with respect to their competency to"act,' and to afford satisfaction alike to themselves and to the public, in the respon-
(Appendix No. 5.) of Montreal:sibilities which they assume.

Appendix
(V. V.)

14th March.

2nd. It has occurred to my mind, in thinking over.the important points to which the quostions refer, that whereas it might wear a singular appearance that the Royal Institution should exist, for the single purpose of executing its duties at Montreal, (duties connected with M•Gill College,--itsinterference with which, in ordinary circumstances, would be but slight and of rare occurrence, and with the Royal Grammar School of that City, and yet that there are, in my appreliension,' grave objections to the extinction of that body, it might periaps, with advantage, be reconstructed in such a manner as to embrace a wider range of operations, and either to be identified with a general Board of Education, under newprovisions, such as I have understood to be in the contemplation of: some Menbers of the Legislature, or to have the oversight of some particular class of the educational establishment of the Province. Upon this subject, however, I ant by no means prepared at present to offer any observations in a matured or digested form.

With referrence to the opinion which I have given in my evidence, in favor of the continuance of the Royal Institution, Imay perhaps be permitted to point out that, far from seeking in that instance to prolong the retention of any share of authority in my own hands, I arn secking to perpetuate an autiority with the exercise of which I shall very soon, tinder'any circumstances, cease to have any conniection, but to which, as being now h Governor of M'Gill College, I shanl, in some mensure, be subiect.

3 rd . I am sorry that I did not explicitly contradict, in my written answers, the allegation to which one of the questions refers, that the "Royil Institution Board had driven the' Governors resident in Montreal, to leave the College absolutely without fuel, or to supply it upon their own personal responsibility. I was perfectly aware, from knowing that no disposition to any vexatious, exercise of authority has evcr charicterized the proceedings of the Board, and that they have'always studied, to the cxtent to which they were justified in doing so, the convenience and comfort of the gentlemen of the College,- -that no such act could have' been committed by tliem, but I' did not recollect the particulars of the trausaction. I afterwards called to nind a complaint of this nature made to the Board, remembering at the same time that it lad been owing to a wrong interpretation put upon their intentions; that no decision of theirs, or insitruction proceeding froin them, haddended' to' any such cffect; and hat they hat no suspicion of the existence of the inconvenience. Particulars can be had, if nécessary, from the Secretary.
G. J. M.

## Tucsiday, 28 th Januàry, 184 ō.

The Chaiman laid bofore the Committee the following Letter received froin the Reverend Dr. John Bethune, Principal of M'Gill College' in reply to thic Letter from the Secretary of the Royal Institution for the advancement of Learning, dated Quellec,', 20 th 'January, 1845 , a copy of which had been commiumicated to the Reverend Dr. Dethune, by order of the Cominitte.

## Maime Coluegre Jinuary $2767,1845$.

Sir,-The undersigne begs to acknowledge the reccipt of your note of the 24th instant, nd of a cony of a letter from the Secretary of the Royal Institution to thic Committe of the Legilativo Assembly thich is teferred the Petition of the Governors of MGill College.

In reply the hide ation of the Borl of the Royal Institution, that: the: Petition purports to be from the Governors of the College " but is in reality from two of "them oily," the undersigned begs to state: tsty", thiat two are gurf cient quio un for such purpose, nid because, at an Hectif of the Governo of Mrine

College, held at Montreal on the 8th August, 1842, at which were present, His Excellency Sir C. Bagot, Governor General, the Chief Justice of Montrenl, and the Principal, it wats resolved "that it is expedient for the in" tercsts of the Colloge, thant mensures be taken to procure the passing of an Act, at the next Session of the Provincial Legishtature," repealing' the Act 41 st Geo. 3, C. 17, and vesting the boquest of the late Mr. MGill in the Corporation of the Governors, Principal and Fellows of M'Gill Collage; 'and that the Chief'Justice and the Principal be authorized to communicate with the Board of the Royal Institution on the subject, "and to take the necessary steps for caryying this resolution into effect "' and 2nilly, that the measure petitioned for, even the very Bill as it stands, was agreed upon by all the then acting Governors of the College, in July 1843, viz :the Chief Justice of Montreal, the Chief Justice of Upper Canada, and the Principal ; and notice of the introduction of that Bill, as a Government measure, was given in the last Session of the last Parliament by a Momber of the late Administration, but its farther progress, was arrested by the abrupt termination of the Session." A' copy of the Bill 'was transmitted to the Board of the Royal Institution ineviously to the period above stated.

The Petition, moreover, lins the entire concurrence of the same three "Governors nbove mentioned ; and the Bill has the sanction of the Governor General.

With refarence to tlice allegation" of the Board of the Royal Lnstitution that they have rgain and aginn" ex'pressed to the Governors their desire to have the question of their right to hold the bequest of Mr. M'Gill in their hands "s setled either by an amicable suit, or by "the "ppinion of the Law Officers of the Crown," the undersigned says, first, that such a'proposition was never made by the Board until alter they were made nware of the determination of the Governors to seek the remedy proposed in'the measure before your Cominittee, to wit, on the 16 th January, 1844," and agnin at their visitation of the College in November last; but the proposition wnis, years agn, to wit, on the 17 th October, 1839, made by the Governors to the Board, without any notice being taken of it. " 2ndly. That it was more competent for the Board than for the Governors, to scek an andjustment of the differences in question by the means which they proposed, because the Board' possessed the pecuniary meains of doing :so, while the Governorss have been always left, in this respect, in'a state of utter destitution.
In reply: to the observations of the Board of the Royal Institution with reference to the allegation in the Petition that they set tup pretended clains of control, the undersigned begs leave to state that the Royal Institation put: the Governors of MrGill College in possessiour of Burnside," so soon is it was recovered, by 'retion' of cject-" ment, from the legatees of Mr . M'Crill, nanely', in the yeur' 1829 , and they made the following minute of that proceeding:

## "Quemec, 23d Felruary, 1842.

"Inasmuch as it appears to the Board, that formal "possession was duly taken by the Gorcrnors of the Col" lege at Montreal, on the" 29 th June, 1829, of the House "fand Estate of Zurnside, witli the kinowledge añd con"s sont of a sufficient quorum of the Boart of the Royal "Institution then'being also present at Montreal, but of "whiclidelivery of possession no formal record has been " made on the Register" of the proceedings of the Royal "Institution, this Board"doth agree to cause an entry to "be" made" in the minutes of its proceedings in confirma\&tion of the act of possession so granted and taken at Montren, on tie 29 th June, 1839 , and that the Bond " will hold itself wealy to grunt such furthor instrument "Oot assurance as the Governors, apon legal advice, shall find necessary in order to nvesty the Governois with "c full and legal possossion of the Burnside Estate And "c the"Principal was reginested to prepare a ninute to be "entered of cecord in the proccedings of the Bont to "the effect herein first before mentioned"
Yet, notwithistanding this solemn decliration of the Bourd of the Royal Institution, "such futher institu-
"ment or assumance" was' not given to the Governors of the College. When the above resolution was recorded, the Board han recently reeovered the lequest of $\pm 10.000$, with interest, from the legatees of Mr. M'Gill, and the Governors about the same time rerinested to be put in jonsessiom of those funds, as well as the Buraside property, in order that they might proceed to the erection of the nesessary buildinge for the purpose of bringing the Collere into actual operation as spectily as pos. sible. This reguest was refused by the boand of the Royal Institution, who alkeged that the duty of erecting the buildings devolved upon them, but that so soom as that duty should be dischargen, the Board would then formally eonver the whole beques to the Gorernors, and thus enable them to bring the College into operation. The Goventors, fon the sake of prace and expelition, consent ed, and urged the erection of buiklings without delay The Buard of the Royal Institution notified the Governors of their intention to crect buildings, on the 9th May follow ing, hat butend of acting in accordance with that notificition, the Board repentedy endenvored to furce the Goser nors to acquicsece in its scheme of establishing a School in Burnside honsic, (a scheme which, if'it had not been thwnted by the Goveruors, might lave vitiated the whole bequest, which was made for an Chierersity, not for a Sehool, and even went the lengtle of resolving on the The July, 1838 , what Professorships should be established in the Collewn, although the power of doing so is elearly given to the Gubernors by the Charter.' After the Board of the Royal Institution had determined upon the erection of the necessary College buildings, athongl they were wil. ling and desirous in June, 1839 , of expenting the whole of the remized annal income in carying out their schene of' a School in Burnside Ifousc," yet when this soleme was fristrated, and when the Governors resolved that, pending the crection of the buildings, the sum of di5OO per annum, shonk he appropriated to the revival of the operations of the Melical Faculty of the College, (which had been in abeyance for want of funds, thus endangering the whole bequest, the Board refised to pay the money for that purpose. Whereupon Sir John Colborme informed them, on the 1.5 th October, 1839, that hat ho remained longer in the Goternment, (he was then superseded and on the point of departure, he would have remo"delled that body so as to have readered it a useful ann? "actire promoter of the public interests." Provision fur the Mertical Fraculty was consequently made by the nuthority of IIs Excelleney, from the public funds, and was sumetioned subsequently by the Special Council.

The College buildings were commenced in the autumn of 1830, and when they were approaching to their completion in the summer of 1842 , the Governors applied to the Board of the Royal Institution for the possersion of the property, by the "instrument or assurance" which had been promised. The Board after some delay, sent instructions to their Agent and Attorney in Montrena to prepare "an act of mise en possession of Burnside És" tate'and the buildings thereon, to the Governors of "ML'Gill Collere." In this act they instructed their Agent to insert certain conditions involving certain clains to authority over the Governors, which they (the Governors) had before refused to recognize as inconsistent with the provisions of the Charter ; as fullows :
"The Governors to be put in possession, for the trusts "and purposes of the Will and Chater; subject to and "and with the reservation of the rights and powers of "the Royal Institution, as Trustees nuder the Will 'and as " Visitovs, viz: the pouer of establishing Statutes and "By-laus for the government of the College or Colleges " crected and to be erected \&c. \&ce. on the estate, and to "repeal and amend any By-laws, sc. which may be made "for that purpose by' the Governors of the College.
"To enquire from time to time touching the execution " of the Statutes, or the compliance of the Governors with "the Charter.
" T n romote, as need may be, the Officers of the Col" lege, for misconduct or neglect of duty, to correct abu"sis, and generully to superintend the management of "the trust created by the Will of" the Testator, and the "provisions of the Law and the Charter.
"To superintoud, manage"and arlminister the proper-
"ty devised and bequeathed by the I'estator's Will, or "otherwise given for the maintenance and support of "M'Gill College, as an Institution of Royal Fomulation, "and for the abore purposes generally to enter upon "and into thic cstate, buildings and promises, by them"solves, or their lrawful agents or attornies."

The Goremors of courso refused to accept such an " Aet," as inconsistent with the prorisions of the Charfer, and reducing them to the condition of mere instruments "in the hands of the Royal Institution.

With reference to the remark of the Board on the subject of their claims as Visitors, as well as on the subject of their late visitation of the Colloge, the undersigned hegs leave to say: 1st, that the Bourd were not "resisted by the Governors when exercising their visitatorial power," the Governors only protested against their proecedings as illegal, \&ce., but allowed them free necess to the College, and threw no obstacle in their way ; on the contrary, they adrised the different Ollicers of the CoIlege who could compromise no principle thereby, to obey their summons and" give them all the information they conll,' allowing them at the sume time free aceess to all the books and records of the College ; 2ndly, the Governors resident in Montreal do wot and camot recognize the Board of the Royal Institation as the legal Visitors of the College ; but, as the Board stay, this is a question to be decided by a Iegal tribunal only. The Governors deny their aniliotity; let them seek tho proper means of establishing it.

With reference to the charge of withholding from the Governors their pecuniary means, the Bond of the Royal Institution assert, that the "salaries of the Professors, "aceording to the seale fixed by the Governors them"selves, have been regularly paid to the present period."

On this I lave to remark: first, that the aforesaid salarics have not been regularly paid; so far from it, that in a cummanication to the Governors, 16th Janaary, 1844, in reply to their demand of the 15 th December, 1843, for money to pay the accounts, as well as the salavies of the olfiens then long past due, the Board refused to pay either ; but they altervards appeared to think themselyes wrong, and transmitted money for salaries on the 14 th March, which weie due'in the preceding month of October; and the quarter clue on the $19 t h \mathrm{Oc}$ tober last, was only paid on the 13 th instant. Secondly, the Govemors have not alleged in their Petition that the Board have puid no salarics, but that "by withhold" ing their (the Governors') pecuniary menns, * ** they " have reduced your Petitioners to the necessity of bor"rowing moncy on their own responsilility." When the Governors found the way clear, as they supposed, for bringing the College into operation, they informed the Board of the Royal Institution, on the 22d. June, 1843, of their intention to open the College carly in the month of Scptember tollowing ; and requasted to know what sum could be placed at their disposal for making the necessary preparations for that purpose, withont prejudiee to the realized annual income. The Board, so far from shewing any disposition to fulfil their promise before mentioned, refused to make any appropriation for the required purpose, unless a detailed statement of the articles of furniture, \&c., which might be required, and a partictilar estimate of their cost, should be previously turnished by the Governors; and in answer to an application for a portion of the salary due to Dr. Lundy, the Board stated, (same date, viz: $28 t h$ June, 1843,) that they were" "quite willing to take into consideration the "propricty of an advance for the purpose' specified, so "soon as they should receive a statement of the sums "received by the Governors of the M'Crill College from " the Burnside Estate and from Government ; and tho " application thereof, without which the Board feel them. "selves precluded from entering upion the consideration "of your request."

In reply to this extraordinary communication, the Govemors informed the Board that they could not fur. nish a detailed statement or cstimate, but would hay out
whatever sum could be appropriated as above stated, to the best adrantage, as far as it would go;-thint the prococds of Burnside belonged to the Principal, by a resoluttion of the Goremors on the 14 th November, 1836 , and that they considered that "a small remuncration for his "services in that capreity." The Governors also stated in the same communication, (lst July 1843,) that they "cannot recognize the right of the Board of the' Royal "Institution to demand from them any account of" "monies which they have not received from the Bond, "nor can they acknowledge the principle of making the "payment of the salaries of the Officers of the Univer-" "sity, contingent upon any such demand." The Board persisted in their refusal, and roasserted the rights and powers already stated. The Governors were thas reduced to the necessity of borrowing $£ 500$, on their own personal responsibility, and of procuring furniture \&c., on credit.: It was on this occasion that the Govcrnors of the College agreed to the draft of the Bill now before your Committee, in July 1843 ; and the Government consented to its introduction, cluring the lastsession, as a Govemment measure, but the ampuncement of the disruption of the late Ministry took place on the very day on which the Bill was to have been introduced by oue of the Members of that Cabinet. Finding that the proposed Bill must be postponed for at least' twelve months, the Governors were indeed to try once more what conld be done with the Board of the Royal Institution, and they accordingly sent the accounts of the expenditure incurred for opening the College, to the Royal Institution, on the 15 th December, 1843, and again requested to be invested with all the property of the College then held by the Bond. Payment of the accounts was absolutely refused on the 16 th Janunry, 1844, on the general ground that the expenditure was," "wasteful, without precedent or priaciple," and on the special ground, that "it helongs to the bonth, in the first instance, to "establishthe general expenditure, and then to ascertain "that the sums roted for special parjoses" are properly "apphied, and to refuseany demand that appenrs unneces"sary or extraygant."

The Governors rephied to this communication on the 29th of the same month, as follows:

## M'Gmi College, January 2917, 1844.

Rev. Sir, - - have the honor to acknowledge the rereipt of your letter of the 16 th instant, and I am desired by the Groyernors of M'Gill College to make the following remarks thereon :-

Ist. The Board of the Royal Institution assume that the, sum demanded in my communication of the 15 th December, last, consists of snlaries assigned and expenses incurred "hy the residont Govemors, whereas the Board were well aware that those salavies were assigned, and those expenses nuthorized, at a meeting of the majority of the whole number of Governors in the month of July. last.

2nd. It is stated in one part of your letter, that "the "Board have nlieady recognized on a former occasion, "their olligations to provide the Governors with funds to " meet the saleries of the Professors;" and in another part of the sume letter it is "stated "that the Board will re" fuse the pryment of all debts,' except'such as shall have "been contracted with their sanction, or as they can on "examination approve." These two chases are not only diametrically opposed to each other, but the latter is also opposed to those provisions of the Charter which give to the Governors the suthority to regulate the salaries, stipends, and provisions for the Principal, Professors, Fellows and Scholars, and Officers of the said College.

3rd. The Board have undertaken, withoutany enquiry on the spot, without any personal inspection, and consequently without any knowledge of the subject in hand, to pronounce " that some of the expenses incurred (by "the Governots) do not appen to have any connection "with the opening or carrying on of the College ; that
"many of them are wholly unnecessary, and many more "excessive in amount,"-and to "characterize the whole
as an expenditure, " wasteful without precedent or prin" ciple!"

4th. The Board assert the whole income of the realized property of the College to be about $£ 589$, while the anumal charge for sularies, \&ic' amounts to $£ 730$, and this 'assertion is made for' the purpose of shewing that the Governors have established 'an annual" cxpenditure beyond their annual income; whoreas the Board are, well aware that in establishing this annual expenditure, the Governors had in view a gront from the Legislature and an increasing revenue from the property of the College, 'if the Board had done their duty in' this respect, and in the menntime a more than sufficient sum deposited by the Board in the B. N. A. Mank, together with forthcoming income, to pay the silaries, '8t. of the current year.

5th. It is almitted in one part of your letter', that the Board jerfectly well understood that the sum of ' $£ 1300$ was expended "in making the necessary preparations "for opening and carying on M'Gill College", and yet in two other places assume, that this sum is to constitute a part of the annual expenditure, and hence conclude, " that "it would be an'ensy duty, and one which they are per"stiaded would be brought to a conclusion in a very short "period, -simply to hand out, without question orremark, " whatever funds might be demanded of them." "

The Governors of M'Gill College consider the foregoing procecdings of the Board as finally settling what the Governors had been led to believe, from former communications of the Board, namely, that the Bomd are fully determined to do what they can to embarass the Governors in thicir managenent of the College, if not entirely to arrest its progress; the Governors are consequently now driven to the neccssity of adopting such measures' as they may deem the most speedy and eflective for didding themselves of the chief obstacle to their successful efforts.

I haye the honor to be, \&x.
JOS. $\triangle \mathrm{BBOTT}$,
Acting Secretary MGill College.
Rev. R. R. Bunhage,
Secretary Board, R. I.
sec. sce. \&s.
The Governors accordingly petitioned His Excellency the Governor General to revoke the Commissions of the present Members of the Boad, appoint Members resident in Montreal, and fix this as the place of mecting,--but never received any answer to the Petition. The measure now petitioned for to the Legislative $\Lambda$ ssembly is that to which they have been compelled again to resort, to re-' licve them from the cmbarrassmentsinto which they have' been thrown by the Board of the Royal Institution.

With reference to the allegations of the Board of the Royal Institution on the subject of the expenditure by the Governors in opening the College, as "wasteful' and " utterly unsuited to the necessities and resources of the " Institution," the undersigned replies,-1st. When the Governors applied to the Board to be informed whit sum could be placed at their disposal,' without prejudice to the realized annual income, they had been informed that the Board had $\$ 1550$ of accumtlated annual income deposited in the B. N. A. Bank in this City,' which, however, the Governors have since ascertained the Board invested in some public stock immediately after the application above'stated wha made by the Covernors, apparently to prevent them from getting it,

2nd. The Governors were given to understand that so soon as the College should be opened, a sum of $£ 500^{\prime}$ for the College included in a vote of credit, by the session of 1842 , would be paid to them, and thatalike sum for the year 1843 would likewise be obtained in the Session of the same year, These sums would together have imounted to $\pm 2550$, besides what "the Governors had good reason to suppose might be derived from a proper minagement of the'Buirnside Estate.

With refurence to the allegation by the Board of the Royal Institution, of their ufier to pay the chebts mad ther refusal of the Guremors to sem them a certified list, *e. the madersirned has to say: 1st. That although it was understood that the Boarl had come to the determination, at theire visitation of the Collage in the early part of November last, to liquidate its delts they made no communicalion to the Guvernars on the subjert until the 12th Derember, when they informed the Governors of their intantion to liguidate the kebts of the Collere to the extent of $\pm 1550$, whenerer a list of all the deltes, certified by the Principal and Bursar to comprohend all the dobts due should be transmited to them. The Profossor of Mathematies was at the same time requester by the Buad to assist the Vico-Principal in checking the accoints which the Bume intender to pay. To these communications, the Governors rephed, December 18th, 1844, "that they can see no other renson "tar the proposal mate in that letter 估an a desire on "the purt of the Buardof the Royal Institution to select " either by their own cluice, or hy that of the Viec-Brein"cipal, as they infer from your letem" of the 10 th instant, "to Protessor W"inkes, the dehts which shall and which "shall not he paid; bint as the Govennors on the spot " must be the berit jumbes in this respect, they camot be"come parties to any armagement by which the debts "they have inempol and for which they are desponsifle, "are to be liguidated thourh any ofher meilium than "themselves:--accing lhat the Beard of the Royal Tnstitu"tion can appontiate $\mathfrak{L} 1500$ towards the object in cues$\because$ tion, the (Govemurs resident in Montreal hase to re'. qu'st that this smm may be placed at their disposn " with as little delay as possible."

The Governors being aftervards ledtesuppose that the Tourd had no inention of selreting the accoments which were or were not to be gaid, immediately sent them the regnimed list, and then the sum not on' $£ 1650$, but of $\mathfrak{E} 1300$, was placel at the dispoal of the Govemors. Here then the Buard has at lenghe given up one of the points low which they have alwas: contended,- hat of regulating the economg of the Colleger, -and why ? There is a jetifion before the Legislative $A$ sembly to repeal the Act under which they exist.

It is quite true that the Board of the Royal Tastibution have "intimated to the Gorcruors, their intention to puit © the whole of the manal rerennes of the Trustat the dis"posal of the Goremors, in half youriy payments, onthe "1st July and 1st Jamary;" but they did not notify the Governors of this their intention until the 11 th Jantary, 1845. This is another, and very important elaim, velded hy the Boand, and why? -Where is a petition before the Legistative Asembly to repeal the Act under which they exist. If the Board will yidd this point permanently, this would remore one yery important obstacle to their existence, in the minds of the Governors.

With reference to the charge that the "Board have "neglected to make the most of the College Endow"s ment," the undersigned has to say, that the Governors indulged the hope that either the Ruyal Institution would seek for that nuthority which might have enabled them ere this to have mate ample provifion from the Burnside property for the mantenancerot the College on a much more extended sole than the present, or that they woukd suffer the Govemors to do so. Bat in this they have also becm wofully disappointed, for although the Board of the hogal Institution have always heen aware that they camot lease for more than 21 yours, and that such short leases will not answer here, thoy have never:theless taken no step to prooure additional powers in this resipet until bow ; and it roes not sem uncharitable to suppese thit they are now impelled to this step hy the Petition of the Covernors now before your Committee, There lave heen other meretings of the Legislature, to which they might have applied, as well as to the present.

With reference to "tho dlanger to which the bequest of "the late Mr: Mr (ill might be exposed, by the extinction "ufthe Board, "the undersigned hats nuapprehensions," nor
can le conceive that such can seriously be entertained by any one who has thoroughly considerce the subject.

With reference to the remarks of the Board of the Royal Institution on the subject of Visitors, the' undersigned cannot refrain from the expression of his very preat surpurize that the members of the Board of the Royal Institution do not uppear to be aware that in the crent'ol' the extinction of the Board, Her Majesty would becone the Visitor of the College in the persons of the Julges of IIer Cuurt, -a body which, being on the spot, coull not be loss efficient than one whose meetings can only be held at present at the distance of 180 miles from this Cullege.

In conclusion, the uniersignel bersslearemost distinetly to say, that if" the Board of "the Royal Lustitution,' having allecaly yichled two very important points in dispate between them and the Governors of the College, will also yield the other extriordinary claims set forth in their instructions for the framing of the act of mise en possession, alrcady quoter, and wonk be content with the exerecise of the asual visitatorial powers, they might be continuel without datrinent to the College ; but at the same time, he must say, without any particular advantage, as they are now conslituted. On this subject the undersigned begr to ginote the following passage from a letter of the Chiet Justice of Upper Camala, who entirely eoncurs in the persent proceeding of the Governors here, datel 17 the instant, and addressed to the undersigned:"I wish you very heartily entire suceess in the object or "the Petition to the Lecrislature mentioned in your let"ter. It is utterly inpossible that 12 ©Gill College can "be conductal by any set of Governons under he Char"tel, while the Royal Lustitution take that view of then "powers and daties which they have himerlo acted upon, "and fiom whied they seem resolvel not to depart. " They have in fect grot in their hands the finds of the "Institution, and they make nse of that circumstance as "the means of corcing an entire confomity to theirevews "inerery puint of expenditure, and in every apphronent "ol' the College; wherens, it is clear to 3 , that they "shoukl interpose only as other Visitoms igeryose in re"garil to similar comorations, that is, for the same pur"posen, in the same spirit, and to the sane extent. Inow "can they believe that when the Chown, at their in"stunce, constituted a Corpomation, and apminted Gov"ernors to organize and manage the Collere, it was ever "contemphated that they, as Visitors, were to conce in and "exact a submission to their judgment in every point of "internal ceonony? I can shew at any monent that "that is an enticely erroncons view of the offiee of Visit "ors. Ol" coutse, when we consider who are the menn"b bers of the Royal Institution, wo cannot dould that "they wish and mean to do what they suppose to be "right; but if I had not rean the copresponlence that " was before us in July 1843; I should have thought it "incredible that they could ever have persumed then"selves that any Governors conld be fund wito conld "or would conduct the Institution if exprosed to that kind "ol interterenco"

I linve the honor to be, Sir,
Tour most obedient sorvant,
JOIIN BETHUNE,
Principal M.G. Colloge.

## Thirstlay, 30th January, 1845.

The Chairman laid before the Committee the following whitten answers from the Reverentl Dr. John Bethene Princinal of Mrial College, to tho sume questions as those sulmitted to the Right Revercod the Loral Bishop of Montreal on the 25 th instant :-

Answer ta Q.1.-It was.

Auswer to Q. 2.-I believe the Royal Institulion never had such control-it certuinly has not him it for many years past. Certain simix were, I bulieve, ammally voted to the Royal Institution by the Legishature; and a certain portion of the proceeds of the Jesuits' Estates was, placed at its disposal by the Executive.

Lluswer to Q 3.-It is su; for I do not sinpose that the accidental ciremmatanees of the "Board of the Royn Institution having been made the depositovies for a time of Mr: M'(aill's bequest, and nilterwards Visitors of M'Gill College by the Charter thercof, in the year 1821, can possibly be considered as objects for which the Act was passed (twelve years pofore Mr. MiGill's death) which constitated those objects:

Answer to Q. 4--The late Mr. M'Gill did not bequeath property ant moncy to the Roynl Institution in Hrust, but to certain Tristecs: Ist. The estate of Bumside, upon trust, that they should "as soon as it convo" niently could be done after my (his) decease,' by a good "aud sufficient conveyante narl ussurance, convey and "assure thic said tract or mareel of hamd, Se., to the Royn " Institntion for the advancenent of Leaming, \&e., * ** "upon condition that the said Ruyal Custitulion do and "shall within the space of ton years to be acconnted " fiom the time of my (his) lecento, ereet and extablish " or cause to beerceted and estabished upon the truct or "parcel of land aforenaid, an University or College for "the purposes of education, with a comipetent number of "Drofiessors and 'lenchers to render such establishlment "effectual for the purposes intender,". And, Sndly, to the sune 'Irustees, uron trust, the sum of $\mathbb{E 1 0 , 0 0 0}$, that Whey womld pay it to the Royal Yastitution when the suid Roynd Institution "slall havecrected and, establisht"ed or "dansed to be crected and established an Uni"vorsity or College on the aforesaid tract or parcel " of land * * to be by the snid Royral Institation paid "and applied towards defraying the expense incur"red in establishing the said University or College and
"towards maintaining the same alter it shall have been "erected and cstablished, in such manner and form and "under such rogulations as the said Royal Institution "shall, in this bohalf, prescribe." It was held by the Courts, in this colutry, and by the Court of fand append in England, that the Roynd Tnstitution had constitated, erected and'establighed MIGill College with a competent number of Professors, \&e. when, at their request, the Charter was grated, and that such constitution, \&e., hy Charter, was a sufficient fulfinent of the above mentioned condition of Mr. MCill's will. , By this Charter, Coverhors are appointed to make Statutes for the College, to appint its I'rofessors and officers, res, atate thein daties, sularies, fees, \&ce., with a general power to do whatever may be necessary for the well-governing of tide Institution. 'The Charter creates aliso a. Corporation which is empowered to hold estates to the extent of $\mathbf{£ 6 , 0 0 0}$ per annum, \&ce., \&sc. To this Corporation the Royal Institution, $I$ conceive, was bound to pay and make over all the property, real and personal, bolonging to the College; inaismuch as, by and throuth the instrumentality of the Charter, the Roval Institution las 'preseribed the "man"acr and form". \&o. and the rerulations "under which "the. University is conducted,-" and, iuasmuch as the Royal Institution have themselves applied a portion of the money, in "delraying the expense incured in estab" lishing the said University," and cau only pay and apply the remainder of the bequest "towards mantaining "the same" by the menas or instrumentality of the persons appointed to do so by the Charter which the Royal Institution themselves procured. No other persons or body can pay or' apply money, as 'I apprehend, towards the maintenance of the College, than those wlo are appuinted to do so by the Cliarter.

Answer to Q. 5-Il is. Leases for twenty-one years cannot be cffected with any present advantage to the College.

Answer to Q. 6.-With this discretionary power, and untrammelled by an influence which is so far distant that it may be called a foreign influence, I entertain no doubt that the Governors could raise, an immediate income (that is, within the next twelve monthis) of not less than $£ 1000$ pex annum, and within'three years of not less than $\mathbf{£ 2 0 0 0}$, per annum, from that portion of the Buriz
side estate which lies to the S. E. of Sherbrooke Street, as nay be seen by the annexed plan, (Appentix No. 6, ') which I procured to be made duriag tho last summer, with a progressive increase on ench lease, every twenty years for one lundred years, in proportion to what may be considered the naturn rise of proprerty in that quater of the city. Such a plan would serve the pumpose of supplying the presont wants of the College withont detriment to its fiture proppects. The Royal Inslitution minght have obtained euthority to dispose ol the property in this manner, 'cither by application to the Legishature or to one of the Jugges of the Count of Queen's Bench, The Covernors conald not arlopt the latter course because they could not slew any title to the property. 'Jhe Royen Lnstitution conserquently, julging by the sifes of property alongside which actunlly wore clfected, might, during the last summer, have increased the reventies of the College by at least $£ 1000$. In addition to this income an adtational revenue may, be raised at a more ristmi period, by the lease of lots to the number of sixty-five, on the North West side of Shorbrooke Street, withont my material detriment, to the College grounds, at a price which camot now be calculated of even surmised. Indeed, I entertain no doubt that in the course of the next twenty years a revenue may be raised from the Burnaide property to the full extent prescribed by the Charter, viz: 56000 per allunu.

Answor to Q. 7.-The Governors informed the Ioyal Institution on' the 22nd 'June, 1843, of their intention to open the Colloge enty in the month of September following, and requested to know, what sum could be placed at their disposal for making the necessary preparations for hant purpose, without detriment to the realized annual income of the College. The Royal Institution refused to give them any information on the sulject, or toplace any money at tlicir disposal; but offered to tuke the matter into consideration whenever the Governors should furnish then with a detailed statement of the articles of furniture, Be. which might be required ; and a particular estimate of 'their cost. The Governors repliel' that they could not furnish such statement or cistimate, and the Royal Instintion persisted in'their refusal. The consequence was that the Governors borrowed $£ 500$, and procured articles on credit, for some of which they have becn sued. The Royal Institution were repeatedly applied to for money to purchase fuel, but made no reeply, althongh they know that I' lind partly paid for, and partly become personally responsible for all the fud for the years 1843 and 1844, that is, from the opening of the College to the lst January last. Had I not purchased fuel, on my own personal responsibility, in September last, the doors of the College mast have been closed,-its credit vas destroyed by the rofusal of tho Roynl Institution to pay its debts. The Roynl Institution, however, placed $£ 1300$ at the disposal of the Governors for the payment of the debts as Fin" as that sum would go, only on the 2 lst instant, although thoy came to the dotermination to do so on the 15th November last, thus suffering, law expenses to accumulate in the memtime.

Answer to Q.8.-They have; the sum is $£ 500$, which will fall due in the month of September next.
Auswer to Q. 9.-They had and still have, though not perhaps without touching upon, vested, capital; yet a vigorous and timely application of themselves to the creation of resources from the property, would have move than supplied the deficiency.-I consider that the negleat of the Royal Institution in this behalf has been productive of serious loss to the Institution.

Answer to Q.10.-The operations of the Governors of the Colloge have been cmbarrassed and retarded by the Royal Tustitution since the year 1836, as will fully appear by reference to my reply to their communication to your Committee of the 20th instint; and since the opening of the College the operations of the Governors have been sadly" circumseribed and all but paralyzed, by the neglect of the Royal Institution as Wefore stated. 'If some provision be not made during the present Session of Parliament for increasing the income of the College and for ensuxing a more vigorous mangement of its property than has at ay time been exerted by the Royal lu-

## Appendis

14th March:
tintion, the Colere must close its doors. Whin regan to the remely, it nust be obvions that it is not to be afsplied by giving alditional powers to the same kody which has manifisted so much incapacity, and antion hid the mamarement heredore of the property of the College--13ut it apperas to me that the Charter proviles $n$ good anil sumfent Corporation lon that purpuse, viz: "Lhe Go" Permors, Prineipal and Fellons, and their, steecssors for "ever,"-And the ematment which is retureal, is simply to depent the Aot of 180], eomstitutiar the Ropat Insio tution; to invest the beghest of Mr. M. Gill in the Corpomation apponted by the Charter whe are athorized to buhd dide property of the College to the extent of $\pm 6000$ per anmam "above all eharges," and to mothonize then to disprese al the poprety in the ferms of the Aet petitioned for by the Guvernors. I am well nware that the continmance ot tho dinyal lastimion by the reconstraction of the boad has been propused hy the present meme bers, to comsist of members resident in' all parts of tho comontry, it remedy which most lo worse than the disense, since a' Board so consixteted conld not moct often, and merer without meat incompenience, $\AA$ Buard of members fesident ill Duntreal conde not he mome competent on mange the property of the College than the Corporation of the Governors, Prinefinal and Fellows, which last may be apointed in molimited ntmbers, while it would have the disarlvantnge of not only possible, "but; judging trom past experieme, very probable disagrement and collision with the Govenors. I im also amare that an alleration of the Chirrter has been suggested by the Royal Lnstitution increasine the namber of Govelnor's resident in Monteral. To say nothine of the fact that the value of this remedy , mist depend sulely upon the contingenery of the fitness of the persons who minht be selected, I am of "opinion that the Charer camot the altered hy any authority whatsoover. Mr. Mr Gill's Will leaves it to the Royal [nstitation to preseribe, not from time to time, but once for all, the "manner and form" mat the "requations" under which che College shall De ostabliphed met matuened. The hoyal lnstitution have to premeribel, by the Charter which they fianed, and it camot be allered.

Answer to Q. I .-I IU not know; but I believe thenet annual proceds are about $\mathrm{x}^{5} 500$ enrency.

Ansuren (0 Q. 12-I Tefer you to my answer to intrrrogatories 6 and 10.

Ansuce to Q. 13.-They have ; a copy of' which has been lyled before your Conmittee by the Lord Jishop of Montreal, as I an informed by the Lord Bishop himself.

Ansmer to Q. 14.-I havo not. I an' quite satisfel? with the opinion which has been exprossed on the subjeet by the Chied Justices ol Upper Camada and of Montreal, riz:- that the amihilation of the Royad Institution camot cudanger the bequest.

## Monday, 3rd February, 1845.

The Chairman Iad before the Committee the following witten answers from the Reverond $F, J$. Lamdy, Vice Principal of M'Gill Collere, to the same questions as those submitted to the Right Reverend the Lurd Bishon of Montreal on the $200 t h$ ultimo.

## Answer to Q. $1,-\mathrm{Yes}$

Anstuer to Q. 2.-I belicve that the Ruyal"Institution has no control whatever over the procecds of the Tesuits' Lstates. The Royal l'ree Grammar Selool at Montreal and the Selood at Three Rivers are now unler the superintendence of that Buard.

Answer to Q. 3.-I am aware that "other provision" las been mate fon Jiducation, but I am not aware that "all the ohjects" for which the Royal Institation was constituted have leen taken out of the hands of that bourd.

Answerto Q, 4.-The hatemb, MrGill gaveand deyised property und money to the Ilonomble doln Ridiny den tant James Red or' Montreal, to the Reverent Johin Starchan, Hedor of Comwall, mad tu James Dunlop of Montreal, upon trust that they or their heirs, exceatom or onrators should domver and assure the said property amb money to "the Royal lustitution for the alvancement " of Learninge" tpon condition that the suid "Royal In"s stitution for the advancementol' ' earning", shond w, withit tho space of ten years atter the death of Mr, Metill. orect and establish of catuse to bo crected and extablishech :III University or College. Mr, Mriall expresty states
 pounds to the same 'l'tustex mpon trust hat they should
 " vancenment of Lemming" not only towarde defimying the expence inenred in establishing the mad "University "or Cullege", but alsor" "tomads mantaining the samo " after it shall lave been erected and established."

## Answer to Q. $\mathrm{S}, \mathrm{I}$ I beliove so

Answer to (2. 6.-I do not seo that anypeculiar adrantage is to be gnined by the power to dispose of the Collage property heing vested in the (iovernors, that power losing mow in the hands of the Visitors in contomity with the provisions of the Will of the founder. I apprebend that it would be an exceedingly dangorous step to take it out of the hancls of that body' more especially since there is resident in Monteral only one Governor of the Collegu (who is willing to act) bestides thu Acting l'incipal.

Answer to Q. $7 .-\mathrm{I}$ am aware that the Royal Tnstitution hestated for sonte time hefore ther remited money to pay the expenses incurred for the opening of the Colloge, and that they have but lataly remitted $\mathbf{t} 1300$. I am nevertlicless of opmion that their liesitation arose maing from the refusal"of the Arting Principal to render. an accome to them of the disposal of the reats and profits of the Burnside estate. I anmot aware that the Governors living in Mondrend have evar been sued in their individual eanaty for debts due by the College. I nover heated of tay surh netion or suit being commencoal. An adtion was entered against the Corpointion, i. e. "the Governoss, Prineipal aud Fellows," bot the plaintills beame bankrup soon after, and 1 believe no finther proercelinga were taken. I an not aware that the Royal hastitution ever "refused" lumds for the purMase of fuel. I believe that a quatity wors purchased by order of the Acting Pdineipal, on credit.

Answer to $Q$. 8.-I aminware that in Soptember, 184B, Whe (iovernots horrowed L500 from the Bank of Eritish Nurth Anerica.

Answer to Q. 9.-I helieve that the Royal Inatitation had funds sulliciont to meet the expenses incurded for opening the Colloge ; but I apprehend that the present anmal income arising from the bequest of the late. Mr. M'Gillwill'not cover more than lalf of the annal expenses of the Colluge.

Answer to Q. 10.--I do not think that the paralysis under which the College nimifestly labours is to be attributed to the course pursued by the Royal Institution. 1 would, never'ficlest, remark that the, fint of the Board meeting it Quebec is an inconventent frangemient; and would suggest that His Jixcelleney the Governor Gencral should be requesterl to add five genthmen resident in Montreal to the Board, and appoint their meetings to bo held within the wads of Md'Cill College.

Ausiver to Q I1.-Thm not sufficientlyncquainted with the financial affiris ot the Thest to bo able to auswer the question.

Answer to Q. 12.-I would recommend that the property in (question he allowed to remnia in the linads' ot the Royal lnstitution, reorgmized as 1 have suggested in my naswo to puery 10, and that an Act should bepassed by tho I'rovincial Legislatue enabling that boty 10 grant leases lor any period not exceeding ninety-nine years.

Answerto Q. 13.-I believe that the Visitors lnve made a Repont to His Excellency the Governor General on the' subjucet of MiGill Cullege; Dut Dhate no copy of the said leport.

Ansuer to Q. 14.-I liavo received no such legal advice; bit am 'ayare that there exists an opinion of Messers. Sthare and Black adyerse to the viovs of the Chict Justice of Moutrena and the Acting Principal of the College.

## Thitestay, 6/h Fobruary, 1845.

The Clmiman laid lufore the Committee the fullowing Letter reedived from the Reverend D: John Belhune:-

## Monthemer, wh Fubrlary, 1845.

Sun,-Ifaying been informed that the 13ishop of Montreal, in giving evidence before the Committee of the Legislative Assembly to which the Pethion of tha Guvernors of M Giall College has been referect, has filed a copy of a Report of the Board of the Royal Institution for the advancement of Lenrning to Mis Exeellency the Governor General, I beg leave to senul you herowith, fur the information of the Committec, an copy of the leteer which I lave written on the sulject of dhat Report as lit as it relates to me indivilually, to His Exceliency. I beg lenve to add that 1 hupe tho Cuyernors of' M'Gill College resident in Montrent will be enabled to funish the Commitce, shumy, with a eopy of their later to Hin Fixcellency, now in course of prepmration, on those portions of the Report which echate to them jointly, in thail capacity.

I have homor to be, sir,
Your most oledient socrant,
JOMN BEMEUNE, Principal of AJ"Gill Colleyg.

For the cony of the Letter referred to in the preceding l.etter, see Aypmadix No. 7.

## Suturday 8 th Fromady, 184.

The Cham mai had beforo the Committee die following writem nuswers from, the Honorable Fullieres" ale St. Ráal, Chies" Justice ol' Monleeal, and a Gryemor of M'Gill Collere, to the same questions as those submitted to the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Montreal, on the 25tl utimo: - "

Answer to '(2. 1.-Tulgiug of the intentions of the Legislature from the terns of the Provineinl Statute of 'lower Canala of the 41st Gro. III. chap. 17, it apppears that the Royal Inslitution were creand 'Trustees of' the Schools and other Thstitutions of Roynd Forndation for the advanecment of Turning. They were established for the mangenentand ndministration, iniprovenent and andionation of all estates and projerty to be appropian tell to tho suid' Schools and Inslitutions of Royal Fonndation.

Answer to Q. 2-At a time when the estates of the lato Order of Josuits were considered to have escheited to the Crown, X believe the Royal Institation exurcised uertain powers orer the peciniary procects of those estintes, but the Assembly of Lower Comadn hitving clained thoise estates by an Aldress to the King unter the administration of the Eut of Dahbotsic; the King grabiousty acecded to the prayer of the Mouse, and siace, that period I believe the cstates in question are inder the exclusive control of the Provincial Legiglature.

Answer to Q. 3 -The provisions made by the existing

Laws 'So" the enconragemont of chacation and leaning have placed the superintendence ol celtention in otlee hands, and mpene 'inconpatibe with the provisions of the Provinciat statito 41 st Georgo LII. chap. 17, and therefore I consider the doyal Institution is virlually extinct.

Ansuor to Q. 4.-Wre bequest of the hate Mr. M.Gill, of hand and monies, was mule to the Royal lastitution in trust to give offect to the 'Lostatur's intentions, numely, "to ereet or chuse to be erected me Univosity or Col "lege for the purposes of edacation and the atyancoment "of Lemining in"Lower Chata,", anil the monies to be paid "and applied by the Royn Shstitution towards definying the expense inctiper in establishipg the said Univer sity or Cullege, and lowarls mantaning the same after it'shall have been urected and establishled, 'Jhe Royal Institution: have chased to be erected an! University or College, agreandy to the directions of Mr, M'Gill's Will. The Royal Chater' of this University or College granted
 Governors, Principal ani feellows, into ar distinat and sieprarate body politie and comporate tander the nimo of the Governors, Principal and Fellows ol' M'Gill College It provides that the Governor' of LLower Chada, the Liemomant Governor of Uppor Cinnadn, the Bishop of Quebee, the Chiof Justice of' Montreal, and the Chiof Dustice of Upper Camada slanl be Govechn's of the said MGill Collage , and the Principa is also to be a Covernor.' It grans to the Corpoman of M.Gill Col luge tall audiocity and free ticense to talse and acquire, hold aud retain for the nse of the said College, any Manors, Rectories, Ailvowsons, Mussunges, Limals, \&e., not cxceeding the ammal stun of 26000 , thove ath charges, and 'all 'und any gools, chatels, charitable fand other contributions, gifts and beiefictions, and hat the Govornors, Principal and jollows nay sue und be such. "TWith the eonsent, therefore, and at the suit of the Rogul Institution, a disitinct andspunate Comporaion has been eroctecl for the govermment of MrGill College with power to hold lands mad goorls for tho same Corporation, to suce and be sued in relation to the corporate slate and affinirs. Nerertheloss, tho Royal Institution 'ctain' the monics bolonging to the Compration' of M'Gill Oollege under the lounder's Will, nat clain to be the legal possessorss of the lands under the said tille. "ff, their pretension is sustaimble, then two distinct Corporations may hord lands and goods for the College, mancly, the Roynh' Institution slall hold tho hands and goods under Mr. M'Gill's Will, and the Covemoms, Principal and Fellows of actill Cullege may hode other lants not exceeding 56000 in value, ant goods, without dimitution, fur the Jenefit of the stane Corporation. Bat this pre tension cannot bo sustainerl without frustratiang the limitution contained in the Clutrter; for as the hands willed by the late Mr. M'Gill will probubly exteed 'x6000 in numul vilue, the total amome of land that might be thus held by the two Corporations for one single foundation or parpuse might exceerl f 12000 , in manifest viola tion of the Royal Charter, But in fact by the erection of a Corporation with full powers' for the govemment of MrGill Gollege att the instance of the Roynt Institution, the litier body is wholly relieved, and diseharged from the sane trust. Moreover, the Royal Institution cham to he Visitors of M'Gill College uniter the Clinter, but how ean they sustain the double and incompatible chatrneter of Corporators and of Visitors!" Cal they correct theic own crrors? And if they shonhmisnply finy parts of the Corporate funds, or connmit any otilier breach of wrust, here is no authority to visit and correct them.

Ansiur to Q. 5.-In terms of the Saw of Lower Camadi, Corporations are not allower to make leases of land for more than nine yoas without sufficiont cause and judicial nuthority. The Royal Institution are allowent, if' ever they slioute have lands, to make leases, for tweity-one years"; but no minn in Canada will iniprove lands on so shurt a leabe, anid it is the interest of M.Gill College to make such leases ns will induce the lessees to make valuble improvenents, as by meaus of long leases, sny for ninety-nine years or in perpotuan, the extensive nad now unproductive lands of the Corporation anight be profitably disposed of.

## Appunpix

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 a' arelimaty axpenditure.





 lowards thatesmen and fimbinders; hat 1 bolleve tho Rugal Instiation havo very hately diselamged those biahilitios, as ollomwise I was to have leen sumed at the last term of the Con't or Qumatis bianch on the Joint hote od 19r. Ibethume and mysple, subseribed in aid of the C'ollegr.

Answer 10 Q. B, - Thase simned motes for money thken
 and conjointy with the Prinefot, Do Bohnune, who is better able than myseld to delail the particulars.

Ansicer to Q. 9.-I have mot inquired inte the state of the finats of AL'Gind College in the hands of the Royal Institallon, or into tha nmothat ; but, il 1 may judge drom the reasons they have more than one nemgated tor jefilsing to bemit moniss to the onder of the Governms, their daim was to examine, in the first instance, finto the fitness, temsonahbrims and justice of evory charge, -hy yiehling to whed dam the (evernors would have lecome the mere sarvante and agents of the Royal Institution, whereas they conecioe themserfes to be the "esponsible adnamistrators ol' M'Cill C'ollege.

Answer to Q. 10 - So long in the Ruyal Institution shall reatin possession of the finnis belonging to the University of'M'Gill Collerer, and shall cham as they do, a right or power to govern the University, there will in fact exist two sets of Ginvornors of the sume Institution, mancly, the Royal lastitution elaming aripht ol government theder the Provinuial Shate of 180 d , and the Governors of Medial College nominatol by Chater at the suit of the sume Pogal Listitution ; and bhere mast be a Wathing between the two bodies which will inevitably (map, the enemies and pambiac any somal prineiplo of ation in the body so governed. Lut let the Universily of Me'Cill College be sulyented, in terms ol its Chatter, to the governument of one set or body of men,--ler the Covernors have the power ant the mems to govern the University and to alminister its lands and goods,-and lat then be empowered to clispose of hads cinher by absolute sale or Bail ie rente, for the purpose of mising an mamal rovenue ; and, to gruard arainst mal-administintim, ant correct crrors, let there bea sudficient Jomod of Visitors at Montrenl, such as a Committee of the Jixecolive Comacil, or the Conrt of Queen's Bench,--unless it shath be deemed that the logiss or representatives of the fommlen are the rightifi Visitors, in which case that rights onght to be respected.

Anster to $Q .11$.-Thare no knowledge of the anome on hand to the eredit of the College, thid do not know how it is invested, of at what rate ot'jnterest. J'se Rogal lastitution aro josesessed of all the moniex belongfing to the College; but I beliere Dr. Bethune can give the infurmation required by this question.

Ansirer to Q. 12.-I refer to my answer to the loth question.

Ansuer to Q. 13.-The Royal Institution linve made a Report to Jis Fixemency the Governur Genem on the subject of MCGill College. I have not any copy of that ducument, bit Dr. Methune has it, and will hand it over to the Committee.

Answor to Q. 14. Thave received no legal alvice on the subject matter of this question. I think there was arror in the appointment of the Royal Institulion to be Visitors of M'Gill College, inasmuchas the right of ri-
siting in pivinte fomdation bolongs to the fomerer mad his ledis by lav. But the Roynl Instifution Latying propom sol themselves ins Vishtors of MeCill Collegro anit sildese quently neted as such, they have theneby remodiated all clam ionet in the first instance as admindstrators of the sume College, mal linve thereliy manittod the right of goverment to be vested lin the Governors of the College, subject to visilation.

## Sthurday, 22ud Fe'th'uary, 1845.

The Chanman luid bofore the Committer the followitg
 retary of the Roynd Insitution, in reply to a manest made to him on the 24 the Jamary hast, fore conies of all docermonts in jossersion of the Roynd Institution in relation to their difterences with the Guvernors of MrGill Col-lege:-

> Hoxat Instrututon Onerela
> Qucber, 3rd Hebruary, 18d5.

Sin,-Tn reply to your letter of the 24 the atimo, ro. questing a copy of ali docuncols in redutioni to dhe difler. ences between the Royde Institution and the Govertmes of M'Gill Collerge, I bey tonerquint you that the corvospondence is extremely volemintous, thal would take a long time in' copsing : With the comentrence of the Menbers of the Joand mov in Quobee, I. lavoselected the enclused as collealated to comoy to dio Commite a colereet impression of the matters at issac.

I hive the hondr to be, Sin,
Your noust ubedient servant,

## 1R. R. J UURRAGLi,

Secertery $R$ R. $I$.
Extract From Minutes, 7th July; 18t:3.-(Appendix No. 8.)
 dive No. 9.)

Minute, Norember, $184+4$-(Ajpendix No. 10.)
Aduless, November, $1844 .-($ Appendia No, 11.)
The Chaiman also lad belore itie Comaitte o letter. received from the Reverend M, R. Duaruge, Beeretary of the Royal Institation, in answer to Question 11, sub)mitted by the Committe to the Right Reverend tho Lord lishon of Montreal on the 2 gth Junury hast. -(Apperdiz: No. 12.)

Tuestaig, 20il Founuary, 1845.
The Charman laid before the Committee a copy of the answer of the 'Monoruble Valliones de St. Rénh, Chiuf Justice of Montreal; nud of the Reverend Dr. Joh line. thene, two of the Governors or M'Gill Collegre, dated 14th February, 1845 , to the Report of a Visitation by the Board of the Royral' Institution in November last, made to His Fxcellency the Govemor Gerieral, -received firom the Reverend J. Abbott, Auting Seeretary of said Col-lege-(Appenclix No. 13 . $)$

## Findnestay, 27 th Iicbruary, 1845.

The Honorable Andrew William Cochran, of Quebec, a Member of the Bourd of the Royal Iustitution, exam. ined :-

## 1. Iad not the Royal Institution, mid has it not jet,

 the control of the proceels of the Jesuits' Estates, aswoll nts of montes yoted by the Tagistature for Schools undar thely oharge?-Dhe Royal Insitition nover ladmay 'control over the 'funds of the 'Jesuite' Fistates, and never received my grant from the reventies of the Eatates oxcept a sim of 2200,1 think, nilvaneed to them by the Eind of Dulhousie as a lom to onable them to carry on the netions ngainst Mr. Dosnivienes and his hoirs, bor the rocovery of the estnto and logney given by Mr, MeGill ; nur linve tho Royal Institution recoiped, tor more than ton yens past, any portion of the monies granted by the Legisham ture for Schools.
2. Is not tha property lefi by Mr. Nreaill to the Colloge umproductive for the want of legal authority to grant leases for mose than twenty-one yen's?-1'Te real property, now in possession of the Roynd Institution, for the support of M'Gill College, 'ying around and nenr the College, is unprohlative for the want of power in tho Royal Institntion to grant a titlo for any, longer period than twentymoneyen's ; but the loond of the Roynd lim stitution are now applying to the Legishate for power to alienter such pats of the land as they and the Governors may duen ndvisable, for the purpose of increasing the mannal income of the College.
3. Aro.gon not of opluion that if the Governors (a Guorum of whom being esidentah Montreal), had muthority todispose of the propery to the hest advintareat their dis. eretion, it wouh very soou produce to the College ample menns for carrying on tho Institution in a ereditable mannep ?-T contertuin very great dohibts wholier, while the Board of Crovernors is fomed as it now is and withont an incrense of rumbers the pesult of leaving to them the discretionary disposal of the property would not be the very revorse of that stater in the question ; julging from the expendilarethat the Governors linvo incured on atcount of the College, since August 1843, I am of "opinion that if the Royn Thatitution had deliverod over to the Guvemnen on their demand, a few yen's aro, the property hede in thist by the Royal Institation fur the Cullere,
 cidedly of opinion that the property should be unter the mandement of a baly distinct from the Gorernors. It is to be observed that the property was given by the Testator not for Mr Gill College alone, but for the foindation of a University, if in process of time it shoula bo lound practicable to crect more Colleges than one.
4. Are jout arrate that the Royal Institution have refused to pay the expenses necessuthly incurred for opening the College, for which the Governors living in Montren are being sued; and have they not also refused money for the purehase of the necessary fuel, so mich so that the saill Governors have been obliged to procure some at their own expense, to prevent the College doors from being sused ?-With respect to the first part of this question linust inswor, that the Royn Institution liaving been requited by the Governors, some time in the summer of 1843 , to state what sam they could and ance to need the expronses attondant on the opening of the Institution, requested to have some sort of estimate of the anture and amont of the expense which it was proposed to incur"; and, it my recollection serves me righty, the Royal Listimtion ulso intimated tlint an nccount should be rendered of the rents and profits of Burnside estate since 1840 , which lade been received by Dr. Dethunc, and which the Roynal Institution thought might go in part towaths definging the expenditute proposed to be incurreer ; no estimnte or necount whe fapmehed; and when in the following winter"or spritig (1844) the Governors sent to the Royal Institution alist of debts amounting to $\pm 1700$ and upivards, as incurred chiefly for the expenses of opening and fitting up the College, the Roynal Institution did consider such an expenditure (about threc years income of the Listitution) not to be s necessarily incurred," but to be, on the contrury so extravagant, both in ithe gross nod the details, that they did not feel justifed in sinking so linge a portion of the capital yielding income, for auch $\mathfrak{r}$ purpose a beg leave hore to state sity, hinge myself' bear edncrited at a Colonian Univergity, of which my' father wa's long Vice- President and a
Goveruor, and remembering the opening of that Univer-
sity, I know woll that the expenditure in overy way for that purpose, including furniture, fitting up puplic upnetmonts, \&o, was less than. $£ 500$, and that a prit of this sum went for purposes jot included, in tho expenditure of $\pm 1700$ Incurvid by the Governors of MChl College. Wlth ressuct to the refural of the Royal Sinstituion to advance money to he Govemors fur friel, it is not the that such wais the fuct : I recollect that duxing hatiturn mon or matumn, in conseduence of the ocensional nbsence from Quebee at different tines, of some nembers of the Board, some delay took phace in, getting a mecting, and that in consequence of this (as I boleres) an appleation about fuel remained unmawered for some "times but though the anoant demanded ( $£ 100$ ) for a years finel, (or ono fifle of havailable income) apponted exorbitant, it vas granted. With tespect to tho regulan salmies, if nny delay lins ocensionaly oceured in, fumishing the Governord with funds to pay them, it has happened cither from the cause I have mentioned (the aceidental difficulty of gelting aneeting of ble Bomd at Quebec) or from tho ineesslly of obtaining thom the Govemors an explanttion of some' new ltem in their demand, on from the call boing ande at a montent when the "hilf yenty or uther periodienl payments of the income of the propeity had not yut fillen due atid been received.
5. ITave not the Governors been obliged, in thery in dividual enpacity, to borrow money to a large amount, for which they are, individuably responsibici if so, to what anount ?-lin an necomat sent to the Rojal In: stitation ha Decomber or Junury last, professing to give It list of the debts dae by the Govornots of tho College, ne the following items:
Amount horrowed from Bank 13, N. A. ... ... $£ 500$ Do. Do. Do. , ... ... 100
Notes signed by the Clicf Justice of Montrenl and
the Erincipal, for ont-buidings, youble windows
in the contre building and other work
With respect to the last item I linve no pecollection, and do not believe that hay nplication was made by tho Goverriors to the Bonted for money for the yetrposes theren specilied; and I muy midd, that the expenditure is consitiored by competent julges as inordinately large for such purposes.
6. Ind not the Royal Institation; when the College was opened, and ever since, and have they not at the present time, funds saticient to meet the expenses attend ing the opening of the said College, and those since incurved for keeping it open ?-Celtainly not, il": by axiponses are meant diose which the Governors have incurred or proposed to incurs I may here, undor this question, give in genem view of the past mid prosent state of the finances of the College. The estate of Burnside near Montrenl devised by Mi. M.Gill; which comsists of about
noros, was only recovered from his rosiduary Legatee, Mr . Destivieres in 1828; after a long litigation; find in 1829 the lRoyin Institution went through the form of putting the Governors of the College undar the Chmiter, in possession of the house and grounds, in order that, conformbly to the Charter, a"College miglit be opened, in the builditgs then erected there, if it should be afterwards deemed practicnble and expedient: Ihe house and lnind were let for some yenrs to clifferent tenants at a trifling pehty; not much beyond the expense of "repaiis" and 'axes' lin 1836; the surviving Trastees under Mr' MCill's Will hining reiriously obthined final jadgonent against Mr. Desriviercs heistor the legncy of elo, 000 witlinterest, received from the heirs in sntisfaction of that judgnent, at a valuation, two houses in Montreal, a piece of ground contaning , neres adjoining Burpside estate, ceitain vontes constitaces onpropertios in and rienr Montrenl, and of sutifi of 87000 , lue to the hens by Mr. Redpith, payble anially with interest, in instanchits of £1000, trom Juie 1889 nind secura unon pojerty what lind been sold to hin by the licits ; the whole ploperty: so tranfured loing valued nt about $£ 20,000$ an notion hiving leen brought by the Roynl Institution arningt the Irustees under the Will for the anotunt of the lepacy, with intercst, (being in all about $£ 22$, 000 , judgment was obtaind agdinst them in Oc
tober 1837; and they assigned over to the Royal Institution the above mentioned real property and rentes constitués and mortgage debt, with the further sum in noney, of about $£ 2,500$. Out of the funds thus receivel, the Royal Lnstitution proceeded to the erection of in new building for a College which cost upwards of $£ 10,000$, although it was at first intenied that the cost should nut exceed $£_{5000}$; but the building being conducted under the direction of a luilding Conmittee at Montreal, rarious alterations were firon time to time proposed which doubled the expensc. By this means, and by the diffcrence between the actual and estinated ralue of the property so taken in payment, the remaning capital was reduced to an anount yielling an interest or income of little more than $\pm 559$, derived from a house in Montreal (one house larring been sold) from rentes, constitućes, and from the intercst on Mr. Redpath's debt, gradually diminishing every year. The Governors were accordingly informed in 1843, that the gross available income of the Institution (subject to deductions for insumnce, repairs, taxes and agency; ) wals about $£^{5} 559$, which would be paid over to them as required for the maintenance of the establishment. The estaldishment, as fixed by the Governors in 1843, was:-
Acting Principal \& Professor of Divinity, (Dr. $\mathrm{Be}-$ thune, .
V. Principal and Professor of Classical Literature, (Mr.' Lundy,)
Professor of Mathematics \& Natural Plilosophy,
(Mr. Wickes, ) ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 300
Tutor, (Mr. Chapminn, $\quad$... $\quad . . \quad$... ... $\quad .$. Bursar, (Mr. Alhott, )... ... ... ... ... '... "100
To which must be added for servants, fuel and other
necessary expenses, at lenst ' .. ... ... ... 200
£1050

Being an excess of permanent expentiture beyond the available revenue, of $£ 500$; and this might serve as a sufficient answer to this question. But the arailable funds have lately been still further reduced to little more than $\pm 450$ per annum, by a sacrifice of capital to the extent of $£ 1500$, for the delts incurred by the Governors, as mentioned in my answer to the 4th question, and for other expenses. When the Royal Institution held a Visitation of M'Gill College at Montreal in Novenber last, being unwilling that tradesmen and others" should suffer loss for the faults of others, and being desirons', if possible, to rescue the affairs oit the College from the state of confusion into which they had fallen, they called upon the Bursar of the College to produce a list of the liabilities of the College. By this list they appeared to amount to $£ 1645$; but the amount was afterwarls found to be erroncous' by $£ 100$. And as the Bursar could not state whether less or more was due, the Royal Institution resolved to pay the debts to the extent of $\mathrm{El}^{1550}$, (including about f200 for officers's salaries,) as soon as a correct list should be certified to them by the Acting Principal and Bursar. Such certificate the Acting Principal for some time refused to give ; but atter some weeks' delay, a list was sent shewing debts (exclusive of the ordinary expenses of the Institution) to the amount of ti2426, instead of $£ 1550$, as follows:

| Estate of late R. Wicir, | £9,2.1 |
| :---: | :---: |
| W. Dorr, | 1110 |
| 12. Stark, | 838 |
| J. Sproster | 026 |
| B. Brewster \& Co. | 18.5 |
| G. Savage \& Son, | 6130 |
| Scott, Shuw \& Co. | 21133 |
| Mrs.' Skinner, | 1210 |
| Hilton \& Butrd, | 18911,9 |
| Crawford \& Glen, | 216 |
| Benjamin \& Brothers | 17 17 |
| Montreal Merald,.. | $15 \quad 81$ |
| John IIarrison, say | $100 \cdot 0$ |
| Lovell \& Gibson,... | 44.10 9 |
| Ludger Duveruay, | 4811 |
| R. Graham, ...... | 72.150 |
| J. Andrew, | 71.2 |
|  | $54116 \quad 2 \frac{1}{2}$ |



And the Secretary of the Royal Institution subsequently received a letter from a gentleman of the Bar at Montreal, claiming on the part of the Steward of the College a further sum for arrears of snlary of $£ 232$, making altogether for starics and contingencies, ...£922 Debts as above,
.2426
Total clebt chaimed
£3348
Of the sums charged for salaries; the itom of $£ 246$ for the balance of Dr: Bethune's salary as Professor of Divinity; was then presented to the Royal Institution for the first time; nor was any such salary evor granted by the Coivernors, except when the funds' of the Institution should permit.. The Royal Institution, in conformity to the resolution they liad allopted at Montreal, paid over'to the 'Governors $£ 1300$, with the last quarter's salary to the Officers of the College, making altogether about $£ 1550$, or about half the whole sum, chamed. Dr. Be thune las denied that the Govemors are accountable to the Royal Institution for monies expended, and the Royal Institution have no means of ascertaining in what way this sum of money has been applied; but I am informed ly some of the partics to whom sums were due that they have been offered one third of their respective debts. I beg leave to ndd, that it is not true that when the Governors firstapplied for in advance for the expenses of opening the College, there was a large amount of the accumulated annual income of the property unemployed and at the disposal of the Royal Institution. . Whenever sums of money' were received, the Royal Institution have remors required an additional sum of $\pm 690$, for the Professors' salaries and ordinary expenses of the College, to 1st Jamury, 1845, as follows:-

made it'r rule to invest them as soon as possible in some safe slock or security bearing interest.

## 14th March.

7. Under the existence of the Royal Institution as now established and in force, is not the College, paralized, nnd is it not advisable that some provision should be canacted to remedy the evil; if so, would you please to suggest, the remedy? -True it is that the Colloge is paralized and scarcely-deserves the name of a College; but that is owing to appointments and to grievous mismanagement for which the Royal Institution are ia no wise answerable. The remedies which I would suggest will le found in my answer to a subsequent and concluding question:
8. At what period did the land belonging to M‘Gill Colloge come into the actual possession either of the Governurs or of the Royal Institation; who had the management of it, at first how long did that management continue; who succeeded to the management; to what uses and in what manner was' the land applied,-was it proluctive of any revenue'; have the rents, issues and profits been accounted for, and if so,' when, by whom, to whom, and in what manner? -I think it was in. 1828, or early in 1829, that the Judgment' in the Privy Council was given in the action which the Royal Institation had brought against the late Mr'. Destiviches to recover possession of Burnside estate. In June 1829, as I have stated in a former answer, the Royal Institution achitted the Governors to possession of this property, and the Charter was promulgated in form and with public ceremony in Burnside honse, which was a formal opening of the College ; but the object of this was, that the Governors might, whenever it should we practicable, open a Collegiate Institution in that building; and the Royal Institution uever intended thereby to transfer the property wholly mid absolutely to the Governors, or to debar or prevent the execution, by the Royallostitution, of the further trusts reposed in them under the Will of the late Mr. M'Gill for the erection' and establishment of a more suitable College or Collerges, so soon as funds should be realized.' ' In 1836, Dr: Bethune, in the name of the Governors, applicd to the Royal Institution for some formal act or instrument evidencing the possession given to the Governors in 1829; and instructions were accordingly given to the legal adviser of the Board at Montreal to prepare an instrument for this purpose, with a reservation of the rights, powers and duties of the Royal Institution both as Visitors under the Charter and as Trustees under the Will, with respect to which rights, powers and daties the Royal Institution had taken an opinion of eminent Counsel, which thas been delivered to the Committee by the Lord Bishop of Montreal. The instrument so directed to be prepared did not satisfy the Governors, who claimed the property as their own. It may be proper here to state once for all, that in all their proceedings and in till their discussions with the Governors or with Dr. Bethune acting in their name, the Royal Institution have been guided by the legal opinion so given to them. For some years, until 1835, the management of this estate was in the hands of the Royal Institution through their legat' agent at Montreal; and when a tenqut could be found, which was not aliways the case, it was' let for a trifling rent of about $\mathbf{£} 50$ a-year, to furmers or gardeners who male use of the grounds. In 1835; when Dr. Bethune was temporarily appointed Principal of the College, he got permission from the Governors to occupy the house and land, on the ostensible ground of tuking care of the premises: his occupation continued until ( $I$ think) May 1840; he paid no rent, though called upon by the Royal Institution to do so ; but in 1839, he demanded of the Royal Institation a sum of about $£ 200$ for 'repairs, ameliorations and expenses alleged to have been incurved by him in and about the house and premises. The Koyul Jnstitution had then lately (as mentioned in my answer to the 6 th question, obtained the amonntiof the legacy of $£ 10,000$, and were desirous of getting Dr. Bethune out of the premises in order that the building might either be used as contenplated by the Charter for a Collegiate Institution, or for a Collegiate Academy, until a new building could be erected, or that some adyntage might be derived to the Trust by letting the house
und grounds. Dr. Bethune refused to give up possession, until his demand on the Royal Institution should be paid, and they' were ultimately, olliged to pay it, with some deductions.' I think they had previonsly paid a considerable sum, during the period of his oceupation, for making up fences. From the time of his vacating the premises, they were let by him (acting in the name of the Governors) to different tenants until 1842, at rents of $\pm 70$ or $£ 80$ per annum, he receiving and disposing of the rents, without any ordel to that effect from the Governors as fur as can be traced in the record of their proceedings. Indeed, from the departure of Sir John Colborne in 1840, there could not, as I conceive, be any such authority regularly given. It is understood that Lord Sydenham did not act as a Governor,--there was no Chief Justice of Montreal from the winter of '1839' to the midsummer of 1842, and there was no Bishop of Quebee from 1836. When the Royal Institution held $n$ Visitation of M'Gill College in November last, they' enquired at the Bursar for any accounts that might have been rendered of monies received for Burnside estate. It was with some dificulty that any precise information could be got as to the person to whom these monies had been paid, or the maneer in which they hat been applied; but at last, a paper was produced, in Dr. Bethune's handwriting; purporting to be an account current of the rents of Burn. side estate received by him for a part of the period since he gave up possession. With respect to the nature and particulars of that account I beg leave to refer" to the Report and Minute of the Visitation of the Royal Institution which has been laid before the Committee by the Lord Bishop of Montreal.
9. Are you aware that a lease or leases either of part or of the whole of the land belonging to the College, for a period exceeding twenty one years, was effected; i's so, be pleased tostate under. what circumstances, when, and a twhat rate, and to whom such lease was made, and whether the party lessec be still in the occupation of the property? - The Royal Institution had long been desirous of disposing of a purt of the ground around and adjoining to the College, so as to increase the income of the Institution; adverse circumstances connected with the state of public affairs, and the valuc of real property, prevented their taking any step for this purpose until in the spring of 1842 a plan was proposed for laying off that part of Burnside grounds, lying south-enst of Sherbrooke Street, and containing about acres, into building lots, to be sold on a lease of ninety-nine years. Among the principal conditions of the sale, as advertized by Dr. Bethune, in the name of the Governors, were these, that the price 'at which the lots should be sold should be the rent for the first thirty-three years; , that this rent should be increased 20 per cent in the next thirty-thee years; and that there should be the same increase in the last thirtythree years, to be calculated upon the increased rent of the second period; and that the lessee should give security for payment of the rent if required. "Sixty lots south-enst of Sherbrooke Street, and including Burinside house, were accordingly offered for sale towards the close of April, 1842, and were all edjudged to a Mr. Pelton, at $£ 255$ for the first period of thirty-three years, which, at the before mentioned rates of increase, would be $£ 306$ per annum, for the sccond period of thinty-three years, and $£ 307$ 4s. Od. per annum, in the last period Bat the Royal Institution weie infomed by their legal Agent shortly afterwards, that, at the sale Mr: Pelton was told by Dr. Bethune' that he would not be vequired to give security for the cent ; and it was' also found that the Royal Tristi: tution had no autlority to "confirm' the sale, being pre vented by a cliuse in the Provincial Statute of 1801 , fiom granting leases of more than twentyone years of any property held by then in trust. That arrangement therefore, was carried no farther by the Royal Institution, but they informed Mr. Pelton that they would grant a lease for twenty wone years, on such reduced rent as should be judged reasonable, but that the new lease should again be submitted for public competition, and that the lessee should give security"; these terms not being accepted, nothing funther was then done And it appearing soon after probable that the Seat of Govern ment might be removed to Montrear it was thought ad-
visable to take no steps for disposing of the land for the present. The Royal Institution, however, found on their Visitation in November last, that Mr. Pelton had been put into possession of the property in May, 1842 , by Dr. Bethune, in the name of the Governors, and that it lat been sulb-let for a rent of $\pm 100$ per annum, which Dr. Bethune had received, and that he had given notice, on the part of the Governors, to Mr. Pelton and the sublessee to quit the premises on the lst May next, with a view, as was understood, to lis again occupying them himself.
10. Are you of opinion that it was expelient to open the College at the time at which it was done; if' so, be pleased to state your reasons ; and if you are of the contrary opinion, be pleased also to state the reasons for forming this opinion?-I was always of opinion that it was desirable to open the College as soon as a suitable building could be obtained, and I should have been glad to have seen the opening of even a Collegiate Academy in Burnside house in 1838, when the lecracy of $\pm 10,000$ was realized. I thought it the duty of the Royal Institution to urge that the property should as soon as pos- . sible, and as fiu as possible, be made available in some way for the purposes desirned by the Testator and acknowledged by the Charter. I thought it desirable also on gencral grounds, that a Scminary of a Collegiate character should be commeneed as soon as possible, where the higher branches of a liberal and classical education should be taught, although perhaps with a rory limited number of teachers.' An additional builling at a cost of $£ 5000$, would have provided sufficient accommodation for the probable wants of the Institution for a long time to come, and the income left would have been suticient to pay a competent Principal and two other Teachers, all of whom might then have been found in this of the neighbouring Provinces. Sir' Johi Colborne thought that the Institution should be opencel with some eclat, and that for that purpose some distinguished Scholar should be got frem Englad as Principal. I think it would hare been better to adapt our expectations, our plans and preparations, to our limited means, to begin on a small seale,-and to seek and wait for that ciclat only, which slould in time be won and secured to the College by the sound, solid, and practical system of education conducted within its walls. Its prospeets were materially altered by the large and, as I think, mowse expentitue of $\mathfrak{x} 10,000$ in the new building ; hat even with the income thus diminished, I think it was right to open the College, provided it had been done with some regard to its diminished means of suport. In answering this question, it may be proper to mention that in 1840, Sir John Culborne called upon the Board to supply $£ 500$ for the Medical Facalty attached"to M'Gill Collegre ; but although the Royal Institation were maxions to sue a beginning of a Course of general Collegiate instruction, and hal pressed this point apon the Guvernors, they did not think it prodent or proper when engaged in erecting a building that would absort so lage a portion of the tunds (nad for whim I nay here ndd, Sit John Colborne had promised a large grant, of public money, which was' never carried into effect, to devote so considerable an amount of the monies resigned by the Testator for the establishment of a Sominary of general instruction, to the limited purpose of building up a Modical School.
11. Do fou know the riumber of students now attending the College, if so, be pleased to state the sune, as well as the maximum number of students in the most flourishing days of the Colloge?'I believe there are now ten stulents attonding the College, and that in the month of December or January last there were but seven. The largest number that I have ever hard of as attending the Colloge was twenty-one, but that only for a short time. In Novenber 1848, when I visited the College as a private individual, there were but eighteen.
12. Do you know the present condition of the affairs of M'Gill College ; be pleased to describo it, and to state the causes to which you athinibute that state, whether prosperous or the reverse, and to make any suggestions that may occur to you, for improving the management of
the affairs of the College, and for carrying out fully the intentions of its founder? --The state of the College is as bad as it well can be, both in its government, organization, management, finances and general estimation. 'It scarcely can 'te called a College, except in having an establishment of teachers; which, however," is beyond its wauts and menns. The govermment of the College is in effect vested in the hands of the acting Principal alone, Chicf Justice Vallières having declared that considering himself to be only accidentally connected with the Institution by reason of his, holding the office he fills, and being a Roman Catholic, he abstained as much as possible from taking an active personal'share in the affairs of the College. The most competent teacher (the Vice Principal and Professor of Classical Literature) has lately been dismissed by an act of the two resident Governors, of which the legality is very questionable.: The qualification for admission is practically (or was lately) that the candidate should be able to construe a little of Cusar's Commentaries and know something of the Greek Grommar. In November, 1843, the Professor of Classical Literalure informed me that his Greek class had not got through the grammar. In last Michaelmas' Term, the best proficient in Greek, (except the two boys in the first class) could not, I have been assured, go through the tenses of the common example of a Greek verb in the grammar. At the same time, in Latin, two only had got beyond beginning to construe Virgil. The state of the finances has been exhibited in my answer to a former question. Other points of mismanagement are stated in the Minute of the Royal Institution to which $b$ have alrearly referved. The reputation of the College is what might be expected from such a state of things. I lnow that a large part of the community, both of Quebec and Montreal, belonging to the Church of England, deeply deplore that an Institution so couducted should appairently be connected with that Church by some of the ap; pointments that have been made in it; but I know also that those appointments were, from the first, entirely disapproved by the Bishop of the Diocese. The following are, in my opinion, the causes of the unprosperous state of the Collere :-1st. The want of a proper independent body of 'Govornors residing in Montreal ; and of a code of Statutes.-2ml. The circumstance of Dr. Bethune being the Principal.-3rd. The queations raised as to the extent of the power of the Royal Institution both as Visitors and in the disposal and management of the property.-4the The low standard of qualification for ma-triculation-waking it a petty school rather than'a College. The remerlies I would suggest' are these :-1st. That an extended and amended Chartei should be obtained from the Crown, ereating, or giving power to the Governor Gencral to create, and from time to time to fill up vacancies in,-a body of Governors resident in Montreal; enabling the Governors to increase the number of Professorships as occasion may require, and defining the powers of the Royal Institution as Visitors, or of any other Visitor or boly of Visitors that may be substituted. An amended Cliarter containing some of these provisions, with others, was prepared in 1835; and urged upon the Provincial Gorermment by Chief Justice Reid and Dr. Bethune ; and the subject was again pressed by Dr. Bethune upon Sir John Colborne, in 1839, with suth earnestness that Sir John Colborne was induced to send the draught of the new Charter to Congland and recommend its aloption, vithout previously communicating with the Royal Institution for their suggestions. Upon'a proper representation lung made, that Board had afterwards an opportunity of submitting their views, not in opposition to an amended Charter, but to make the amendinent more perfect.' Nothing further has since been done in thic mattor, and I have reason, to bolieve that Dr. Bethune has changed lis views with respect to it. $A^{\text {C College }}$ without Statutes'is an anomaly'; but srich is the state of M'Gill College nt present, except with regard to the Medical Facilty of it, which is an appendage of the College. The gencral Statutes passed loy three of the "Governors in' 1843 , have not received the iequired stinction from Her Majesty, and int some respects" they are "objectionable; but it is better that these or some"other regulations slould be extablished at one (if the College is kept open) thai that it should beleft unregulated.

## Appendix

2 ad, I consider it essential to the prosperity of the College, that Dr. Bethune'should cease to be Principal of the College, (haring originally 'been only appointed ad interim, ) and that a fit Principal should be found, who should reside in the College and take a large share in the business of instruction, and that there should be no Yice-Principal. The nomination of Dt . Bethune not having been sanctioned by Her Majesty, as required by the Charter, the object here pointed at might be attained througli the intervention of His Excellency the Governor General, by a recommendation that the Royal confirmation be withheld.' 3rd. Whether the Visitatovial poiver be continued in the Royal Institution, or be otherwise provided for, I look upon it as necessary to be preserved. With respect to the proposed measure for extinguishing the Royal Institution altogether, it is worthy of serious consideration, whether the Legislatiire' ought so to interfere with the express appointment of the, Founder's' Will', so long as it is capable of being executed, and whether such an alteration might not raise a question of right and interest on the part of ", the Founder's heirs-at-law.' But if the Royal Institution should continue in the exercise of the power of Visitors;' I think that authority should be given to the Excentive Government (if ${ }^{\prime}$ it,should we found not to have it ulready, , to appoint an additional number of Members of that Board, and a Principal residing in Montreal. In"1825 or 1826, the present Chiel Justice of the Proxince, theu Attomey General, was of opinion that the power of appointment in the Governor was limited to the filling" up vacancies, in the number named in the first Commission, and that he could not increase the number ad libitiom; by alditional appointments. I am satisfied, however, that all the Mcmbers of the Board resident in Quebee would gladly make vacancies by resigning a trust which hats been to them a source only of irksome employment for some years' past, by reason of the captious opposition of private views and sorclid self-interest. I also tlink it would be advisable to give authority to the Royal Institution, if they remain vested with the power of manging the estate, which they are advised that they now possess, to alicnate, under proper restrictions, portions of the real property in such way as they shall deem advantageous 'tor the interests of the Institution." To what I have before stated in roference to the necessity of preserving a Visitatorial body distinct from the Governors, I ber leave to add that I consider this advisable not only for the imnagement of the property, but also for the purpose of having a body to whiom an appal may lie against ony unjust or illegal act of the Governors towards Officers of the College, and asi general check, also upon that borly. Such a power of correction is found connected with all Collegriate Institutions in the mother country. 'In Harvard University the property is managed by a Board of Trustees distinct from the governing body of the Collegé, and laving also a general controlling power over the latter., If the Court of Queen's Bench be consilered as holding by law such a controlling power, it cad hardly "be made practicably applicalle to the management of the property', nor 'even to the correction of injustice, or other mismanagentent in thic internal affains of the College., Ruin to the property of the College, or to the furtunc or character of its Officers' might consue, before ai remedy coild be obtained by the slow course of lhw. It has indeed been denied by the two Governors at Montrenl, that the Crowi, in granting thie Charter' to M'Gill College, had ar right to 'appoint Visitors, inasmuch as the College is not of Royal Toundation ; and reference has been made in support of this opiniou to the high authority of Blackstone, (1-Blackst. 481, ) where he cites the case of the 'Royal College of Thysicians ; but an examination of the passage will shew that he distinguishes that case from those or Colleges in Uniiversities", the former bén 'a civil"Corporation, and the latter eleemosynary; and wilh respect to "M'Gill College, it was one of the special grounds of the Judgment in the Court of King's Bench at Montreal, in the faction borought by the Royal Institution tor the recovery of Birnside that this College being Chartered by the Crovn, and the "Roynd Institution who applied for the Charter being a cereature of the Crown wh of the Law, the College nust be considered as of Royal Foundation and the Goverions
themselves, in a formal Minute recorded in their proceedings in July 1843, (the Chief Justices of Montreal and Upper Canadn, with Dr. Bethune, being present, admitted the Visitatorial nower as vested in the Royal Institution." To what I have said "in my answer to the concluding question, respecting a new organization of the Royal Institution, so as that it may, if continued in existence and in connection with M'Gill College, hold its sittings at Montreal, I beg lave to add that though the Members residing at Quebec have no desire individually to continue in the troublesome trust, it may be "matter for consideration whether, to atoid the appearance of making M'Gill College a merely Montreal Institution, it would not be better to appoint Trustees residing in. Quebec and in other parts of the Province, than to appoint, exclusively persons resiling in Montreal.

## APPENDIX.

No. 1.-Petition of the Honomble Vallières de St. Réal, Chief Justice of Montreal, in behalf of the Governors of M‘Gill College, presented to the Legislative Assembly on the 18th December, 1844.

No. 2.-Petition of the Board of the Royal Institution for the arlyancement of Learingg, presented 3rd February, 1845.

No. 3.-1wo Extracts from the Will of the late Honorable Jamos M'Gill.

No. 4.-Minute from proceedings of the Board of the Royal Institution, 10th Deccmber, 1844.

No. 5.-Case, and Opinion of Messrs. Staart and Black, 6th May; 1837.

No. 6.-Plan of part of the property called Burnside vested in the M'Gill College.

No. 7.-Letter from the Reverend Dr, John Bethune, Principal of M 'Gill College, to His Excellency the Governor: Gencral, dated Montreal, 5th Februn'y, 1845; with enclosures.

No. 8.-Extract from Minutes of the procecdings of the Board of the Royal Institution, under date of 7th July, 184 ?.

No. 9.-Extract from ditto, under date of 15 th January, 1844.

No. 10, Minate of the Board of the Royal Institution on their visitation of M'Gill College in Novem. ber, 1844.

No. 11.-Aldress from the Bond of the Royal Insti tution to Wis Excellency the Governor Genc ral, after their visitation

No. 12.-Letter from the Secretary of the Royal Ynstitution', 'dated' 3nd February; 1845, with a Statement' of monios and property held by that Institution in trust for M'Gill College, and tivo other enclosures

No 13, Address to His Excellency the Governor General' from the Governors of M'Gill College, in answen to the Report of a Vistation of the Board of the Royal/Institution, no Nomber, 1844

Petition of the Honorable Vallières de St. Rénl, Clief Justice of Montreal, in behalf of the Governors of M'Gill College.

To the Ironorable the Linights, Citizens and Burgesses of the Province of Cunada, in Parliunent assembled.

The Petition of the Governors of M‘Gill College, humbly sheweth:

That an Aet was passed ly the Parlimment of the late Province of Lower' Cunala, in the forty-first year of the Reign of His late Mnjesty King' George the Third, intituled, "An Act for the establishment of Free Schools' " and the advancement of Luaruing in this Province."

That the provisions of said Act have been fund inadequate to the ends and purposes thereof.

That the Trustecs of the aforesaid "Frec Schools," ralled "Ithe Royal Institution for the natrancement of "Learning," coustituted ant ereeted under and in virtue of said $\Delta$ ct, luse been virtually relieved, by subsequent enactments, of the trusts, ends, objects and purposes for which they were origimally constituted. But, though thus wifhout any legitinate oceupation, they still cost the country uearly Lwo lundred pounds per annum.

That the said Roynl Institution for the advancement of Learning is seized and possessed of certain monies, roods and chattels, lands and tenements, under the hast Will and Testament of the late ILonorable James M'Gill, which of right belong to, and should be invested in your Petitioners, who, by their Charter of Incorporation, are entrusted with the entire management and control of the affairs of M'Gill College.

That the said Royal Institution for the advancement of Learning, by setting up pretended clams of control over your Petitioners, by withholding their pecuniary means, and by neglecting to make the most of the College endowment, has reduced your Petitioners to the necessity of borrowing money on their own responsibility to enable them to keep the College in operation, and effectually prevents them from carrying on the Institution on that respectable and ereditable footing which they might utherwise be enabled to do.

That therefore your Petitioners hombly pray your Honomble House to repeal the above said Act, mid to afford your Petitioners such further relicf as to your ILonorable IIouse maly seem good.

And your Petitioners will ever "pray.
In behalf of the Govemors of M'Gill College,
VALLIERES DEST. REAT $H_{4}$
Ch. J. Montreal.
Monireal, LTh December, 1844.
Jos. Abnotr, A. M. Secy. MGill College.

## Arrempix No. 2.

Petition of the Board of the Royal Institution for the advancement of Learuing.

To the IIonorable the Knights, Citizens and Burgesses of the Prorince of Canadh, in Parliament assembled.

The Petition of the Board of the Royal Institution for the adraucement of Learning, most respectfully sheweth:'

That the said Copporation now hold a certain picce of ground near Montreal callal Burnside, devised to them by the Will of the late Honorable Janes. M'Gill of Montreal, in trust for the crestion, establishment and maintenance of a College thereon, and that they also
lold for the same trusts and purposes another piece of ground adjoining thereto, which they acquired from the hoirs of the 'Residuary Legatee' of the said James M'Gill in part payment of a legacy of $£ 10,000$ begueathed to the said Corporation by the said James MrGill for the aforesuid purpose.

That the available funds at the disposal of the said Corporation have been so much reduced by the cost of the building of M'Gill College on Burnside Estate, that they are insufficient for the maintenance of the Institution on a proper scale for Collegiate instruction; and that the said Corporation are desirous of increasing the reventes of the College by disposing of a part of the real property atoresaid; but they are advisel that they have not authority to alienate any part of it, in consequence of a provision of "the Act 41st Geo. III, cap. 17, from which' they derive their cor porate character and powers, and which only, authorizes them to demise and lease the real property held by, them "for a period not exceeding "twenty-one years."

That with this restriction it would be manifestly impossible for the suid Corporation to waise a fund for inereasing the revenue of the College out of the real property before mentioned.

Your Petitioners therefure pray that an Act may be passed to anend the' said Statute 41 Geo. III, cap. 17, so as to enable them to alienate and dispose of such part of the said real property as may bo sold to advantage, for the purpose of increasing the devenucs for the support of the said College.

In the name and on the behalf of the Royal Institution.

> G. J. MONIREAL, $\quad[L . S$. Principal.

Quebec, 20th January, 1845.

Ampaidx No. 3.

## No. 1. Extract from the Will of the late Honorable James M. Gill.

## (Copy.)

Part of the last Will and Tertament of the Honorable James M•Gill, deceased, bearing date Montreal, Gth January 1811, was read in the following words:-

I give and devise all that prucel or tract of land commonly called 13 unside, situated near the City of Montral atorcsad, containing about forty-six acres, including an acre of land purchased by mefrom one Shoscrainte, together with the dwelling house and other buildings thereon erected, with their appurtenances, unto the Monorable John Richarlson and James Reid, of the City of Montreal aforeseirl, Deguires, the Reverend Johon Strachan, Recior ol Corawall in Upper Canada, and Janes' Dunlop of the said City of Montreal, Lisquire, and to their heirs, to, upon and for the uses, trusts, intents and purposes, and with and subject to the provisoes, conditions and limitations hercinafter mentioned and expressed of and concerning the same, that is to say, upon trust that they the saicl John Richardson, James Reid, John Strachan and James Dunlop, or the survivors or strvivor of them, or the heirs, cxecutors or chrators of' such survivors 'or survivor' do and shall' as soon as it conveniontly can be done after my'decense, by vgood aind sufficient converanceand assurance, conveyand assure the said hast, mentioned tract of hand or pared of land, dwelling honse, building and premises, to the " Roynd "Institation for the alyancement of Learning" constituted and establishied under and by virtac of an Act of the Parlianent of the Province of Lower Canada, made and
passed in the forty-first year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act'for the establishment of Wree Schools and "the advancement of Learning in this Province," upon and unler the conditions, restrictions and limitations, and to and for the ends, intents and purposes' following, that is to sny : upon condition that the said Royal Institution for the , advancement of Learning do and shatl, within the space of ten years to be accounted from the time of my decense, erect or estallish or cause to be: erected or established upon the said last nentioned tract or'parcel of land, an Unincrsity or College for the purposes of education and the advancement of Learning in this Province, with a competent number of Professors and Teachers to render such establislment effectual and benieficinl for the purposes intended; and if the said "Royal "Institution for the advancement of Learning" should so erect and establish 'or cause to be erected and established an University, then upon condition also, that one of the Colleges to be comprized in the said University, shall be. named and perpetually known by the name of " $M$ "Gill "College ;" and if the said "Royal Institution for the "advancement of Jearning" should not so erect and establish or' cause to be crected and established an University; , but should erect and establish or cause to be erected and established a College 'only, then' upon the further condition that the said College shnll be named and perpetually be known and distinguished by the appectlation of " M.Gill Colloge," and upon condition also, that until such University or Collcge be crected or cstablished, the said " Royal Institution for" "the alvancement of Learing" do and shall permit and suffer my said wife, and in case of her death the said Francis Desrivieres, to hold, possess and enjoy the stid last mentioned tract or parcel of land, dwelling house, builling and premises, and to recover, have and receive all and eyery the rents, issues and profits thereof, to and for her and his use and benefit, and upon this other and express condition, that if the said Roynl Institution for the advancement of Learning should neglect to crect and (istablish or cause' to be erected and 'established such University or College as alforesaid in manner aforesaid, within the space of ten years to be accounted from the time of my deconse, then and in such case the said conveyance aul assurance so made to the said. Royal Institution for the advancement of Learning shanl, from and after the expiration of the said space of ten years, become and be absolately null and void, ind all and every the estate, right, title and interest of 'the said "Royal Insti"tution for the adyancement of Learning" of, in, and to the said last mentioned tract or parcel of land and the premises, shall ccase and be determined, and be as completely extinguished as if such conveyance and nssurance had nerer been made or executed, all of which conditions, restrictions and limitations shall, in apt and sufflcient language, le fully expressed in such conveyance and assurance ; and upon trust that the said Jolin Richardson, Jomes Reil, John Strachim and Jancs Dunlop, or the survivors or survivor of them, or the heirs, executors or: "curators of such survivors or survivor of iliem, do and shall permit and suffer my said wife, nnd in case of her death the said Francis Destiviercs, to hold, possess and enjoy, the said tract or pareel of land, dwelling louse, buildings nad premises, and recover, have and receive the reats, issues and profits thereof until the making and exccuting of the said conveyance and assurance so asnforesaid to be nade to the said "Royal Institu"tion for the advancement of Learning ", and if the saicl "Royal Lustitution for" the advancement of Learning", should refuse to accept and reccive the said conveyance and assurance of the said last mentioned tract or parcel of land and premises upon the conditions, restrictions and limitations hercinbefore expressed and directed of and concerning 'the same, or should after the making and accept-ing of the said conyeyance and assurance neglect to erect and estathish or cruse to be erected and established such University or College as aforestid in manner aforesaid, within the said space of ten years to be accounted from the tine of my decase, or', if fromi any legal cause, matter or thing the said trust so as aforesuid to convey, and assure the suid last mentioned tract or parcel of land anit premiscs to the said" "Royal Institution for "the advancement of Lenurny" in the manner hicreinbefore directed should be incupable of being accomplished
or carried into effect, or othervise become, or be deemed or construcd to be invalid, illegal or inoperative, then and in either or any of these cases upon trust, that they the said John Richardson, Janes Reid,' John Strachan and James Dunlop, 'or' the' survivors or 'survizor' of them, or the heirs, exccutors or curators' of such survivors or "survivor do and shall, from and immediately after the expiration of the said space of ten years, by a good and sufficient conveyance and assurance, convey and assure the said Jast mentioned tract or parcel of land, 'dwelling lionse, buildings 'and premises, to the said Francis Destivieres if then living, and to his heirs' and assigus furever, or" if the said Francis Desrivieres should be dead, then to his legal heirs and assigns for' ever, or, if the said Francis Destivières should lee dead, then to his legal heirs thendiving and to their heirs nad assigns forever.
(A true extract,)
R. R. BURRAGE,

Secy. R.I.
Quebce, 12th December, 1844.

No. 2.- Eatruct from the Trill of the late Honorable Stames M'Gill.
(Cony.)
Part of the last Will and Testament of the Honorable James M‘Gill, deceased, bearing date Montreal, Gth January, 1811, in the following words:-

I give and bequeath from out of the rest and recsilue of my estates real and personal," moveable and immovable, which shall or may remain after the fulfilment and satisfaction of the scveral legacies in, this my Will cont tained, the sum of Ten thousand pounds current money of the said Piovince of Lower Canada, to the said John Richardson, Janes Reid, John Strachan and James Dunlop, their heirs, executors and curators, upon the trusts and to and for the intente and purposes and upon the conditions following, that is to say : upon trust that they, the said John Richardson, James Reid, Joln Strachan and James Dunlop, or the survivots or survivor of them, or the heirs, exccutors or' curators of such survivor' do and shall pay the' said sum of Ten thousand pounds with the interest to aceruo thereon, from' and alter the expiration of three years firom my decease, to the said "Royal Institution for the adrancoment of Leam"ing," when und so soon as the said "Royal Institution "for the advancement of Lcarning" shallhave erceted anid established or caused to be ercoted and established an University or College upon the said last mentioned tract or parcel of land hereinbefore directed to be conveyed to the said "Royal Institution for the nilvancement of Learning,", to be, by the said Royal Institution for the "advancement of Learning" paid and applied towards defraying the expense incurred in erecting and establishing the snid University or College, and tovards maintaining the saine after it slutll have been erected and established, in such manner and form and under such regulations as. the said "Royal Institution for"the advancement of "Learning" shall in this behalf prescribe: provided aiways, that such University or College be erected within. the said space of ton years, to bo accoiuted from the time, of my decarse ; and if such University or Colloge should not be erected or established, within' the stid space of ten years, then upon trinst that tliey; the said, John Rictardson', 'Jancs' Reid,'Joln Strachan and James Dunlop, or the"stirvivors or surviror of thein, or the heirs, excoutors or ciutators of stuch survivor fioni- and immediitely aflor the expration of the saill space of tenyears, do and shatl pay the said sum of Ten thousmint pounds, with all and every the interest nccrued thereon, to the said Francis Desrivier res if then liviug, to and for his

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moe mad hemelid, if dead, then to his legal heirs then living to and for their wee and henofit:
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Qumber, 12th December, 184t.

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Minate from Procectines of the Board of the "Royal "Institution for the athamement of Lexaming," at a Speaid Mectug hede on the tenth diy of December, 1844.
'The Board of the Royal Insitution", in procecting to serend abou their Minutes the results of the Visitatorial
 Gill Collugh, camot hat premiee that they haveperceved, with regret, that the diflerences exinting os suppored to exist between the Governors of the Collone resident at Montreal and the Buad, have, in the course of that inquary, been stated by the lerotersols as one canse of the want of rondidence in the Institution, and, consentuently, of its want of efticieney and success.

Whates the Bomed are not disposed to deny that this may, to some fimited extent, be true, they fee that there is 10 part of the derty whel they hame now to pertorm tuwards the College, to which they will mote checerfully om earnesty addres themsehes than to chatan, so far as in them hers, an amicable and derinitive settlement of there differentes.

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 abminaded, residing at Montmal, the nemesity of may intumbence on the phe of the boam would bi hat small, nor, in that cance, cond the boand sese any reanalito feat any futne wat of hamony botween thenselves and the Govemore.
'The Bond would only observe further with respect to these difficulties between the Governors and the Buard, that, njat from the groneral question of the possession and manarement of the propurty, the main ground of difference has been as to the applieation of the rents mand proceeds of "Ibumside Estate," the Board chaining to be in Cormed of suchaplication, and the Aeting Principal, on the part of the Governors, refusing such information. Ou this point 'Ane Board, in this preliminary pret of their Minute, will only olserve that, it appenes to them nothing was wantingr, if not to setule the question of right, it lenst to satisfy tho Boarl, and to maintain that fill confidence which is necessury between thein and the Governots, bat that the latter (or the Aeting Principul) whould have given, under protest if' theysaw fit, thereguired information; a course which the Board camot but think, that, in a matter concerning the expernliture of a part of the funds of' a public trust, it would have been but matural tund reasomble for the Governors to adopt.

In closing these genernl preliminary considerations, the Boart will only further record the deep regret and astonishment with which they have learned, in the course of their inguirios, that an inpression very gencrally has prevalled at Montreal, that the Board have vexatiously. fiterfered to prevent the College from going into operation, and that credit is given to the Acting Principal of the College for contending with and pomberacting such interferciece. But the Buad appeal to their freguent resolutionsand representations, recorled in their Minates, for prow that the case has been precisely the reverse ; that the Board has always been most desious and urgent that the Institution should be put into speedy operation ; and that but for obsacles in other guarters, the TnstituLion would have been opened years ago, to the finll extent in wheln it has ever yet been in operation for Collegiate Instruction.

In pursuing their inquiry into the general state and managencnt of the College, the Board found, among the primeipal causes of its low and unsatisfartory condition, the imperfection of the Charter, particularly with respeet to the inmediate governing buty, and the want of a body ol' Statutes.

Tho Board porceive with deep regret that no amendments of the origimal Charter lave yet been obtamed from the Crown ; and they are impresed with the necossity of soliciting 1 lis Excelleney the Governor Ceneral to deconmend to Her Majesty's Government in England, to grant the ammend Charter of which a draft was sent to Find hand by the Governors in 1839, but not without the alterations suggested by this Board and communicated to the Prov menal Government by theis resolutions of the 2nd Fehntary, $18 \% 1$.

The mont essential amendment of the Charter would le wercate a horly of Governots comperant to act. The absitinence of His Excellency the Gavemor Genem from taking ay par as a Guvanor of the College ; the residence ol the Chiol Justice of Upper Camada at 'oronto, and of the Bishop of Montreal at Quebee, leare the local mamgement of the affairs of the College in the hands of the two resident Gowernors,-the Chicl enantice of Montrad und the Aeting Prineipal of the College :and even of the acts of these members, being a minority of the whale Board of Covernors, who may oceasionally assemble, could be demed regilar, the honorable and deliente refuctane of the present Chief Justice of Montreal to take the uetive part in the affaris of a Protestant Fomulation, his infirmity of health, and his regrular judicinl dutios, all combine to thow nomly the entire namarement of the Insitution into the hands of the Acting Principal,--a depolth whieh the Buad have ample catse to know, has been most injurion to the interests of the College.

Siening that with every disposition on the part of For Majesty's Goremment to expedite a Charter amended to the full extent neecssary; a considerable delay may oceur. before this can be accomplished, the Board feem it expertient to topresent, in the mean while, to Ter'Majesty's Golernment he absolute necessity of at least proviling


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immediately, by a supplementary Charter, for an addition to the number of Governors of at least four Gentlemen resident at Montreal.

To the want of an eflicient Board of Governors, has been added that of a Code of Internal Regulations. The Statutes alopted by the Governors in July, 1843, not havving received, as yct, Her, Majesty's confirmation, there is in fact no written rule, under the Charter, by which duty is to be measured, or delinquency punished. It has been declared indeed before the Board by the Oflicers of the College, that they had entered into a voluntary obligation to abide by the Sintutes as originally passed, while'waiting Her Majesty's confirmation. 'But it is 'ulso appears that they jusily do not consider themselves boind ly alterations of the original code subsequently adopted by the Governors resident at Montreal (being aminority of the whole) which affect the discipline of the College and the duties of the Officers.

An Institution without efficient external government, and with disputed internal regulations, could not fail to fall into the state of disurganization, confusion and dissen. sion, which the Board have found to exist in MGill Collego.

In attempting to excule their undoubted duties as $\mathrm{Vi}^{-}$ sitors under he Charter, the Board have encountered a refusal by the two resident Governors above mentioned, to render them any assistance in their, faquiry, or ceven to recognize their nuthority, aldhough a direct momission of that authority is to be found in the procecdings of the same Governor's on the 12th July, 1843; when assisted by the Chief Justice of Upper Camadid ; and the Acting Prineipal has not only wholly declined the Visitatorial authority of the Board when summoned to appear, belore them and give information respecting the mangement of the Institution;' and, 'in particular, respecting matters in which his own conduct was impugned, put he has throntened the Doard with legal proceedings, as for a trepass, in entering M‘Gill College.

From the other oflicers of the College, however,-altheugh two of them, actiag, no doult, under the infinence of the example of the Acting Principal, 'appeared before the Board under protest aganst its athority;-the Board have reccived sulticient infurmation to justify then in coning to the conclusion, that the Institution, how only Jittle more than" a year in operation, has been wapidly declining, and has lost public confidence and respect: In that period more than linlf the Students, at one time on the Books, have left the College; and at present butmine remain, although, with the mistaken view of Lecping up the numbers, the qualification for numission las been lowered so as to jee inferior to the ordinary standard of attainment in a third rate Grammar School.

For this number of Students, althongh the whole amount of income acciung from the foundation is less than $\mathbb{E 5 5 0}$, an establishment of five Insituctors and other Officershas been providedat an expense for salaries alone of $\pm 800$, besides the contingent expenises of the Collegc.

While different causcs have been assigned for the unprosperous state of the College by the persons from whom the Bonrd have received information, one chief cause is stated to be that the acting Principal does not enjoy that confidence on the part of the public of which anindividual standing in luis position ouglit to be possessed ; and from all 'that has come to the knowledge of the Board,' they are satisficd that tho Institution is not likely to prosper while he is at the head of it. 'The contumacions conduct. ot 'thiss 'Ollicer' towards the Board added to other facts brought before them, nud to this general anfavorable estimation of his fitness for the situntion ho fills, woutle have led the Board to close their inquiry by a unamimóns, judginent of "suspension" or deprivation unter the powerts vested in them; Jut that such a measure, while it would certainly have becn dispegarded by De: Bethine," would, in the absence of a competent body of Governors, have created difficulties nud cmbartassments in the condicting of the College, whichwould have increased the existing disorganization and dissensions : and have issucd in the spocdy suspension of the operations of the Institution.
'In some of the statements made before the Board, a want of confitence in the Vice Principal has been mentioned as influencing unfuyorably the prosperity of the College, and by the complaints and other cridence placed before the Bourd, it is but too plain that there is a deplorible want of that cordial co-queration and harmonious intercourse Jetween the Officers of the College which is essential to the suctess of the Institution. Mut as regards the Viee Princinal the objection: appears to be, rather aguinst his personal demeanor as Vice Principal-to which they think that woll founded exceptions arcimadethan to his qualifications or his conduct as a teacher in his particular department ; but the Board consider that it would loe for the benefit of the Institation, on the whole, that no stich office as that of Vice Priacipal sliould exist.

Naverting to the fact, which is estallisled by the Mimutes of Procectings of the Governors on the 18th November, 1835, and 15th July, 1843, that Dr. Bethune's appointmont as Puincipal was, and is, only pro tempore, and is determinate at the pleasure of the Governors, the Bond here record their opinion that the prosperity of the Institution requires that another Principal should forthwith be sought, who should reside in the College, and have the gencral immediate oversight of the Institution, and take a large share in the business of Instruction; that, the office of Vice Principal should bo abolished, and the duties of the Professur of Classical Literature enlarged; and that the Titorship should be diseontinued ats wholly unnecessary in the present circumstances of the Institution.

The Board have not thought it advisable to institute any particular inquiry into the couplaints addressed to them by Professor Lundy, in his letters of the 17th' June and 1st November of this year, becnuse they have found that cross charges have been made agrainst lim to the Board of Governors relating in part, to the same transactions, into which the Royal Institution as Visitors, are not called upon to inquire ; because also the complnints. made by him arise, in part, from differences on points of discipline and in the internal ceonomy of the College, occasioned principally by the want of a rocognised Code of Stalutes, and by the inconyenient relative position of the Principal and Vice Principal; and in great part owe their origin to that want of cordiality among the 'Officers to which the Board have already adverted; ; and the remedy and correction of which may better be left to time and retirning gond feeling among the Officers thenselves, thau sought for by an investigation that would in itself cnhauce existing irritation.

Several also of those complaiats are of too trivinl and vague a natiare to requirc investigation; but the Board are of opinion that Professor Lundy has' just reason to complain of the proceeding by which the two Govemors resident at Montren, undertook to diminish the casual emoluments whith liad leen fornally ensured to him by a recolution of $a$ competent meeting of a amajurity of the Governors, on the 13th July preceding.

The Board are of opinion that this resolution of a minority of the Goremors was unjust, irregular and informal, and of no force ns against Professor Lundy; but they deem it unadvisable to adont hay further resolutions with respect to it, as Professor Lundy intinated before themhisconditional icquiescence in an arrangement which had been proposed to him by the" resident Governors at Montrent, by which he would receive afifed salary out of the Fee fund in lien of the contingent emoluments in question,

The result of an oxamination into the financial concerns of the Lastitution exlibite a state of chings, too much in unison' with the disordered conilition of its other interests. Notonly is the scale of perminent expenditure fin" the College'establishmenti in salaries nad conlingent eliarges twofold of the income applicable to it, but 'i debt lins been 'incured by the Governors' in the course of a fer montlis in 1843 , in makiky preparations to "open the College, to the amount of 21.550 , equal to three years net revenite of the whole property of the College. Among itie, items of expense thas ineutred are the travelling charges of the Principal and Vice Princi-

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pal in going to Kingstom and Coronto; and the charic'ter of the whole is that of wastelal expenditure beyond the necessity of the case.

The Bourd, hovever, fonding that innocont third parties, to whon the larger part of this dults is due, ought not to be mate to suther, have reluctuntly cone to the resolution of sameribeing a part of the Capital of the 'Prust to diselange this denmad, athough hy so doing they further dinainish, by nearly foo, the manul income, alleady insuthleient.

On exmmining the Bursar and inspecting his books,
 which the tecounts are kept, and the Bursurs imperfect acquantance with the pecuniny altairs of dho Institution; nor can they admit that may cxense far these defleiencics is afforded by the finet acknowlelged by that onlicer that he las no knowledge of maters of account ; that he has not been himself persomally resident, and perfoming his 'duties, but has left them to a deputy.

The Bond conceive that every shilling received from the propenty of the lastitulion, on on tis account, or for its support, und every item of the expenditure, shoukd appone fairly and intelligibly stated on the Collarge books of Aceount ; but the Board must also recom their opinion that neither this duty nor that of Secretary requires the appointment of a sepmate oficer ; 'that the office of Bursar aud Secretary should be abolished, and the sulary of $£ 100$ savel to the College ; mud that the duties now performed by the Bursar and Sectetary and Registim should be dividel between two of the D'otessors.

Among other ohjects of inquiry the attention of the board has been proticularly turned to the receipis and expenditure of the revenues, rents and proceeds of the "13umside estate" since May 1840, when Dr; Bethume grave up possession of that property. Upon this mater, which foms a necossary purt of the College Accounts, the Bursm's books nfford no information; and it was with some diflicalty that the Bonrd ascertained from the Bursur that tho monies in guestion had been received bythe Acting Principat. A payer in Dr. Bethme's handwriting was subsequently produced, purporting to be a statencht of the sunis so receivel by him from Burnaide estate, fion May 1841 to May 1843, and of the expenditure of part thereof.

Irom other sources of informintion the Board have niscortained that Dr: Bethume las not debited himself with a sum of' Et $^{5}$ received by him in the yeur ending lst May, 1843 ; nor docs his statement shew what sums lave been derived from renting the fields of Burnside as pasture or for grase, while he takes cretit for $f^{2} 0$ as remaining due to him by the loyal Institution nt the period of his griving up possession of Burnside, which sum he had agreed, by his letter of the 26th March, 1839, to allow to be dedtieted from his then demand; and had ac* copted the residtue in satisftection of his clam; and he also states the batance of $f 88$ upon the present statemont, as retained by him.

But as no anthority appears by "the Minutes of the Proceclings of the Governors to have been ever given by thenfor Dr. Bethune's tppropriation of thit batance to his own remumerntion, the Board dephere it to he the daty of the Bursar to call upon tho Acting Irincipal to pay orem to him this lualance, together with that of $\pm 40$, for which Dr. Bethunc has improperly takencredit; and also the sum of elloo received by him from the actand temant of I Bumaide for rent sinee the date of his statement; "and that the Bursar should demand payment from that tenme of the current and future aceruing rents.' Wut the board do not hereby intend to recognize, in any why, the right of Mr. Pelton, from whom the prosent tenant uppens to lold the property, to be in possession of it, although delivered to himby Dr. Bethune under colour ol' the armagement for a long lense of the properity begun in $18+2$, bat never perfected with the sanction of the Buard. On the contraty, the Board hold it to be the duty of the Covernors and themselves to talse immediate
measures for ousting any persons holding ndverse possussion, in order that the property may he tumed to tho best acount for the bencfit of the Cullege so soon as the legal difliculties in the way are sumounted, whieh, at present, ate considered by the Counsel of the Board at Montreal to prevent the Board from giving a title for more than twenty-one years.

Upon the application of the Medical Taculty of the College for a grontiof a lot, of ground on which to orect a building, suitable for their purposes, Professor IIolmes represonting the Faculty was informed that the Board will take the necestary steps for assigning to the Faculty a lot of ground adequate to the erection of such buildings as they may require, subject only to the condition that the College shall hate the liberty to assume the possession of sueh lot, and the buildings thereon ercetel, on repaying to the Faculty the expenses incurred in erecting the same.

The Directors of the Figh"Schoolin Montreal haring also applied to the Board for tho grant of 'a piece of gromm for the erection of suitable buildings for that Institulion, the Directors were informed, in a personal conference that, they not being a branch of the College, the legal difliculties above adverted to would prevent the Boarl at present, from mecting their wishes to their full extent, as they should otherwhe have desired to do; but that the Boad will engage (as fiw as, upon further advice, it may be deemed competent to then so to do, to trunsfer, on fivorable terms, to the Dirceturs of the High School the lots of land for which they lave applied.

In the name and on the behalf of the Royal Tistitution for the adrancement of Learuing.
G. J. MONTREAL,

Principal.

## Ampenime No. 5.

Case, and Opinion of Mossrs. Stuart and. Blach, on' cortain questions submitted by the Royal Instilution.'
case:
1st. Dy the last Will and Testament of the late Mr. M'Gill of Montreal, dated 61h January, 1811, a certuin real property nend Montreal was devised in the terms stated in the accompanying extract from his Will under the No. 1.
2. And by mother clause of the samo Will a bequest of a sim of $E 10,000$ was made to the fiduciary Legatees under the Will, in the terms stated in the accompanying extract from the Will No. 2 .
3. By Ietters Patent under the Great Seal of this Province, dated the 8th Octaber, 1818, of which'a copy is Ierovith laid befure Counsel, (No. 3,) the Royal Institution for the advancoment' of Learning was incorporated according to the intention of an Act of the Provincial Legisinture, 41. Geo. III. ch. 17.
4. The Royal Institution having prayed His Majesty to grant a Royal Charter for the more perfect erection and establishment of a. College in conformity to Mr. M'Gill's Will, and also to grant a further condowment for the same, a Royal Charter was accordingly given, of which copy is herewith submitted to Counsel (No. 4, ) dated 3 Isi Murch, 2 Geo. IV. by which a College was crecied and established on the real property before montioned as devised, to be called M'Gill College; and the same was constituted a Univensity, and the Members of the Royal Institution wore made Visitors of the same.
5. The real property so devised having been recorered fiom the residuary Legitecs under a judgment of His Majesty in Privy Council, possession of the samo was
given by the Royal Institution in Junc, 1829, to the Governors named in the Charter,

The legney bequeathed as aforesaid has not yet been rocovered by the Roynl Institution, but expectations are ontertained that it will shortly be realized.

Counsel are requesteil to have reference to the 1 st, 2nd, $3 \mathbf{r d}$ "and 4 th Sections of 41 Gco. III, "c. 1'7, and to give their opinion,

Ist.' Whether M'Gill College under the Royal Charter 'granted to it, taken in connection with the Will of 'Mr.'. Mr'Gill, can be considered as of Joyal Foundation, within the meaning of the 41st Geo. III c. 17 .

2nd. Under the 2nd clausio of the Will of Mr. M'Gill herewith submitted, (which bequeaths the legacy to be 'applied by the Royal Irstitition to the maintaining' $\boldsymbol{a}^{\prime}$ College when erected and established in suoh manner and form and under such regulations as the Roynll Institution shall preseribe, what power is vested in the Royal Institution (taling, into considuration the effect of the Churter), to expend the legney, or ' such portion. thereol as they shall in 'their diseretion think sufficient, without' refarence to or dependence upon the Governors of the Colloge in the ercotion of new buildings or the enlargement of the existing building 'Oor' 'i College on Colloges, or to fix the amount of the salarios of the Prin"cipal, Professors and Officers of the College.

3ra, Considoring the same 2nd clause of the Will, in connection with the power granted by the Chartor to the Governors, to inthe Statutes, By-Laws, ge'. not being repuignant to the laws of the renlm or of the Province of Lower Candia, what power is vested in the Royal Institution under the 41 st Geo. IIL. c. 17, to make Statutes, or regulations lor any College which they nay crect on the estate of Burnside, and to which the bequest of Mr. M'Gill may be in part applied, or how far is their acquicscence or confmation necessary to the rules and rogrilations to be made by the Goyernors fur MrGill College ns now erected under the Charier.

4 th, In the event of an alteration in the Charter being applied for by the Goyernors; what power of interference is vested in the Royn Institution as to the proposed modification of the same.

5th. Will it be legally competent to the Royal Tustitution, alter expending a jart of tho legrey when paid oyer to then in fitting pp the existing buildings on Burnside estate as "a" College to be called Mr'Gill College under the Charter, to etect another College on that estate if the funds suffice, and obtain a separate Charter and establishment for tho same.

6th. What are the general powers vested in the Royal Institution by that clause of the Charter which constitutes them Visitors, and moro especially, what powers:-

1. To onquire from time to time, eithor spontancously or upon suggestion or complaint, into the state of the real property, and the other funds, ;and their due application to the purposes of the trust.
2. To inquire from time to time in like manner into the execation of the Statutes, or the compliance of the College Government with the Charter?

## opmion.

We think that M Gill College, undor the Royal Chinter "granted to it, taken in connection with the Will' of the late Mr. M'Gill; is to be considered as of Royal Foundntion within the meanng of the Provincial Statute 41 Geo.III "C. 17 \%

The terms" "Royal Foundation" used in the Stntute, may bo considered, firtir in reference to their meaning
generally; and sccondly; in reference to the particular devise contained in this Will.

Now as to the first, the "Law recognizes two manner of foundations ; the one, the incipient foundation, the oth er, the perficient foundation : the one relating to the legal capucity granted to the boly incorporated and synonimous therefore with incorporation; the other relating to the first gift or dotation of the property by whele the body is to be supported; in all oleemosynary Corporations by Royal Charter the King is the sole incipient founder.

Thon as to the parioula gift in this will : it is "g gift made to a body created under Statute for the purnose of superintending Schools and other institutions of Royal foundation for the ndvancenent of Learning in this Province, upon' the sole condition that a University or College shat be crected or established on the land devised: In another purb of the Will a bequest is made in trust for the same body, of monies to be paid and applipd towards dofiaying the expense incured in crecting and establishing the snid University or College, and towards maintaining the same afler it shall lave been erected and established in sach manner and form, and under such regulations as the Royal Institution for the advancement of Learning shall in this behalf prescribe.
The perfoient foundation is looked at mincipally, if not solely, with reforence to the right of Visitation in the donor or his licirs; whichicht is notreserved to the doner and his heirs by this Will, and respecting which it is not presumed that any question can be made.
Even as to the perficient foundation it is to be observed that the devise is made to, a body crented in the expectation' of' an endowment for 'Schools and other Institutions from the Crown, as "His Majesty," it is said in tho Preamble to this Statute, "had been most gra"ciously pleased to signify lis royal intentions, that a "s suitable proportion of the lands of the Crown should "be set apart, and the revonues thereof' appropriated to "the purposes for which the Corporation was created": and when the King and a Subject both contribute to the endownent of a chatity, the charity shall be considered as of Royal Foundation,

The gift of the Testator is made in add of this general fund, and must be understood, to have been intended to derive its claracter from that general fund.

Thus far as to the perficient foundation : then as to the incipient foundation, this," as has been already observed, is soldy with the Crown, and being made by the Crown in fulfiment of the Will of tho Testator', the foundation may be considered both in'letter and spirit as a Royal fommation.
Aurl lastly, the Royal Institution could take only under the provisions and for the purposes of the Statate.
Upon the second question, we are of opinion that the Royal Institution has power to cxpend the legacy or such portion thereof as they shall in theindiscretion think sufficient, "in the erection of new buildings for a Cotlege, without roference to or dependence upon the Governors of the College; with respect to the saliujes of the Principa, P'rofessors and Officers' of the College, these will in the furst instance be apponted by the Statutes, Rules and Ordinarices of the College. The Statute gives power: to the Roynillinstitution to inake By'laws; Ordinances," \&e;, and the Chtuter confers upon the Govenors, se. power to make By-lnws ; Jut these two powers areat repug. nant, inasmuch as the Royal Institution has under its yisitatorial power the right to quend or repen any Jy-law made by the Governors, \&c., madianongst then any By' law appointing tho sularies of the Pincipal, Profosors and Officers of the College.

Whatever attation mat be made in the charterthe powers of superintendeneo vested in the Royal Institut tion "under the Will and tho Provincin Statute, must reman unimpared, and is (what is not to le presuned) any alteration were thade abridging tie tights of the Royal Institution, that do dy would havi its rened against the new Charter in the Iting's Conrts.

4th Query.-Wraknow of nothing to prevent the Crown from ganting a Churter to ia new College to be erected on 13 uthiside estate, if there should bo sufficident funds for the propose; but there dors not seeni to be nay adequate motive tor such a measure: It is belioved that with the oxecptiun of the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, the Untremsties in the Butish Jstande do not consist of geveral Collages, 'I'Me University of Inmead Collugenu" on this emanent, erecten whilst the proment State of Manssachusetts was a colenty of Civent Britain, consists, wo think, of one College only: the sereml Colleges in Oxford mad Canbider, haw, it would moombly be found, grown out of serceral distinet and independent cuclowments or foundalions.

Eth Query--Ithe Royal Institution, as Visitor, besides the power of repending on umending the by-laws pasied by the Gevernors, \&ee, has the power to inguine firom time to tina into the execution an the Statates, of the compliance of the College goverment with the Chther, and may remove the Onteres of the College, comeste abuses, and gencmilly sherutend the manugement of the trusts : as to lle mangromont of the property by which the charity is to be supported, it is umer the Will or the donor, incorporating, as it were, the provisions of the Statute, vested in the Roym Institution.

> (Signed, ) A. S'TUARI.

Quebuc, 6th May; 1837.
(.1. truc copy.)

R. R. Bumbate,<br>Secrotary $R 1$.

Quebec, 10th December, 184.

## Ampendix No. G.

Is a Plan of part of the Property called Bumside rested in the M'Gill College.
[Filed among the other Papers of the Committer].

## Autbatis No. 7.

Lettor from the Reverent Dr. John Rethune, Principal ot' M'Gill Colloge, to ILis'Exsedlency the Guvernor Gencenl, with enclesures.

To Iris Eiccellency the Right Monorable Sir Cumins Trivommes Mercalise, Bart. G. C. 73, one of Mer Majesty's Most IIonorable Priul/ Council, Governor General of 13 ritish North 4 merica, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and ower the l?'ovinces of Canctla, Nowt-Srotia, New-13runswich, and the Island of lrinoe Edward, and Fice sidentral of the same, sco. So. sc.

## NLix it please youn Exceldenct,

It is whth the deepest degret and embirrassment, that if fond myself impelled to address Your Excelloney on the sulpect of those portions of at communication to Your Faxeellence, by the Buard of the Royal Institution for the advanement of Learning, which relate to myself ; a copy of which has beenkindly furnished to me by thelerarinem Soerolay-l say widh the derpest regret and embarassment, because, when I consider that the individuala composing that lhong aro persons lron whom no deviation from truth and justice could, primâ fucie, be sumisel, I cannot but feel most deeply the painfulness of my position, in bring forced, in solf-defence the first lav of mature, to shew that there is neither the one nor the other in the allegations against my character which they have
thourht proper to make in that conmunication. The vommunication' to which I refur is a "Minute from Pro"ecedings of the Bourd of the Royal Institution for the "advancement of Learning, at a spocinl meeting held on "the 10th day of December," 18t4," at (Quebec, and an

Address to Your Excellency founded theron.

Lhey say, in their Address, tha the "naited tostimony" "ol the College Offerers inchues the Boncl to believe that "ono main reason of the Collegre having received so little "support is that the Acting Principal (locs not enjoy that "condldence on tio part of the pablic, of which an indivi"dual strulinge in his position ourgt to be possessed." On onduiny I find, as will appeat by the anmexed documonts marked $A$, Nes. I and 2, that no such "united tes"tinony of the College Officers" was given, By this phase, I walerstand the Bonve to assert that the testimony of'all the oflicers of the College mated in establishing the sanc point. ' Xhe Colloge Officers were at that time, vesides inyself, D1, Lundy, late Y iee Principal and Protessor of' C'Inskical Xiterature', since diminserl, Mr. Wickes, Prolessor ol'Mathematies, Xe., Dr. Ifalloon, Lecturer in Divinity, the Leevi, "Joneph Abloutt, Bursur, Registrar und Seeretar'y, and Mr. Chapinan, 'Lutor.' I do not kiow whether the first of these officers was examined unon the point in quastion, but I apprehend he was not ; because it whe well known to the Bumed that various charges ngainst him had, sone months provionsly been ande, through mo as Prineipal, and that he consequently indatged foeling of violent animosity ugainst nes, of "which he made no stecret. 'I therefore infer lat his testimony against me was not taketn. Mr. Abbott was examined by them'relative to his accounts, but no question was asked of' him, non was any testimony given by him on the subject in, question. Dr. Enlloon was nol summoned beture the Board at all. These facts then completely disprove the nssertion of the Bourd with regrard to the "amited restimony of the Cullege Ofiecoss." Proth and justice recuired a different statement at their hauds. Bat further, the decharations of Mussers. Wiekes and Chapman (annoxed and maked B. and C.) with reference to thein testimony, "do not warmit the conclusion of the Board that "one' main reason ol the College hav"ing received so little support is that the Aeting Princi"pal does not enjoy that confitence on the part of the "public, of which an individual standing in bis position "ongrit to be possessed." Mr. Wielses zecions the unpopularity, not the want of" "conflelence on the part of the pub-" lie" in the Principal, as "mong the "auses of the pressent "unprosperous state of the Collere,", but ailds" "I must ""however state that I hetwe mysel'sem nothing in' the con"chectof the I'rincipal to justity the feelings which appear "to be entertained arainst him in' the publie mind." "The tostimony of' Mr. 'Wickes could nut' lave led the Board, if umprejudiced, to the conclusion at which they urived, becanse it was well known to the different members that during the first three terms of the College a much grater namber han matriculated than could, have veen hoped, tinder the circunstunces of the furions attacks upon the mangers of the Institution which issued from every Press in the Province over which Dissenters had any inJuence, when they first amounced their intention to open the Vollege'- The number' was' eighteen, and if the Bond of the Royal Institution dad compared that number with the number of students who matriculated in King's Colloge at 'Toronto, during its first three terms, they would have found the difference in fivor of the latter to have been only five or six; although the population, which in Uplex Cannda might be expected to supply students, is about five times the amount of that from Which a suphly of students for M'Gill College could be looked for in Luwer Canaila; and althongh the rich en. dowment of King's College ennbled it to make the price of tuition licile more than nominal. I' had been Principul of M'Gill College for the eight yeurs preceding the pretiod of its opening; so that if my unpopularity lad operated at all nginst the prosperity of the College, it nust have done so at the oulsed; and the effect must have been a smaller instead of a larger number of matriculations dan was anticipated. The causes of the present unprosperous state of the College dre as well known to the Buard of the Hog'il Institution as to the Governors.-

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1. slall not state them here; they will eome letter from the Governors in the reply which will shortly be prepnred to thoso parts of tho Rojort of tho Bound to Xoin Excellency which relate to them, in that capacity.
"Mo pricute opintion' expronsod by Mre Clapman' hart reference only to my not being a University mai, a cir. cumatance which 'whe as woll kinown at the opening of the College as ufterwarle. It was moreover well knowi that I was not to be the Chief managing Teculer, bat the Chiel manaring Suporinterdent of the intermal aflaing of the Colloge, nses forth in the Stututus. It seems evident then that truth and justice required a diflerent statement, on this point also, trom 'that which has boen made hy the Boand of the Royil Institution.

In one port of their auldress tho Bond mention me as being "a Covemor in consequence of his holding the "interim ajpointment of Principal." Tn unother, they sny "Dr. Bethune wis nuvor ampointed acecpe temporarily, "and his appointmont lins never recoived dieneuessamy "sanotion ol Hee Majesty's (Govelmmont." In weply to the flest purt of this allegation I slimel simply quote the following words from my Cumaission from the Governors: "to hewe, hom, exercise, and enijoy the said onice "of Principal therein, during our pleasare," and atd, that the appointanents of all the Onfeers of the College are made in the same way, monely, during plensute. I may alsonda that my appoinment as, Principal was notificed to ILer Mujesty, aloug with thoser of the Prolessors, through Your Excollency, in July, 1843, and that, if the Governots considered my "uppointwent to have been only "ad interim", us "pro tempore," they would not have in" oluded it in that notifiention. (See also documents marked D, Nos. 1and 2). In reply to thio seeond patat of the assertion, I quote the words of the Charter, from which Your Excelloncy will bereder hat Her Majesty may disallow the appointment of Peineipal or Prolissors ; but that is a vary different thing from saying that Her Majesty's sunction is necessary. An' $A$ ct which Y'our Jxcellency sunctions in tho ninme of ILer Majesty may bo elisallowed, withina cerdain period, by her Mujesty ; Jut it does not follow fron' thence that $\overline{\mathrm{IF}}$ er Majesty's personal sanction is, necessary to make it law in the mean time. The Cliarter, aftor providing for the election of a Principal or Professors "by the said Governors, or by "a manor part of such of them ans shatho present at any " meeting to te holden for such election,". provides that such appointment's shall he notified "to us, our helis and "successors", and "in ectse that we, our heirs, \&e, shinl "disappiote" of any porson so elected, and shall causesudr " disapprobtation to be notified to him"," \&c.;" "ho shall "cease to hold the dfice," se
'These assertions then of the Boarl with respect to tho tenure ol' my oftice are not coryect, ind it comiot be shid or supposed that they lad not the means of Fnowing that they are not correct. Truin und justice recuined a dit ferent statement at their hauls.

- In another part of their address the Bornd make the following"assertions with' regurl, to me: " Ife appears, "anoreover, to be in delt to the Inatitution, -to have col"I lected monies bolonging to the Collegeestate, for doing "which no aththonty appenrs as given to hime in the Col " lege books, and to have entered no necount of such intro" missions in the Books of the Bursar:" In reply to these assertions I refer to documents annexed, marked E and F. "From that which is manked E, it will appen' that when the Board asserted I appeared to be "in debt to " lio Instilution," the Collego owelme the sum of $£ 616$ 13 s .8 d ; ; and from that which, is marked $F, \Omega$ copy of which has been in possession of the Bourd since the carly part of the year 1837, it is elear that the proceeds of the Burnside estate belonged to me mill the College should" be completed and brought into acturl operation."

The College books, which contrin the record of the Resolution of the : Governurs to this eflect, ware, noreo ver, before the Joard when thoy asserted that no nuthority for my collecting monies, belonging to tho College estate appears as given to me in the College books.

Tn the "Minute from Procedings of the Banrd," they go into bome particulars on Ho subuect. DJey nesert that I pave up possession of Burnside estate in May 1840." But dae finet is, that when the Boned of the Roynd Institution porsunded Sin J. Colbornc, in Jun 1839, to adopt their lavorite sehene of opening a Sahool in the house at Burmside, nithongh Iopposed the seheme, is ono to which the liegniest of the 'le estator cond not be jogally applied, I nevertheless ngred to vacate the prehisese on the liest Norember following, for tho purpose of emabling Sin Jolm Colbormey oh his own pursonn respunsibility, to pat the aturesuta sohonl into operation penting the erection of the College buidings, which it was then nereed should be erected forthwith; mid I took a laso of the house in which I at present reside, Bufore, howover, I hal vacatel tho promises of Bernside, circumstanese indueed Sir J. Colbome to abandon the Sehool sohome ind, by his yowioular poquest, I retained' possession of Z3umside, whoughi I did not oceupy it'alter the 1 st' No vember, 1839. They were anocupied during the ensutng winter
"The Boncd futher nsumethat "a pajer in Dr. Bethune" " liand-wditing was subseruently prolluced, purporting to "We a statement of the sums received by him from Burn"side cstate from May 1841 to May 1843, and of the ex: "punditure of a part thereof", Tho amexed docoment, nuked ( , proves that this " prupe" is a regalar andited account, reniered by mo to the Governors, at their meeting ja July 1843, of my receipts mud dishursement anent the Burnside estate, from lst May 1840 (not 1841 as they asert) to list May 1843, slowing that my ave rage net ineme from that estate during $3 \frac{1}{2}$ years, thrt is, from ist November, 1835, when I vacated the premi ses, to lat May, 1843; was 210 ts. 10ft. peramum, The Buard, who allow their Sceretary $\pm 100$ per annum, ought surely not to object to my receiving abont $\pm 20$ per an num, for duing the same work, at least, for the Governors that ha did for them, -for 1 Nelieve the whole of his work, from 1837 to 1843 , began and ented. in, his comospont. ence with me. The anexen dooment maked H, will shew that the nett receipts of Burnside estate from Au gust 1843 to May 1844 (since which payment from that ytarter has censed) have been ambed in the College books, to the debit of the salary granted to me as Principal and Protessor of Divinity by the Governors, at their mecting in July, 1843.

The Board further assert, that "from other sources of "information, the Bond liave ascertained that 10r. " Bethune lins not debited himself with 4 sum of $£ 15$, " received by hin in the year cading lat May; 1843, nor "does his stitement show what sums 'have been derived "from renting the fields of $B$ burnside as pasture or for
"grass, while he takes credit for" $\pm 40$ as temaining due to " him by the Royal Instintion at the period of his giving " up Burnside, which sum ho had agreed, by his letter of
" hie 26th Mareh, 1830, to allow to be deducted from his "other demand, and had accepted the vesidue in sutisfac"tion of his cluin."

Your Excellency will by this time perceive that it ought not to lave appoared to be of any sort of consecuence to the Board whether the circumstances mentioned in the forgoing statement wore true or not, because they knew I was entitled to the whole of the proceeds of the Burbiside estate by the authority of the Governors:' And with Whis answer I might rest entisfiod as a sufficient exculpation from nuy blano in the matler, But I prefer meet ing every item of their charge fainly in the face. With regard to the sum of $£ 15$, the first item in the above charge, as, the Board do not state' what are thein " sources of information" relative to that, I'can make no other answer than a simple denial.

With regard to the second item, I assert that the gross anount of receips with which - liave changed inyself, comprehends all rents deriyed from the honse, garden, and fields. : With ragurd to the thind item, I have to say that in tho month of December, 1838, I sent anaccount to the Royd Institution of disbursements which I had made on the premises at Buriside, anounting"to, $\$ 160$; audited by two despectoble gentlemen in the neighborhood, and ordered by the Governors to be paid, as certi-
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 my grent sumprise thry dednetent the s-10 withont my consent, mad I reecireal the halanes on necoment; as my
 Thuth and justiee recfuisend a diflement, statement, on these puints alsit, at the humls, of the Buard of the Royal linstitution.

 "given to Ans Pedion by Dr. Bethunte, ander color of the "amparment for a long lease of the property logan in "18.2., Whe never priterted with , the sancition of the "Boirt."-In reply to thes sisection I shall simply refer to die matexad dociment named K, Nos. 1 mal 2.

The homrd of the Royal Institution assert, ia the " Mimute," that my conduat in wfinsing to recugnize their nuthority as Visiturs wha "comtunacions," and that that gromat, ahbol to ather facts, \&e. would have'" led them "to close their inguiry by m unamimons julghent ol' suls"pension or theprivation." The ofler fitch, se dorumght betore then were not tries, and they contd not have protended to any suthority mater whied they contal have

 phee in my presence ; and such an investigation must neessanily have been laul, it at all, ith the (irst instanee, not beture the Visiturs, but before the Governors. The unly gronad then uren which Visitors coulle luve procueded to pronouner'julyment of suspension or deprivation
 macy for what? For deny'ing, on the highest lemal nuthomity in thu district, and in concert with thint nuthorily, that the ancmbers of the Royal Institutiun are the legal Visitory of Arciall College. Amilhere 1 may remark on the watue of impurtinlity on the part of the Prdineipal of the Bourd of the Boyal Institution who, as "Governor of د'Giall Coblege, gave it as his opinion th the month of Sheptenber last, that the lite Vice Priucipul was justified in absenting himself limo the meetings of hle Caput, 'hecause hee drmied the 'rgality of the constitution of that booly, in apposition to the opinion of the sume highest logal mutliutity in this distrist, and Governon of the Cullege, the Chief sustice of' Montereal.

It is aho staten, fin the " Niunte from Procedings of the " Board of the Ruyal Linstitution,", that the Aecting Erincipul has ants only whally declined the Visitutorinh authority of the Buand when summoned 'to nepen belure them, and give information respecting the mangement of the Instilution, aind, in particullar, reeppecting onnters in which Jis's own conduct wats impughed, but he lus threntened the Board with legral proverdings ins for at trespass, in entering If Ciall colluge. In mply to the lisst of these chareros I lave to may that, as a "averino of the Colloge,
 principle upen which the Chiel 'Justice of Membenh and I had ngreed to act : and which, I suppos', will be fully set forth in our reply to those parts of the Report which apply to is juinty, With respect to the seeond elange, the Bomrd have thernselves promoureol that sothe of the complaints made agninst me arose "fron differcuces in
 "and rague a nature to refpuire investigntion," in short, that the "13 mard nes, Visitors, are not called upon to en" guire into them." But nutwithstmaliug' all this, it is insinmated that frese very complaints suganst me were at the betoni of my resistime to the stmmons of the Boatri ! conphaints, of the minture of whech I was not aware until the day ather I. had entered my protest.

Willi respeat to the thind eharge, Thavo to say that Tdid not threaten the loord with legal procedings ats firi a trespass in entering the Colloge. I protested ngainst the whule proceeding on the groumb, sulpposing them to he Visitury, that they had no authority to hold a mecting in Mentreal.
'The Gith chnuse of the Aet that George XIIr chap, 17, anthorizes the Governor of the 1rovince "by an instru"went or instrumenty under tha Great Soal ul the Prom " vince ** * to 'fix the phace, times, und innmer, in which "the said Corporition shall insumble." . Theme is such an "lustrunme" fixing Quelec as tho phace of meeting, hut no such instrument anthorizes the Bonnd of we Roynd Institition to meot at Montren.

Inger protested arainast thate whole proceeding on the gromel that d, did nut ailuit thom to be tho legal Visitors of A"Gill College, "reseroing my' right of nution ruginst "hem in my anhedty of a Govemor of A'Gill Coflege, " "ins Itespuss on' tioncihlu ontry." Reserving" one's right of action, nul threatening legral procecedings, ate wo very dillerent things.

It in mere flam insinuated that two of the Onteres of the College were influmed by me to appear betiore thiem tunder protest ; wherens the truth is that those Oniecers Were and liserl by tho Chief'Justice of Montreal and mysull' not, to relise the summons of the lBoard, lyut to give them every possible information, becanse they cond compromise 10 prineiple thereby.-See annexed docament mulk m ' I )

I believe I have now repliod to nll the mllegations made ngainst me in my sepmrate and madidual capacity by the Bompl of hie Ruyal hastitution ; and I shall abstrin from any observation on the wholo proceeding of the Bonrd uatil an opportunity slant be afforded be of choing so in eonjumetion wilh the Clhief distice of Montrenl. I cammet; hoverer, allow the callunhy utered by the Bond of the Royn Lastitation nganst the Chied dustice of Montreal to pass ammileud by me. "The Chicf' Fustice of "Muntrea"" (sny chey) "is mnvillimy, asan Roman Catholic, "to interfere more than ho con aroid in the govermment "of n PProtestant Institation," In thesver to this most uncalled for ullegnation, it inssufficient to sny that the Chief Justice of Montreal has dischargel his duty an'in Qovernor of M'Gill College as fully and as impartinlly as he could have done had he been a menker of the Clureh of England; mal that it might have very materially alvincel the interests of the Cullege, hat any one of the menbers of the Board of the Royal Institution exhibited the tithe of the zeal, in its behalf, which has been uniformly manifested by the IIonorable the Chice Justice of Montreal. Aceusations of thissort come with a peculianly bud grace fromsuch un inert boly as the Board of the Royal Institution have ever proved thengelves to be. Their objuet, in this casc, bas lel' them beyond the bounds of common proutence,--that ohject is the "practical result" which they desiive to estallish, via: that tho whole manngement of the Institution is "in the huncls of Dr. Bethune."

Thave the honor to be,
Your Exechency's
Most oberient humble servant,
(Signet, J) JOIN BETIUNED, D. D.
Prinaipal M'Gill College.
Montruai, th February, 1815.

## [Enclosures.]

A. No. 1.

Mry Dars Sin, - With refarence to the "united testi" mony" stated by the Bourd of the Roynal Institution in its Address to IIis Excellency' the Governor General, dated Quebec, December 11 th, 1844 , to have been given ly the Ollicers of the College relative to the want of
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## - Mr'Gita' Corirecei', <br> <br> 31 st January, 1845.

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(V.V.) public conndence in the Principm, I beg to inform you that I gate no tastintony whatover on the subject.

It femanin my icor Sir,
Thruly yours,

(Stigned,) JOSEPH ABBOTT, Secy. M'Gill Collage:

The Rov, Toirn Mentunnt D. D.
Drincipal M"Gill College.

## A. No. 2.

Lagauctramphe Smetm, 1st Rebruary, 1845.

Rrve avd Dan Sm,-I heg to sny, in answer 10 you' enquiry, that I was not examined bofore the Bond of the Royal Inslitution during their late Visitation of MrGill College, nor was I ever asked one question on Collego affhits at any time, as fhr as I can recollect, by any Member of that Buard.

> Thave thie honor to be,
> Your most obedient servant,
> (Signed, ) Di FALLOON,
> Lecturer in Diwinity,
> M'Gill Collcge.

The Rer. Dr. MBriuns 8 sc .8 cc .8 cc .
(True Copies.)

> Jos. Annorry, Arcill College.

## 13.

(Copy.)
M'Grar Conman,
30th. January, 1845.

My jear Sir,-As nem: as I can recollect, the fullowing was the substance of that part of my communiention to the Royal Institution which related to yourself:
"Among the causes of the presont unprosperousstate " of the College, I reckon the unpopularity of the Princi"pal. How this unpopulanity has becn obtained $I$ am " not prepared to say, but that it exista to a considerable "extent I have good grounts for believing.: I must, "however, state that I have myself seen nothing in the * "conduct of the Principal to justify the feelings which "appear to be cintortuined against hime in the public "mind."

You doubtless are aware that this remark of mine was part of an answer given by me to the following question proposed by the Board:

What do you consider the main causes of the present unprosperous condition of this Institution?

I ramain, 8 c

> (Signed, W. WTCKES, Profossor of Matheme rius.

The Row the Princinal of M'Gill College.
(A true Copy:)

## Jos. Anmott,

Actg. Sccy. MrGill Collego.
(Copr:)
c.

M'Gnt Commar,<br>1 st Falivary, 184t.

Rry. Sith,-The following is a copy of a statement I made respecting yourself anil furnished in writing to the Board of the Royal Institution at thele hate Visitation.
"The Pringipal of tho Colloge hand not boen a Mom"Mer' of "ny University, was unacquinted with 'Uaiver"sity busincss, and thas dirl not sujoy that confidenen nt "the havils of 'lio public of whiclit man phacel in so dis"tinguished a position at the first strurting of n" new In. "slitution ought to be possessed. Thie whole conduct and "munagenent was entrinsted to Dr. Luply, who at the "time was very umpopular, ind respecting' whom very "injurions' repports whethor" justly or unjustly' weve in "circulation."

These are to the best of my belief, the oxact wouk I maile use of'; I can at lenst, howover, be sure of thicir containting the sense of whint I stated.

I have the honor to be, sec.

> (Sit/ned,) ED. CHAPMAN.

The Rev, the Priacipm of Mr'Gill College.
(A true Copy.)
Jos. AbBut
Actg. Secy; M'Gill Collage.

## D. No. 1.

Montrentr i4th February, 1840.
I do heveby certify that at a Mecting of the Governors of MrGill College, on the 13th Julf, 1843, the nppointment of the Rev. John Bethune, D. D. to the Onfice of Principal of said College, whs intended to be made and was made as permnnent as it is in the power ol the Governors to make that of any other appointenent.
(Signed,)

(A truc Copy.)
Jos. Abbott,
Actg. Secy. M'Gill College.

## J. No. 2.

Tononio, 19th Fcleruary, 1845.
Smb-In reply to jour letter I linve to state that I considered your appointment to lie Principal of Mr Gill College to bo peryment in the same-degrec as the other appointments made at the sume time: I have no copy of the minutes of our proceedings in July, 1843, but I think I recolleat then clearly, and I liave no imprassion on my mind that youi appointrient was interided to be othervise than permancut. It nppenred to" the Clifef Justice of Montrent and niyself, that yon liad been appointed in fiet, seven yenis before, by the Lord Bighop of Quabec, Dr. Stewatt, and Chicf Justice Reid, and the correspondence respecting that mppointment' whe wefore us. If it were elear that that had been moant os a

## Appendix

(V."V.)
merely temporary appointment, still you had under it been for scem years exerting yoursulf strenuonsly to bring the College into opreation, and considering that the resourecs of the Institution did not enable us to offer any remmeration that would induce a stranger to come from Europe to acept the charge, it appeared to us to le fortunate that we could awail ourselves of the services of a person in your position in society as the nominal head of the College-making such arrungement for the practical conduct of the Institution, wader the superintendence of a Vice Principal, as" had been made in the College here.

## I am, dear Sir,

Yours Tery faithfully,
(Signed,) JNO. B. ROBINSON.
Rev. Dr. Beritaxe,
scu. sce. sce.
(A true Copy.)
Jos. Abiott,
Actg. Secy. M'Grill College'.

## $E$.

I certify that at the time of the Visitation of the Royal Lestitution in November last, the College was indebted to the Rev. Dr. Bethune in the sum of (fG16 13s. 8d.) six humdred and sixteen pounds thirteen shillings and cight pence currency, for monies actually paid, snlary and linbilities ineurred by him on account of the College.

JOS. ABBOTT, Actg. Bursar, M'Gill College.
'M'Gill College, 3'rl February, 1845.

## F.

Extract from the Minutes of a Meeting of the Governors of M'Gill College, held at Quebee on the 14th November, 1836.
" Fiesolved, That as no certain term of lease can now "Be given of suid premises" (to wit, Buruside estate, "the sanic be put in the occupation and clarge of the "Principal of the College for the time being, until the "College be completed and brouglit into actual operation, "on condition that the Principal shall keep the premises "in the same state of repair as he shall receive them.
"Adopted unanimously, and signed by the Chairman " of the Meeting."
(Signed) ${ }^{\text {GOSSORD, }}$
Governor in Chief.
(A true Copy,)
Jos. Abbott,
Actg. Secy. M'Gill College.
3rd February 1845:
G.

Dr. The Burnside Furm in account with the Principal of M'Gill College.


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| '1843. |  |  |
| May 1,-lby rents to date, | 650 | 0 |
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I have compared this account with the original vouchers, and certify that they agree.

( 4 true Copy.)
Jos Absotr,
Actg. Bursar, Míll College.
3rd February, 1845.

## II.

Thereby certify that the amount of the proceeds of the rent of Burnside estate, 'from' August 1st, 1843, to May Ist 1844, riz: for three quarters of a year', 'hat been carried to the debit of Dr. Bethune's account in the College Books.

JOS ABBOTT,
Actg: Bursar, Mr Gill College.
February 3rd, 1845.

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| $\overbrace{\text { J th March. }}$ | MrGill College, 4 th Felruary, 1845. |

We, the undersigned, herchy declare that we were not influenced, either directly or indirectly; by the Principal of the College, in going hefore the Board of the Royal Institution under protest, at their Visitation in Novem: wer last.
(Siyned, )
(A true cony.)
Jos. Aubott,
Acting Secretary.
K. No. 1.
(Copy.)
Montreat, 5th February, 1845.

Tev'd Siri,-I lave to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 31st ulto., recuesting to be informed, 1stly, by whose authority I consider myself to have been put in possession of Burnside ; and 2ndly, the period up to which I lave paid rent.
In reply to the first question, I have to state that the salc of Burnside in 1842, was, nfter mature consideration, eflected by the authority of ihe Board of the Royal Institution. A plan of the ground, the conditions of sale, and cvery particular relative thereto having been previously submitted to the ssid Board for its approbation; and that directions for the sale of the said property were finally forwarded to the Governors of M‘Gill College in a letter written by the autiority of the said Board, dated April, 1842, and signed by the Rev. Mr. Burrage, Secretary to the Royal Institution.

The sale took place on the premises on the day advertized, in the presence of 'a number of citizens, and was conducted throughout under the direction of the Governors of M'Gill College, represented by the Principal of said College on behalf of limself and remaining Governors, whose sanction to the sale had previously been obtained; and it was duly awarded to me as the highest bidder, and the possession of the propeity was, by virtue of the conditions of the said sale, vested in me instanter.

And I beg to observe that neither the Governors of M'Gill College nor the Board of the Royal Iustitution have presumed to question my right, not only as regards the quiet possession of the property but my claim upon both of thase Institutions for the completion of the condjtions of the sale, as soom as thecy werc in in position to do so. Indecd the Royal Justilution has, by letter to their Attomer, signified their desire to watch over my interests in this matter.

The salr, therefore, took place wwith' the sanction of both the Governors of M'Gill Collere and the Board of the Roynl Institution ; and if the sale, which was made in perfect good faith by all the parties concerned, has not been completed, the fault lies inot with the purchaser but with the Royal Institution 'and Governors of the College.

The amount of rent paid to you from the lst May, 1842 , to the 1st May, 1844, is $£ 200$, which includes stundry repairs of the loous, fences, \&e.

Iremain, Rev'd Sir, \&co.

## (Signed,)

J. PELTON.

The Rev: Dr: Bethine; \&ce \&ec \&o.
( $\Lambda$ true copy.)
Jos. Abbotr,
Acting Sectetury.
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## Roval Institution Office,

 Quelece', 19th April, 1842.To the Rev'd. Dr. Bermune, D. D., Principal M'Gill College,

Montreal.

Sir,-Your letter of 15 th instant has, been laid before a Special Meeting of the Board of the Royal Institution held this day. I am directed to inform you, in reply, that the Board concu: in the arrangement and valuation proposed in your letter with respect to the disposal of $25 \frac{1}{2}$ acres of the Buruside estate. The Board suggest that it shonld be ascertained proviously to the sale, what terms can be made with the Seminary for the adjustment 'of any clain that they may have in respect to the property to be so disposed of. The Board propose to communicate further, with you in regard to the other property in time for the sale of the 28 thi instant.

I have the honor to be, 'Sir,
Your most obedient serv't,
(Signed,) . R, R. BURRAGE,'
Secretary $R . I$.
(True copy.)
(Signed,) Josmù Pectont.

(A true copy)<br>Jos. AbBotr,<br>Acting Sec'y, MGill College.

## Appendix No 8.

Extract from Minutes of the Proceedings of the Board of the Royal Institution for the advancement of Learning, under date of 7 th July, 1843.
"The following Letter from Reverend, F. J. Lundy was read :-

> M'Gill College,
> 1 st July, 1843.

Rev'd. Sim,-In reply to the first part of your letter of the 28 th ultimo, $I$ am "directed by the Governors of'M'Gill Cullege to say, that it is impossible for them to form any precese estimate of the expenditure which may be required in making the necessary preparations for the opening of the College.

It may be gencrally stated, that, besides urniture and fittings for the College-Inall and Class-Roons, some outbuildings are required, as well as some meliorations of the College grounds'; but, if the Board will inform the Govornors what amount can be spared for that purpose', without prejudice to the "nnnual income before istated, they will rostict the expenditure to that amount as nearly as possible.

I um also directed to say on this subject, that $\mathfrak{X 5 0 0}$ was placed at the disposal of the Vice Principal of King's College, Canadi West, for a similar purpose, and that the Gormmors of M'Gill College are of opinion, that an equal sum, at least, will be required here, without including the"oxpense of a philosophical apptatus and mathe-" matical instruments, book"s, \&c." \&"c.

In reply to the second part of your letter I am directed to state, that the Governors of M'Gill College cannotrecognize the wight of the Board of the Royal Institution to demand from them any account of monies which they have not received from the Board's nor can they acknowledge the principile of making the payment of the salavies of the Officers of the University contingent upon any such demand' but in mere courteby to the Board, they

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refer them to the Minute of a Meeting held at Queteco on the 14th day of November, 183G, a cony of which is iin josisession of the Boart, hy which the Buraside propery was plated in the necupation and charge of the Primecipal, until the Colleare should be brought into actual ogeration ; and to say, that the Governors consider the nett proceds of that property daring the abow statel prevind to belong to the P'rincipal, as a small remmeration for his services in that capacity.

I am directed to all that they have received no money from Goverment at any time.

I have the honor to the,
Reverome Sir,
Your obectient liumble servant,

## (Signed, ) F. J. LUNDY,

Secy, to Gocernors Mr Cill College.
The Ref. R. R. Jutanate, \&e. \&e.
Secy. Royal Institution.
(A true copy.)
R. R. Buribage,

Secretary II. I.
Queber, 3 rd Febrany, $184 u$.
Wherempon the fullowing Teeter was real and adopted, and ordered to be sent in reply:-

Roma Institution Oprice, 'Quebec,' Th July, 1843.

Rev'd She-LIEaing laid liefore the Board of the Royal Institution your letter of the lst instant, I am directed by them to acyuaint you in answer thereto, for the information of the Governors,-1st. That they do not imagine it can be diflicult for the Goveruors to state what furniture and fittings or other preparations are required fior the College-Hall and Class-Rooms, or to procure from a carpenter or other mechanic or tradesman on estimate of the probable cxpense, which is all the Boarl require; and that, until this is ione, the Board can come to no determination un the subject.

2ndly. That the Board do not feel themselves justified in the present state of the fonds of the 'Trust, in expending any part of them in improving the College gronds, or in erecting out-buidings, unless such as are indispensably required, in order that the building may be opened for the reception of stadents.

3rtly. That the sum of $\pm 559$ odt, herctofore stated by The Board as the ambal income of the mexpendel funds of the Trust, is only the gross income, subject, is the Governors mast be arare, to various deductions for insurance, repairs, agency, and other contingencies.

Athily. Thut the Boarido not intend, that the payment of the salaries of the Officers of the Uniliversity regularly appointed aud employed in their duties should be confingent on an account being rendered by the Governors to the Board of monies, received by the Principal for the rent or use ol' Burnside estate ; lut the Board, claining, as Visitors, a right.to inguire into the cexpenditure of monies reccived by unc of the Gorernors from the estate of the 'Testator have declined, aud will deeline, until such account is renderel, to accede to the' demand made liy the Governorss resident at Montreal, for payment out of the nther fiunds of the 'Trust, of a sum of momey for a hack period to a Prufessior, who has never been regularly appointed and who has tone no duty as such.

Sthly. That the Moard still insist upon, and will by all lawful means enforco their riglit, as Visitors, to enquire into the expenditure by the Governors of all monics that pass into their handr, axising in any way from the estate and funds given in trust to the Board by the Testator.

Gthly. That the Minute of the Board of the 14th November, "1836, did not place the Burnside property in the occupation and charge of the Principal.

7thly. That by that Minute it appears that the Covernor;s then recognized and admitted the control of the Board wer the rents of Burnside estate, by applying to the Board for a grant of monies, from that source, which they received.

8thly. That the Board deny the right of the Principal to divert to his own use the nett proceeds of that property during his oceupation of it, and to cover that misapplication by allcging noro, that the Governors consider it a small remmeration for his"servicos in that capacity ;first, because the Principul never advanced any claim, or intimatedany clain for remuneration, until he was called ipon to account for the suns he had receired; and that before Dr. Bethune vacated the premises, the Board were induced, in order to get prossession of them, to pay him by way of compromise a considerable sum for the improvements he lad made, while in occupation; but that lue then made rio clation on account of personal remuneration: Sccondly, becnuse, it he really considered himself entitled to such remoneration, the proper way to obtain it was, not ly paying himself: Thirdly, because the ground on which he was allowed to go into possession of Burnside was to take che of the house and estate, and the benefit le derived from the farm and house was more than a remmeration for his services as Principal: Fourthly, becuase the claim of the Principal to rotain the rents is a personal remuneration is inconsistent with the statement ljefore made by hin in his letter of 26 th July, 1839, when the Board called for an aceount of the rents.

9thly. That, whatever may lave been the amonnt of those "proceeds, and however they may have been applied, the Board only ask an account of thom, when called upon to adrance monies from another fund, and claim that account as a matter buth of right and of just dealing.

Thave the honor to be, Rev'd Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

## (Signerl)

R. R. BURRAGE.

Secy. R. I
The Rewerend
F. T. Iundy, S.C.L.

M‘Gill College, Montreal."
(A true Cops;)
I. R. Burrage,

Secy. R. I
Qucbec, 3rd February, 1845.

## Aprenolx No. 9.

Extract from Minutes of the Proceedings of the Bond of Royal Institution for the adyancoment of Leaming under date of 15 th Jamuary, 1844.
"The following Letters from Mr. Aboot, Acting Secretary of M'Gill College, were read:-

M'Gill Colithem, 15 ha Decenbar, 1843.
Rev. Sir,-I am directed by the Governors of $\mathrm{M}^{\text {' }}$ Gill College to reguest the favor of "your laying before the Bond of the Royal Institation, the accompanying accounts of expenses incurred in making the necessmy proparations for opening and carrying on the Collegre, as well is a statoment of monies die to the Professors ame other Officers thereof.

I am further desired to dequest you to express to the Board, the desire of the Goremors that they be furnish.

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Hth Blatch.
ed with the means of defraying these sums, out of the property of the College in the hands of the Board, at their carliest convenience.

I am further desired by the Governors to request the favor of being informed, at what time it will suit the conrenience of the Board, to invest the Governors with the whole of the property of the College now held by the Board.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient humble serrant,
w, (Signed, )
JOS. ABBOTT.
Actg. Secy. MCGill College,
Rev. R. R. Burrage,

> Secy. Bonrd of Royal Institution, \&ce. \&ic. \&e., Quebec.

## (A true Cops;)

R. R. Burrage,

Secy. R. J.
Qucbec, 3rd February, 1845.

## M•Gilm College, 12th January, 1844.

Rey. Sir, - 1 am directed to inquire whether it is the intention of the Board of the Royal Institution to return an answer to my communication of the 15th December last.

1 have the honor to be, Rev'd Sir,
Your obedient servant;
(Signed,
JOS. ABBOTT,
Actg. Secy. of M: Gill College.
Rev. R. R. Bumpacie,
Scey. Royal Institution,
\&sc. \&c. \&ce.,
Quebec.
(A truc Copy,)
R. R. Bermage,

Secy. R. I.
Quebee, 3rd February, 1845.
Whoreupon it was'ordered, that the following commmnication be sent in reply, and that a copy also be transmitted to the Provincial Secretary to be haid before IIs Excellency the Guvarnor' Greveral with, the respectful request of the Board, that His Bxecllency will take into consideration the suggestion of the Board, that the points of difference between the resident Governors and the Board shoulth be submitted to the Law Officers of the Crown, with a" vicw to the Board being furnished with their opinion therevi for their guidanse.

## COMAGEXCATLON.

The Board have received from Mr. Abbott a list of debts stated to have been contracted by the Govemers of M'Gill College, to the anount of $£ 17367$ 7s. $2 \frac{1}{2}$ d, accomcompanied by a demand on the part of the Governors of M"Gill College rosident in Montreal fur immediate payment of the amount, and by a call upon the Board to state to the resident Governors', when they will be prepared to transfer to the Governors all the funds in their possession.
'Answering the last iuquiry first, the Board" have to state, that the funds in their possession, having been bequanthed to them by the 'Cestator in trist, not only for' crecting and establishing, but for maintaining a College or University, they, are nlvised that they are not authorized to transfer these funds to any other person or authority.

With respect to the payment of the sum now demanded of them the Board olserve, 'that it consists in part of salaries assigned by the resident Governors to the Professors of the College, and in part of expenses in- curred by the resident Governors or the Vice-Principal for other purposes.

The Board have already recognized on a former oceasion their obligation to provide the Governors with funds to meet the sularies' of the Professors, when actually appointed, and employed in teaching, as far as the incone of the funds entrusted to the Bourd will suffice, having regard also to the necessity of providing for other expenses necessary for maintaining the College.

The Board intimated to the resident Governors on a former occasion that the gross income at their disposal (subject however' to deductions for agency, repairs,' \&'c.) dill not exceed $£ 559$ per annum, to which an addition has since been made by a further investment, producing about $£ 30$ per annum : The Board obscrve, howerer, that the salaries stated to be assigned by the Governors to the Professors'and to a Secretary, and other fixed annual charges, anount to $£ 730$ 'per annum.

Witli respect to the remaining items of the sum demanded by the resident Governors, amounting to about $£ 1300$, and consisting, as stated in the heading of the account, "of expenses incurred in making the nocessary "preparations for opening and carrying on' M"Gill Col"lege", the Board observe,-1st. That some of the expenses incurred do not appear to have had any connection with the opening or carrying on of M'Gill College.2ndly. That inany of them were wholly unnecessary, and many more excessive in amount.-3rdly. That this expenditure for contingencies amounts in one year (and the greater part of it incurred within fire months) to much more than three years' income of the funds in possession of ' the Boarl; ; an expenditure so wasteful, without precedent or principle, the Board feel it their duty to reject and resist,' when called upon to provide for'it out of the insufficient fund which they hold in trust. .

They cannot defray it, nor can they meet the excess of the fixed saluries and charges sanctioned by the resident Governors over the actual arailable, income withont sacrificing a large portion of the remaining amount (already but too inadequate) of the bequest made to them by the Testator for the permianent support of the Insti-' tution. This sacrifice they find it their duty not to make, and they must refer the resident Governors, to the various Minutes of the Board already transmitted to them bearing date of '7th July hast, \&c. \&cc.

It is obrious that the Board and the Governors' of MrGill College entertain views entirely opposite, as to the nature of the trust committed to the Board, and the duties which that trust inposes.

The Governors appear to understand, that the whole funds of the Cullege are at their disposal without clicok or control on the part of the Board; that these fulds ought to le in their possession, not in possession of the Board; and, mennwliile, that they have an equal title to draw upon the Board for any sum of money they may clionse to expend, as an individual lias to drate on a Tjank in which lic has funds lodged; and that it is not in any degree more competent for the Royal Institation to control or regulate their expenditure, than it is for a banker to intertere with the expenditure of persons huving made deposits with him. It is clearly only or these principles that in domand should now be made for $£ 1720$, which the Board never authorized to be expended, for the expenditure of which its consent was never asked, and of which its approbation is evidently not considered at all necessary.

The view which the members of the Doard entertan of the functions and duties of the Board is very different : They consider that it belongs to the Board, in the first instance, to establish the general expenditure, and then to ascertain; that the sums rotod for spechly proposed are properly applied: They couceive the Board responsible

For the rierht appleation of the limeds ; that the dute of the bomi is mot simply ministerial, for the purpose of honoringe drafts mate on it by the Governors, but that it has a risht hoin liduciary and visitntorial, to judge of the nses to whichthe money is to he applied, and to retuse any femand that nppears innocessaly of extravagant. Now are the members of the Buard, as they appehend, at libcrey to translie to others a responsibility which is lad nhon thenaslyes.

There en be no proper understanding between the Buard and lho Gorconoms, till it be authoritatively sculled, whibh vicu of the fanctions and duties of the Bond is right amt according to law. The Board are maden in the ven they tako liy the alvice of eminent Comnsel ; and on denemprinciples they consider it in the highest decree molesimalle, that the sole control of The finds shamb the rested in the Governors without tome sinch cleck as the Board beliese they are entitled to exereces ; and primat firie the expenditure by the resident Governors in one year of more than a fifth of tho whole finds, and more than the amount of the interest of thees yetre, wolla sem to be a prool' of this. The memthers of the Benel lave nof, and camot have any persomal interent in uphohlinge the biow they entertain. It wodal to an rasy duty, and on', which they are persuated, wond he brompht to a combliniom in a wery short period, simply to hand out withont question or remank, whatever funds mipht be demanded of thom ; but this is not the duty which the Saw athe the Will of the late Mr. Gill do, as they think, impone on the Board, and till they are assured otherwise by competent anthority, the Board will rehase the payment of all debts, "xeept such as have been contracted with their sanction, or as they can on examination approve.

To provent all misumderstanding, it may bo necessary to state, that, it the gemeral prineiple mantainethy the Board were admittes, there neser could be any uwitlingurss on the part of the Board to sanetion such casial expenses as cirematances might remer neecsathy or rapodient before the Boturd cond be consulterl : And to put an end to the diflerence of opinion brewen the Governors and the Board as to the extent of the ir dulies and remponibilities, it wond be lighly satisfartory to the Board, if the anthoritative opinion of the law Gllicers of the (hown conk be obtained upon the phints at issuc, or the derifion of a competent Cont of Justiee in an amirable suit."
(A true cops.)
R. R. Tilntemes,

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rumbe, 3d Febrary, 184.

## Abperix No. 10

Minute of ace Bond or the Royal Thstitution on their Visitation of Aldill College, in Nowember, 1844.

The lemat of the Royat Institutom in proceoding to recordapon the Hinutes the rewhof the Visitatorial in"uiby lately instimed by them into the afthics of MCill Collere, camot hat premike that they have perceired with fegret that the diferones eximing or suppsed to exist between the Gorrmoss of the College resident at Montreal and the Bourd hare, in the comrse of thatinguiry, beon atated by the Jrofresors' as one canse ol the want of embitemec in the Institution and, consergently, of its want of cificiency amd suceess.

While tho Board are mot disposed to dony that this may, to somelimited extent, be true, they fee that there is no part of the duty which they have now to perform towards the College, to which they will more cheerfally and carnestly address themselves than to obtain, so fur as in them lies, an amicable and definitive settlement of these differences.

This disposition the Board lus alroaly shewn by the resolve adopted and commmicated to the Governors on the 14 th November, to which the Bourd still adheres.

14th March.
If the Governors ought rightifilly to be in porsession of all the funds and property now hold in trust by the Board for the Colloge, the Board dechare, as they have before dedared, their readiness to subnit this question to the decision of a Court of Law in an amicable suit.

If such at decision camot be Int, and the Royn Instithtion continne in possession of the property, they are bound, under the minent legal counsel they have taken, to hold, administer and apply itie property had finds to the best of their julgment for the benelit of the Institution; but in doing so, they will meet the wishes of the Governors to the utmost of the in power"; they will take every compotent step; to render the property a ailable for the surport of the Colleges they will co-operate with all conecrucel in seeking such Legishative aid as may be thought necessary ; and while they hold it thein dity to see, that the capital of the Trust-fund and property in their hands shat atot, alter the payment of present list bilitics, be tonched, they will amually pay into the hands of the Governors the whole net revemue, to be disposed of hy thenn. areording to their julgment, for the benefit of the College, claming for themselves only, as Visitors and Trustece, the power whid they are legalty advised belongs to them, umber the Clarter and the Will, to examine and check the acconts of the expenditure from time to time, as they may see meet; nor docis there exist the slightest desire on the palt of the Board to exercise this right in my way that conld justly he deened vexations. It appears indecd to the Board, that, if there Were an officient budy of Governors appointod residing at Montreal, the necessity of an interference on the part of the Bonrd would he but small, nor, in that case, could the Buad see any reason to fear any future want of harniony between themelves and the Governors.

The Board would only obscrese further with respect to these difficultios between the Governors and the Buard that; aparl fiom the general iquestion of the posseasion nod manarement of the property, the main ground of difference has been as to the appliention of the rents and proceds of 'Burnside estate "; the Board chaming to be informed of'such application, and the Acting P'incipal, on the part of the Governors, refinsing such information. On this point the Board will only, in this preliminary part of their Minute, observe that, it appeners to them, nothing was wanting, if not to settle the question of right, at least to satisfy the Board and maintain that full confidenee which is necossary between them and the Governors, but that the latter (or the Acting I'rincipal) shonld have given, under protest, if they saw fit, the required information;-a course which the Board camot but think that, in a matter concerning the expenditure of a part of the funds of a publie 'lirust, it would have been but natural and reasonable for the Governors to adopt.

In closing these general prelimintary considerations the lhoud will only further record the deep regret and astonishment with which they have lemed, in the'course of their inguirion, that an impression very generally has prevaled at Montreal, that the Board have rexatiously interfered to prevent the College fron gring into operatim, and that credit is given to the Aeting Principal of the College for contending' with and counteracting such interference"; but the Joard 'appeat to their frequent rexolutions and 3 epresentations, recorded in their Minutes, for proot that the case has beon precisely the reverse; that the Board hats always been most desirous and urgent that the Institution should be put into speedy operation, and that hat lor ohstacles in other"quarters the Institntion would have been opened yeus ago to the full extent in which it hats ever yet been in operation for Collegiate Tnstruction.

In pursuing their inquiry into the general state and manarement of the College, the Board found among the principal causes of its low and unsatisfuctory condition the imperlcetion of the Charter, particularly with respect to the immedinte govorning body, and the want of a body of Statutes.

The Board' perceive, with deep regret, that no amendments of the original Charter have yet been obtained from the Crown; and they nre impressed with the necessity of soliciting His Excelleney the Governor General to recommend to Her Majesty's Government in England to grant the amended Charter, of which a draft was sent to Lagland by the Governors in 1839, but not without the alterations suggested by this Board, and communicated to the Provincial Government by their resolutions of the 2nd Febriury, 1841.

The most essential amendment of the Cbarter would be to create a boly of Governors competent to act. The abstinence of His Excellency the Governor General from taking any part as a Governor of the College,--the residence of the Chicf Justice of Upper Canda at Toronto, and of the Bishop of Montreal at Qucbec, leave the local managenent of the affairs of the College in the hamds of the two resident Governors,-the Chief Justice of Montreal and the Acting Principal of the College; and even, if the acts of these nembers, being a minority of the whole Boath of Governors, who may occasionally assemble, could be deemed regular, the honorable and delicate reluctance of the present Chief Justice of Montreal to take an active part in the affairs of a Protestant Foundation, his infirmity of health, and his regular judicial duties, all combine to throw nemply the entire managcment of the Institution into the hands of the Acting Principal;-a result which, the Board have ample cause to know, has been most injurious to the interests 'of the College.

Seeing that, with every disposition on the purt of Her Majesty's Goverminent to expedite the Charter, amended to the full extent necessary, a considerable delay may occur before this can be accomplished, the Board deem it expedient to represent,' in the mean while, to Her'Majesty's Government the absolute necessity oft, at least, providing immediately, by a supplementary Clairter, for an addition to the number of Governors of, at least, four gentlemen resident at Montreal.

To the want of an efficient Board of Governors has been added that of a code of internal regulations! The Statutes adopted by the Governors in July, 1843, not having received, as yet, Her Majesty's confirmation, there iss, in fact no written rule, under the Charter, by which duty is to be measured or delinquency punished. It has been declared, indeed, before the Board, by the Oficers of the College, that they have entered into a volumtary obligation to abide by the Statutes as originally passed, while waiting Hor Majesty's confirmation; 'but it also appears, that they justly do not consider themselves bound by the alterations of the original code subsequently adopted by the Governors resident at Montreal (being a minority of the whole) which affect the descipline of the College and the duties of the Officers.

An Institution without efficient external government and with disputed internial regulations could not fail to fall into the state of disorganization, confusion and dissension,', which the Board have found to exist in M'Gill College.

In nttempting to execute their undoubted duties as Visitors under the Charter the Board have encountered a refisil by the two resident Governors above mentioned to render them auy assistance in their inquiry, or even to recognize their authority; although a direct admission of that authority is to be found in the proceedings "of the same Governars on the 17 th July, 1843 , when assisted by the Chief Justice of Upper Canada'; and the Acting Principal has not only wholly declined the Visitatorial authority of the Board when summoned to appear before them and give information respecting the management of the Listitution, and, in particular respecting matters in which his own conduct was impugned, but lie hasthreatened' the Board with legal proceedings, as for' a trespass, in entering M'Gill College.

From the other Officers of the College, how er,allhough two of then, acting, no doubt, under the influence of the cxample of the Acting Principal, appeared
before the Board under protest against its authority,-the Board have received sufficient information to justify them in coming to the conclusion that the Institution,' now only little more than a year in operation, hás been rapidly declining, and has lost public confidence and respect. In that period more than half the students, at one time on the books, lave left the Colloge; and, at present, but nine remain, although, with the mistaken view: of keeping up the numbers, the qualification for admission has been lowered, so as to be inferior to the ordinary stundard of attainment in a third rate Grammar School.

For this number of students, nlthough the whole amount of income accruing from tho Foundation is less than E550, an establishment of' five Instructors and other Officers has been "provided "at no expense for salaries alone of $£ 800$, besides the contingent expenses of the College.

While different causes have been assigned for the umprosperous state of the College, by different persons from whom the Bond have received information, one chief canse has been stated to be, that the Acting Princi-' pal does not enjoy that confidence on the part of the public, of which an individual standing in his position ought to be possessel ; and fiom all that has come to the knowledge of the Bonde, they are satisfied that the Institution is not likely to prosper while le is at the head of it. The contumacious condtuct of this Officer towards the Board, added to other facts brought before them and to this general unfavorable cstimation of his fitness for the situation he fills would have led the Board to close their inquiry by a unamimous judgment of suspension or deprivation under the powers vested in them; bun" that. such a measure, while it would certainly have been dissegarded by Dr. Bethune, would, in the absence of a competent body of Govemors, have crented difficultics and enibarrassments in the conducting of the College, which would liave increased the oxisting disorganization and dissension, and have issued in the speedy suspension of the operations of the Institution.

In some of the statements made before the Board, a wat of confidence in the Vice Principal, has been mentioned as influencing unfavorably the prosperity of the College, and lyy the complaints and other evidence placed before the Board, it is but too plain that there is adeplorable want of that cordial co-operation and harmonious intercourse between the Officers of the College which is essential to the success of the Institution; but as regards the Vice Principal, the objection appears to be rather against his personal demeanour, as Vice Priticipal, (to which they think that well founded exceptions are made, than to his qualifications or his conduct as a Teacher in his particular departnent; but the Board consider,' that it would be for the bencfit of the Institution, on the whole, that no such Oflice as that of Vice Principal'should exist:

Adverting to the fact, which is established by the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Governors on the 18 th 'November, 1885, and 15 th' July, 1843, that Dr. Bethine's appointmoit as Principal was, and is only pro tempor'e, and is determinable at the pleasiue of the Governors, the Board here record their opinion, that the prosperity of the Institution requires that mother' Principal'should forthwith be soupht, who should reside in the College, and have the gencral immediate oversight of the Institution, and take a large share in the business of instruction ; that the Office of Vice Principal should be abolished, and the duties of the Professor of Classical Litcrature enlarged; and that the Tutorship slould bediscontinued, as wholly unnecessary in the present circumstances of the Institution.

The Bond have not thought advisable to institute any particular inquiry into the compluints addressed to them by Professor Lundy in his letters of the 17 th . June and 1st November of this year, because they lave fouth that cross changes lifve been made naainst hin to the Board of Governors relating, in part, to the same transuctions; into which the Royal Lastitution, as Visitors, are not called upon to inquie'; because also the complaints made by him arise, in part, from differences on points of
discipline and in the internal cconomy of the Colloge, occasioned, principully, hy the want of a recognizerl Code of Statutes, and by the inconvenient relative position of the Prineipal and Viee Principal ; and, in grent part owe their"origin to that wat of cordiallty mnong the Officers to which the Board have already adverted, and the remedy and correction of which may better be left to the and retuming good hereling among the Offers themselves, than sought for by an' investigation that would, in itself, enhance existing initation.

Several also of those complaints are of too trivial and vague a mature to reguire invostigation ; but the Buard are of opinion, that professor Lundy has just reason to complain of the procedings by which the two Goveriors resident at Montreal malertook to diminish the casual emoluments which had been formally consured to him by a resolution of a competent mecting of a majority of the Govemors on the 13 ha July peeceding.

The Board are of opinion that this resolution of a minority of the Governors was unjust, irregular and informal, and of no force as againstlerolessor Lunly; hut they deem it unalvisable to adppt any firther resolution with respect to it, as Professor Lundy intimated before them his conditional aecuicsence in an armangement which had been proposed to him by the resilent Clovernors at Montrenl, by which he would receive a fixed salary, out of the Fee fiud, in lien of the contingent emoluments in question.

The result of an examination into the financial coneerns of the Institution exhibited a state of things 100 much in tinison with the disordered emmtition of its other interests:-not only is the seale of permment expenditure for the Collere'cstablishment, in salaries und contingent charges, two-fold of the incomeapplicable to it, bat a debt has been incurred by the Govemor's in the course of a few months of 1843 , in makiar preparations to open the College, to the amome of $£ \mathbf{x} \mathbf{5 0} 0$,--equal to three ycirs' net revenac of the whole property of the College. Among the items of exponse thus incurred ate the thetvelling charges of the Prusipul and Viee Principal in going to Kingston and 'Roronto; and the chanater of the whole is that of wasteful expenditure beyond the necessity of the case.

The Board, however, feeling that innoent third parties, to whom the larger part of this debt is due; ought not to be made to sulfer, have reluetantly ome to the resolution of sacrificing a part of the enginal of the 'Trust to discharge this deunand, although, by so doing, they further diminish, by nearly $£ 40$ the ammal income, already insufficicat.

On examining the Bursur and inspecting his books, the Board could not but remark tho defective way in which the accounts are kept, and the Bursar's imperfect acquintance will the pecuniary uffars of the Institution; nor can they admit that any excuse for these deficiencies is afforded by the fact acknowledged wy that Oficer, that he has no knowledre of matters of accomen ; that he has not been himself personally resident and performing his duties, but has loft them to a deputy.

The Board conceive that every shilling reccived from the properly of the Institution or on its account or for its support, ned every item of the expenditure, should appear fairly and intelligibly stated in the College Books of Account; but the Board must also record their opinion that noither this daty nor that of Secretary requires the appointment of a separate Officer ; that the oflice of Bursar and Secretary slould be abobishen, and the salary of £100 saved the College; and that the duties now performed by the Bursar and Secretary and Registrar should be divided between two of the Professors.

Among other objects of inquiry the attention of the Bond has been particularly tumed to the receipts and oxpenliture of the revenucs, rents or procceds of the Burnside estate since May, 1840, when 1)r. Bethune gave up possession of that property. Upon this matter, which forms a necessary part of the College nccounts, the Bursan's
books afford "no information ; and it was with some difticulty that the Bomrd ascertained from die Bursar that the monics in question had been recoived by the Acting Principal, A piper in Dr. Bethunc's handwriting, was subsequently produced purporting to be a statement of the sums so received by him from Burnside, fron' May, 1841, to May, 1843, and ol' the expenditure of part thereof.

From other sources of infornation the Board have ascerhined that Dr. Bethuic has not debited himself' with a sum of $\mathbf{x} 15$ received by him in the year ending 1st May, 1843, nor cloes his statement 'shew what sums huve heen derived from renting the fields of Burnside as pasture or for grass, while he taltes credit for $£ 40$ as remaining due to him hy tho Royul Institution at the periol of his giving uf possession of Burnside, which sum he had agreed, hy his letter of the 26th March,1839, to allow to be deducted from 'his then demand;' and had atecpter the residuc in satisfaction of his claim; and ho also states the balance of $\pm 88$, upon the present statement as renined by him.

But as no autlority appears by the Minutes of the Procedings of the Governors to have been ever piven by them for Dr. Bethunc's appropriation of this balanee to his own remuneration, the Board declare it to be the duty of the Bussar to call upon the Acting Priacipal to pay over to him this batance together wilh that of $\mathfrak{t}^{4} 40$, for which Dr. Bethunc has inproperly taken credit, and also the sum of $£ 100$ received by him from the actual tomant of Burnside for rent sinco the dite of his statement; and that the Bursur should nomand mament from that tenint of the current and Cuture aceraing rents. But the Buad do not herely intend to recognize, in any way, the right of Mt. Pelion, from whom the present tenant apmens to hold the pro perty, to he in possession of 'it, alhough delivered to him by Dr, Bohnune under color ot the artangonent for along lease of the property begun in 1842, bat never perfected by the sanction of the Boad. On the contrary, the Board hold it to be the duty of the Governors and themselves to take immediate measures for ousting any porsons holding adverse possession, in oider that the property may lee turaed to the best accomnt for the benefit of the College, so soon' as the legal difficulties in the way are surmountel ; which, at present, are considered by the Counsol of the Board at Montreal to prevent' the Board from giving a title for more than twenty-mie years.

Uron the application of "the Mchical Faculty of the College to the Boand for the grant of a lot of ground on which to erect a building sultable for their purposes, Professor IIolmes, representing the Faculty, was informed that the Boatd will take the necossury steps for as signing to the Facully a lot of ground adequate to tho erection of such buildings as they may require, subject only to the condition, that the Colleges shall, at any time, luave the liberty to assume the posoession of such lot and the buildings thereonerected on repmying to the Faculty the expenses incurred in erceting the same.

The Directors of the Iligh School of Montreal having also applicd to thie Board for the grant of a piece of ground for the erection of suitable buildinge for that Institution, the Directors were informed in a persomal conForence that they, not being a branchi of the College, the legal difficulties, above ulverted to, would prevent the Bourd, at present, from meeting their wishes to their full extent, as they should otherwisc have desired to do ; but that the Buald will engige (as far as upon further advice it may be decmed competent to them, so to do) to trusfer, on favoruble terms, to the Directors of the Figigh School the lots of lanil for which they have applied.
( 1 true Copy.)
R. R. ${ }^{\text {BURRAGE, }}$

Secy, R. I.
Quabec, 3ad February, 1845.
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14 th March.
Address from the Bonrd of the Royal Institution to Fis Excellency the Governor General, alter their Visitation.


#### Abstract

To Iis Excellenay, the Right Ifonorable Sin Cirarres Thiominus Mistonles, Baronet, Kuiqht Grand Cross of the Most Ironoralita Order of the Bath, one of ILer Majesty's Most Ironorable Privy Council, Governar Geveral of Britishs North America, and Captain Genervl aund Governor in Chieff in and over the Provinces of Cuntuld, Nova Scotia, New' Brunswich, and the Island of Prince 'Edward, and Vice Admiral of the same, so. so. go.


## May at please Youn Exoellency

The Board of the Royal Institution, at the request of Profossor Lundy, Vice-Principal of M'Gill College, and in consequence of $a$ variety of circumstances leading them to believe such in step cxpedient and necessury, met nt Montreal on tho 14th November, and as Visitors of M'Gill College under the Royal Charter," entered into ani examination of the whole affiriss of that Institution. The general result of their investigation they are now desirous of laying before Your Excellency, both because it is of importance to the Provinee, and because it is to Your Excellency's interyosition that the Burid look for obtaining certain importunt mensures, which appear to them indispensuble to the prosperity of the College, of which they are Visitors and Trustees.

When the Visitation of M'Gill College took phace; the Visitors found in' it nine students, fewer by half than'at the same period last year; and these, with one or two exceptions, boys, under the tuition of a Principal, who is also Protessor of Divinity; a Lectrarer on Divinity ; a Vice-Principnal, who is also Professor of Classical Literature; a Professor of Mathematies, and a' Chassical Tutor; 'the Establistunent liaving also the services of a Bursar, Beadle and others. ' The regulne expenditure for the Colloge Establishmentitia salaries and contingent cliarges is two-fold of the income applicable "to it; and the Governors have contincted a delt of f 1550 in opening the College, the various, items of which expenditure appeared to the Board to be on a seale 'of extravarance and waslefulaess entirely unsuitaable to the pecminiry resources of the Institution. There is a great want of cordiality and hamony among the Professors and Ofticers of the College, some not even speaking to others. There are no statutes in operation which aro binding in law. The Principal tefused to acknowlelge the "andhority' of the Visiturs, or to furnish them' with any infurnition. The whited testimony of the College Officers induces the Bonrd to believe that one main reason of the College having receivel so little support is, that the Acting Prineiphel doos not eujoy that, confidence of whicla an individual standing in' his position ouglt to be possessed : He appears, noreover, to be in' debt to the Institution ; to have collected monies /belonging to the Collige estate, for doing' which no authority appears as given to him out the College Books ; "and' to have eritered no account of such intromissions in the Books of the Bursar.

The Board aiso had the testimony of the College Omcers that the inefficiency and unimpularity of the College'are also, in part owing to the gencrial want of confidence, rightly or wrongly entertained, in the Vice-Principal, Professor Liundy.

The Bursar is the Rev. Mr. Abbott, who has a salary of $£ 100$ n-year, and is permitted to do his duty by deputy. Ho does not, he sayst, understand nccounts; nor do those of lis deputy appear to be' regularly and correctly kept.

There are only two Governors resident in Montreal- 'The Chicf Justice of the District, and Dr. Bethune,

Who is'a Governor in consequence of holling the interim appointment of Principal. The other Governors, who occasionally act, are the Chief Justice of Unper Canada, and the Bishop of Montreal,--both too disturt from the College to take much part in the mamgement of jts af. fuirs ; ind the lattor having only very recently it title to do so. The Chice Justice of Montreal is minwilling, as a Roman Catholic, to interfere more than he cen aroid in the government of a Protestant Institution ; and the prnctical rosiutt of this slate of things in the governing boly is to throw alnost the whole managenent of the Institution inio the hands of Dr. Bethune, the Acting Principal. Both the resident Governors resisted the nuthority of the Visitors,' and refused to co-operate with them.

Between the Governors and the Bond of Royal Institution, certain differences do also exist in respect of the possession of the funds of the College now held in trust ly the Board. The Governors are of opinion that such funds should be unreservedly handed over to them; the Royal Institution, acting on the opinion of eminent Counsel, and holding that, in this course, they are supported hy inanifest expedicney, as well as limy, decline to make sucl transfer. The knowledge of the public that such differcnces exist, is also statel as one ground of the want of public confidence ins the Institution:

A more full and accurate account of the whole investigation, containiel in the Minute of the Buard, is herewith respectfinlly submitted for Your Excellency's information ; but such we have to state to Your Excellency is generally the disorlerly and ineficient state of an Instrtution, from which the pullic luoked, and were justly cntitled, to look for great bencitits.

The remely for existing evils is, it nppears to the Bonct of Visitors, to "be sought in various quartors.', In part it rests with, the Bond itsolf' to aply, a remedy; and, in so far, they "are propared to act without delay.

The differences between the Board and the Governors may besettled by an amicablosuit in a Court of Law, or by the opinion of the Law Offeers of the Crown. The board have repatedly expressed to the Governors their alesine to have the matter so decided. And the debts of 'the Institution, the Board are also preparent to liquidate, though, in doing so, they must, of necessity, trench deep. ly on the capital in their possession.

The changes in the Institution itwelf which the Board consider necessary, and which it is more immediately the frovince of the Governots to carry into execution are these: -

1st. To obtain the scrvices of an able and efficient Principal, possessing the public confidence, who should reside in the College, and take an active part, in the education of the Students.

2ndly. To dispense with the oflce of Vice-Principal altogether, which, in that case, would be unnecessury; and to confine Professor Lundy's duties entirely to the work of Classical Instruction.

3rdly. To dispense with the office of Buxsar, and require the no-wise onerous duties theroof to le performed by some of the resident Officers of the College.

4thly. To dispenso with the services of a Classical Tutor till the attendance of Stidents render them necessary, which, at present, is manifestly not the case.

Preparatory, however, to these changes, and "without which, iudeed, they caniot be carricd into effect, there needs (the Board would humbly represent) an interposition of Her Majesty's Government for the renoval of the present Principal, and for an addition to the number of Governurs resident in Montreal.

The Board of Visitors believe thoy aie entitled by Law to remove the Principal from his oflice, on the sole
gromad of his eontumey in refosing to appear before then! ; min they have heen restrained from depriving him of his oflice by thein, own athority, simply by a consideration of the still gerater disorder which must hitwe heen the result in the College.

The Bourd of Visitors would, hovever, represent to Your Exedlency that, in their judement, such renoval is indispensmble to the well-beng of the College, and that as Dr: Bethene was nevernpointed, exerpt temporaly, and his appeintment has never received the sanction of Ler Majesty's Government, if that sanction were refinsed, the olliee weuld be firthwith vacant, and it would be comperent lon the Governois to appoint an' able and efficient Drincipal in his stend.

Even surli removal, however, would serve bat litThe purpose-gently as the Board believo it would, contribute to resture public confilence,-whess an addi'tion were made to the number of Govemors resident in Montreal. If 'three or lour enlightenod and intelligent men, mited in the gowemment of this lnstitution, who from their resilenee in Montreal could give a fair share of their attention to its interests, the mosi bencficial conserpuenees, might he experted; and the puhlie contidence would he gronter if, in the selection of these Governors, regard shonh be had to difterent Protestant borlies in the Provines, none of whed (except ly stal lhaitation as may he comecival to exist in the words."somad "Religion,") atr, by any chatae citlat of Mr. (iill's Will, or of the loynd Chater, coxcluted from the ofliees, honory, (4) benefits of the Cullege.

May it therefore phense Yum Excellency to use your influcene with Her Mujesty's Covermment to refluse the Sanction of Dr. Bethune's appointment ; and to grant, us speedily ts possible, a supplementary Charter, making an addition to the mamber of Governots mesident in Montreal. 'lite Board are persumbed that the result of such atetion on "the part of Her Majesty's Gervermment would be to resene the Colloge fiom its present disorderly and inefficient state, and to rendar it, according to the intentions of the benevolent founder, a public benefit.

In closing this communication the Bourd of Royal Institution wouha rexperdfuly state to Your Exochlency, that it has come to the kuowledre of tho Board that a motion has been made in the dugishative Assendly for leave to introlluce a Bill to repeal the Act under which the Buard exists.

The Members of this Board have no personal interest in its continued existence. 'Ihe duties are' and alvays have been pertomed by them without fee or rewart, and the Board have alichaly recommended the reconstraction of the Board, to grive greater facilities to the dissCharee of its duties. But they would hambly submit to Kour Excellency, before Your Excellency's Government conntenance the proposed Bill, or Your Excellency pive it the Royal sanction, that it would be expedient to en-quire:-

1st. Ifow far the bequest of the late Mr. M'Gillimy not be affered by the extinction of this 13ond ; and 2ndly, whether cibluer grencral principles or the speciul expedience of this Trost would warant the extinction of this Board withont vesting the anhority, wheh it now exercises; in some other body equally or better qualified to use it for the public good

## (Signed, ) G.J. MONTREAL, Principal of the Royal Institution.

(A true cony.)
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Quebec, 3rd February, 1845.

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Appendix

Letter from the Secretary of the Roynl Institution, with a Statement of Monies and Property led by that Institution in trust for M'Gill College, and two other Enclosures,

## Rovir Instimut Ofmer, Qucbec, 3rd February, 1845.

Sra,-In complinice with the desire of the Committee of the LIouse of Assembly on the Detition of the Governors of MaClll College, I have the honor to transmit lierewith a statenient of monies and property held by the Board of the Royal Institution in triust for the mantenunce of M'Gill Colloge, and nim instructed to submit therewith the following observations:

In the exceution of this trust the Board lanve expended the sum of $£ 10,128$ 19s. 2d. in the Buildings of the College, according to plans approved of by the Governors, adopted by the Board, whed exected under the immediate superintondence of the Rev. Dr. Bethune, the IIoisble Mr. Moffatt, and Mr. Ostell, the Arehiteet, whose plan was selected: This monont, however, exeeded by ti5, 128 19s. 2d. the sum intended by the Bowed of Ruyal Inslitution to have heon expended thercupon'in the first instance: 'The Bond yideded in'this to the desires of the Governors of the College, This Excellency Lord Scaton, acting in that emparity, having promised ad from, the pablic funds, which has not been reatized.

Before the final sethement of the Continctors' accomuts, the Buard aphied to the then Governor General to allow the work to be examined by the Chaiman of the Board of Works, which being compliced with, mind a satisfactory deport deceiven, the parties were severally paid the anomit due on their several contracts.

Since the opening of the College in September 1843, the Boarl have paid over to the Governors different sums anounting in all to de, dr5, for the payment of the Profestors and the College expenses.

- The Board lave considered the scale of expenditare as exturarmat in the present circumstances of the Iustitution; and in the execution of then trinst to apply the fumls to the permanent mainenance of the College, have pressed on the Governors the necessity of reducing the expenses to an monat more consistent with its permanent resourees. In the exereise of the dhity of Visitors' of the Cullege ander the Charter, the Buard held a meeting there in November last, and lound the fimances of the College under serious cmburrasmont. ILaving' retuited of the proper Ohicer a statement of the College liabilities, a list was furnishoel amounting to " $£ 1,545^{\circ} 9 \mathrm{~s}$. $3 \frac{1}{2} 1$, and the Board, thuagh with mowh roluctunce, finally agred to an apropriation of funds to pay the same apon the list being certified by the Principal as containing the whole debis of the College, which'the Board had been given to understand was the case.

This certifleate was for some time witliheld, and when ultimately obtanm, it was appended ton list, shewing the ambunt to be $\mathbb{E} 2,5962 \mathrm{~s} .9 \mathrm{~d}$. instead of that originally given to the Board.

Under the pressure of circumstances represented in the communication, of which a copy is enclosed, (No. 1, the Boned thought it right to fulfil a pletge they had given under very different iupressions by the payment of $\pm 1,550$ for the delts exhibited to them in the uriginal statentent, and actanly then incurred and clamed, which statement is herewith cnclosed, (No. 2,) in order that it may bo ascerthinei, how thr the large suni so advanced Ins been appliced for the purposes' at first expressed; for the Board laye since Jearat, that a claim his been preferred by Dr:' Bethune for fe46, as o "balance duc" to him, as Drofessot of Diyinity; a chnge which has now for' the first time been pronnluated,' It will bo'obvious, that the limited tmount of Mr. M'Gill's bequest must soon be exhansted uider such a management as is now diselused. The Board have pointed out in the Report of their $V$ isitation the demedies immediately culled for.

The Board have also petitioned the Legislature to pass a Bill to enable them to render the lands now unproductive, available for the futuresupport of the College ; which,' Lowever, can only be rendered of permanent advantage to tho country by improved management under an offective controlling unthority.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
R. R. BURRAGE,

Sccretary R. I.

Statmient of Monics and Property held by the Board of Royal Institution in trust for M'Gill Colloge. Quebec, 31st Jinuary, 1845.

N. $B$.-The value sintedi for Nos. 7 and 8 is that at which they were assigned to tho Board, under th, Judgment of the Court of Quen's Bench, Montreul. The value of No. 8 is now greatly enlanced; the Board commuted the Selgniorial Rights therem, tad adopted ghans fur its disposul in Bullding Lots, when their proceedings were stophed by wint of sufficient nuthority for its disposal, and, for which authonty, upplication has been made to the Legislature

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\text { R. R. BURRAGE, } \underset{\text { Sccy, }, \text { R. } I .}{ }
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(Enolosure No. 1.)
Montient, M'Gmi, Conleob, 8th Jamuary, 1845.

Rev. Sir,--I an directed by the Governors of M'Gill College, resident in. Montrenl, to inform yon, that one action has been iastituted ngaiast thom ca account of the furniture of the College; that they have received notiee, that unother for the moout of the oitt-buildings will to taken out for the coming Term, arid that three other 'Lawyen's letters ior' smaller amounts have also been reecived, thus creating a very great expense to the Institution, unless they be immediately put into possession of the funds whicle the Royal Institution , have agreed to ippropinte towards tho liquidation of the debts' of the College ; for allhough the sum of $\pm 1.550$ will not cover the delits by something more than $£ 500$, yet a judicious application of that amount to the purpose intended will provent further expense, and will sutisly creditors, ultilimeans can be obtilined from other sourcos to dischaige the whole.

I have the horior to be, Rev. Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
(Signed,')
JOS. ABBOTT,
Actg. Seoy
Rev.R.R. Bonkate
Secy: R: I.
(A true Copy.)
R. R. BURRAGE,

Secy, R. 1
Quebec, 3rd February, 1845 :

## (Enclosure No.2.)

List of Accounts appearing to be owing by M'Gill College.

| Lovell \& Gibson,........i..................No. 2 : " 225 - $310 \frac{1}{2}$ |  |
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| Robert Graham, | 70.1 |
| William Don, | 1110 |
| R. Slack, | 8 |
| John Spros | 02 |
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| Scott, Shaw | 2010 |
| Mrs, Skinner | 313 |
| Milton \& Baird | 18011 |
| Benjamin \& 13ro | 17 |
| John Andrews, | 7 |
| John Keller, | 1815 |
| Wyman \& | 116 |
| A. Bourn | 015 |
| Bethune \& Kittson | 19510 |
| John Smith, | 70 |
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| Alex. M.Donald, .................................. 30,1710William Ludlan,.............................. $32^{\prime}, 80$13 |  |
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| J. W. Dunscomb \& Co. | 6.0 |
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| Charles Wilson, ..................................... $\mathrm{C}^{\text {C }}$, 410.0 |  |
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Besides the above accounts, notes of hand which will fill due, I belicve, about Christmas, have becn given by the Governors resident in Montreal for the undermentioned sums, to wit :-
For the out-buildings,.
20500
For double Windows to the centre building............ 186. 0 o
Applications have been made to the Royal Institution for the following sums:-
1844.

Sept. 5. . For fuel for $1842-3 \ldots, \ldots, \ldots, \ldots 100 \quad 0 \quad 0$
For fuel for 1843-4............ 100 0 0
Sept. 27. For Mr. Chapman's salary, 3710
Nov. 12. For other salaries,........... 175 o 0
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E. E.
(Signed,

## J. $\mathrm{ABBO} \mathrm{C} T$,

 Dursar M' Gill College.Ianded in on the 15 th November, 1844.
(A' true copy.)

> R. R. Burnage,

Secretary R. I.
Quebec, 3rd February, 1845.

## Appledix No. 13.

'Address to His Excellency the Governor General from the Governors of M'Gill College, in answer to the Report of a Visitation of the Board of the Royal Institution in November, 1844.

To Ins Excelloncy, the Right Honorable Sui CuAmess
 Cross of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, one of Her Majesty's Most Thnorable Privy Council, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over: the Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunsinch, and the Islamd of Prince Edward; and Vice Admiral of the same,"go, sci, sc.

## Marit Please Yotr Exorledecr,

We beg leave to thank Your Excellency for the communication of a copy of the Report of a Visitation by
the Board of the Royal Institution for the alvancement of Lemuing in the month of November Inst, addressed to Your lixedtoncy, ami contanded in "a Minute of Pro"" womeding of' the Juand ol' the Royal Institution lor' the "advancement of Lemming held on the 10 th day of" "December, 1844," mad in an $\Lambda$ delesess fomded thereon, On that part of the Report which has relation to us nat the College generally wo reguest the fivor of being permitted to ofler some remarks.

Tho Board of the Royal Tnatitution, in thair Auderess to Your lexcellency, und in die "Mintute" from proceent ings of the Board, assign as the thest canse of thate visit to M'Gill Colloge, the reguest of' Dr. Landy, then Vice Drincipal, to come and investigate certain complaints prefered by him against the l'mampal ; and they afterm wards, in the "Nifute," themsolves pronomece those complaints to bo ol wo trivial mad vague a mature to row quire investigation.

Thiey, howerer, apoak of ofler circumstanes as indueng them to make the visit,--ciremmstances which wo trust wo shan be ablo to shew Yom Excellency have proved to be of no grater weight than the first "nuse" assignech.

That ohther ciroumstance whith related to their denire of involving the Irincipal in chatges, amonting to something very nemrly appronching to pecrlatione has beon alrealy disposed of in the letter of' han offeer to Youn Favellency. What the other cincmastances were which induced die visit, is only to be gatherel from tho things of which, after examimation had, they comphan,

They complain that there is a very small nomber of students-less than half tho number on the books last year, and they ondeavour to aceonnt fore this dimination. in their own way. Thoy state that number, to be seven, whereas it is ten.

But the true enuse of thes remoralis of wo many students aro the fillowing: Three found they could notatend the Lollege Lecturesin consegrence of their private avocations, (Jnegut a Commissiun in the Army, One was removed by his fither becmuse he chose to find fiult with the juldgmenat of the Capat in a case of grooss misconduct on the pratt of his son, and was moresver incited to the conse the took by Dr. Lunty. Anolber was removed by his father who quarellen with Dr. Tamly. Two on acrount of 1)r. Lundy's treatment of them. 'Iwo were removed because, having been admitted by the Vice Prin"eipm, Dr. Cundy, at too low a qualification, they found themselves in a halse perition. And two were removed without canse assigned, but supposed to have been oce casioned by Dr. Eandy. In truth it soon becume manifist that if 1ne Landy continued to hold his Oftices in the College it condi not prosper.

The Boarl of the Royal Institution having stated the number of matriculated students, froceed, with cxtraorclinary hardhoot, to assert that for this smali number of students "an estalsishment of five Instracturs and other "Oflicers has been created," Whereas it is manifest that this conld not be the chise. An cistublishment on 1'rofessors, se. was ereated by the Governors before it was known or conld be known what number of students wonk matriculate. "Istablishments of this description cannot be and are not mate for any given namber of students; and we feel confident it will be allowed that a College could not be put into operation with a smalles number of Professors and Tequelers than that which constituted the Destablishment of M'Gill College at its first' opening. It could not be expecterl that in this country, where the enacation of youth is generally considered to be fimishen the the age of sixteen or seventeen yours, when they almont, uniformy go to the Counting honse, the Laviver's Oflee, or the Surgery of the Medien man; it conld not, we say, be expected than an University finto which the youth are not properly fit to enter until the time arives when they go direchy from the Gramar School to their Trades or Profersions, can receive many
students at the ontset, -at least any number at all propor* tiomote to the nocessary entublishment of Professors, Tenchers ancl Offeers, watil the pullic taste, mad the onstom of tho country, in this respect undergo a change. But what is to effect this change? 'The bringing into oporation and maintaining Universiliew, although at a cost altogether dispropmetionate to the mabme of stadents for probnhly a nomber of yoms. Woaro eredibly infomed that Windsor College, Nova Scotin, nefough astublished for many years, has sometimes had only twedre matriculated students at one tinoc, within he lust tea years.

This complaint then of the Bumpl of the Ruyn Institution appents to be maveasomble. But the Board of the linyal linstitution say that the extallishment of M'Gill Cultege is beyont the mems of dhe College. This we must tike learo for the present simply to dany; for we shath shew in the sequel that he College possessus ample means for more thin doublo its proseat estublishment, and that had the Board done their duty in the mamagement of the property, or hanited it over to the Com vernors, the ammat inconco of thic College miglit lave now trobled its prevent anount. The Bornd of the Royal Institution assert that what was done by the Governors in providnir lurniture, \&ec., for the opening of the College, was extrorvighat and wasteftl, "and ansuituble "to the pecuniary rerourese of the Institution," The whole anount of expenditure incured for tho necessary ont-l)uiddings, lovelling qrounds, making a road to the Collogr, lurniture, books, mppuratus, finishing the centre builing, \&ec. Eee. wat abon fespo. The Board refused. for more than twolve months to pay any prition of that mame because they had not previonsly given their snnction to the uxpenditiure, iten by item,-aprinciple which they have lately had the grod sense to renomee as untenable. The necessity of some outiny fise the objects above stated is undeninble and un-denich-the nomount is the question ; and if wo consitler that the Bound themselves expented, in thes crection of the Colloge buildings, nearly $E 1,000$, and that the expenditure made by the Govemors was merely a continmation of that which was left undnished by the Board for the purposes for which he original expenditure was made, the complaint of the Buad on this head mast appea' rather extraordinary. This complant, as well as nust of the otliers, is ninued ostensibly at the Governors resideat in Montreal, bat really at the Principal. The following Resolution will shew with whatjustice:

At a metting of the Governors held July 14th, 1843, -Present, the IIonbles, Chiof Justice of Montreal, and the Chief Justice of Upper Canadi, and the Principal.
"Resolved, 6th. 'That the lrincipal and Viec-Princi"pal be requested to take such proliminary steps is may "he required for opening the College on the Gth day op "September next, being the first day of Michaelinas "Term."

The Bond had expended more than half the ronlized amount of the hequest, and it that time expecterl little from the Bunnsile estate Wias, that sam to be sunk for want of an expenditure of $t 2500$ more? Moreover, when the Governors expenten $\mathbf{E 2 5 0 0}$, they were informed that $£ 1550$ of accumutated annan income was available. They had good ruson to expect to receive a vote of 5500 which had been passed in their fuvor in the previous session of the Legishature, and of a like smo from the next Sussion then close at hand, making in all $\mathbf{£ 2 5 5 0}$. The Governors had moreover a right to expert that, althongh the annual income of the whole property was then not more than $£ 660$, such measiures would be speedily adopted by the Royal Institution as would havo enabled them to lave increased that revenue, in the course of tho last summer, to more than double thant amount; and in the course of three yeurs to not less than $\mathbf{L 2 0 0 0 .}$ Property has been disposed of adjoining Burnsile, during the years 1843 and 1844 , at rates which fully warmant this assertion of ours. But the Board would neither do, not let do; and their present

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proceodings prove that they still adhers to the same system. Fully axpocting that the Governors would introduce the bill for thio ropeal of 41 Geo. III. chap. 17, during the present Scsion, they got up tho scheme of the Visitation, with tho view of trungling up some, shew 'of ransou why they should not be destroyed, and thus, if possille, still' furthor delay tho 'prospurity of the Cullege finunces, and still further add to the diflicuitics and embarrassments of the Collegeitself.' True it is, they spenk of $a$ mensuro to llo brought by them before tho present Scossion of 'Parlinmont: If it should appona; we may cisk, would ithave appenred at all, or linye begn thouglit of, but for tho mensure of the Governors now before Parliament?

When we condider that the necessity of obtnining additional powers in the management of the College property was'as apparent, years ago, ns now, there does not. appear to be nny want of churity in supposing that they would have rested"as quiuly on thair on's now, in this respect, as they have heretofore dono, if they had not been aroused from their lethargy by the imminent danger of annililation.
Tho Board of the Royal Institution assort that they found "a great wint of cordiality and harmony among "tho Professors' and Officers of the College, some not "even speaking to others." What will Your Excellency think of this assertion when wo assure you that the utmost cordiality and harmony hans ever existed, with onc exception, and still exista among tho Officers of thic College - Dr. Lundy, the late Vice-Principal and Professor of Classicn Literature, has not been on ajeaking terms with any one Oflicer of the College, cxcejt the Principal, for nearly nine monlhs: his own conduct has been the exclusive cause ol this state of relations between him and them. But surely this doce not justify the assertion of " "some not even spenking to others,"' and "of 'a great "; want of cordiatity mand harmony among the Professors "and Oflicers of the College."

The Bursar, the Board of the Royal Institution say, does his duty by deputy; and moreover has'so littlo to do that they advise the abolition of the oflice. It is quite true that the Bursar has been allowed to do his duty by deputy, until his arringements for removing his family to Montrenl are completel, that his books wero in arrear at the time of the Visitation of the Doard' is also trus, -but it is equally true that when he urged before the Board, as savere fumily affliction as the cause, he was tola that was quite sufficient.' 'Thant ho has lind little to do as Bursar, no one cari lave a jetter right to know than the nembers of the lloard of the Royal Institition who took precious good carc that he should lanve littie to do, by withlolding the means of oven paying our debts, and by taking no measures to bring the property of the College into a productive state. But the sume gentleman, in addition to his office of Bursar, Alls those of Registrar to the University and Secretary to the Governors, Cinput, \&ene, and has lately aecepted the ofllee of Libratian with out any nddition to his former small sulary of $£ 100$ per amum. Besides doing the current duties of these offices, since lis appointment in July, 1843, he hns entered upon tha College Records all the correspondence,' Sc. which had been accurnulating for the last ten years. His books have alyays been regularly and correctly kept (with the above mentioned exception, and we have crery reason to be satistied with the mannor' in which ho has performed his duties : these aro even now by no menns feiv in number; and were the College relieved from the paralizing influence of the Royul Institution, we hive no doubt they would soon become too arduous for one person to dischaige.
In" the "Minute of Proceeclings" the Boant of the Royal Tnistitution express great astonishment at having heard of a general impression at Montreal, "that the "Board have vexatiously interfered' Lo pievent the Col"lege from doing into operation, and that credit is given "to the Acting Principal of the College for, contending " with "and countericting such interference." We slinil now proceed to shew thint this generil impression is exceedingly well founded in all its parts, notwithstanding
the conident nppeal of tho Board to their "renolutions nid representations. (Sco locument attacheel, marked A.)

Evidence of the neglect of the Bourd of the Royral Institation in tho pertornmice of thein dury towards M'Gill College.

The Bond:was first constituted on the 8th October, 1818, and mosti of its members" ware the most influenthl men in Quobece, and all of them Exective Coutidllors ; and consecquenty, it miny bepresumph, could have procured the construction of the Bonse imnediately altor the recease of M1. M'Gill in 1813, especially as they knew, that theno was a clase in that gentloman's Will which stated that anless a College wore erected within ten yours after his dunise his whole bequest must jevart to his legutees. Yet half the limited period was allowed to expire, bofore the Institation, to which the bequest was intrusted, was constiluted.

I't is possible, but hy no menas probndie, this might not be thicir fault; but bo this as it may, they knew that at the time of their "rpointhent hald the limitem time had passed awny, und yot thoy suffered more than ilfteen montlus to cxpire boforo they applich to Mr. M'Cill's trustees to bo iavested with the legracy in the temm of the Will, viz: on the 18th Junar'y, 1820. Tho 'Trustees anted with all possible promptitude, for we find then applying to MLr. Dustivieres for ha Burnside property on the 20 th ' of' the same month, and nfter some correspondence with that gentloman, and at length getting lis refitsal, they made over the property to the Royal Lustitution on the evolh June dollowing.

This latter body, with its" usual snail's pace, clid not apply to the Trustees for the becquest of $\mathbf{X 1} 10,000$ until the 18 th November, 1821, about ten months after their application for the estate. A Despulch was sent by Lord Bathurst (then Colonial Secretary) to the Duke of Richmond, Governor in Chicf,' dated Grin March, 1810, directing' Iis Grace to ndope, with as lithe delay as possible, the necessaty "mensures for areating upon the "lands lof for that purpose by Mr", M'Gill, an allequate " buidding for che instruction oi youth," aud authorizing him "'o deliay the expense which it may be necossary, "in the first instance to incur, from the funds which "may be in the hands of the Recaiver of the Jesuits" "Estates." It will bo recollected that the Board of the Royal Institution was constituted 8th October, 1818, so that it may be supposed the object of this Despateh was to enable them to fulfil the condition in Mr. M'Gill's Will already stated; and yet the Royal "Institution made no nove to onable the Government to exceute this most important measure, by affording them access to the promises, until the 18th January, 1820, about nine months after the receipt of the Despatch. Thus on the whole we find that nearly soven of the ten years had passed away before any step was taken to secure Mr. M'Gill'

Finding thay could not get possession of Burnside property without process of Lan, the Royal Institution procured the erection of the College by Charter in 1821, and in that invisible erection, it will apperu in the sequel, they seem to havo beenquite satisfled that the College should remain for over; for when they got possession of Burnsidein 1829, they took no step that weever heard of, to procure the crection of the niecessary buildings by menns of the funds provided forthat purposesin the abovementioncd Dcespatch to thi Duke of Richmond, and thus they lost forever the clinnce of the orection of tha College buildings, nt a cost probably of $£ 20,000$, out of the Jesuits' Estates fund, and also lost an aninual income of $£ 660$, in ndation to what the Colloge now has from the estate, namely, the interest of the honey which they laid out on the buildings; say $£ 11,000$. Instead of doing this thicy laid on their oars, 'quictly avniting the issue of their suit for the recoricry from the legitees of the $£ 10,000$ bequenthed by Mr: M'Gilt,-a suit thich they suffered to lauguish nearly fifteen years.

They amment thomsolves in tho interim with rariont schomes fur establishing a Cirtmomer Suhool, instend ot a College, in the old homan al Bumaside. But haso smothes wero himpily trusumed by some mans or other, polanbly liy theld owa apmby; wa suy haphly fruspatad, fine if they had suceredert, such a diedrston of Mhe, M. Gill's beghest frma his intentions would have boun tho mems of lusiag it nitogedees. In 1886 , tha suit low t'i 0,000 was decifed in Gheir fovere bat they took no step towneds the owetion of the Colloge bullings (although ryputelly urgel on the subject by the Governors of the College ut' whon tho present Principal was one, until thu 9 th alny, 1837, when they notillud the Gow varmors of their intention to proced inmediately to the ercetion of tho neenssary buildings, \&e., but it was not until the 7 th July, 1838 , that they limally ugreed to orect themi to a earnin oxtent, had ndrertizad lor designs whidh hay recuivod in Ontober dollowing aitele they had receined thoso ilesigras, thoy revined the sehmen of pathing inte operation rome kind of Scholestio Crstitntion fin Sharmside humse, and proposed it to the Governors of the College, who rejected it nade endenvoureal to persanale the Royal hastitution that ankss suitable builinges for a College wero erected not hiter than 1889, is e. within tun yours alter possission was had of Burusite estate, They might have nather tedious sult with the Legntees of Mh. NeCill. 'This was unswered by a resohution of' the Bond, 21 st November, 1838 , to proced to the oproning of a School in Burnside house as a sulliciont fulfiment of the Will ; and reiternted this intention on the loth December; fullowing to which the Governors 'sent an absolato retame un the 17 the of the samo month,
 forpusting the Collego into mperation. On the Lothe aniuary, 18is9, the diegral institition resulved to go to the extent of $\pm 15,000$ in the creetion of buildings ; but on the sth of the following homith, hey returned to thoin ohd seheme of a shaol in Burmside house. The Cium vernors arain refused, and one nome werg the erection of suitablu buidings. 'The Royal Jnstitution Dion ree adsertizel for designs, and limbly agreed ion meating with the Govertors in Muntreal, in the month of June, 1839, for the purbuse of ileciditig on the best design. At this meeting, instem of procecting at onee to the ex'animation of' Tho dusigns, they persunded Sir F. Colborne to adopt their oh farorite scheme of a behool at Bumside; but as the dencipal refuacol his concurrenee it was defented. The designts were then examben, and the builining commencerf in themonh of Aurgst fullowing;
 Soptember, 18.43 . Thms they allowed fully three years to ehapse, wher hey hat the means of erecting the College buidings, before the first stone was laid, and four yours more in the er eretion,-min all sown yoars, to do that whids might easily have been dfected in two years! Penting the crection of the buiklinge, instemel of tuking any steps for procurige nid from Government, or fir inoreasing the teventes of the astate while hery with the promised tite to it froth the Guvernors thater various pretences, the hioynd Institalion armaned in wese reapets in a stalu of perfect inertacss.

Obstacles thrown in the way of the Governors of Meciall Colloge, and attempted nsarpation of theip authority, by the Royal Jnstitution for the advancement of deating.

The Royal Institution put the Governors of Meciall Collegre la possession, of Bumside, so soon as it was reCovered hy action of cjectment from the Legatees of Mr. MoGill, mumely, in the yoar 1820, und they made the following Minute of that proceceliag :-
"That inasmuel as it uppear's to the Board that formal "possussion was duly laken by the Governors of the "Collerge at Montroni, on the 29th June, 1829, of the "house ani estate of Bumsicle, with the knowledge and "consent of a sufficient quorum of the Ihomi of the
"Royal Institution then being also present at Montreal,
" but of which delivary of posecssion no furmal 'record
"luns heon male in tha Register of tho Procecalings of "Wio Ruynd lustitution, this Llourd doth ngreo to Chuse "an dintry to be made in tho Minute of its Droueedings " in condinnation ot thenctol posscosion so gromed and
 " bound will hold itself ready to grant such fin"luar ja"Btrment or assmance as the Governors, upon lagh ad"viee, s!nill fhad uecessary la order to invust ha Guver" wore will full arid legrl possession ol' the Bur"sido es"tinto."

Xat notwilhstanding this solem dedavaion of the Bond on the Royal Kistitution," "shichfurifer instrument "fur assurnace" wis nol given to the Governors ol'the College. When the abova resolation was recorded, the j3umed lete recently recovorod the berguest of $\mathfrak{L 1 0} 0,000$, with interost, lron the Legatees of Mr. MeGill, and tho Governors about the same time requested to be phit in posses. sion of the fuads as wall as the Burnsitle property, in order that they might "procect to the erection of the necessury buitdings for tho purpose of bringing the College into actuad operation as specdily as posibible. This recunest was refused by ho Board of tho Royal' Insitution, alleging that the duty of enewting the buildings derolved upon them, but that so soon as that "luty shomh be dis. charged, the Board would thendormally convey the whole bequest to the Gurembrs and thins aimble them to bring tha College into ojerution. Thu Govemors, ther the suke of pene mad expedition, consonted, and arged the eres: tion of the buildings withont duhy. 'The lsuard of tho Royal Sastitution notileal the Governors of theis interntion to erect buildings, on the 9he May following. Put instuad of acting in netordunce with that notification, the Boad repentenly endonvoured to loree che Governors to uequiose in its schene of "establishing a'Suhool in Burn side honse, (an suheno which, il had riot been thwarted by tho Goverinors, might hara vitinted the wholobequest which was mate formaliniecrsity, not for a Schoolandoven went the length of resolving, on the 7h of July, 1838 , what' 1rotessorships should be established in the College, although tha power ut duing so is chanly given to the Go vermorsby tho Churter. Aiter tho 3 omm of the Royal Sinstitution had determined upon the ereetion of hle aceessary Collegebuildage, ah hough they were willing and resirous, in 1839, of expemting the whole of the 'remizod amand income in carying out hair sehome of a Schuol in Burnside house, yot when this seheme was frustralad, nod when the Covernors resolved that pending tho orection of the bailings the sum of $x$ Ebo per mmum, shauta bo appropithed to the revival of the operation of the Mredicul Faculty of the College, (which had been in abuyance for wat of fomds mad thus endangering the whole begtest) the bourd refised to pay'the money for that purpose Whereapon Sir J. Colborma told them, on tho 15th Octoler; 1830, that had he romaned longer in the Govemment (hus wis then supersubed amed on tho point of icpurture, he would inve "remodelled that body "so as to haverendered it a nselin and rietise promoter of "the public jutruests." Provision for tha MLential ficuity was consequently made' by tho anthority of His lixed. lency from the publice fimde, and was sanctioned subsequently by the specin Council.

The College buildings were commenced in the natumn of 1839 , and when they were supposed to be npproach:ing to their completion in the summer of 1842 , the Governons applid to the Bonrd of the Royal Institution for the possession of the property by the "instranant or "assuruce" which hall been promised. The Bonrd, after somedelay, sentinstructions to thuir Agent and Altorney in Montreal to prepare an Apt of mise en possession of Buruside estato and the builuings thereon to the Governors of MicGill College. Ln this "Act" they instructed their Agent to lisert certain conditions involving tertain clams to authority over the Governors which they (the Governors) had before refused to recognize ns inconsistent with the provisions of the Chinter: "The "Governors to be pul in possession for the trusis and "purposes of the Will num Chariter, subject to amd "with the xescruation of the rights and powers of the " Royal Institution as Trustecs under the Will, imd as
"Visitors, wh\% : the powcr or cstablishing Statutes, and "By-Latus ton tho goverament of thi Collegu or Colm "hyges ereceted Ind to be ereetod, 8 sc . 8 sc . on thio estute, "anid to repeal or annul mmy By-Latis, s\%, which nay bo "mude for thant purpiose by the Giverviors of the Cole "lege. Tho entulire from time of time toucling the evecun. "tion of tha Statuetes or thic complianze of the Governors "with the Clurter. \% \% remure as need may he the offin "neers off the Collrye for misconntuct or nueglect of duty, "to corrcet ablises, nind genierully to stuperintend the "manayement of the 'Trust, created by the will of the "Testator, and the provisions of Hie Laiv and the Chatr"ton: To syperintend, nrenage "und administer the pro"perty devised and Wequenthacd by the Testatur"s "Whil, or otherwisa given for thio minintenanco sund sap. "port of" MeGill College as an Tnstitution of Mayycl "Foundation ; nud fer the above purposes 'gencerally to "conter "ypon annt into the estatate, buildidings, and premises,
"by thenselyes or their huwfil Agents or Alormies,"
The Covernors, of course, refused to ncecpt such an "Act" "ns inconsistent with the provisions of the Chauteri, and as reducing them to the condition of mere instruments in the hunds of the Royal Institution.
Circumstances orer which the Governors had no controi prevented them from bringing the Institution into ofierution as soon as they anticiputecl. But when they foumd tho way clent, ns they surpposed, for loing so, they inforned the Board of the Royal Institution, on the 22 nit June, , 1843, of" their intention to open the College enty" in the month of September following, and requested to know, whint sum could be placed ant thier disposail for malifig the receessiry preprrations for tliat puriose without prejudice to the renizzed annual income. The Board so far from shewing any disposition to fultil its promiso be. fore mentioncel, rufuscd to make any approprintion for the revairech purpose uniess a detailed statement of the ar* tices of furniture, \&c. which might be required, and a particular estimate of their cost should be previousiy turnished by the Governors ; und in unsver to an npplication for $a$ portion of thic salury due to. Dr. Lundy, thio Board stated (sinme date viz.: June2sth, 1843,) that they were " quite willing to take into coissidenation the pro"priety of an alumince for the purplose specifice, zo soon "is they sliculld receive a statement of the sums recci. "ved by the Governars of the M'Gill College firm the "Burnide estate. nnd from the Givernnent, and ap. "pilication, thereof, without which thic Borrd feel them"selves prectuded from entering apon the consideration "of your recfucst." In reply to this extrnordinin'y ocommunication the Gavernors informed thic Boind that they could not furvish a dotatied statement or estinnte, but would lay out whatever sum coulld be appropminted ns above statced to the best adrantificu as fir ns it would go; that the proceceds of Burnsidid Uelonged to the Principal; by a resolution of the Governors on the 14th No: vember 1836, and that they considereid that, "an smait "renuuneration for his services in that cappacity, Thic Governors alisostated in the snme commurication(1stJuly, 1843) thatt they "canniot recognize thicxight of the Board of "thio Royal Iustitution to demand from them any nccount "of monises wlich they have not received from the Bord, "nor cari they neknowlodge the principle of making tho "payment of the saluries of the Oillcerr" of the University "contingeit upon any sucli demand." The Board pergisted in their reflisal, and re-nsserted the rights and pow. ers alirenly siated. Tho Governors were then reduced to tho necessity of bortrowing $£ 500$ on their own perisonal responambility, and of procuring turniturc; '\&c., on crodit. It was on this ocension that the Gorernors of the College agreed to the draft of the Bill now before dr Committoe of the House of Assombly, in July i843, and the CFovernment consented to is introduction as as Governmiont modsure ; but tho announcement of tlio diss erption of the inte Ministry took pluce on the very day oni, which the Biill was to hare becn introluced by one of the nicmbers of that Cabinet: Kinding that the proposed Dill must be postponcd for at leist twelve monthis; the Governors were induced to try once moree wint coild bo done with the Bonrd of the Royal Institution, and they accordingly sent the nccounts of the expenditure to the Royal. Inatitution on thio 13 th December, 1843, and agaia requidest.
ed to bo invested with all tho proporty of tha Collage than lodd by the Bonrd. DPament of the accounts was than ubsolutely ratised on the 16 th Jnamary, 1844, on the genernd ground that the expenditure was, "wnstoful "wilhout precelent or principle," nad on the special groma, that " it belongs to tho buard in the first instance "to establish tho general oxponditure, and then to ascer" "thin that the sums voted for spocial purposes aro pro"penly applied, and to refuse nny domand that appenrs "unnevessary or eatravagant." Tho Governons replied to this communication on the 2961 of the same month, that,
" 1st. Tho Ponel of the Roynd Institution nssume "" that the sum deminded in my cominumiention of the "151, December last, consists of salarios nssigned and "expenses incurted by the resident Governors; wherens "the Board were woll awaro that thoso saluies were hs"sigited, and those expensos, nuthorized, at a meeting of "the majority of the whole number of Govornors in the " month of July Inst.
'" 2 ndly. It is stated in one part of your letter that ' the - Board have alrendy recognizedion $n$ former ocersion, "their obligation to provide the Governors with funds to " 'meat the salaries of the I'rofessors;' and in another part " of the same letter it is stated 'that the Jhoard wind tre"' fuse the payment of all debte except such as shall have ". been contracted with their sanction, or as they can on " 'exuminátion npprove.' These two elnuses are not only " diametrically opposed to ench other, but the latter is nilso " opposed to those provisions of the Charter whith give to "the Governors the authority to regulate the "salarics", sti" 'pends and provisions, for this Principal, Profasors, Fel"'lows and Scholars, 'and Officers of the snid College."
"Jrdly. The Bonid have undertaken roithout any cm"'quiry on the spot, without any personal inspipection, nnd "consequently withort any knowledge of the subject in "hand, to pronomice ' that some of the expenses dricurted "r (by the Governors) do'not appenr to have any connection " "with the opening or carrining on of the College; that "'many of then' wre wholly unnecessary, and many more " 'excessive in amount,'- and to charactorize the whole ns " an' expenditure, 'wasteful without precedent or princi"ple."
"4thly. The Bonrd assert the whole income of the rea" 1i\%d property of the College to bo nbout f589, while "the ninumi clange for salaries, \&c. amounts to $£ 730$, "and this assertion is made for the purpose of shewing " that the Governors have established nu annul expent " dituro beyond theit annual income; wherens the Bonrd "are well avire that in establishing this annual experi" "diture, the Governors hind in view a grant from the Lo" gislature and an increasing refenue from the property " of the College, if the Board had done thair' dity in this "respect, and in the mentime, a riore than gumfient " sum deposited by the Board in the British North Ame" "rican l3ank, togethei" with forthcoming income, to pny "The salaries, \&e. of the current yemr:
" 5 thly. It is numitted in one prirt of your letter, that "the l3onrd perfeetly well understood that the sum of " $£ 1300$ was ex pended 'in making the necessnry prepara"' tions for opening and carrying on M'Gill College,' and "yet in two other places nissume; that this sumi is to con' "stitute a part of the annunl expenditure, and hence con"clude 'that it would be an ensy duty, and one which "they are persunded would be"brought to a conclu". "'sion in avory stiru* period, -simply to hand out; with"'out question or remark, whatever funds might be " "demanded of theni!"
"The Gorernors of M'Gill College consider the fore. a going proceedings of tho Board as finally settling what "the Governors had beon led to beliave, from former " communications of the Boaja, namely, that the Board "are fally determined to do what thity can to embarrase "the Governors' in" their mansgeme of the Collage, if "not entirely to arrest itss progre's; the Governors are "consequently now drivén to'the necessity of adopting "'such mensures as they may dojm the mofr speedy añd

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" effective for ridding themselves of the chief obstable to "their successful efforts."

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The Governors accordingly petitioned Your Excellen: cy to revoke the Commissions of the present members of the Board and appoint members resident at Montreal, aud fix this city as the place of meeting, but not linving received any answer to the Petition, they hare been compelled again to resort to the mensure now petitioned for to the Legislative Assembly to delieve them from the embarrassments into which they have been thrown by the Board of the Royal Institution.

The Board of the Royal Institution assert, with reference to the Statites of the College, that it appears the Officers of the College " do not consider themselves "bound by alterations of the original code subsequently "alopted by the Covernors resident at Montreal (being "a minority of the whole, which affect the discipline of "the College and, the duties of the Officers." In reply to these assertions, we say: 1st, that when those alterations were'made two of the five Governors had dechured their determination not to act in that capacity, consequently two were then a majority of the whole number who could, to the intents and purposes of the office, be considered'as Governors. Should three of the five Governors at any time refuse to act, (a very possible case,) and should the remaining number be thereby rendered incompetent to do the acts of a majority, it would follow that the business of the College might at any time be brought to a stand still at the pleasure of those, who would not act.

2ndly, One of the "alterations" was made necessary -that of adding to the Caput-by the attempt of Dr, Lundy to paralize that body by absenting himself from its mectings, and thus leaving it without a quorum.

3rdly. Not one of the Officers of the College has expressed or cahibited, in "any way, any unwillingness to consider themselves bound by those "alterations," with the exception of Dr.' Lundy who has uniformly refused obedience to them.

The Board of the Royal Institution assert that they found M'Gill College in a state of " disorganization, con"fusion and dissension," a state of things which we utterly teny as having existed at any time within the ColJege, and a state of things not represented to them by any one Officer of the College, unless by Dr. Lundy, whose constant endeavour we freely adnit it ever has been to produce such a state of things.
The Bonrd of the Royal Institution accuse us of refusing them "any assistance in their enquiry," as Visitors, " or even to recognize their authority," although "di"rect almission of that authority is to be found in the "proceedings of the same Governor's on the 15th July, "1843." We must express our very great surprize that the Board could have seriously expected us to assist them in visiting ourselves. True it is they had a notalle example of $a$ person in his capacity of Principal of the Royal Institation visiting limeself in his capacity of Governor of M'Gill College. We must, notwithstanding, claim the privilege of declining, and that without blane, to follow such an eximple. With reference to the attthority of the Royal Institution as Visitors, we humbly conceive, if we werc in error in July, 1843, that is no reason why we should continue to be in error. The Right Revereud Principal of the Royal Institution could not surdy recoguize such a doctrine in lis other capacity.

We are at a loss to know from what quarter the Board of the Royal Institution obtained the information on which they found their information of "a deplerable "want of that cordial co-operation and harmonious in"terccarse between the Oificers of the College, which " are essential to the success of the Institution," or on which they found their evidently strong leaning in favor of the late Vice Principal, unless it was obtained from Dr. Iuudy limself, in whom 'alone existed " $n$ want of "cordial co-operation and harmonious intercourse" with the other Officers of the College.

- With reference, to certain alterations made by us in the Table of Fees, the Board state it to be their opinion " that the resolution of a minority of the Governors was "unjust, irrerular and informal, and of no force as "against Professor Lundy;" and yet in the vory pext sentence acknowledge Professor Landy's acquiescence in an arrangement whereby " he would receive a fixel "salary in lievi of the contingent emoluments in ques" tion." IHere then we might be satisfied to stop, adding nothing more than the fact that it was at Dr. Lundy's own particular desire that the aforesaid arangement was made. IIe stated that he preferred a fixed salary to the contingency of fees. But in justice to ourselves, we must add still further that, notwithstanding this request and acquiescence of Dr. Lundy, he complained of what had been done in this, respect by us, to the miceting of Governors which took place in September last, at which the Lord' Bishop of Montreal and the Chicf Jastice of Upper Canada were present. At that meeting it was unamimously stated that the two resilent Governors had a right to make the alterations in quastion, being a sufficient quorum for such a purpose.

The Board of the Royal Institution assert it " to be the "duty of the Governors und themselves, to take immediate "measures for 'expclling any persons holling adverse' "posscession of Burnsile house." The Governors have long since taken the neecssary proliminary step for that object, but are not aware of any movement on the part of the Board in discharge of that duty.

With reference to the promise of the Board to the Directors of the High Schobl "to transfer; on favorable "terms, to the Directors of the High School, the lot of " land for which they have applied," we feel it our duty solemnly to declare that the Board could not make such a promise consistently with the interests of the College.

The site applied for by the Directors of the Migh School is the most valuable portion of the property of the College in that quarter of the City. They asked, we understand, for about six acres, which, judgring by the sales effected on the adjoining property, are worth £14,000.

The sacrifice of the College property must be great indeed in any transfer which could be considered to be on such favorable terms as would chable the Directors of the High School to sit down there at a ground rent alone, equal to the whole rent which they pay for the house which they now occupy. That sacrifice would not be less than $£ 9,000$. This would be greater even than another sacrifice of the property of the College which the Board of the Royal Institution made a few years ago, when they sold in perpetuity a house in the heart of the City, for a sum producing an amount of interest less than the rent for which the house was actually let. The lot on which that lhouse stood is now worth five times the amount obtaned for it. 'The Board moreover had no right to dispose of th at property for a longer period than twenty-one years. An lyet they are the only true gunclians, according to thems.lves, of the College property, and the only true expoundars of their legal rights.
"The Board perceive with deep regret that no " amendments of the original Charter Lave yet been ob"tained from the Crown, and they are impressed with " the necessity of soliciting Mis Excellency the Gover" nor General to recommend to Her Majesty's Govern" ment in England to grant ihe amended Charter, of "" which a dralt was' sent to Figland by the Governors "in 1839." Of all the extraordinary things which have been said and done by the Board of the Royal Institution, this is undoubtedly the most extraordinary; and we feel assured Your Excellency will agree with us when you are informed that' this very amended Charter," "of "which'a draft was sent to England by the Gevernors in "1839," after having been approved of by the authorities in England, and ordered to be engrossed in order to recoive the Royal Signature, was arrested in that stage by the interference of the Board of the Royal Institution, who juretended that they had not been made cognizant of the anendments proposed in that dxaft.' But in order to

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put Your Excellency in full possession of this affair of the amended Charter, it will be necossary to enter'somewhat into a detail of facts and circumstances.

Previously to the month of "November, 1835, the unnagement of the affairs of M'Gill College was in the hands of persons resident at Quebec who were, with one exception, at the same time Governors of the College and Members of the Royal Institution. 'These Governors appear to have so far suffered by their contact with the Royal Institution as to have partaken in some degree at least of the passiveness of that body;" for we find them urged by the Medical Faculty of the College in Montreal to get certain amendments made to the Charter,-such as the relinquishment of the right of the Ctown to disallow appointments and confirm Statutes, and such like inconveniences, -and finally supplied by the Medical Faculty with the draft of a Charter containing the proposed amendments. In this state the matter appears to have rested for several years, until the appointment of the present Principal of the College on the 18 th November, 1835.' His first care was to inquire what had become of the proposed amended Charter, and after corresponlence on the sulject with the Chief Justice of Upper Canadu and Mr. Cochran, then Principal of the Royal Institution, the latter gentleman informed him it had been fished out of a pigeon' hole in the Provincial Secretary's Oflice at Qucbec, where it had been covered with venerable dust. 'Mr. Cochran then wrote to the present Principal of M*Gtill College on the 8th March, 1836, as fullows "The Charter of M'Gill College, as " cimended, remains still under the Attorney General's con"sideration." The Charter" as amended" had been agreed to before this period, and putinto the Attorney General's Intnds to ascertain whether it was all right. From his hands it was sent to the Principal of M'Gill College, to be trans mittel through the Governor in Chief to the Colonial Secretary.

One amendment to that draft in the mode of filling vacancies among the Governors, was agreed to at meeting of the Governors at Quebec, 14 th November, 1836,-an'amendment which had been previously approved of by the Principal of the Royal Institution, and after its adoption by the Governors, was forthwith transmitted to the Secretary of the Royal Institution, who never made any objection to it. Vexations and adverse circumstances prevented the transmission of the amended Charter to England until the month of January, 1839. The Honorable A. W. Cochran was informed by the Principal of the College several months previous to that date, of the determination" of 'Sir'J. Colborne, then Governor in Clief, to send the amended Charter to England without delny ; and so far was Mr. Cochran from making any objection', that he expressed his' satisfaction at the information. Yet the Board of the Royal'Institution awaited until they knew , the amended Charter had been transmitted to England, and then they requested Sir J. Colborne to forward to the Colonial Secretary their : request that further proceodings" with regard to that amended Charter should be stay- -3 until they should have had an opportunity of seeing it,-of secing that which they had long before approved of, as above stated. It was, however, afterwards discovered that the Board of the Royal Institution desired to introduce into the amended Charter, a definition of their powers and authority, of the same description as those claimed by them in their instructions before mentioned to their Agent here relative to an" "Act of mise en possession of Burnside," and this is what they now again 'ask for when they add, to their request that Your Excellency would recommend the adoption of the amended Charter, the following "but "not without the alterations' suggested by this Board;" thus, once more sceking to obtain by a side wind, that which has always been in dispute between them and the Governors of the College. It was then entirely owing to the proceedings of the Board of the Royal Institution themselves that " no amendinents of the original Charter "have been ubtained from the Crown."

With reference to the causes of the presnt unprosper ous state of the College, the Board have overlooked that
which stands at the head of the list, but which it is quite natural' indeed they should overlook-we mean the Board of the Royal Iustitution themselves. The Board, we have seen, nerlected to take' any steps to procure the necessary authority for enabling "them to increase the revenues of the College to such an extent as would have put it in the power of the Governors to have made such a provision for teaching in all branches of 'a Collegiate education, as would have commanded a preference over any other English Seminary of Learning in Lower Canada; and it is notorious that unless reliel be afforded in this respect, during the present. Session of Parliament the revenues of the College will' not be sufficient to maintain it even in its preacnt meagre establishment, without expending a portion of the funded capital. Your Excellency will no doubt perceive that from the time when the Board of the Royal Institution recovered the pecaniary bequest of Mr. ML'Gill, in 1836, (amounting with intercst, to more than $£ 22,000$, to the time the College buildings were ready for the reception of"students in 1843, a period of seven years had elapsed. The patience of the great mass of those persons resident in Montreal who were waiting for the opening of the College became exhausted by this delay, and the consequence was the establishment of the High School, an institution in which the interest of much the greater portion of those from whom the first supply of students to M'Gill College was looked for, became involved in a pecuniary way. Cón sidering the flourishing state of that Institution, 'it' is hazarding nothing to say, that had M‘Gill College been brought into opcration, as it ought to have been, before the High School was thought of, it would have had a sufficient income from students to have placed it in highly prosperous condition at once. Tutors could have been employed in teaching the Junior pupils and prepa ring them for matriculation. This is the only plan on which a College can expect'to receive a large number of pupils in this country for several years to come, and this was the plan proposed and would have been adopted but for the establishment of the High School.

Seeing then that the Board of the Royal Institution have always been, and still are the chief obstacles to the suceess of M‘Gill College, both by their neglect of duty and their assumption of control over the Governors, thereby seeking to establish two governing bodies whose clashings must inevitably crainp the energies and paralize the efforts of both; and feeling confident as we do that there was crror in the appointment of the Royal Institution to be Visitors of the College, inasmuch as the right of visiting a private foundation belongs to the founder and his heirs by law, and feeling equally confident that the abolition of the Royal Institution cannot affect the validity of 'the bequest of Mr. M'Gill, we humbly pray Your Excellency not to reftise, the Royal assent to the Bill for repealing the Act 41 Geo. III'. chap. 17, should it puss the other branches of the Legislature.

With regard to that pait of the Address of the Royal Institution to Your Excellency which recommends cer tain alterations in tho Charter, and particularly in that part which makes provision for a governing body, we have to obscrve,

1stly. That when the oustacle of the assumptions of the Board over the Governors is removed, which induced Your Excellency to decline acting as a Governor of the Colloge, there will always bo three Governors on the spot, and the attendance of a fourth night generally be reckoned upon, if the Lord Bishop of Montreal should make up his mind to find no greater difficulty in attending meetings of the Governors of the College than in attending mectings of the Royal Institution and the Church Society at Montreal.

But 2ndly. We are decidedly of opinion that no alteration can be made in that Charter without a violation of Mr. M'Gill's Will, which authorizes the Royal Institu'tion, not from time to time but once for all, to' prescribe "the manner and form," and the "rugratious" under which the College should be conducted; and the Royal Institution have so preseribed by the Royal "Chariter obtained at their request.

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3rdly. If the Charter could lue altered without a violation of Mr. M'Gill's Will, it would at least require the consent of those 'who are most interosted, viz. the Governors of the College.

4thly. If all the Goremors of the College who are resident in "Montreal, and within ensy distance of' it, would act, then we contend that at least as efficient a Board is now provided as could be expected from any other appointments that could be made in this City, and moreover, refusal to act may embarrass one set of Governors as well as another.

5tlify. We are of opininn that ample provision is made in the Charter for a good and sufficient Corporation for the management of the property of the Institution in the "Guvernors, Princinal, and Fellows" of the College, the latter of whon may be elected ii any number.' It sloould be borae in mind that there are tiro bodics created by the Cluarter, viz: " the Governors," and the "Governors, "Principal, and Fellows." The furmer body has anthority' to appoint Professors, Lecturers, Tutors, and Fel. lows, and to make Statutes for the government of the College. The latter is empowered to hold and manage thie property of the College. The legal Visitors are the lawful hicirs of Mr. M'Giili ; but as there are probably no such persons to be found in a capacity to act as such; then the Queen becomes the Visitor in the persons of the Juidges of IIer Court, resident in Montreal. It does then appear to us that there is ample provision for the proper management and good goverriment of the affairs of the College without seeking to do that which may be pronounced an interference with the Will of the Founder.

The changes in the Institution proposed by the Board are not only of such a nature as to make it evident that they harl not properly considered the subject, but are also such as they themselves acknowledge to be "more im"mediately the prorince of the Gorernors;", and yet passing the Gorernors' by, and not cren letting them know that they lad made any Report at all on the subject of their Visitation, they endenroured clandestinely to persuade Your Excellency to take upon yourscif the whole authority of the governing body; and to seck by an irregular mode of proceeding to undo what was done by them, without their consent or their knowledge. Their first object is to change entirely the Office of Principal as established by the Statutes; and in order io effect that object they must get rid of the present Principal by the side wind means of endeavouring to persuade Your Excellency to induce FIer Majesty not to sinnction (hy which we suppose they mean disallow, because IIer Majesty's sanction is not reguired by the Charter, ) his appointment, and this on the ground that his appointment is only ad interim or pro tempore. In reply to this allegation we, assert that lis appointment is not pro tempore or add interim, but was made by the Governors as permanent as that of any other Ofticer of the College, that is during pleasure. Wo sincerely trust Your Excellency will not comply with the prayer of the Royal Institution, to urge Her Arajesty to the performance of an act which would not only be ungracious, if done under any other influence than that of the Governors themselves, but of which the legality would be very questionalle.'

The preamble of the Charter of the Collere sherrs very plainly that when it was granted it was the Royal intention to lave mate some "further endowment," and "to afford every assistance towards carrying the in"tentions of the said James Mr'Gill into execution." Had this intention been corried into effect, the Cullege would harc been an Institution of Roynl Foundation, and in that case the different reservations in the Clarter in faror of the Crown, viz: the sanctioning Statutes and disallowing appointments would have been in accordance with the Common Law ; but as the College is really only of private foundation,', wo doubt very much ir Her Majesty could be induced to consider those clauses of the Charter in force, which must interfere with the legal rights of Corporations of private foundation, and which, hut for the Royal intention to endow it, would, it must be presumed, never lave been inserted in the Charter.

The second olject of change proposed by the Board of the Royal Institution is the abolition of the Otfice of Vice Principal, an Office which is rendered necessary by those very Statutes which the same person, whose name is officially attached to this proposal, a few months ago attached his signature in another official capacity to the prayer of the Gormins of the College to Her Majesty to sanction, nay, which, if we are rightly informed, the Board of the lioyal Institution have themselves, since theic Visitation, praged Her Majesty to confirm.
'On the 3rd and 4th objects of change proposed by the Board we do not think it necessary to make any other remark than this, that we cannot exactly comprehend how the removal" of the present Principal from his office, can be a necessary preparatory step, to the abolition of the Oftices of Bursar and Tutor," without which "indeed (say the Board) they (that is, these and other " changes) cannot be carried into effect."

We hare already stated our opinion with respect to the proposal of the Board to procure such malteration of the Charter as to make provision for the appointment of additional Governors, and we will only add here the expression of our unfeigned astonishment that the Bishop of Montreal. should by his signature at one time sanction the recommendation that in the clection of these additional Governors" regard should b'e had to the different "Protestant bodies in the Province," and by his signature at anothor time, request Her Majosty speedily to sanction those Statutes which make provision for the performance' of the daily Service of the Church of England in the College, and for guarding against the teaching therein any doctrine adverse to those of that Church.

The Bond of the Royal Institution, in recommending a reconstruction of the Board with the place of meeting at Mo:treal, advise "the selection of menbers from va" rious parts of the Province." This remedy must eridently be worse than the disease, since a Board so constructed could not meet often and never without great inconrenience, and surely' could not be so competent to manage the affairs of the College as the "Governors, "Principal and Fellows" on the spot; nad indeed tho same remark will apply with almost equal force to almost any Board of Members non-resident in Montreal, since they could not be expected to take so strong an interest in the College affairs as the Corporation named in the Charter.

In conclusion, we think that we may venture to say that Your Excellency must by this time perccive that the chief oljects of the Board of the Royal Institution in making their late Visitation of M'Gill College, have becn, first, to endeavour to make it appoar, under the apprelension of extinction, that the continuation of their existence is necessary to the well-being of the College, although confessedly useless in every other respect; and secondly, to endenvour to get rid of the Principal.

In the furtherance of the first object they have asserted many things as facts in support of which they have not adduced one word of tostimony from the evidence before them, and which have been completely disproved in our replies; and they have stated some things which, while we admit them to be true; we think we have amply shewn were no just causes of complaint.

With regard to the second object, namely, their desire to get rid of the Principal, who has no doubt rendered himself obnoxious to them by his constant endeavours for the last ten years to urge them onwards: to the performance of their duty, and by his persevering opposition to those views of the Board which, had they been carried out, must have resulted in the forfeiture of the bequest, it cortainly does appear too bad that the untiring zeal and energy of the Principal in forcing on the Institution to the point of its being brought into operation, should be sought to be rewarded by dismissal from his office, and for causes too which we trust have been amply proved to have no foundation.

Their various schemes for improvement of the affairs of the Collegeare so impracticable, and if practicabie affording noimmediate or near prospect of relief, that they appear more like struggles for a hopeless existence than the tesults of due consideration or knowledge of the subject. What the College really requires may be expressed in two words-extended means -and these are within almost immediate reacl, by, the passing of the Act prayed for by the Governors of the Eollege.
> (Signed,) VALLIERES DE ST. REAL, Ch. Justice of Montreal, JOHN BETHUNE, D. D., Principal of M' Gill College.

## M'Gill College, February 14th, 1845.

(A true Copy,)
Jos. Abbott,
Aci'g. Secy, MrGill College.

Document (A.) referred to in the preceding Address. (Copy.)

Momtreal, 13th February, 1845.
Sur,-I have perused the papers you sent me on the subject ot the M'Gill College, with your request for an expression of my opinion on any of the matters touching the interests of that Institution that may have fallen within my notice while one : of the Governors thereof, during the time you acted as Principal,
Huving resigned the office of Chief Justice of Montreal in 1838, my duties as a Governor thereupon ceased, and for the short time you had previously acted as Principal, the circumstances falling within my notice, during this interval are not many; and may not be considered as
material to the objects you may have in view. I am, however, enabled to say that after your appointment as Principal, the interests of the College, which had previously been much obstructed and delayed by the litigation and contests raised by the Mesirs. Desrivieres, were more closely pursued and attended to', principally by your exertions, your declared object being, to bring the College into operation as soon as possible, and to render all the means belonging to it, available for this purpose.

Your efforts in this respect were unremitting, but were materially checked in consequence of a difficulty which occurred betiween the Governors and the Royal Institution,-the former holding, that they were entitled to claim and receive the funds and means of the College, as being the fittest persons, under the Will of the Testator to apply those funds and means in forwarding the establishment of the College,--the latter contending on the contrary, that that body alone had the power over all the funds of the College, as well in the receiving, as in the application of them; and from this differance of opinion, much useless discussion has' arisen, and the establishment of the College has been much retarded, there appearing generally a backwardness in the Royal Institution to promote the objects recommended by the Governors, where the expenditure of money was required to be made under their direction.

Other matters may zâve occurred, during the period referred to, but of to trivial "nature, or they have escapel my recollection.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
(Signed), JAS. REID.
The Revd. Dr. Bethune,"
Professor, \&c., Montreal.
(A true Copy,
Jos. Abbott, Act'g. Secy. M. Gill College. bearing date the 16 th December, 1844, praying for "a Statement of all Contracts entered "into for the erection of the Union Bridge across the River Ottawa at Bytown, and the "c amount of each, shewing also the Salaries and amount received by each Engineer or " Superintendent employed on the said work, and at what date the respective contracts " for the masonry, wood, wire and iron work were fulfilled; also, a detailed Account of "the whole of the expenses of the Slides on the Ottawa and its tributary"streams, with "the names and salaries of the Clerks employed, and the amount of travelling expenses " incurred."

By command,

## Secretary's Office,

Montreal, 18th March, 1845. River Ottawa at Bytown, and the amonnt of each, shewing also the salaries and the amount received by each Engineer or Superintendent employed on the said work, and at what date the respective Contracts for the masonry, wood, wire and iron worl were fulfilled.


Salaries and amount received by each Eagineer or Superintendent employed on the said work.

|  |  | $\pm$ | s. | $d$. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| J. F. McDonald, .. | Original Survey, | 37 | 10 | 0 |  |
| F. P. Rubidge,..... | For Plans, ............................... | 25 | 0 | 0 | "'d ' |
| A. D, Taylor, ...... | Superintending Engineer at $£ 250, \ldots$ | 108 | 6 | 8 | Discontinued. |
| D. Kennedy, $\ldots$...... | Superintendent,.,........................ | 9 | 0 | 0 | $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { Employed between the time of Mr} \\ \text { Taylor's discontinuance and Mr. Wal- }\end{array}\right.$ |
| 1). S. Walton, . I... $^{\text {a }}$ | Superintending Engineer at $£ 250, \ldots$ | 334 | 17 | 5 | (ton's being engaged. |
| S. Keefer. .......... | Travelling Expenses.. .................. | 34 | 10 | 10 | Succedod Mr. Tayon. |

[^15] outlay.

A correct statement,
TIIOMAS A. BEGLY,
Secretary Board Works.

Detailed Accouve of the whole of the expenses of the Slides on the Ottawa and its tributary streams, with the names and salaries of the Clerks employed, and the amount of travelling expenses incurred up to the 1st January 1845.

MADAWASKA SLIDES,

Including the Slides and Dams constructed at the High Falls and Rugged Chute, a Station House, a Store House, and Office for the Slide IKaster,' a Portage road at High Falls, and improvement "of the road round Calabogie Lake, blasting and remoring two reefs and portions of two islands, and other obstructions, in Barret's Chute, the Waba Rock and shoal, with sundry reefs and rocks in the Calabogie Rapids, and sundry boulders and reefs in the Little Rapids (two miles below Calabogie, excavation and removing of Johnson's Rock and Point, and blasting scattered rocks and other obstructions in Long Rapids in McNab Township, of sundry rocks in Landon's Rapids and Fidlers' Elbow, and removing the Hog's Back and part of the lower island in Lancon's Chute, three miles below the mouth.

| Date. | Labourers, \&c. |  |  | Teamsters.' |  |  | Materials. |  |  | Contingencies |  |  | Total. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\boldsymbol{E}$ | g. | d. | $\mathfrak{f}$ | 8. | d. | $\pm$ | s. | d. | $\pm$ | s. | d. | $\pm$ | s. |  |
| September, .................... | 63 | 16 | 5 |  | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 126 | 13 | 0 | 1 | 13 | 8 | 192 | 3 | 1 |
| October,...................... | 221 | 19 | 0 | 10 | 10 | 0 | 63 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 4 | 296 | 4 | 4 |
| November and December,... | 1456 | 15 | 2 | 44 | 14 | 6 | 165 | 19 | 7 | ...' | $\cdots$ |  | 1667 | 9 | 3 |
| January, ..................... | 643 | 14. | 8 | 22 | $13 '$ | 9 | 27 | 0 | 0 |  |  |  | 693 | 8 | 5 |
| February, ..................... | 915 | '2 | 0 | 24 | 6 | 5 | 195 | 5 | 10 | 3. | 10 | 0 | 1138 | 4 | 3 |
| March, ....................... | 1120 | 2 | $10^{\prime}$ | 18 | 18 | 0 | ' 161 | 16 | 0 |  | … |  | 1300 | 16 | 10 |
| April and May,.............. | 505 | 6 | 4. | 20 | 8 | 10 | 188 | 13. | 10 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 715 | ${ }^{1}$ | 0 |
| June, July and August,.... | 320 | 7 | 10 | ... | . ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | '..' | 11 | 18 | 8 | ... | ... | ... | 332 | 6 | 6 |
| £ | 5247 | 4 | 3 | 141 | 11 | . 6 | 940 | $11^{\circ}$ | 11 | 6 | 8 |  | 6335 | 15 | 8 |

## MOUNTAIN SLIDES,

Including a Slide and Dam at the Mountain, excavation and removal of a point at the foot of the current, a Station House, Store House, and Office for the Slide Master.


Including Dams and Slides, a stone Station House, Store House and office for the Slide Master, and a double-walled (stone and wood) Magazine for the storage of Powder, improvement of the road from Portage du Fort to the Calumet, completion of road from the head to the foot of the Calumet, together with the removal of a considerable quantity of rock from the Lower Chute and Rapids.

| Date. | Labourers, \&c. |  |  | 'Teamsters. |  |  | Materials. |  |  | Contingencies |  |  | Total. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\pm$ | s. | d. | $\boldsymbol{\pm}$ | 8. | d. | $\pm$ | s. | d. | $\pm$ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. |
| July, ............. | 78 | 14 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 30 | 0 | 3 | 36 |  |  | 148 | 2 | 3. |
| August, | 239 | 14 | 8 | 5 | 18 | 8 | 49 | 5 | 6 |  |  | - | 294 | 18 | 10 |
| September, ................... | 430 | 7 | 11 | 31 | 13 | 0 | 141 | 19 | 6 | 8 | 16 | 8 | 612 | 17 | 1 |
| Octover, ...................... | 557 | 17. | 0 | 39 | 17 | 2 | 6 | 0 | 0 | ... | ... | ... | 603 | 14 | 2 |
| November and December,... | 1919 | 1 | 1 | 112 | 18 | 6 | 137 | 19 | 0 | ... | ... | ... | 2169 | 18 | 7 |
|  | 560 | 4 | 2 | 35 | 6. | 0 | 83 | 2 | 10 | ... | ... | ... | 678 | 13 | 0 |
| February, .......................... | 740 | 10 | 0 | 50 | 12. | 3 | 40 | 13 | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 831 | 15 | 8 |
| March, ....................... | 685 | 1 | 5 | 47 | 6 | 10 | 274 | 19. | 6 | ... | $\cdots$ | ... | 1007 | 7 | 9 |
| April and May, .............. | 1458 | 12 | 11 | 127 | 7 | 9 | 54 | 0 | 10 | 1 | 10 | 0 | 1641 | 11 | 6 |
| June, July and August, .... | 190 | 17 | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 23 | 2 | 10 | $\cdots$ | ... | ... | 214 | 0 | 3 |
|  | 6861 | 0 | 7 | 454 | 3 | 2 | 841 | 3 | 8 | 46 | 11 |  | 8202 | 19 | 1. |

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## JOACHIM SLIDE,

Including Slides and Dams, Station House and out Offices for Slide Master, together with a house for the storage of Lumber Supplies, excavation at the foot of Upper Rapids, and the removal of sundry rocks and other obstructions, as well as the Rook Island at the foot of the Chute in the Rocher Capitaine Rapids.

| Date. | Labourers, \&c. |  |  | Teamsters. |  |  | Materials: |  |  | Contingencies |  |  | 'Total. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | E | s. | d | $\pm$ | s. | d. | £ | s. | "d. | $\pm$ | s. | d. | $\pm$ | 8. | d. |
| September, ....... | 130 | 8 | 11 | $\ldots$ | ... | $\cdots$ | 90 | 14 | 11 | $\cdots$ |  |  |  | 13 | 10 |
| October,...................... | 173 | 17 | 8 | ... | $\cdots$ |  | 77 | 0 | 0 | 5. | 12 | 6 | 256 | 10 | 2 |
| November and December,... | 811 | 12 | 2 | 43 | 10 | 7 | 217 | 19 | 3 | 2. | , 0 | 0 | 1075 | 2 | 0 |
| 1844. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January, ..................... | 403 | 7 | 0 | 30 | 9 | 7 | 63 | 8 | 9 | "... | ... | .. | 497 | 5 | 4 |
| February, .................... | 340 | 19 | 9 | 43 | 19 | 9 | 74 | 1 | 2 | ... | $\cdots$ | . | 459 | 0 | 8 |
| March, ....................... | 455 | 16 | 9 | 57 | 11 | 5 | 192 | 10 | 0 | $\cdots$ | ... | $\cdots$ | 705 | 18 | 2 |
| April and May, .............. | 364 | 15 | 10 | 18 | 17 | 6 | 99 | 7 | 0 |  | 13 | 0 | 383 | 0 | 7 |
| June, July and August, ..... | 26 | 13 | 0 | ... | ... | ... | 10 | 10 | 0 | 27. | 13 | 0 | 64 | 16 | 0 |
| f | 2607 | 11 | 1 | 194 | 8 | 10 | 825 | 11 | 4 | 35 |  |  | 3662 | 16 | 9 |

Appendix (W.W.)
A. 1844-5.


## Abstract of the foregoing.

| Total expenditure on the Madawaska |  |  | £6335 | 15 | 8 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Do. do. Mountrin, |  |  | 3282 | 13 | 6 |
| Do. | do. | Calumet, | 8202 | 19 | 1 |
| Du. do. |  | Joachim, | 3662 | 16 |  |
| General,................ Travelling Expenses, |  | .............................................................. | 2953 | 17 | 3 |
|  |  | $\qquad$ | 244 | 15 | 3 |
| Travelling Expenses, |  |  | £24682 |  |  |

## Names and Salaries of the Clerks employed.



A correct statement.
THOMAS A. BEGLY,
Secy. Board of Works.

## RETURN

To An Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, bearing date the $3 d$ ultimo, praying for'" an Official Retum and Account of all claims "for Lands, and damages claimed by the imhabitants of the County of Dundas, arising "from the St. Lawrence Canal, and shewing a detailed Statement of the names of " clamants, for what portion of land, the nature and amount of their respective damages, " how settled, (if so,) whether by arbitration under the Statute, or private agreement with " the Board of. Works, what and whose claims are yet unsettled, and the reason of such " claims being yet unsettled."

Return and Account of all claims for Land and damages claimed by the inhabitants of the County of Dunlas, arising from the St. Lawrence Canal, and shewing a detailed Statement of the names of claimants, for what portion of land, the nature and amount of their respective damages, how settled, (if so, whether by arbitration, or private agreement with the Board of Works, what and whose claims are yet unsettled, and the reasons of such claims being yot unseitled.



A correct statement,
THOMAS A. BEGLY,
Scoy. Boaid of Works.

## RETURN

To an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, bearing date the 13 th instant, praying for " a detailed Statement of the several amounts "paid into the hands of the Receiver General of this Province, by the Treasurers of "the several Districts of the late Province of Upper Canada, for the establishment and "support of a Lunatic Asylum, during the years 1840; 1841, 1842, 1843, 1844, and
" 1845 , shewing the amount received from each District, respectively, during the above "period."

Secrethrx's Ohfice, Montrent, 18th March, 1845. $\}$

By Compand,
D. DALTX, Sccij.

Appendix
(Y. Y.)
'18th March.

Regniver Ghambe's Orracin, 17/h March, 1845.
bur,


 Asylum'within said Province for the reception of Inane and hamaic Persons, under the Act 2 Vict, cap, 11, relating thereto, during the yours 1840 , $7841,1822,1843,18+4$, and 1845 , whewhag the anount receiven from each



I liave the fonor to be, Sir,
Tour most obedient servant,
WM. MORRIS, n. G.

To Fanes Mubkitk, Exquite,
Assistant Socretn'y Wust, \&c. Sce. \&c.

## (Enclostre.)

STATEMENT of the several Amounts paid into the hands of the Receiver Gencral, by the several District Treasurers of the late Province of Upper Canada, for the erection of a Lunatic Asylum, under the Provincial Act 2 Vict. cap. 11, from 1840 to this day inclusive.

| From what District recoiverd. | In 1840, |  | 1841. |  | 1842. |  | 1843. |  |  | 1844. |  |  | 1845. |  |  | Aggregate. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
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| Trome | 70 | 68 | 130 | 0 | $28: 3$ | 1011 |  |  | ... | 75 |  | 68 | 51 |  | 10 | 1753 | 6 | 1 |
| Gore, | ... |  |  | .. $\cdot$. | 810 | 0 ) 0 | 150 | O | 0 | 473 |  | +11 |  |  | $\cdots$ | $1+63$ | 14 | 11 |
| Newcatl |  |  |  | $\cdots$ | 300 | 0.0 | 41.1 | 11 | 4 | 248 | 8. | $0 \cdot 9$ | 280 | 18 | 11 | 1240 | 11 | 0 |
| Niagara, |  |  |  | :.... | 700 | 80 | 247 | 17 | 10 | 270 |  | 911 |  | . |  | 1218 | 15 | 9 |
| - Johmatow |  |  | .180 | 0 | 34 | $18111 \frac{1}{2}$ | 141 | 0 | 0 | 165 |  | 96 | 218 | - | 2 | 1047 | 3 | $7 \frac{1}{2}$ |
| London, | 210 | 28 | 106 | 6. 3 | 168 | 120 | 232 | () | 0 | 137 | 71.7 | 710 | 18: | 2 | 2 | 1038 | 0 | , 11 |
| Mitland | 184 | 103 |  | ... ... | 225 | 06 | 214 | 7 | 0 | 75 | 513 | 310 | 15 | 8 | 0 | 856 | 19 | 7 |
| Prince Edward | 105 | 120 | 107 | 1611 | 113 | 138 | 115 | 18 | 0 | 118 | 819 | 96 | 119 | 1 | 3 | 681 | 1 | 4 |
| Wostern, |  | $\cdots$ |  | ... ... | ...' | … ... | 510 | 10 | 11. | 160 |  | 6.9 |  |  |  | 670 | 17 | 8 |
| Tanthurst |  | ... | 224 | 810 | 139 | 94 | 111 | 10 | $0)$ | 118 |  | 8110 |  | ... | '.. | 623 | 17. | Ot ${ }^{1}$ |
| lastem, |  | $\ldots$ |  | ... | 283 | $50^{\circ}$ | 100 | O | 0 | 99 |  | 510 | $\cdots$ | ... | ... | 482 | 10 | 10 |
| $V$ ictorin, | 66 | 100 |  | ... ... | 150 | 0 | 96 | 17) | 5 | 98 |  | 46 |  |  | ... | 411 | 11 | 11 |
| Talbot, | 56 | 31 | 69 | 1) 21 | 134 | 160 |  | - |  | 77 |  | ${ }^{5} 1$ |  |  |  | 337 | 15 | 5 |
| 13rock, |  | ... ${ }^{\prime}$ | 86 | $810^{*}$ | 96 | 38 | 105 | 5 | 1 | 110 | 12 | 74 | 92 | 11 | 7 | 498 | 6 | 6 |
| Wellingt | $\ldots$ | ... |  | .. ... | 101 | 106 | 81 | 16 | 6 | 123 |  | 40 |  |  | ... | 306 | 11 | 0 |
| Ottawa, |  |  |  | .. ... |  | ... ... | 163 | 12 | 3 | 72 | 17 | 70 |  | 15 | 2 | 283 | 4 | 5 |
| Dallousi |  | , |  | - ... |  | ... .. | 57 | 7 | 10 | 69 |  | 710 L |  | 2 | 2 | 192 | 17 | $10 \frac{1}{2}$ |
| Ifuron, |  | .r |  | .. ... |  | ... .. | 43 | 19 | 0 | 51 |  | 55 |  |  | 10 | 145 | 5 | 3 |
| Colborn |  |  |  | .. ... |  | ... ... |  | $1, \cdot .$ |  | 68 |  | 60 | 60 |  | 4 | 137 | 10 | 4 |
| fimimeo, |  |  |  |  |  | ... . |  |  |  | 118 | 16 | 61 |  |  |  | 118 | 16 | 1 |
|  | 693 | 48 | 1034 | 20 | 878 | 87 | 2783 | 13 | 2 | 3410 |  | $6 \mid 7$ |  | '2 | 5 | 13508 | 17 | $6 \frac{1}{2}$ |

WM. MORRIS;
R. $G$.

## Recerver General's Office, 17th March, 1845.

Tue Selact Commpree to which was referved the Petition of Alexander McLood, of the Township of Stamford, in the District of Niagara, to be indemnified for losses sustanced throigh his imprisonment by the Authonifies of the United States, in 1840, on a charge of having assisted in the destruction of the Steamer "Caroline," have the honor to Reporr:-

That although tha aryont, imprisonaint, twial and aequittal of Alexandor Melood, in the your 1841, by the Aubloritios of the Stato of New Yurk, (und of "he United States of Anorien, must be frosl in tho rocollection of Your Ilwnorable Inouse, yot your Committo deon it expeliont to subnite the reasons and causos whioh, in thic coursce of their investigntion, hroy liavo asecrtained led to tho arppohension of the said Aloxander MuLeod, and upon which aro based thoso subsocyuent $\$$ udecial procecdings which resulted in his acquitial.
Your Committoc, from evidence subnittol to them, are aware that the shid Alexander NeLeod, from the ontercak at 'Loronto, on the night of tho 4 th Dcomber, 1837, until the day of his arrust by the Doputy Marshal of the State of Nouf Xont, was exceodingly active, and used uvory exortion in his power to assist the Governament in suppressing reboilion wilhin tho Province, and rosisting invasion from the United States, which ronderod tho sandiAlexander MoLeod personally obnoxions: io those persons who iojoiced in the name of the patriots, and who, in tho opsinion of your Committer, marked out tho said Alexander McLood as the object of thoir, hatrod and rovenge; conseguently, on the 2401 of'september, 1840 , the said Alexander: McLood being at Manchostor, in cho Stato of Now York, was naprelended and sent to Prison at Lockpoxt, upon a cliargo proforred against him of having bectionc of the individutals who, wy the order of the Spaker of You' Honorable Ilouse, destroyed the Stobucr "Caroline" on tho night of the 29th Decomber, 1837; the said Alexander Molteol having mate affidavit that he was not ond ol the jersons engagec in that expedition, obtrinech a writ of Mabeas Corpus, and aftor'a todions examination was discharged. On the' 9 th day of 'Noymber, 1840, tho, suid Xlexandor MoLcod went to Lewiston in the State of Now York, and on the 12 th he was arested a second time bis a Doputy Marshal, an officer of the lroderal Guvernment, who suid ho had positive orders from Marshal Nathaniel Garraw, wlio had lis orders frout Wash ington, to curest him, tho snid Aloxander McLood, if again Yound wilhin the jurisdiction of the said United Statos; "his oxamimation contimued four' days, and hic was'committed to tho Gaol at Lockport, where he remained indarcerated until the 20 th April, when ho was takeli from tho Ghol and cseorted as a folon to New York: on arriving there was phaced in the Tombs, and there romained until the 10th July; was then romoved to the Gaol at Utica, From theneo to Rome, and fron thence to Whitesborough, where he was arraigned ina". Octobier, 1841; and, after a protrated trial of eight days, ho was acquittod, and roturned to Canada under a civil and nilitary oscort.
Your Committee are awaro that at the time of his imprisoumont, and prior and subsequent thercto, a prejudice existed in the public mind against the said Alexander McLeod, in consequence of its being generally undorstood that he had gono unnecossarily to tho United States, and, when there, Joen guilty of a gross misicpresentation, by stating that he was one of the persons concerned in cutting out the Stoamor "Caroline," when in truth and in fact iso was not; and in consequence it was, through his own impru-
denco that he bomane arrensted and had to onlaro all tho thnoymee and privations whid ho subsequently expericued.
Tour Connittoo aro porfoctly awaro that'in consequatee of procedings which wore going on beforo the Courts of Law in this Provinoo, and to which tho sail Alexander MoLool was a party, it bocamo nocossary for tho sail Alexander MoLcoll to goo to tho United Statos for the pulpose of procining tho riocessury evillenco to prodice betore the "Courts of Law to ostablish his persomel rights bofore said Courts, and to which course of proceceling he was nidused by Robert ti Jurns, lisiquire; Durister-at-Lav, is will appone on roferonco to the certificate in the Appondix attaded to (his Ruport, and was also recommended to do so by James HL Price, Disquire, a Monber of Youn Elonorablo Honso, and from the certificate of ouner persons ns well as the Migistrates hefore whom the said Alcxiader MeLcod was talion when throsted, and copics of which are also eobtaned in the $\Delta$ ppondix to this Report. Your Committou aro of ophion that the said Alexauder MoLeod did not mako my declaration of his liaving been engagod in the dostruction of the Curoline, but that tlie suid report' was circulated by those who were disposed to sacrifico the said $\Lambda$ loxamider MeLcod to those popular projudites which at that timo existod on tho frontice, ly thoso whoso wieked and atrocious designs had been feustrated, and in which ilie sitid Aloxinder MeLeod hited bear persomally instrumontal.

Your Comnitte haring in tho foregoing part of this Report subuitted to Your If onomaline House the facts upon which the Petition of the said' Aloxnorder Molecod are prodicated, tro of opinion that they are of a very peculiar character and involve a question of vast inpurtance as regards tho mutaal obligations oxisting betivom, tho soverefgre and the SuLjoet; and as the one cmunut renomeco or abrogate lis edloginnce, the other ought in all cases to aflord protection and to guand the subjech riguinst auy infringemont upon his civil nights, by a Foroign Power, involving a question of a mational chavacio', and for whide be can roceive ho redress unloss through, the interposition of the Gorernmant to which he Lutrstallegrinuee.
Your Cominitce are of opinion that in consequence of the proceedings taken by the Ameriena Govomnent agranst the said Alexander McLeod, he becamo reduced in his circumstances, clamnificd in his reputation, deprived of his liberty, and injured in ljis leeilth, haring tor twelve months been incarcemated in the loathsome cells of various Gaols in the United States : and viewing this quostion in all its various fentures, Your Committeo, urider the circumstances sat forth, and considering the persomal injuries the said Alex: ander MoLeod has sustained, recommond Your Honorible Ilouse to idopt in Address to lier Majosty iecommending him to Her Majosty's most gracious and favorablo consideration.
All of which, howover, is respectfully submitted.

## WALTER H. DICKSON,

Chairman

18th March 1845

No. 1.-Certificate of Robert E. lumens, Jsquire, dated Toronto, Sth December, 18.3.

No. 2.-Certificate of Jona. Bell, Esquire, dated Lowiston, 24th September, 1842.

No. 3.-Certificato of J. Stocking, Esquirc, datel Niagara, Stll Septomber, 1842.

No. 4.-Certificate of Edw. Porroll, Esquire, dated City of the Falls, 15 th August, 1842.

No. 5.-Certificato of William Bralner, Esquire, dated Mauchester, 19 th August, 1842.

No. 0.-Certificate of Magistrates of the Niagara District, dated Junc, 1842.

No, 7.-Letter from Sir F. B. Mend to Mr. McLeod, ditel 2l March, 1844.

## No. 1.-Certificate of Rubert E. Burns, Esquire.

This may certify that shortly before Mr. Aleannder MeLeod's gring to the United States, in the year 1840, I adrised lim to go there for the purpose of lonking up evilence in a matter connectel with a suit of lioulton us. Hamilton, in which certain matters came to my linowlodge after the trial was over, that indiced me to think that injustice harl been cone to the Defendant against whom the rerdiet was. I advised Mr. MeLeod, who was the party really interosted in the suit, by reason of his being the Deputy Sheriff of the District of Niagara, and who must eventually hare paid the amount awarded, to go to the United States in order to louk up the eridence connected with the mattor, that I mighit proceed and support a Bill in Equity to restrain the Plaintiff from oltaining an Execution in the said matter:

And I hereby cortify that I belicive that the said Aloxander Mcleod did proceed to the said United States for tho purpose of obtaining such ovidence as I had advisod him to do.

Toronto, 8th December, 1843.
ROBERT E. BURNS,
Of Counsol for the Defondant in the above suit.

## Nor 2.-Certificate of Jonathan Bell, Esquire.

I certify that Alexander MeLeod was arrested and brouglit before mo, a Justico of the Pence of the Comity of Niagara, State of New York, for examimation, on the 12th day of Novenber, 1840, accused of aiding and abetting in murder, are., as being one of the party who destroyed the Steamboat Caroline on the $29 t h$ December, 1837. It was not alleged, at the time the warrant was required against, Mr. Meleod, that he had bonsted of being one of tho before mentioned party; nol was it sworn to before me, on the examination, that lie lad made such boast in a tavern or elsewhere in the United States, and I have never lowed that he has made such, boast in the United

States at any tivie. I attended the trial of Mr. Molicod at Utica, and am under the impression that proof was introduced, at that trial, which woulh, in the slightest degree, authorize the report above referred to.

Giren under my hand and seal, at Leeriston, County of Niagara, State of Now York, this 24th day of September, 1842.

JONA. BELL. [LA. S.]

## No. 3.-Certificate of J. Stocking; Msquire.

I havo been intimately acquinted with Alexander McLead sinee midsummer, 1834 . In the year 1840 1 was, residing generally in Lewiston, in Niagara County, Stato of Now York, and somotimes in 13uffalo. Mr.'Mc]cod had occasion to call on me several times during the summer of that $y$ ear, in relation to a law suit in which lie, was deeply interested, in order to get eridence from me of an important nature to him. Onee 1 remomber he was accused publichy; or intornsed that he was aceused of having been one of the party who destroyed the "Caroline"; heat once uncquirocally denied having been one of that party; this was at the frontier house, Lewiston, some time in June, 1840. When Mr. Mclecod was first arrested in Scptember, 1840, he had been in Manchester; State of Nev York, to endearour to obtain me and others as witnesses in certain suits about to be tried at the Assizes then sitting at Niagara, Upper Canada. I have heard it frequently asserted that McLeod bonsted in Lockport, or in some other place on the fronticr in thie United States, that he was one of the party that destroyod the "Caroline." From uny knowledre of Mr. McLeod, and from having heard him explicitly deny being at the destruction of that boat, I believe lim jncapable of making any such foolishi bonst. I have had considerable dealings with Mr. MeLeod, when I was extensively engaged in mercantile bisiness in this town, as a partner in the firm of Stocking \& Gricr. I have always found him act with honor, nor do I know of any instance of his ever having acted in any manner other than as a man of honor and integrity.

Niagara, 8th September, 1842.
J. STOCKING.

## No. 4.-Certificate of Edvr. Powell, Esquire.

- I do cortify that during the summer of 1840 , Alexander McLeod did come on two or three occasions to Lewiston, in the State of New, York, where I was then residing, for the purpose of sceing mo on very important businces to him; that in the month of June, 1840, I did hear him accused of having been one of the party that destroyed the Cairoline, and I did hear him strenuonsly dony having any hand in the matter. 1 was residing in Manchestor, in the State of New York, on tho 24 th day of September, 1840, when said MeLeorlalled on mo on busincss; he was airestod, and being taken before n'Mrigistrate, and an examination had, said McLeod protested his innocence of the chargo made against him, nor did I hear any porson or persons make any charge against him, that he had boasted having been tho man who killed Dur-

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fee, \&e. Mr. McLeod called on me agnin on the 11th Noyember, 1840, at Manchester, on tho samo business, which was of great importance to him, and was rearrested at Lewiston, on his way back to Canada. I further certify that I had known the said Nexander MoLcod intimately for years prior to the destruction of the Caroline, and subscquent up to the time of his arrost, and was frequently in lus house when I was a resident in Niagara, 'Opper Canada; and I never did hear him say that he was one of the party that destroyed the Caroline, nor do I believe, from my knowledge of Mr. McLeod, that he would be guilty of so palpable an absurdity'as to boast of having been a participator in a transaction with which'he lad nothing to do. I farther cortify that I was in attendance as a witness for Mr. McLeod's defence nt Utica, but was not eximined, or I should have deponod the same as this certificate.

Given uader my hand at the City of the Falls, $\mathrm{Ca}-$ nata West, this 15th day of August, 1842.

> EDW, POWELL,
> Late Capt, 9 th Reg't.

No. 5.-Certificate of William Bradner, Esquire.
I heroby certify that Alcxander McLeod was arrested at Manchester, Niagara Comnty, State of New Yotk, on the 24th day of September, 1840, on a charge of having been one of those aceused of having destroyed the Steamboat Caroline; the examination took place before me the samp day, when the accused denicd the accusation. Therc was no allegation made before me that he had at any time or phace bonsted that he was one of the party that destroyed the Ca roline and murdered Durfec.

Given under my hand and seal at Manchoster, Niagari County, this 19th day of August, 1842.

## WILLIAM BRADNER; J. P.

## No. 6.-Certificate of Magistrates of Niagara District.

## Niagari District, Canada West, June, 1842.

We whose names are hercunto subscribed, Magistrates of the Niagara District, have known Alexander McLeod since August,' 1834; at which period he was appointed Under-Sheriff of this District. We are aware that, with few exceptions, the whole dutics of the Sheriff's Office were performed by him;' and so convinced were many of the Magistrates of his meritorious conduct in that important office during a time of great pecuniary embarrassment, and of his onergy and intrepidity on soveral trying oceasions, that on the denth of Sherift'Eamilton', they signed a Petition to the Executive to appoint him Sheriff of the District.

During Mr. McLeod's imprisonment by the Authorities of the United States on the pretence that he was one of the destroyers of the Steamboat Caroline, we heard allegations against his character, namely,
that he was a defaulter to the Government, had absconded from his creditors, and had vain-gloriously boasted that he was one of the party that lestroyed the Caroline, \&ro:; we bolieve these calumnies were without foundation, that they were engendered and assiduously spread by malicious individuals-enemics of paace and social ordor, that such slanders might conduce to the conviction and exceution of McLeod, and consummate their ardent desirc-a war between Great Britain and the United States.

## D. MoDovall, J. P., and Lt. Col. 1st Li. Militia,

Robert Melvile, J. P.,
Sam's, Bimpsall, J. P.;
Anos Bradshaw, J. P.,
Eds'd Riselay, J. P., and District Councillor,

Join Mewburn, J. P.,
T. Butlen, J. P.,
T. H. Jonnson, J. P.,

Lewis Clement, J.P.,
Jno. L. Alma, J. P.,
Edwalld Evans, J. P.,
Join Clark, J. P.,
Duncan McFarlanid, J. P., and Member of the Niagara Dis. Council,

James W: O. Clirk, J. P., and District Councillor. N. D.

No. 7.-Letter from Sir F. B. Head to Alexander McLod, Esquiro.

## 2, Upper Hyde Patk, March 2, 1844.

Dear Sir,-I have received your long letter of the $27{ }^{\text {th }}$ 'Jun' $y$, in which you detail to me the circumstances attendant upon your arrest, trial and imprisonmont in the United States, and request me at my leisure to call on Lord Stanley and adrocate your casc.

I hope I need not say that during the progress of the events you have detailed, no one in England road of the treatment you received with groater indignation than 1 did: I folt and I feel that such treatment of a British Subject was disgraceful to the Amorican name, and that the Government of this Country ought at least to have made atoricment to you for aia insult which I regret to believe they deemed it politic not to resent; indood the loyalty you so conspicuously displayed on the breaking ont of the rebellion in 1837, constitutionally entitled you to the especial protection of your Sovereign.

Although, lowever, I ontertain those foelings, and indeed have expressed thim as strongly as you could desire, I am stre that on reflection you will perceive

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not withlold it, and if he should desire to have my opinion of your loyalty during the time I administored the Governinent, I shall make it my duty to to
you full justice.

I reman, Dear Sir, in haste,
Your fnithful servant,
I reman, Dear Sir, in haste,
Your faithful servant,
F. B. HEAD.

Alexander McLeod, Jisquiro.
P. S.-You may, if you dosire to do so, mako any use you like of this letter, jn your application to Iler Majesty's Government.
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.<br>Committee Room, 181h. March, 1845.

Present :<br>Mr. Chaveau<br>Honourable Mr. Aylwin,<br>Mr. Chabot,<br>Mr. Lauriv, and<br>Mr. Cauchon.<br>Mr. Chavyeav in the Chair.

Thie Special Committee to whom were referred the Pctitions of R. G. Belleau andothers, inhalatitants of the County of Quebee, praying for certain amendments to the Ordinance relating to the Turrnike Roads in the neighthourlood of Quebec'; of $\boldsymbol{\Lambda}$ ug ustin Dudier and olhers, inhabitants of the Parish of Beauport, in the County of Quebec, praying that the Tolls which they pay on the Turnpike roads may be diminished, aud the rate at which they may be commuted; fixed by law; the Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly to. His Excellency, the Goyernor General, of the 5th Jabuary last, prayiny for detailed accounts of the transactions of the Trustees of the Quebec Turnpike Roads; and the Petition of William Slieppard and others, Trustees of the Quebec Turnike Roads, praying for authority to raise a further loan of $£ 8,882$ to complete the Works on the said roads, lave the honour to make the following Report:

Your Committee regret that from thie advanced period of the Session at .which the state of the affiars of the Quebec. Turripike Trust was referred to them, it has not beon in their power to continue the inquiry which Your Committee have thought it their duty to make into the manner of collecting and laying out the Turnpike Revenue, and into the general affairsor the Trust. It is obvious from all tho aridence taken before Your Committee, and to which they would beg to call the attention of Your Honourable House, that the management of the Turnpike roads lias given rise to many complains, and caused mucla dissatisfiction in the County of Quebec. - It is certainly the result to be expected from the bringing into operation of 'Every new sys.tem of taxation, whether direct or indirect. Your Committee are of opinion, however, that this dissatisfaction would have been greatly obviated if the Trust had not at first imposed so high a rate of 'Tolls' as that which is at present in operation, and if, they had worked equally on the whole extent of the roods under their control.

The absence of all responsibility on the part of the Commissioners, who receive no silary, and the great latitude which they must have allowedr to the only paid officer under them, and who appens to be at the same time, Secretary, Treasurer und Superintendent of the Works, have necessarily contributed to render the procecdings of the Turnpike Trust rather unpopulat. -
Your Committoe fear, however, that they woild lose the opportunity of obtaining several'salterations which they consiler of the greatest necessity and importance, fif theyshould recommend the repeal of the
existing laws on this subject, and the introduction of a nevy law; they will therefore merely make the following suggestions for the present: First; as the money which has already been borrowed by the" Trust, and the proceeds arising from the heavy Tolls Which have been levied on the public up to the present day, would only have contributed to the macadamizing and repairing of that part of the roads nearest to the City, if the Irust do not macadamize the whole extent of the roads under their control, Your Committee are of opinion that the prayer of the Trustees for a further loan of $£ 8,882$, should be gränted, if recommended by a Message from His Excellency tha Guvernor Gereral. 2ndly"; It has been' suggested to Your Committee to place also under the control of the Trust, the roud which leads to the Charlesbourg Church, and to remove the Toll-gate which is now at the entrance of the Beatuport rond, below the place at which the Charlesbourg road joins the road leading to Messre. Smith and Anderson's bridge.

Your Committee hinving understood that it is proposed to erect a free bridge over the River St. Charles, or to acquire Mossrs. Smith and Anderson's' bridge in order to make it public, with a rate of Tolls merely sufficient to cover the expense of repairing it and keeping it up, are of opinion that in the latter case it would be ndvantageous to unite the Turnpike Tolls with those of the bridge, and in that case alone, Your Committee would recommend that the rond lending to the Charlesbourg Church be placed under the control of the Trist.

3rdly Your Committec recommend that the Tolls at all the Toll-gatesunder the control of the Trust, be reduced for summer volicles to one half the rate asked at prof sent, and whlich is detailed in Mr. Porter's evidence : ono liall to be paicl on first passing through, and the other balf on returning; provided that every person who shall have passed through and returned once, may again pass througla nd return at any time on the same day without further payment; and provided also, that The Trustes do not erect ary other Toll-gates than those already existing, which would be a method of eluding this reduction.

4thly Your Committee recommend that the pirmpike Tristees be held and obliged to compoind with persons residing out of the city for the following rates:

Ist. For persons residing at a distance of and beyond two leagues from the different Toll gates, on cach tivowhecled vehicledran by one horsey 15 s.

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2d. For persons residing within two teagues of the difierent Toll-gates, 20s. to 25s.

3d. For waggons or four-wheeled vehicles drawn by one horse, with the exception of pleasure carriages, 40 s .

4th. For four-wheeled vehicles drawn by two horses, pleasure carriages cxcepted, 45 s .

5th. For each carringe, barouche or uther plensure vehicle on four wheels, drawn by two horses, $£ 4$ to $£ 5$; and that a deduction of ten per cent be made on each vehicle when any person shall compound for several.

Among other complaints which have been made to Your Committee, their attention has also been dravn to those on the sulject of the Toll-gate erected under, the name of Kilmarnock Toll-gate. This Toll-gate has been represented as a leary tax on a portion of the Parish of St. Foy, and as not being susceptible of producing a revenue sufficient to cover its expenses. However, as some considerable expense has been incurred for the erection of this Toll-gate, and as ithas becm only a very short time in operation, Your Committee hope that the reduction of the Tolls will diminish the inconvenience to which it may have given rise, and as regards the revenue, they do not think themselves authorised to recommend its immediate suppression.

The whole nevertheless, humbly submitted.
pierre j. o. chauveau, Chairman.

## minutes of euinence.

Charles Panet, of Quebec, Esquire, Adrocute, appeared before the Committee, and was examined as follows:

1. Are you acquainted with any part of the ronds sulject to the provisions of the Ordinance 4th Vicl. chap. 17, and of the Provincial Statute 4th and 5th Vict. clap. 72, taken under the mamarement of the Trustees appointed by virtue of the said Ordinance, aud which, instead of being improyed by the said Trustecs, may have been entirely neglected:-Yes, I am acquainled with St. Foy's road, commonly called "la Suede," and the roud which leads from the "Cote a Chumpigny," to the farm called Hough's farm. The St. Foy's road conmonly called la Suede was in great part only made last year in tho course of the summer and autumn; there still remains a small portion to be made. The rovid' which leads from the 'Cote is Champigny' to IIough's farm, is not yet made, and there may be an extent of about half a league which yet pemains to be made.
2. Is the proportion of the Turnpike Revenues paid by persons travelling on the suid roads, you have just mentionect, very greal ?-Yes, the greater part and almost the whole of the revenucs of the Turnpike callud the St. Foy Turnpike, in my opiuion, is paid by persons who travel on the rouds which I have just mentioned.
3. Do you think that the Tolls exacted during the summer at the Turnpikes under the control of the Turnpike Trust, are excrbitant?-Yes, and they do not seem to me to be proportionate to the advantage derived by the puiblic therefrom.
4. Do you think that if the rate of the tolls were reduced one half or one third, the Revenue would, if col-
lectel with care and jüdiciously laid out, be sufficient for the keeping' in repair of the roads, and do you think that such a reduction would increase the number of travellers?-Yes, certainly.
5. Do you think that the Trustees ought to be obliged to commute for an annual composition; that is, at least as regards the farmers residing in the environs of the City ?-I think that it would be a justice to those farmers, and that it would not considerably diminish the Revenue.
6. Do youknow if the public make many complaints. with respect to the Tolls exacted at the Turnpikes, and to the manner in which the Revenue is laid out?Yes, I have often heard complaints on this subject, and I believe that it causes a great deal of dissatisfiction in tho City and County of Quebec.
7. Do you not think that the double Tolls which the inhabitants of Beauport are obliged to pay at Dorchester bridge and at the Beauport Turupike are an exor-" bitant tax on the sale of their agricultural produce?Yes, and so exorbitant that it may tend to discourage thom, and to prevent them from bringing their produce to market.
8. Do you know a man named Moffet employed in receiving the Tolls at the Turnpike in the St. Vallier Suburbs, called the St. Charles Turnpike :-l do.
9. In what circumslances was he before being employed as aforesaid?-He was a carter and owned a couple of vehicles, but I do not think that he was rich. at that time.

Rene Gabher Behleau, of Quebec, Esquire, Notary, was examined as fullows:
10. Are you' acquainted with any part of the roads subject to the provisions of the Ordinance 4ith Vict. chap. 17; and of the Provincial Satute 4 th and 5 hi Vict. chap, 72, taken under the management of the I'rustees, appointed by virtue of the said Ordinance, and which, instem of being improved by the said Trustees, may bave been entirely neglected?-Yes, I reside at 'St. Foy's; 1 am acquainted with that road tand with the Suede road, and that one called "le Chemin de Champigny," as far as'Mr. Hough's farm. When the Turnpile Trust came into uperation, the road which leads from the limits of the Town to St. Foy, at the farm of one Pagé, a distance of four und a half miles', had been macadamized and was in good order:- The Turnpike Trust however, caused this road to be turned up and newly macadamized, and also caused the rond from Pige's to the Suede road, and from that road to the "Chemin de Champigny"" to be macadamized. Before the Suede road was macudamized, it was the worst road in the District of Quebec ; and if the Trust had not gone to the expense of newly macialamizing the St. Foy's road as far as Puge's, I think they might have finished macadamizing the whote of the Suede, $\mathbf{S t}$. Foy and Champigny roads as far ats Hough's farm, last year, aidt even before that time. The road which leads from Cole a Champigny to Hough's farm" (a distance of half a league) is not yet made.
14. Is the proportion of the Turupike Revenues paid by persons travelling on the suid ruats you have just mentioned, very great? $\mathbf{Y}$ Yes, the grenter part and almost the whole of the Revenues of the Turn.

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(AAA.) pike called the St. Foy Turapike, are in my opinion, paid by persons who travel on the roads I have just mentioned.
12. Do you think that the Tolls exacted during the summer at the Turnpikes under the control of the Turapike Trust are exorbitant ?--They are indeed exorbitant and do not seem to me to be proportionate to the adyantages derived therefrom by the public.
13. Do you think that if the rate of the Tolls were reduced one half or one third, the Revenue would, if collected with care, "nad judiciously laid out, be sufficient for the keeping in repair the roads, and to you think that such a reduction would increase the nunber of travellers?-The tate of Tolls now demandel, is, in my opinion, too high, and, if reduced one halr would be sufficient ; that would have the effect of iacreasing the number of travellers, so that the Turnpike Revenues would increase in proportion. The Tolls collected in summer, up to and during last suminer at the St. Foy Turnpike, were at the rate of sixpence for each velicle drawn by one horse, and not less than four pence. This difference arises from the width of the tires of the wheets, and from the dilference in the form of the vehicles. For a vehicle without springs, the wheels whereof have tires or fellies of the breadth of tive inches, a rate of fourpence is exacted; and for a vehicle with springs, the wheels whereof linve tires or fellies of lesstbreath, a rate of sixpence.
14. In what manoer are the tuls levied ?-The whole of the Toll for going and returning is paid the first lime the vehicle passes through," and it returus wilhout further payment, provided it be on the same day. Andevery person may go and return several times on the same day through the same gate, without paying more than once, provided it be not in a carter's vehicle, having a number thereon. Cartersare obliged to pay twice when they go out of Town by one gate and return by another. Thus, a habilant who comes to town in the evening and returns in the morning is obliged to pay twice. It has also happened to my knowlege, thint carters driving a person to the country and returning with another person in their vehicles are nbliged to pay twice. That appears to me to be imposing an extortion upon a class of men who, in general, have litte means. I am of opinion that the Tolls ought to be diminished; that one hatf should be exacted in passing, and the other hatf in repassing. It sometimes also happens that a habitant who has brouglit a load of wood, hay, Sec. to market, and who returns home to get another load, if he' is obtiged to change horses, must payagain- All these rules appear to me, and to enery body else, to be unjust.
15. Do you think that the Trustes ought to be obliged to cominute for an annual composition, that is, at least, as regards the farmers residing in the environs of the City ?-Yes, I think that would sensibly atfect the Revenue.
16. On what footing do you think that a commutation or composition should be established ?-By redicing one half the Tulls paid last year at the Sl. Foy Turnpike, which were the same as those paid at the other Turnpikes; Ithink that a composition'at the rate of 15s per annum on each horse and vehicle would be just and equitáble.

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R. G. Becleav, Esquire, is re-examined :
17. Do you know if the public make many complaints with reference to the Tolls exacted at the

Turnipes, and to the manner in which the Revenue is laid out? -There are a great many about the manner in which the Revenue is managed. The Tulls are to high and are badly managed. From last year's Revenue a sum exceeding $£ 1,200$ was paid to the Secretary, Tull-gute keepers , and foremen. These Revenues amount to almost 3,000. "The Secretary of the Trust receives a sum of $£ \$ 00$, nccording to some people, and of $£ 400$ according to uthers. I remark that in the accourt rendered by the Trust, and forming part of the Appendix to the Journal of the last Session of the first Parliment, Mr. Porter, who held that office, received, up to the 30 th of April, 1842, $£ 350$, and from the . Ist May to the 31st Decembier of the same year, $\mathcal{L} 200$, and in the accounts of that year the sum of Ce65; it dues not ippeur to me from that, thathe had a fixed salary. This Secretary is publicly considered us the sole master, and appears to conduct nill the allairs himself without being responsible in any way, So much so, that the Contracturs and other workmen employed by the Trust, do not, or will not in soure cases, work more than the Serretary may think propier or maiy order. I think that his sulary as Secretary is too high, and that the dates of that office might be honestly performerl for a sum of from $£ 100$ to $\mathcal{E} 150$. I remark lat sume Toll-gate keepers act as foremon and conductors of the works on the roads, leaving the gales in charge of persons not recognized as such; and in that case those, Toll-gate keepers receive a double sallary. The Secrotary is the proprictor of a considerable lot of land at St. Foy, and having to dispose of a part thereof, in order to do so with adrantare, made use of his connection with the Turnpike Trust, by promising to the purchasers that as he was the Secretary of the Trust they would have nothing to pay for the price of the stle, as he would let them make it up" in workitug for the 'Irust. I have this information from Felix Belleau, blacksmith, and William Meek, a farmer, at St. Foy; and, in fact, I fud by the account rendered, that these persons who acquired two of the lots put up for sale, have since constantly worked fur the 'Trust. It has been the same case with Thomas Edrar, Juhn Westor St. Foy, and a Mr. Shaiv of Quebec, merchanl, whon acquired other lots, and whose names are in the accounts rendered, as having received money for work done and goods bought for the Trust. Iknow that tho workmen employed by the Trust, under the sur perintendence of George Thompson, have cleared tho hand ndjoining part of the road known as "Porter"s road" at St. Fiy, which is neither verbalised nor publie, but solely fir the use of the persons s. who have ace quired lots of hand from Mr. Porter,
18. Do you know if there are any complaints about a newly erected Toll-gate called the "Kilmannock Turnpike," and can you tell what is the object for which that 'Turnpike has beeti establisbed? Yes, there are a great many complaints about that Turnpike.: It is situated on the Caj Rouge Ruad at its junction with the Sillery Road. The object which appenrs to hav: boen had in yiew in establishing that Turnpike is to lay a tax on farmers going from Si. Foy to the Coves to sell their goods. Persons who pass hrough thisgate; especially those who come from St. Foy, lave toptiss over a very small portion of the road under lie monagement of the Trustees-the greater pirt of the roads which they have to pass over, are roads which the Trustees bave not yet taken under their control-The pesple of the Coves are very poor ; hey are at a distanco of about five miles from the Lonver Town Market: this Turipike prevents the establishment of a market more at liand. Sitice that Turnike has been erected, the inhalitand of $S_{t}$ Foy have almost all left offoring ing their goods to the Coves
19. Will you examine the account rendered by the Trust for this year, and referred to this Committe,
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and peruse, if you think propor, the vouchers filed in support therenf, and please make any remark or obser-

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 vation to the Commitce, which the examination of these documents may suggest to you?-I see in these accounts a sum of $\mathbf{E} 152$ paid for the construction of a house for the keeper of the St. Foy'Turnpike, in lieu of that which has herctofore existed;-this new building has been erected with an extravarance not to be found in the houses of fanilies pretty well oll; residing in the country or even in the Town; I think the of house was quite convenient enough for the keeper of the Toill-gate, so that I consider the expense incurred for this new house as tutally useless. I perceive, by these same accounts, that a sum of $£ 108$ and over has been employed in the purchase of the lot of fand, and in building the Tollhouse at the "Kilmarnock". Turnpike, and I even consider this expense as useless, without inclurling the stlary of the keeper, for a Turnpike at this place is but an obstruction which prevents people from passing at all; without producing a revenue sufficient to cover its expenses. Since it has been estahtished, as may be seen by the accounts rendered, it has produced $£ 4$ 8s. and the keeper has received $\mathcal{L} 3$ from the 'Trust, and there are $\dot{f} 311 \mathrm{~s} .3 \mathrm{~d}$. for the winter road. The clear prolit is a loss to the Trust of two pounds, without ineluding the heavy expenses I have just athuded to. On the list of foolish and useless expenses I also' phace the purchase by the 'Trust of a lot of land at the head of the "Suede" Road, for $\mathcal{L} 25$, for the purpose of constructing thereon a bouse and follgate ; this lot was purchased from John West; the money has been paid, and the Toll-gate has not yet heon crected, and I have heard it said diat the Trust had abandoned the idea of making it. I consider also as an usoless expense the daily charge of five shillings paid to foremen, by the Trust. Those foremen are ton numerous; they do not work thanselves, ind a very smath number would be sufficient to superintend the workmen; the men employed in working are, for the most part, lazy, and as the Trust pay thom liy the day, they to the work' as slowly as possible. The winter roads aro badly kept up, and part of the money expended for that purpose is injudiciously laid out. Iagain consider as a uscless expense, that of renting certain lots of land on the roads under the control of the Trust, for the purpose of depositing stone thereon, - as the Contractors are obliged by the conditions of their contracts, to deliver the stone as fast and as soon as the Trust may require it, and on the road on which it is required.And hastly, all the people employed on the St. Foy, Suede, and Cap Rouge Turnpike Roads, are strangers to the country.1814 February, 1840̆.

## Mr. Behmeav's examination conthued :-

yo. Are there any complaintsin public of the manner in which the contracis are given out hy the Trust? Yes, there are many complains, and they are such as to be the cause which has prompted the Potitioners to apply to the Legislature; complaints are made of favor and partiality- loing slewh in the manner of making awards on the Tenters filed at the Office of the Trust.
21. Do you think that the sums entered as being the revenue of eacli. Toll-gate, are the real amount which is collected ?-1 doubt it.
22. What are your reasons or loubting it ?-The 'Turnpike on tho Cove road produces little more than the St. Foy Turnpike, whereas it ought to produce at least double the revenue of that of St. Foy, for this reason, that the"number of persons passing through the ride Turnpike is double the mumber of those who pass
through the St. Foy Turnpike, as the lumber trade which is carried on at the Coves and on the other side of the Turnpike on the Cove load, brings double the number of persons through that Turmike. The revenue derived from the Beauport Turnpipe ought to exceed that which appears by the accounts to have been received, especially that derived during the summer months, by the great number of strangers who pass through that gate, which is troble the number of those who pass every day. Moffet, the keeper of the Tollgate, called the St. Charles Turnpike, told me himself that the revenue derived from that Turnpike was double that derived from the St. Foy Turnpike, nevertheless l see by the account, that the difference of the revenue of each of those Turnpikes, is only $£ 28$ in favor of the St. Clarles Turnpike.
23. What changes would you suggest in the provisions of the law now in force, in order to remedy the abuses you have just described?-Besides the reduction of the Tolls, I would suggest the following:-To concentrate in one single person, who would alone be responsible, all the jowers now vested in the Trustees; to oblige the Trustes, or the person who would be sulbstituted to them, to receive compositions at the rate I have alrendy mentioned"; in repeal the whole of the ninetenth chase of the: Outinance, which obliges the proprietors of lands, the ruats in from of which are under the control of the Trustees, to pay a sum of mosing in certnin cases:- the reason for which thischuse ought to be repeated, is, that those proprietors do pay for those roads by the sums' which they pay daily to the receivers of the tolls; to divest the 'lrustees of the privitege granted them by that Ordinance of making and opening any road, and to enact that they shall have no right to open any road unloss at the request of the majority of the parties interested in the opening or in the blocking up thereof; to limit the power which is vested in the Trustes, ol ereeting more than one Toll-gate on each road: in my opinion one Toll-gite would he sufficient on cach road under the control of the Trustees; it would not he inconvenient to the proprietors of lands, nor provent them from"attending to their labours from one farm to another, or from communicating from one neighbour to another, and the revenue would not be diministed by having only one Toll-gate; to take from the Trastees the power of making ditches and drains iuside the fences on the lands belonging to private indivituals,' 'Ilonse are, among others, the amendments which I' will suggest at present.'
24. Do you think it woild be advantageous to farm out the revenuc of the Toll-gates by piublicauction?In my opinion the Toll-gates ought to be farmed ont as som an pussilite, cspecially if the powers of the Trustees he not or camnot to concentrated in one single persum, to beralone responsible, as lave already above montioned.
25. Do you think it would be advantageous on the pullic '10 authorise' the Trust to effect a firther loan? -1 think that as long as the present system is in force, every other sum granted for the improvement of The roads placed under llie direction of the Turnpike Trustes will be cmployed and expented as every other sum of money. which has been at their disposal; that is, generally, in a foolish manner and willout advantage to the public.

19th Febrtary, 1845.
Mr. Michel Gauvin, of Quebec, Livery Stable Keeper, and proprietor of a line of' Stages, called in and examinel:
26. Are you acquainted with any part of the roads subject to the provisions of the Ordinance 4 h Victoria,
chap. 17, taken under the management of the Trustees appminted by virtue of the said Ordinances, and which, instead of being improved by the said Trustees, may have been entirely neglected?-Yes, the Trustees began by renewing the whole of the road from the St . Foy Toll-gate to the farm of one Page, a distance of about four miles, which was in good order, while the road from Page's to "Hough's Farm" was in a shocking state, and they continued working on the first part of the road I have mentioned during two consecutive summers, while they only began to repair that part which needed it most, in the third year after taking possession. Even thon they only repaired two miles, and last summer about two miles more of the road; and there still remains a distance of about two miles and a half which is in the worst possible state.
27. Is the proportion of the Turnpike revenue paid by persons travelling on the said roads which you just mentioned very great?-Yes, a very great proportion of the Turnpike revenue proceeds from persons who travel on this road--That part of the road which is not yet repaired, includes part of the Post Road beIween Quebec and Montreal.
28. In what manner are the roads under the manngement of the Trustees kept up during the winter? I am the proprietor of the Green Linc of Slages between Quebec and Montreal, and I have had the Mail Contract between Quebec and Montreal during eleven years and a half up to the 6ith November last.-The road which lies between the St. Foy, Church and Hough's Farm has been in a worse state than that in which other roads generally arc, although it is the Post Road.
29. Do you think that the Tolls exacted during the summer at the Turnikes under the control of the Turnpike Trust, are exorbitant?-Yes, I think so, and they do not seem to me proporionate to the advantage which the public derives therefrom.
30. Do you think if the rate of Tolls were reduced one half or one third, the revenue would, if collected with care and judiciously laid out, be sufficient for the keeping in repair" of the roads, and do you think that such a reduction would increase the number of travellers ?-Yes, certainly.
31. Do you think that the Trustes ought to be obliged to commute for an annual composition, that is, at least, as regards the farmers residing in the environs of the City?-Yes, I think it would be doing justice to the public in general and especiatly to the farmers, and the revenue, instead of diminishing, would be greatly increased on account of the greater number of travellers.
32. Do you know if the public make many complaints with reference to the Tolls exacted at the Turnpikes, and to the manner in which the Revenue is laid out? - Yes, there are many, and 'I think it creates a great deal of disconten!ment timong the public:
33. Do you ro think that the double Tulls which the inhabitatits of Beatuport are obliged to pay at Dorchester Bridge und at Beauport Turnpike, are an exorbitant tax on the sale of their agriculturtl produce? $-\mathrm{Yes}:^{-2}$
Do you know a man named Mofet employed
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lie Suburbs, called the St Charles Turnpike? Yes.
35 In what circumstances was he before being em-
ployed as aforesaid?-He seemed to me to be very poor.
36. In what manuer are the Tolls levied?-The Toll for going and returning is paid on first going through, and nothing is demanded on returning, provided it be on the same day and with the sume horse and vehicle and the same persons. Ithink tha Tolls ought to be diminished one half during the summer, and remain ns they are during the winter; that one half should be paid on going and the other half on returning. The Tull demanded at present is iwopence in winer aud sixpence in summer.
37. Accorling to what scale would you propose the commutation or composition to be made? - I think that I wenty shillings per annum for each torse and vehicle would be sufficient to give to the 'Irust a large unount of Revenue.
38. Have you examined the account rendered by the Trust and referred to this Committee, and do you think that the diferent sums appearing in that account as the Revenue of ench Toll-gate, are really the amount collected by the receivers of Totls at each of the gates? -I have examined the account and ain ofopinion that more money is received at the different Toll-gntos than appears in the nccount, as I myself know the number of vehicles which pass through tho gates, and as I myself pay Toll as an owner of velicles,' I' ammucis surprised that the Rovenue is not more considerable. The expenses included in the said account do not seem to me proportionate to the work done on the roads.
39. Have you any remarks to make on any of the expenses mentioned in the uccount, and what are they? - I know that strangers and people who are generally idle are empliyed and paid by the day ; I think that' by that means a grent deal of useless expense is incurred. The Trustees have croctel a new house for the keeper of the St. Foy Turnpike; that is, in my ninion, an useless expense; the former house was all that was required, and at lenst as good as those of the ofther Tollgates. No expense has been spared in erecting the new house, and it has been done in a very extravagant manner. 'The ground also, for the Kilmarnock Tollgate cost very dear, as the nconount will show; it appears also by tho account that this gate produces not $h^{-}$ ing, and is but an useless expense.
40. Do you think the system of keeping up the roads, allyantugeous to the Public:-Yes, but the prosent law would reguiro many changes.
41. What changes would you suggest? I would suggest that the revenues of the Toll-gales should be farmed out to the highiest bidder-1 would also suggest that the work to be done on the roads shuld be given out by contract for the lowest tenders, and that the lenders should be unsenlod only in the presence of al the persons making such tenders assembled together, nad only at the exact moment of the expintion of the delay granted fir filing them. I think also, that it would be jusi to repent the clauses of the Act which oblige proprietors of lands on the roads under the conTro of the Trust, to pay a sum of money instead if The statute labour which they were obliged to perform under the old laivs, and also the clauses whice authorize the Trustecs to make ditches ald drains insile the fences.

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## 20!h February, 1845.

Mr. Benjanin Vohl, of the City of Quebec, Optician, was examined as follows:
43. Are you acquainied with any part of the roads nubject to the provisions of the Ordinance 4 th Vict. chap. 17, and of the Provincial Statute 4 and 5 Vict. chap. 72, taken under the manngement of the Trustees appointed by virtue of the said Ordinance, and which, instead of being improved by the said Trustees, may have been entirely neglected ?-Yes, I am acquainted with a yrent part of those roads, especially the St. Foy and St. Charles roads, a portion of which is not made. The St. Charles road is divided into two portions; one is the high road along the south bank of the River St. Charles as far as the "Red bridge," and the other is the high road ationg the north bank of the River St. Cliarles from Scoit's bridge to the said Red britge. The Turnpike Trust began by repairing that portion of the above mentioned roads which required no improvement, while that portion which required it the most has not been improved, especially that part of the roal which ruths along the south bank of the River St. Charles, which is impassable in the spring and autam, sor that the Country people cannot come into Town. The Red bridge, which is also comprised within the limits of the roads under the mangement of the Trustees, was carried off by the ice during the spring, and the Trust remained a whole year without re-building it ; it is not even finished yet, which is a great inconvenionce to the people who live within a circle of Bree quarters of a mile from it, and who connot communicate with each other without taking a long turn', about the, distance of a league. The inhabitants of Quebec were even obliged to go a long way round, and it has caused a sensible decrense in the Turnpike Revenue. I am acquainted with the Suede rond from Page's to Hough's farin. That road is not yet finished, and there yet remains to be done a distance of about two milos and a half.
44. In what manuer are the winter roads kept up? A portion of the Turnpike mall called the Suede roarl, which has been repaired by the Trustees, is very bat in winter, because the Trustees do not keep it in repair; and the repaiting of it is left to the habitents; who fer their part do not think themselves obliged to do so, as they allege that the Trustees, having taken it under their management, and rectiving the Revenue therefrom, ought also to keep it in repair. To my knowledge, also, the Tustees threatened to fine the Raid Inspector for the Suede road if he would not make the habitants keep up that road in winter. Last winter the Trustees brought an action against one Julien, who resides on the Turnpike road which runs along' the south of the River St. Charles; to oblige him to repair the road in front of his land, and the netion havine been dismissed, the road was not repaired and remained impassable during the whole of last winter. As to the Suede road, which is the Fost road, the majurity of the inhabitants of the environs of the City travel on that road, and the greater part of the Revenue collected at the St. Puy Turnpike, is paid by persons who are obliged to pass on that road, : As to the unfinislied part of the road on the north and south of the River'St. Charles, it is, with the Beauport"road, the mist frequented of all the roads under the management of the Irustees. It is certainly the most frequented in winter; during that season, this year especially, the habitan/s made use of it in preference to the Suede
road to bring their proveniler and goods to market, and it has also been more made use of by travellers from the upper parts of the country.
45. Do you think that the Tolls exacted during the summer at the Turnpikes under the control of the Turnpike Trust, are exorbitant?-I think they are much higher than tley ought to be.
46. Do you think that if the rate of Tolls were re: duced one half or one third, the Revenue would, if collected with care and judiciously laid out, be sufficient for the keeping in repair of the road, mad do you think that such a reduction would incrense the number of travellers ?-1 have a farm at Ancienne Lorette where my family resides, and I have a slop in town to which I come every day; I can myself see that a suff ficient number of persons pass through the Toll-gates to justify a reduction of the Tolls to onic third or even me half dering the summer, ifa strict account therenf were renlered, and if the money were better laid out. If a reduction were made, the habitunts would come into 'Town more frequently, as the present rate of Tolls is too heavy for them. I know my neighbours in the Country ure prevented from coming to Town on account of the Tolls. Sixpence is no small sum for a habitont to pay when he brings to market a loall of sticks which brings him only 1s. Sd. The Legislature in the last Session, for the encouragement of ingriculture, passed a la w to allow all vehicles containing manure in go free through the Toll-gates." I think that a very liberal reduction should be made in favour of vohicles containing agricultural prochuce.
47. Do you think that the double Tolls which the inliabitants of the north side are obliged to pay on account of the Beauport Turnpike und of the Dorchester brifge, are exorbitant :-They are, und serve only to discourage them, and to prevent them from bringing their proluco to market. I think that if a free bridge is not constructed over the St. Charles, the Tofls' on the Beaumort road will necessarily have to be reduced to one third.
48. Do you think that the Trustees ought to be obliged to commute for an annual composition, thatis, at least, as regards the farmers residing in the environs of the City?-Yes.
49. At what rate would you suggest a composition to be made :-I think that for each horse and vehicle belonging to a habitant, three or four dollars per annum would be sufficient.
50. Do you know if there are many complaints amone the pultic about tho Tolls and the manner in which the Revenue is laid out ?-Yes, there are many.
51. In what manner are the Tulls levied?-The whole amount of the Tolls is paid on going through the first time, and nothing is paid on returning, if it bo with the same horse and on the same day. But if a farmer who comes to Town with a load of hay or other auricultural produce, does not return the sime day", which is of the case, he pays ono shilling to sell his loal. If he is a farmer from Deauport he will linve to dedict two shillings from the price of his load of hay, which he sells for ahout six or seven shillinge. It is a tax of one third on agricultural produce, and on many articles of produce, a tax of fifty per cont. This tax is still heavier on the inhabitants of v'Ange Gardien and the lower Parishes, who have to pay in addition a Toll of 4d. on each vehicle at the bridge above the Fulls of Montmorency.

Mr. Vows's examination continued:
52. Do you know a man named Moffet employed in receiving Tolls at the Turnpike in the $\mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{t}}$ Wilier Suburbs, called the St. Charles Turnpike? -Yes, perfectly, and I have known him for several years.
53. In what circumstances was he before being emplayed as aforesaid!-He was a carter, and did not succeed in that capacity; he was considered as poor up to the time when he was appointed keeper of the Tollgate on the St. Charles road; now he seems to be pretty well off.
54. Have you heard any complaints on the subject of a new Turnpike called the Kilmarnock Turnpike, and can you say for what purpose that Turnpike was established:-The general opinion is, that its ob. ject is to prevent the habitant Tram bringing their produce for sale to the Coves and to Sillery, where the lumber trade is extensively carried on, and where there is a large population who are at a considerable distance from the Quebec markets.
55. Is the Tollgate on the River St. Charles road erected in a convenient place ?-No, it is ton near the City, so that a very great portion of the inhabitants of the St. Tallier Suburbs who reside beyond the Tollgate, are obliged to pay the Tolls every day; and often sew: ert times a day. There are in that part of the Sub. arbs a great number of butchers who are obliged to pass every day and often several times during the day, with their vehicles and cattle, for which they must pay Toll. This Toll-gate should, in my opinion, be removed to the place generally known as the Blue Hone at the extreme end of the St. Vallier Suburbs.
56. Will you examine the account rendered by the Trust for this year, and referred to this Committee, and peruse, if you think proper, the vouchers filed in support thereof, and please make any remark or observation to the Committee which the examination of those docaments may suggest to you? - I perceive by the account that 2s. Gd. have been paid for each box of stone, whereas I have often been told by the mhatitants of my Parish and St. Amboise, whom have met last summet carting stone, that the price paid for each box was "is. Another item which astonishes me is that of $£ 500$ which is owing to Moffet the keeper of the St. Charles Tollgate, and I an surprised at his being able to make such a loon to the Trust.- An item which strikes me as singular is the newly erected house intended for the keeper of the St. For Tollgate; this' house has been built in an extravagant manner, and cost, according to the account rendered, $£ 152$. It was substituted for the former house which, was quite sufficent for the keeper, and I think that sum of money was actually thrown away.
57. Do you think that the sums entered as being the revenue of each Tollgate; are the real amount which is collected? I, am surprised, that from the accounts rendered, the "Turnpikes have produced so littleirevenwe', the Beauport Turnpike in particular, through which the inhabitants of the North side are obliged to, pass When they come to Quebec, as are also the strangers who visit the Fills of Monitmorency.
53. Do poi think it would be advantageous to farm out the Tollgates ?-It would certainly; the Tollgates might be fumed out for a much higher sum than That which appears in the account or the Trustees: The public seem to be under the impression that the receivers of Tolls do not render a faithful account. These persons are under no control whatever, Iknow
persons who would not refuse to offer a much higher sum for the Toll-gtes than they appear to bring at pro-


















































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63. Do you think that this nate of Tools prevents - many persons from coming to market? Yes; if the Tolls at the Turnpike and the Bridge verenot so high, a great many move articles of produce would be brought to make than area present ;it preventsogreat many of tie counting perplofrom coming in on accuonto of he expense incurred on the road for the Tollgate and

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64. Do you think that if the Tolls of tho Tumpike were reduced one halfor one third, tho Revenue would rensiderably dimisish? - No, it would increase, for inslead of one cart lual, tive or three would pass through.
65. What sort of peoplo have beon employed on the roads? -'Thoy are Trishmen; none of the country peophe have been employed, with the exception of two or threo iudividuals who were employed last year. There are, nevertholess, a great many young mon in our Parish who would wish fornothing botter than to work on the roads. I have heard that some of them asked Mr. Murray, who hires the labourers, to give them work, but that he had refiused: The labourers' who are employed are lazy, ind three of them do not work as much as one of our habitants would.
66. Would you adviso the Revenue of the Tollgates to be farmed out? -I do not know what would be the consequence. I think, liowever, that the Beauport Toll-gate ought to produce double the nowant mentioned in the acoount of the Irustecs.

## 25lh February, 1845.

The Honorable Louis Panet, of the City of Quebec, Notary Public, called in und examined :
67. Have you not been one of the Trustees of the Quebec Turapike roads?-Yes, I was appointed one of the Trustees of the Quebec Turnpike Trust in February, 1844, and I continued to act as such up to Sep. tember or October in the same year, when I resignad.
68. Will you state your reasons for resigning? - 'the motives which induced me to resign, were, in the first phace, my professional occupations, which did not allow me to give the time which I thought nerassary for the affairs of the Trust, and in the second place, I whs $n$. little disgusted at finding myself often alone in a division on questions the most important to thic public, in terest. For instance, when the Tolls were estahtished, I was strongly opposed to the rate which was lixel upon, and at which they lave since remained; Ifound them much too high, and I insisted upon their beitg reduced one half; I was also of opinion that the Toills should be divided, so as to pay one half on' guing and the other half on returning.
69. Plense luok over the accome rendered by the Trustees for this year, referred to this Committee, and make such remarks thereon as you may think proper:I am astonished at the small amount of the revenue of the Beauport, Toll-gate. 1 nivays thought that Tollgate produced the most afler the St. Charles Toll-gate, Ifamol account for it. The revenue of the other Toll-gates is such an I always thought it would be. The Benuport Toll-ghte nught, in my opinivi, to" produce double the amount mentioned in the acrount.
70. Are there many comphints among the public on the subject of the Turnpikes?-Yes, there are many, but I do not think them all well-founded. The measure was in itself a very unpopular one, and it is not astonishing that it has raised such on cutcry.
71. Do you know one Muffet, koeper of the St. Charles Toll-gate, ami what were his means befure he was appointed keeper?-I liave long known Muffet;
he was a poor carter, but very honest and industrious. When the Turnpiko Trust had advertised for tenders for macadamizing the roads, and found the proposals to be so high that it wis impossible for them to undertike the works, Moffet came forward and offored to firnish broken stone and daliver it at the place required at the rate of 4 s . per box, which made a considerable reduction, and adifference of from $£ 1500$ to $\mathbf{x 1 6 0 0}$ on the propusals which had been made to the Trust, so that it thint time Moffet's proposal was accepted. Now Moffet has furnished all the stone used in macadamizing the St. Charles road at the above rate, and it is on that harlgain that ho has made considerable profit, by which ho has been enabled to lay out his money in the purchase of Turnpike Debentures. He has furnished 13,240 bnxes of broken stone at 4s. After Molfet had fulfilled this ongugenent in September, 1841, he was, on my recommendation, appointed keeper of the St. Charles Tull-gale; I recommended him, because I was aware of his boing, in avery respect, qualified for that office. Moffet was known to me persunally, and he had, moreover, ween recommended to me in vary fivorable terms by Messrs, Charles Smilh and George Burton, the former Commissioners for the impravement of the roads in the neighbourhoul of Quebec in 1831.
72. Do you think a composition ought to be made ? - Doubtless, it ought, it would be advantageous to the public; the Trunters bave not yet done so.
73. What rate of cumposition would you suggest?I think that from three to four dollars per annum would be sufficient for penple residing at a distance. As to those residing on the road uniler the control of the Trust, they ought to phy from five to six' dollars, per annum for ench horso and two-wbeeted vehicle. A higher rate might be demanded for carriages:
74. Do you thimk it would be convenient to farm out the reventio of the Thurnpikes by public auction?Ithink it might porhaps, be advantagecous to do so ; 1 would not, however, recommend such a step at present; and until the pullice are more accustomed to the present system of Toils, I would not place them at the mercy of greedy lessoes who might not he as liberal towards them as the Trust have hitherto been.
75. Have you nnything else to suggest to the Comimitte ?-I think the Turnpike roadsought to be cumpleted as sonm as possible as faras the limits determined by the Ordinance. It would have the effect of rendering these roads of some use to the people residing at a distance, nol who have hither to derived no advaitage from the estathishment of the Turnpikes. If hiat wore tone nom tho Tolls reduced, I have no doubt that the Turnike system would becume popular. I 'hiuk it whuld be experient to place a much greater extent of romds under the operation of this system; for instance, it would be expedient to macallamize the St. Claire road ruming from the roarl whieh lies north of Scon's brideo to Clarlespourg, and to continue it as far as the St. Ambroise Churrh, "I think that the Charlesbuyrg raad running from Dorchester bridge to the Chureh, vught also to be macadamized.

27th Februery, 18.5.
The Reverend Pisena Huot, Priest and Curé of The Parish of St. Foy; was examined as follows:
76. Are you acquainted wiha any part of the roads subject to the provisions of the Ordinance 4thr Vict. chap): 17, taken under the management of the Trustocy appointed by virtue of the suid Ordinance, and which instrad ofbeing improved by the suid Trusices, may

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have bren ontirely noglected l-I am acquainted with that part of the rood which lies between the "Cote a Champigny" aud "Hourh's Furm"; it has not lioen repairad. The road leading from the, City to Page's which was macadamized when the Turnpike Trusteess undertook the management of the roads, was newly macadamized before other parts of the roals were ropoired, with the oxcoption, howover, of the roard from Page's to tho Clurch, which, if I remember right, was repaired firss ; this lutter part of the road was in the worst order, and the road from Page's to the Toll-gate required also to be repaired.
77. Is thern a great proportion of the revenue derived from persions who pass on that portion of the road which you sny has not been repaired? Yes, a great proportion is derived from poople who pass on that rond
78. Do you think that the Tolls exacted during the numer, at the Turnpikes, are exorbitant?-l do not think them exorbitant, but much too hight. I think thare is nio proportion betweon the Tolls demanded for the poor man's vehiche and tor the rich man's." In the first case it ipplears that the highest rate of the Tarin' allowed by the Ordinanico las been exacted, and that in the sccoad cise the full, amount has not been demanded.
79. Do you think that if the rate of Tolls were reduced one-half or onc.third, the revenues would, if collected with careand judiciously laid out, be sufficient for keoping the roads in repair ;and do you think that such a reduction would increas the number of travelfers?-1 think that if the Tolls wero dimitrished onc-third, the number of travellers would increase ; I will not undertake to say that the rovenie would then be sufficient, but I should think it would.
80. Do youthink that the Trustees ought to be obliged to commuto for ni annual composition, that is, at least, as regards the farmers residing in the environs of the city? - Yes, cartainly - not only as regards the farmers but evory othur person who might be disposed to cominute.
81. At swat rate would you suggest the composition to be made. To the best of my judginent the fullowing rates would be reasmable, bul I ion not wish to give them as positive, as I lave not haltime torelect on the subject. I think a commutation or composition might be made as fullows:-

For furmorsliving at a distance, on ench horse and vebicle.

15 s to 20 s .
For farmers living near the City, 28s, to 35 s.
For persons laving country houscs in tho neirhtionthood of the Cit , for each horse and two wheeled vehicle,

40s. to 50 s .
For each lorse ind four wheded vehicle, from
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For each four wheeled carriage with two horses, from
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82. Do ynu know if the Public make many romplains, with reference to the Tolls exacled ot the Turnpike, and the manner in which the revenue is laid out?-I bave ofed hearl complaints on this sub. ject.

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The Rey. Pierre Hoot, examined.
85. Do you know if any of the complaints made
against the Trast are well founded, and have you te comeacquainted withany facts which might justify thase complaints-Xes, I think it extremely unjust that Tollogates' should bo erected on every side withina, the limits of the Parish, in addition to those which are on all the roads loading to the City; It is a vory heavy tax "on the poor of our Parish. I allude principally io the Toll-gate culled the "Kilmarnock Toll-gate" whichiprevents our communicating from one end of the Cip.Rouge road to the other, and also with the Coves where a great portion of the inhabitions, and ospecially the pioor, are obliged to procure their firewood. If this Toll-gate has been crected with a yiow to force tho inhabitonts of the neighbouring Parishog, who bring their produce to the Coves, to pay for that purt of the rond under the management of the Trust, and which they use, the inhabitants of the Parishes ought a least to be allowed to communicale with oach othor without paying toll. I find myself similarly situated, and I cannot visit my Parishioners and administer to thom the comforts of religion, without paying such $n$ heavy tax that it greatly diminishes my intercourse with a portion of them. I was in the habit of visiting the Coyes severalitimes during the week, as almos one half of the population of my Parish reside there I shail be able of go but seldom since the new Toll-gale has been erected Bosides, in my opinion, it will never produco sufficient revenue to pay the interesi of tho moncy spent in erecting it, nor even the expense of keeping it"up. A Toil-gate erected on the St. Foy rind will have the effect of obstructing tivo roads within the limits of the Parish, the St. Foy and "Suicde", ronds. It will interrupt the communications belween my pacistsioners in two different directions. If anoti. or Toll-gate is crected, my parishioners'will be so exaspersted that [am afraid they will sel fire to it and to the Kilmarnock Toll-gate also. There'are within my knowledge two other facts which would seem to me to justify in some mensure the complaints, which have been made ngainst the Trust. Scveral hundrel pmunts, I believe, have been expended for straighten ing the Cap-Rouge road near the residence and properiy of the Secrelary to the Trust. Befure then the rond wiss on dry and elerated ground, and it has been made to run through a swamp, and I know that grent labour and expenso were employed it draining it. "The curve which they wantel to avoid"was not considernbe, and there are soveral much greater onas which they lave not undertaken to straighen. The longil of this new road is movet half-amile; I think that it Thas hatd the effect of improving the Searetary's property; I would not say that was the objeet in viesw, but it has caused many complaints among the public, who seem to be under that impression. If is also with. in my knowledge that the Secretary has given err. ploymont for the Trust to persons to whom he has sold lots of ground. That has heen the cise with one of my Paristrimers, Felix Bollean, for upon my ma. king'a romark to him about the small piece of ground which he had purclinsed, he answered that he would pay for it by working for the 'Trust, and he in fact dues actunlly work for the Trust. These facts bavo given rise to murmurs, but whether well or'ill-found. ed, I will not pretend to say.
84. Can you suggest to the Committee any planfor improving the 'Puripike systen and rendering it more popular:-I thiuk the system in itself good, and $i$ : would be a popular one if the dolls severe reduced and the revenue better managed. 1 would recommend the appointment of one single officer to be substituted to the Trustes, who would receive a reasonable solaty and be rosponsible for keeping the ronds in tepair. I would not alvise tho toll-gates to be farmed out for some time to come, is the public would lie put to much more inconvenience than at present if the tolls were levied by persons taking leases of the toll-gates:

## Sl March, 1845.

Mr. Micher Hamet, of St. Foy, called in amdexamined:
85.'. Are you nequainted with the different Turnpike roals near he City of Quebec, in the County of Quebec, and will you inform the Committee of the complaints which are, maide among the public' on the subject of the keeping up and repairing of those roads? And cxphith at lengit and in detail everything you know on this subject.-Yes, I am acequainted with the roads in question, and more particularly with the Cap Rouge and St. Foy roards', I reside on the CapRouge rond; this road had been macadamized betire the Thurnpike Ordinance rame into firce, from the City to the place called Kilmarnock or MeNider,'a distance of about four miles; it was grod at that time, and only required to be kept up. The Turnpike Trustees, instead of making and repairing the portions of the roads which were not macadamized, that is, from Kilmarnock to the Cap-Rouge hill, hegan by turning up and repairing that part of the road which was already macadamized, and continued making the road only a mile further, leaving the remainder in a bad state and without repairing it: As to the complaints on the subject of this Turnpike road, they have arisen principally from there being two Toll-gates on this road; the Kilmarnock Toll-gate was only crected with a view of preventing the farmers from going to sell their proluce at Sillery and the Coves, which are inhabited by a large mercantile population situated at, a distance of about two leagues from the Quediec markets. The revenue derived from the Tolls at his; Toll-gate will never be sufficient to cover the expenses of its keeping. Another complaint is, that the Tolls are too high ; the Tolls are sixpence for each vehicle during the summer and twopence during the winter. They have the effect of preventing the country people from resorting to the Quebec markets as often as they did before, especially the people who reside beyond the Cap-Rouge bridge, who have to pay Toll at the bridge as well as at the Turupikes: so that a farmer is frequently obliged to pay one quarter of the value of the load which he brings to market. Another subject of commplaint is, that generally none but strangers are employad on the roads. The stone was furnished at the lowest tenders; I made proposals on this sulject myself, and entered into several contracts. The price of stone is about 2s, 6d. per box. The Cap.Rouge roid runs over the property of Mr. Porter, Secretary to the Turnpike 'Jrust, and it has been straightened at that place. It is generally rumoured that Mr. Porter has employed in working on his own property and at his private business, men who were in the employment of the Trust, but I have no personal knowledge of this. The St. Foy road was also maradamized, and only required to be kept in repair for a distance of alnut four miles from the City, but like the Cap-Rouge road, it has been made over again; it would have been much better to leave the macadamized parts as thicy were, and continue the roads where they were not macadamized.
86. Do you think it woild be expedient to oblige the Turnpike Trust to allow the people to compound? -It would.
87. At what rate would you suggest he compositien to be made? For furmers residing at a distance from the Town, on each lorse and two-wheded vehicle, 15s. Forfarmers residing near the Town, on each two-wheeled vehicle drawn by one horse only, 20s. to 25s. On waggens or fur -wheeled vehicles drawn by one horse only, with the exception of pleasure velicles, 40s. For each four-wheeled velicle drawn by two horses, with the exception of pleasure rehiches,

45s. For each pleasure vehicle, on four wheels drawn ly one horse only, from £S to £4. For cach pleasure vehicle on four wheels, drawn by (wo horses, from $£ 4$ to £5. I would recommend that when a person has several vehicles for which he has to compound, a reduction be made of one fourth on the second vehicle, and of one third on the third vehicle, commencing at the highest one.
88. Dn you think that it wouldbe expedient to farm out the Revenue of the Toll-gates?-Yes, but not at present.
89. Why not at present?-Becnuse I do not think' the Toll-gates could be farmed out for a sum large ennugh to cover the expenses which the making ond repairing of the roads will necessitate for some years yet.

5th Warch, 1845.
Edward Desbarats, of the City of Quebre, Esquire, Advocate, examined:
90. The Committee are informed that you are one of the Trustecs of the Quebec Turnpike roads; is it so :-Yes, I rma Trustee jointly with Messrs. William Sheppard and James Gibb, A. C. Buchanan and L. T. MPPherson, Esquires. I was appointed a Trustec in 1842 in the place of the Honnrable Mr. Panet, who had then just resigned. Mr. M'Plierson was appointed almost at the same time that Mr. Gairdner, one of the Trustees, was appointed Judge of the District of St. Francis.
91. How nften and where do you meet? We have an Office in the Lnwer Town of Quebec; we sometimes meet once a week and sometimes twice; sometimes once a fortnight and sometimes less, according to the quantity of business to be transacted.
92. Are the Turnpike roads under your immediate control? Do you superintend the m in parson or through any one under you, and if so, who is that person :Each of the Trustees, whereof one resides on each road, (with the exception of the Beauport road since Mr. Gairdner has left Quebec, ) superintends in person the road on which he resides. This control is general and not immediate, over the labnirers' working on the roads, who are under the superintendence of the foremen while at their work.
93. Is it the duty of the Trustee who has a roadunder his superintendenre to see that the money is faithfilly collected and paid at the Toll-gates?- $\mathbf{N} \mathbf{0}$; thie accounts of the keepers of Toll-gates are settled with the Secretary, who is at the same time Treasurer ; I lo not think that any of the Trustees have meddled themselves, with the revenue arising from the Tolls.
94. Do the Trustees oblige the Secretary to excrcise any' control over'the keepers, so as io enable him to assure himself that the accounts are faithfully and correctly rendered? -Yes, the keepers are obliged to keep a daily written tahle of all the cattle and vchicles which pass through the Toll-gates; these Tables are brought to the Office and given to the Secretary every Monday, with the amount of the Tolls for the week.
95. Do you think this control sufficient to ensure the payment into the funds of the Trust, of all the monics collacted from the public?-This confrol would certainly not be sufficient to guarl the Trustess from the distonesty of the kecpers, if they were disposed to be dishonest, as nothing can prevent them from falsifying the

Tables I have just spoken of: but we have not been able to imagine more effective means for preventing the occurrence of fraud. Imust add, that so far, we have had no reason to doubt the honesty of the keepers.
96. What allowance do you give to the keepers:-1 cannot exactly say; it is under £50, with the exception of the keeper of the littic River St. Charles Tollgate, who receive $£ 12$ per annum more than the others, as he has the charge of two Toll-gates. This keeper is called Olivier Moffet.
97. The Committec observe the name " 0 . Moffet" on the list of persons who hold Debentures due by the Turnpike Trust on the 21st December last; it seems that this Mr. Moffet holds Debentures to the nmoint of £500. Do you know this person?-Yes, he is the person abiove mentioned.
98. What is the annual revenue of the road in question?-The revenue varies more or less from $£ 700$ to $£ 800$.
99. Have the Trustees taken any means to oblige the proprietors of lands in front of which the Turnpike roads pass, to repair with broken stone the roads in front of their respective property, as the law requirts?-No, I have always found that provision of the Act unjust, and 1 have always been opposed to putting it in furce.
100. Must the Committee understand from your last answer, that proprictors in the country are exempt from all labour on the Turnpike roads?-Yes, they have, in fact, always been exempt from labour ever eince I have been one of the Trustes.
101. Do you think it fair that proprictors in the Ci ty who are obliged to contribute to the maintaining and repairing of the strects should pry the same Tolls at the Turnpikes as the country proprietors, who are exempt from contribution?-I do not see why a distinction should be made between the people of the Ciiy and those residing beyond the limits of the Turnpike roads, who are subject to the same rates and the same tolls as people who reside on the said roads. I have always considered it unjust that persons who pay Tolls should be obliged in addition to perform personal labour; there is a difference to be made between the inhabitants of the City and thrise of the country; the later are obliged to come to town to bring in their produce and transact their'business; the inhabitants of the City, on the contrary, merely gn to the country out of pleasure, and to enjoy the country air during the summer ; it is a matter of choico wilh them, while it is a matter of absolute necessity for tho country people to come into Town.

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## Edward Desbarats, Esquiro, examined.

102. Are you nequainted with the Turnpike-roads leading to Beauport? Can you say what is the distanco between the Toll-gate of Dorchester Bridge and the Turnpike-gate on the said road?-Yes, the distance between the Bridge and the Turnpike-gate is from six to eight arpents.
103. "Do you know if two different Tolls are exacted from travellers who cross the bridge and take the Beauport road; if such be the casc, tiv whom are these Tolls paid? - Yes, thiose who travel from the City to Beauport'and vice versa must pay two Tolls, one at the Turnpike gato to the Trustees; and the other at the bridge, for Messrs. Smith and Anderson.
104. Are not the people from the Parish of l'Ange Gardien and the other Parishes along the Côte de Beaupré, obliged to pay three Tolls when they come to the Quebec market to sell their provisions?-Yes, for there is besides the Turnpike and Dorchester Bridge, a Toll-bridge on the River Montmorency at about two leagues and a half from the Turnike-gate.
105. Is not the payment of these three Tolls a gencral subject of complaint as well in Quebec as in the northern Parishos?-Yes, and it is a rrasonable comphint: these three Tolls are far beyond the means of the persons who most frequently pass on these roads, and who are country poople.
106. Can you suggest to the Committen any "plan for remedying the inconveniencies you have first men-tioned?-The best plan, in my opinion, would be to parchase and acquire, if possible, the Dorchester bridge', so as to place it under the control of the Turnpike Trustees, and then to demand only one Toll at the bridge.
107.) Have you ever Travelled in Upper Canada or the United Statos, on Turnpile roads, so as to know the rates of Tolls in those countries:-No, I have never paid Toll but once on a Turnpike road at Torionto, but I do not remember what I paid then.
107. Have you any means of knowing if the public are satisfied with the manner in which the Turnpike roads are now managed ?-Yes, I have no knowledge that any complaints have been made against the management of the Turnpikes before the Petition of Mr. Bellenu and others, which was presented this'ycar ; the Trustecs have never had any complaints made to them, that I am aware of, against any of the persons cmployed by the Trust ; the only complaints which have ever been made, were against the rate of Tolls which many persons have considered too high. I am of that opinion myself:
108. In your opinion, is the present system of management of the Turnpike roads perfect, and can you not suggest to the Commiltee any alleration by which it might be improved?-The present system of managemoit is perhaps not perfect, but I think it a good one : I am at a loss to suggest an alteration in the mode of administration which would be more efficient and more cconomical than the present system.
109. Be kind enough to give the Committec anidea of the system ?-The Turnpike roads are at present under the maungement of five Trustees; with the nssistance of'a Secrotary, who is at the same time 'Treasurer. The services of the Trustees are gratuitous, and up to the present day they have perfurmed their duties with as much zral for the public interest as if they had been paid. The duties of the Trusiecs will be more ensily understond on referring to the Ordinance. Consider ing the experience which the Trustees now have, it would not be expedient to alter the system for the present; I am, however, of opinion that the law might in some respects be amended with advantage. For instance, the Trustecs have not enongh liberty on account of the Tolls on the different roads being established by lans.
110. Are you of opinion that it would be expedient to place the Turnpike roads under the management of the Board of Works, and have no Trustecs? I am not of opinion that it wonld be expedient to place the Turnpike roads under the management of the Board of Works ; the present Jrustees are, with refcronce to the Turnpike roads, a Board of Public, Works, the said roads boing under their constant and personal supérintendence. If these Turnpike roads were under the

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control of the Board of Works, that control would be exercisod by a Deputy, chosen by them, and whom it wonld be probally dificult to reach in case of abuse or negligence of his daty. The present system offers, in my opinion, a more solid guarantee-a more prompt remedy in cases of malversation on the part of the subordinate aflicers, or of maladministration on the part of the 'Lrustees. The present enquiry is a proof of the faciity with which, under the existing system, aunses may be enquired into, slould there be any. I do not think that under the management of the Board of Works there would be the same facility. The complaints of individuals would perhaps not always be so well listened to as they are under the present system, which, in my opinion, is more popular than any other.
112. Are you of opinion that it would be expedient to dispense with the Trustecs and to phace the 'Turnpike roals under the control of one single responsible individual who would perform the functions of the present Trustees and of Secretary and Treasurer, and be liable to fines and penalties according to the judgment of the Tribunals in ense of nerrigence of his duty?-No, I am in favor of the existing system, as it is the best ; I do not think it possible for one individual to fulfil all these dutics without the aid of other persons, and that would create considerable expense; he would require a large salary io indemnify him for the losses to which lie would be exposed from the fines and costs to which he might be condemned in case of negligence of daty : there would be many jpeople who would seizo every favorable opportunity to harass him with prosecutions, whether well or ill founded. Besides, this individual being alone and ostensibly under the control of no ono, and in some sort his own master, might, with impunity, make a bad use of his oflice, and the persons oppressed by him would have some difficulty in obtaining a remedy against an individual in his position.

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## Examination of Mr. Desbarats continued:

113. The Committee remark in the account rendered by the Trust, two items of a rather large amount, - one for the purchasc of a lot for the purpose of erecting thercon a second turnpike, whieh it seems, las been erected on the Cap Rouge roal. under the name of "Kilmarnock Toll-gate," and the other for the purelase of another lot intended as it appears, for the erection thoreon of a Turapike near the Suede road, - please state to the Cominittee the reasons for which the Trustees lave incurred these expenses? The roal cilled Kilinarnock is, that which leads from it. Foy anl Cap Rouge to the Cores, which in winter as woll as in summer are the market where the habitants of St. Foy's and Cap Rouge bring thicir produce for sale; these persons before the Kilmarued Toll-gate was cstablishicd, had the alvantage of using this roal to bring their produce to market without coming to townand without paying any toll; however, when the Filmarnock Toll-gite was first talked of, I was opposel to it, because Idoubted whether tho tolls at this gate woullue sufticient to cover the expense of ereeting it. In thic sccond place, I was persuaded that this Toll-gate would give rise to a great many complaints and murmins, and it was not without some reluetance that I yichled to the entroatios of the other Trustoos who appeared to be convinced of the advantage which would be derived from this Toll-gate. It has been ouly a short time in operation and I can state that the Trustecs are disposed to remove it as soon as thicy perecivo that it is more burdensome than profitalle. With reference to the Suide road, the
purchase of the lot, which cost only £25; was made for the purpose of erecting a turnpike gate thereon, but upon reflection we thought it better not to orect any at this place, and allow travellers to use that road and St. Foy's road, without paying extra-toll; this lot of ground, however, is not lost, it is used as a deposit for stone; we are obliged to lave deposits for stonchere and there, so as always to have some ream dy, whenever it becomes necessary to repair the road; otherwise it would be very difficult and expensive to procure stone from the City or the Country, as often as it might be required. The country people bring in this stone in the summer time whon they liave nothing else to do, and this deposit contains as much stone as may be required every day by the Trust.
114. Some remarks have been made by the witnesses previously examined, on the sublject of the la bourers employed by the Trust, and who have been represented to us as being allstrangers, persons recently arrived in this Country, and as bad labourers. It has also been stated to the Committec that some young men from the country had offered their services as labourers, and had been refused; will you state if that is the case, and explain how that has happened? -This is the first time $T$ have heard that work has been refused to young men from the country-I can assure the Committee it has never been the case on the St. Charles Road, where the labourers are employod without reference to their national origin; there are some Camadians who have been constantly employed on this road, as well those who have carts as those who work as labourers The Canadians are usually employed during the summer in more profitable occupations in the ship yards, and it is difficult to procure them for the roads. In winter the Canndians are exclusively employed, at least on the St. Charles Road. They are preferred as being moro elever at kecping up the winter roads. The peoplo who work on the roads in summer are principaly omigrants, whether old or new hands. Among them there are always some lazy oncs, notwithstanding the exertions of the Foremen. It may be said, as a general rule, that this chass of labourers is slow at work; howe ver. what work has been done, has been woll done, and the best labourers have always been chosen as much as possible.
115. Some remarks have been made to the Committee with reference to at portion of rond which has been made on Mr. Yorter's Farm, please state to the Committee what you know on this subject,' and what are tho reasons for which the Trusteos incurred that expense? -Near Mr. l'orter's house the road was croolied; Mr. Porter secmed to wish that this part of the road slould ho straightened, for two reasons first, it would lave the offect of shortening the road, which had never been macadamized, and in the second place it would remore the road further from his house. as this alteration would ingrove Mr. Porter's property, and to avoid all suspicion of partiality, wo agreed to do so on consideration that the road would be straigh tenel at the costs ind charges of Mr. Portcr. Ho purchased the land at his own expense, and altered the fences in the same manner. IIe then gave the land necessary to fill up the uneven parts of the road. This alteration is of great advantage to the public, as in the first phace it shortens the road, and by shortoning it, the exponse of keeping it up and mantaining it is diminished for the futurc. It has been supposed that Mr. Porter had employed people in working on a road bolonging to him, at the expense of the Trust:-this is a false impression; whon tho road opposite Mr. Porter's was straghtence, he furnished gratuitously the land and materials necessary to fill up the uncyon parts. These materials were taken from the private road in question, adjoining
thereto, and people passing by, and who sar the men employed in carrying away the materials, imagined that Mr. Porter vas having his road repared at the expense of the Trust:
116. Inave you any thing eiso to suggest to the Committec? -Yes, it would be expedient, if the law is amended, to anthorize the Trustees to contimue the road from the "Commissioners' Bridge" as far as the Cote de Champigmy, taking in the road which leads to the Church of Ancient Lanctte; this would complete the communication between the St . Charles and Suède roads, and it rould also be expedient to "extend the dispositions of the Ordinance to the Charlesbourg road, and to the Sinclair road, on the other side of Scott's Bridge; the St. Foy road should also be continued as far as Cap-Rouge. "These roads ought be as wide as the front roads, on account of the great number of people who pass thereon. The Trustees ought also to be authorized to alter the direction of the roids, with the consent of the proprictors, so as to avoid those parts of the road where the snow accumulates in great"abundance. I would also, suggest the propricty of giving the Trustecs the power of making By-laws for the roals. to prevent horse racing, which is frequently carriod on, and is very dangerous, and of establishing rules by which travellers are to govern themselves. These By-laws and Rules to come in force only iaftor having beon approved and confirmed by the Court of Queen's Bench.

15th March, 1845.
Jour Ponter, of Queboc, Fsquire, cxamined:-
117. The Committe are informed that you are Seeretary and Trensurce of the Turnpike Road Trust: What is the nature of your duties and the amount of your salary?-It is my duty as Secretary to the Trustecs of the Qucbec Turnpike roads, to attend all the deliberations of the Board of Trusteos ; to record their proccedings, and to carry their orders into exicution; to superintend the oversecis in the construction of the new roids; to see that all the roads are kept in good ropair: to yoccive the Tolls collectod and to examine the statemonts of the Toll Collectors; to cxamine the pay-lists of the oversecrs, and to pay all tho laborers, to keep the books and aceounts of the Trust; to take cognizance of all complaints, should there, be any ; and to receive all communications addressed to the Trustoes. and after having received their directions with reference to the same, to reply to them. My salary' is three hundred pounds' currency per annum.
118. Hare you any remark or suggestion to make to the Committee, which would tend to inprove the present systom, and rearder it more popular'?-My time and attention havo been so fully occupicd in the discharge of my duties that thoy have not been directed towards the consideration of the propricty of any change in the present system: It appears to me that the verenues of the Trust would be considerably nugmented if the Trustees were enabled to complete the ronds which have been placed under their control, and to comncot the St. Charles Road with the Suède and the .St. Foy with the St. Lewis road, which would increase the travelling and afford greater facilitios to the inhabitints of that part of tho country for bringing the produce of their farms to market in the Coves where there is it large consumption. The Charlesbourg Road should also be macadamized and the Toll-bar placed at its junction with the Beauport road, whereby the Tolls now collected in the latter road would be doubled, and perhaps treblen.
119. You have beenallowed to peruse thig ovidence taken before the Committec, does it contain any charge "or imputation against you that you are desirous of
rebutting or exphining? - I precive Mr. Bollean states, in lis evidence beforo this Committec, that I. am proprictor of a considerable lot of land at St. Woy, and wishing to dispose of a certain part thercof in order to do so with advantage, made use of my connexion with the Turnpike Trust, by promising to purchasers that as I was the Sceretary of the Trust, they would hafe nothing to pay for theprice of the sale, because they might make it up by worling for the Trust. In reply to this charge; I have to say that $\mathrm{Mr}_{\text {. }}$ Belleau has been misinformed. All the parties named by Mr. Belleau have worked for the Trust erer since its establishment, that is to say, tho years before they purchased land from mo and some of them have continued to work as usual under the superintendencs of the overseers since then. The land was sold to them without any stipulation of giving them work; on the contrary, I bave always urged upon tho different overseers, that they should favor novic, but be careful to solect only those who worked faitlefully and woll, and should retain none in the employ of the Crust but those who did their duty satisfactorily. That thoso instructionis' were given to the overscers I can prove by their affilavits, and had I been aware such a charge would have been made, affidavits in support of my present statement would have been produced. The lots of land in question were publicly put up for sale, and I did not think it necessary to sell to any parify merely because he was occasionnaly employed hy the Trust-nor had I the powor: had it been just or expedient- so to do, to dischargo old servants, merely becanse it suited them to buy land from mo, more particularly, as they had not from tho the first, been employed at my suggostion. ' It is stated by the Rev. Mr. Huot, in reference to the sime subject, that the blacksmith at St: Foy paid for the liand he purchased from mo in work done for the 'Trust. It is true that this man has been employed, and was so before he purchased the land; because his forge is situated noar the junction of the St. Foy and Suede roads, where the Trustees were carrying on work last summer, andthere is no other forge for many miles distant, so that whore tools lad to be daily repaired, it wonld have been expensive and inconvenient to cimploy any other blacksmith in that part of the comitry: It would be found that a blacksmith was cmployod upon each road. Mr. Hamel supplied all the iron required for the bridge built last year on the St. Charles road, and did all the work required there. Nicholas Hayes was employed to do the blacksmith work on the Beauport road, and a blacksmith of the namo of Finigan was cmployed to do the work required on the Cove road. There was no stipulation whatover', betweon Belleau and myself that he should give work in payment for the land he bought, and the amount of the work lic actually did forms but a very small portion of the price of the land. He was employed beciuse he was the onlly man at hands that could be employed;' and his account was certified by the overseer before it was presested for payment. It is also stated that several hundred pounds liavo been expended in straightitening the Cap-Rouge road at tlie place where itpasses throughiny property, that the bend was not considerable, and thatt many other roads much morecrooked have not heen straightened: The Tristoes have always boen desirous of straightening roads when the expense is not to great, but oxcept in the instance complained off, they have always been met in their attompts to do so by exorbitant demands for compensation, of which I will state two examples. It was considored that the hill at that part of the Suede where it intersects the St: Foy road might be very much improved by makiug such an alteration as would have placed the junction of these tivo roads about ten acres farther to the eastward, and in such aconse the road would have had to pass throught the lands. of eight difercnt proprietors. Tor this proposed change more than two thousand pounds woro demanded as an indemnification, and the idea was given up in consequence: Again at the time the Kilmarnock road

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was made, it was deened expedient to straighten it in its course through the lands of one Martin Naulin-which would have improved his property; but this man supposing that the Trustees had decided upon this change, demanded one hundred pounds as an indemnity, and the adrantage to be gained was not considered' worth the expense. When the macadamizing of the St. Lewis' road was completed up to the point where it strikes my land, and where it bends in a selpentine direction, I petitioned the Trustees to permit the line to be straightened, to which they consented, on condition that they should neither be called upon for any indemaity nor be put to ant extriordinary expense. I had therefore to purehase from my npposite neighbor, Mr. Phillips, a sufficient quantity of land at one point to render the line direct, for which I paid the sum of thirty-two pounds, and at another point the new road cut oft nearly as large a quantity of my own land and threw it on the opposite side, theroby renderingit perfectly useless. Moreover, though in all cases where the Tristees have found it desirab)? to widen roads thay have moved the fences of propuctors, mine were moved at my own expense, and all the soil required to fill up inequalitics on the road was taken oft a road belonging to me, while in other instances the Trustecs hive been obliged to indemnify proprictors from whose lands soil was taken for such purposes, and I presume that tho fact of laborers having been seen to take away this soil has given rise to the statement that I had cmployed them for my own purposes. Upon reference to the acounts, it will be seen that only about ninety pounds have been haid out on the formation of this neir line, which is half a mile in length, and comprises three large stone culverts, the minterials foi building which I gave to the Trustecs free of all charge. If feel perfectly sccurc in stating, that this is the cheapost piece of road that has yot been marle by the Trustees. The Trustecs have also the privilege of taking off my property as much stone as will macadamize this piece of road, which will require two thousand boxes: these they can break for one shilling, and the distance being very short, it can cost but six pence more, hy this mans laying the stone down upon the road for one shilling and six pence per bor, instoad of having to pay two shillings and six pence. that boing the lowest price at which stone can be ob tained, and a saving will thas be made of one hundred pounds. I may add that the old road, which is given to me in exchange for the new one, will cost me a large sum before 1 cen make it arailable for agricultural purposes.
120. You hare stated, that part of rond which has been straightenod near your property was the choapest piece of road that has yet been made by the Trustoos; is the Committeo "o understand that, although it was nocessary to make threc culverts on the said road, the repairing and macadamiziog the old road, would not have boen less expensive?-1 do not think that the macalamiziing and repairing the ald road would have cost less', because the same numbor of culverts' would have been required, and the lougth of roid would lave been greater.
121. It has been stated bofore the Committeo that the soil of the place where the new poar wums at present, was of such quadity "as required greater expenses than would have been incurred by repairing the old road. . Do you mean to say, that that information is incorvect?-The reparirigy of the old road unight possibly have cost somerthat less in the first instance, but not a great deal, and It think that any difference of expense incurred by adopting thic new line is more than compensated by the distanen saved and the facility of procuring stone.
122. Will you state as preciscly as you can tho probable expense which would have been incurred in repaining the old road?-I can searecly be precise in estimating the cost of forming the old rond, but I should suppose it would have enst about $£ 80$.
123. It has been stated that you have employed labourers when hired for the Trust, to work on your own private road ; is this true?-It is true that labourers under the conduct of George Thompson have been working on my own private road, but I have alroady explained that it was for the purpose of taking away soil to fill up tho inequalities of the new road mado in front of my proporty.
124. Was that done at your own expense or at the expense of the Trust? - The formation of the new road was of course made at thie expense of the Trust, the transforring of the soil from the road above menCioned' was also done at the expense of the Trust, Lut the top soil that was taken from that part of the new road which triverses the land purchased by me from Mr. Phillipps, was taken away at my own expeuse.
125. The Committee perccive in the statement an item of $£ 2113 \mathrm{~s}$. 6 d ., for sundry expenses; the vouchor No. 55, is supposed to contain the details of that item; will you explain how so many items are found in the said voucherfor hired vehicles?-The hired vehiclos have boon omployed for the most part by myself in visiting and superintending the different roads.
126. The Committee perceive that the sum of $\mathcal{E} 378$ 8. 6 d ., is stated as the revenue of the Beauport Gate, from the list day of January till the 8th day of December last, which is scarcely more than one-half of the revenue of tho St. Eoy, St. Charles and Coves Gates respectively: The Committee is informed, however that the Boauport Gate and the St. Cliarles Gate oright to be the two most preductive. How can you account for the formor being so unproductive?-One reason why the Beauport road is'so unproductive is becanse it is not much travelled upon during the winter, the jubabitants of that part of the comitry finding' a more direct road upon the ice. "But the chief cause is that a large portion of the Toll that should be collocted on that road is lost in consequence of passongers crading the Toll-bar and passing through the Challesbouing road. If the Charlesburg road were macadamized, and the present Toll-bar placed at the junction of the Benuport and Chariosburg ronds, instead of where it is. Thave no doubt the Tolls moull be doubled, and perinps treblerl.
127. Do you think that the Tolls might be lower-ed?-In all cases where Tolls have been lowered the offect has been to increase the travelling on the roads and I think the same effect would bo prodiced in the prosent instance.
128. What is the rate of 'Toll charged by the Trustecs at presont?-Tor pleasure vehicles and vehicles carrying loads not for hive. for 24 hours use of the road, dtuwn by two horses,' $8 d$

Aud for every additional horse, 2d.
Tor pleasure relicles drawn by one horse, 6d.
For waggons, carts and oher vehicles drawn by onc horse, $4 d$.

And for crery additional horse, 2 d .
For saddle horses, $2 d$.
For all winter rehiolos drawn by one horse, 2d.
And for every additional horse, 1 d .
For horses, cows, \&c.., each Id.
For sheep, pigs, \&e., per score, 5d.
For vchicles carrying loads or passengers for hire to pay overy time of passing, roturning ompty; having passed loaled, frec.
For Stage coaches and all other vehicles drawn by one horse, $6 d$.

For cach alditional horse, 2d.
For waggons and other vehicles drawn by one horse 4 d .

And for crery additional horse, 2d.
For all winter vehicles drawn by one horso, 2 d .
And for every additional horse, 1 d .
Stones pay every time of passing.
Manure is free of Toll.

Appendix

To an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, bearing date the 4 h' December, 1844, praying "for a Return of the names of all persons who " have been appointed to any Office of Emolument in the Province, since the Prorogation " of the last Parliament, up to this date, with the dates of their respective appointments "-whether temporary or permanent-the amount of Salary" in each case, stating the " names of such office and the Statute or other authorities under which such persons " may have been so appointed;-and also, like information from the 10th February, " 1841 , to the 9 th December, 1843."

> By Command,
D. DALY,

Secretury.
Secretary's Office,
Montrcal, 18th March, 1845.

## RETURN

Of the Names, \&cc. of all persons who have been appointed to any Office of Emolument in the Province since the Prorogation of the last Parliament, on the 9th December, 1843, up to the 31st December, 1844; prepared in pursuance of an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 4th December, 1844.

UPPER CANADA.

| Names. | Date. | Temporary <br> $\mathrm{OR}^{2}$ <br> Permanent. | Amount of Salary. |  | Authority for Appointment, Payment, \&ct. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Biack, James | 4th July, | During pleasure, | Fees, \&cc. | Collector, Port Coll | 4. Geo. IV. chap. 11. |
| Brough, Leeker | 13th | do. |  | Principal Court of | 8. |
| Burns, R, E. | 19th Aug. | do. | $4000^{\circ} 0$ | Judge, Home District Court, | 4 \& 5 Vict. chap. 8. |
| Boswell, G. M. | 12 th Oct | do. | Fees, | $\{$ Commissioner of Bank- | 7 Vict. chap, 10, |
| Chew | 26.1 Lec D | do. | do | Do. Western Dis |  |
| Farrell, Agnew $P$ Freeman, S.B. | 9th Aug. 30th Sept. |  |  | egistrar, County Haldim | 35 Geo. III. chap. 5 |
| Kirkpatrick, S. F. | 24th Feb. | do. | 325. | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { Associate Julge, Midland } \\ \text { District Court, } \end{array}\right\}$ | - |
| Mailleue, G. A. | 2 d Aug. | do. | $661$ | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { Surveyor of Customs, unı } \\ \text { attached, } \end{array}\right\}$ | C. 5 th June \& Sec: tei 11th July,1844. |
| Prince, Joln | $2 d$ |  |  | $\left\{\begin{array}{c} \text { Conmissioner, of Bank- } \\ \text { rupts, Western District } \\ \text { (resigned,) } \end{array}\right\}$ | Vict. chap. 10. |
| Powe | $9{ }^{9}$ |  |  | Registrar, Counly Lincoln, |  |
| Robinson, W, B |  |  | 1000 | Inspector General, \&c. (Commissioner of Bank-) | Civil List (Schedule B.) |
| Roras | 30th Sept. |  |  | $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { Commissioner of Bank- } \\ \text { rupts, Victoria District, } \\ \text { (resigned, }\end{array}\right\}$ | Vict. chap. 10. |
| Salmon, William | 5 th March, | do. |  | Do. Talbot, do. ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | do. do. |
| ragge, | 13th July, |  |  | Registrar, \&c. Court of Chancery, |  |
| Stuart, A Sherwoor | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 29th os } \\ & \text { 7th Oct. } \end{aligned}$ |  | 175 | Chancery, ${ }^{\text {a }}$, ${ }^{\text {astrict Court, }}$ |  |
| Stewart |  |  | 600:0 | Solicitor General; (Westi) | Schedule A.) |
| Stewart, Alexander Turguand, Bernard | 8th Nov. 1843. 30th Dec | Temporary. | Fees, \&c. 888.17 | Registrar, County Wentwor Receiver General, \&ce. | 35 Geo. III. chap. 5. Civil List (Schedule Bi) |
| Tench, Bartholomew | 29th July, |  | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{lll} 100 & 0 \\ 0 \end{array}\right.$ | $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { Surveyor of Customs, } \text { un- } \\ \text { attached, }\end{array}\right.$ | O.C. 5 thitune \& Secy's Letter 114h'July, 1844. |
| Viger, D, Bi | 7 th |  | $100000$ | President of Committess,' Executive Council, |  |
| Worthington, Thomas | 9th | $y_{r}$ | 100 : | Survey or of Customs, unattached. | O. C. 5 th June \& Secy's Letter 11 th July 1844 |
| Morris, William | 2d | do. | 1100 | attached. | Letter 11th July, 1844: <br> Civil List (Schedule B.) |
| Draper, William $H$ |  | do ${ }^{\text {do }}$ | $1100,0$ | Attorney General, (West) | Do. (Schedule A) |
| Papincau, D. B |  |  | 88817.9 | Commissr, of Crown Lands; | Crown Lands Revenue. |

Of the Names, \&c. of all Persons who have becn appointed to any Oflice of Emolument in Upper Canada, from the 10th February, 1841, to the 9 th December, 1843, prepared in pursuance of an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 4th December, 1844.

| Names, | Dite. | Temporary or Pemanent. |  | Oflice. | Aulhority for Appointment, Payment, \&e. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1841. |  |  |  |  |
| Allen, Henry | 2Sth June. | Duing pleasnre, | £325 00 | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { Judge Lonion District } \\ \text { Court, } \end{array}\right\}$ | ${ }^{4}$ \& 5 Vict. chap. 8. |
| ${ }^{\text {' Do, }}$ |  | do. | Fees, \&c. | Do. do. Surrogate Court, | 33 Geo. III, chap. 8 . |
| Ackiand, Artlurr, Do. do. | 6th Dec. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { do. } \\ & \text { do. } \end{aligned}$ | $150 \begin{array}{cc} \mathrm{do} . & 0 \end{array}$ | Do. Huron do. Do. do. District Court, | 33 do. do. 4 \& 5 Vict. chap. 8. |
| Armstrong, Claristopher Do. do. | 7th May, | do. | $\left\|\begin{array}{lll} 250 & 0 & 0 \\ \text { Fees, } & \& c \end{array}\right\|$ | Do. Dallousic do. | do. |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Blak | 1st July, | do. | o. | Do. Ilone do. |  |
| Boswell, G. M. | 2 Sun Aug. |  | do. | Queen's Counsel, | Civil List (Schedule A) |
| Billings, Braddisls | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1842. } \\ & \text { 9th May, } \end{aligned}$ | do. | do. | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { Registrar Surrogate Court, } \\ \text { Dalhonsie District, } \end{array}\right\}$ | 33 Geo. III, chap |
| Do. | " | , do. | 90 | $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { Clerk Dalhonsic District } \\ \text { Court, }\end{array}\right.$ | 1 \& 5 Vict. chap. 8. |
| Baldw | 15 h Sep |  | Fees, \&c. | Queen's Counsel, | Civil List (Schedule A) |
| Do. | 16th ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Rsign | 120000 | Attorncy Gencral, | do |
| Do. do. | 16 th | do. | $111 \quad 2$ | Execntive Councillor, | (Schedule B) |
| Boulton, Henry John | $\text { 15th } \quad 6$ | During pleasure. | Fues, \&c. | Queen's Counsel, f Serjeant at Arms, Housc? | ' do. (Schedule A) |
| Chisholm, Guorgo | 10th Jume, | do, | 100 | $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { Serjeant at Arms, Housc } \\ \text { of } \Lambda \text { ssembly, }\end{array}\right\}$ | Annual vote. |
| Colville, John <br> Do. do. | $16 \mathrm{~h} \mathrm{Oct}_{4}$ |  | $\begin{array}{ccc} 70 & 0 & 0 \\ \text { Fees, } & \& . \end{array}$ | Cleak Huron District Court, Registrar do. Surrogate do. | 4 \& 5 Vict. chap. 8. 33 Gco. III, chap 8. |
| Conger, Wils | 9 h Dec. | do. |  | Sheriff Colbome District, | 3 Wm. IV. chap. 8, \&c. |
| Campbell, E. C. | $\begin{array}{r} 23 \mathrm{~d} \\ 1842 . \end{array}$ | do. | 32500 | Judge Niagara District Court, | 4 \& 5 Vict. chap. 8. |
| Chistie, Alexander, Ju | 12th May, | ad. | Fees, \&e. | $\left\{\begin{array}{c} \text { Clerk of the Peace, Dal- } \\ \text { housie District, } \end{array}\right\}$ | Various Statutes, U.C. |
| Chisholm, R. K. | 30th Ang. 6ih Sept. | During p Resig | lo. do. | Collector Port Oakville, Do. (lo. Antrim' | 4. Gco. IV. chap. 11. 4 do. do. |
|  |  | igned | do. | Sheriff Midland District, | $3 \mathrm{Wm}$. IV. chap. S, \&c. |
| Dickson, Andriv | 3 S Sept. | do. | do. | Registrar County Renfrew, | 35 Geo III, chap. 5. |
| Draper, Wm. H. | 15th 6 1843. | During pleasure. | do. | Queen's Counsel, | Civil List,(Schedule A) |
| Davidson, John, Dickson, Andew | 14th Jan. 5th July, | do, | $\begin{aligned} & \text { do. } \\ & \text { do. } \end{aligned}$ | Collector Port of Hamilton, Sheriff Bathurst District, | 4 Gco. IV. chap. 11. 3 Wim. IV. chap. 8 ,"ec. |
| Daintry, G. S. | 11th Aug. | do. | do. | $\left\{\begin{array}{c} \text { Inspector of Licenses } \\ \text { Newcastic District, } \end{array}\right\}$ | 43 Geo. III, chap. 9. |
| Fitagibbon, James | 10th Tune, | ' do. | 500600 | Clerk Legislative Council, | Annual vote. |
| Fortye, Thomas | 9 h Dec. | do. | $70 \quad 0 \quad 0$ | Clerk Colborne District Court, \{Registrar Colborne Surro- | 4. \& 5 Vict. chap. 8. |
| Do. do. | " | do. | Fees, \& | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { Registrau Colborne Surro- } \\ \text { gate Court, } \end{array}\right.$ | 33 Geo. III. chap. 8. |
| Frecl, Peter | $\begin{array}{r} 17 \mathrm{~h} / 6 \\ 184 \end{array}$ | Resigned | do. | $\left\{\begin{array}{c} \text { Registrar Countios Pres- } \\ \text { cott and Russell, } \end{array}\right\}$ | 35 Gco. III, chap. 5. |
| Fitzgibbon, Charles | 11th April. | During pleasure. | do. | Registrar Court of Probate, 'Clerk' of the Peace, Victo"' | 33 Gco. III. chap. 8. |
| Fitzgibbon, W. W. | 26 ll Nor. 1841. | do. | do. | $\left\{\begin{array}{c} \text { Clerk 'of the Peace, Victo- } \\ \text { ria District, } \end{array}\right\}$ | Various Statutes. |
| Galt, | 31st May, | do | do. |  | $35 \mathrm{Geo} . \mathrm{III}, \mathrm{chap}, 5$. |
| Gilman, Edward, | 11th May, <br> " | do. |  | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { Judge Surrogate Court, } \\ \text { Tabot District, } \end{array}\right\}$ | 33 Geo. III, chap. 8. <br> $4 . \& 5$ Vict chap. 8 |
| Do. do. Gilluson, Archibal | 18th Dec. | do. do. | $\begin{array}{lll} 150 & 0 & 0 \\ 250 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$ | Judge Talbot District Court, Do. Prince Edward do. | 4 \& 5 Vict. chap. 8. <br> $4 \& 5$ do. do. |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gowan, J. R. Da, do. | $\begin{gathered} 16 \mathrm{th} \text { Jan. } \\ 6 \\ 1841 \end{gathered}$ | do. | $250 \quad 0 \quad 0$ Fces, \&c. | Do. Simcoc do. Do. do. Surrogate Court, | 4 \& 5 do. da, 33 Gco. III, chap. 8. |
| Hyndman, Henry | 16th Oct. | Dead | do. | Sheriff Huron District, | 3 Wm IV.chap $8,8 \mathrm{c}$ |
|  | 0 |  |  | \{ Registrar Surrogate Court, |  |
| Hoskyns, Chandos | 26th Oct. | During pleasure. | : do. ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | $\left\{\begin{array}{c} \text { OLtawa District, } \end{array}\right\}$ | 33. Gco. III, chap. 8. |

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Appendix (BBB.)
A. $1844-$


RETURN of the Names, $\&$ c., of all Persons, \&c.-Continuect.

| Names. | Date, | Temporary Or Permanent. | Amount of Salary. | Oflice. | Authority for Appointment, Payment, \&c. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1843. |  |  |  |  |
| Smart, Wm. | 17 th Oct. $15 \% 1$. | During pleasure. | £250 00 | Judge Victoria District Court, | 4 \& 5 Vict. chap. 8. |
| 'Tucker, R. A. | 22ll Junc, 1843. | do. | $666 \quad 13 \quad 4$ | Registrar of Canada, | Civil List, Schedule B. |
| Thomas, E. C. | 17th March. | do. | Fees, \&ic. | Sherift Gore District, | 3 Wm . IV. chap. 8. |
| Wilson, Wm. M. | $\begin{gathered} 184.1 . \\ \text { ist July, } \end{gathered}$ | do. | do. | $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { Registrar Surrognte Court, } \\ \text { Talbot District, }\end{array}\right\}$ | 33. Geo. III. chinp. 8. |
| Widder, Charles | 16th Oct. | do. | do. | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { Inspector of Licenses, } \mathrm{Hu}- \\ \text { ron Distict, } \end{array}\right\}$ | 43 Geo. ILI. chap. 9. |
| Wrighton, W. H. | 9th Dec. 1842. | do. | do. | $\left\{\begin{array}{c} \text { Clerk of the Pcace, Col- } \\ \text { borne District, } \end{array}\right.$ | Various Stalutes. |
| Wood, G. C. | 205th Aug. 184.3. | do. | do. | Collector, Port of Cornwall, | 4 Cleo. IV. chap. 11. |
| Wilson, George | 30th Aug. | do. | do. | " Sault St. Mary, | do. do. |
| Warten, Wm. | $\begin{array}{r} 10 \mathrm{~h} \mathrm{Oct} . \\ 1842 . \end{array}$ | do. | do. | " " Windsor;' | do. do. |
|  | 15th Oct. | $\mathrm{d} 0 .$ |  | Judge Ottana District Court, | t \& 5 Vict. chap, 8. |
| Malloch, Edwd. | 25th June, | do. | Fees, \&c. | Sherill Dalhousie District, | 3 Wm .4 , chap. 8 , \&c. |

N. B. Exclusive of Magistrates, Coroners, Notarics, and the appointments made under the Municipal District Act, at the beginning of 1842.

Provincial Srcretary's Office,<br>Monlrcal, 18th March, 1845.

## RETURN

Of the Names, \&c., of all Persons who have been appointed to any Office of Emolument in the Province, since the Prorogation of the last Parliament, on the 9th December, 1843, up to the 31st December, 1844, prepared in pursuance of an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 4th December, 1844.

## LOWER CANADA.



RETURN of the Names, \&c., of the Persons, \&c.-Continued.
$\overbrace{20 \mathrm{Lh} \text { March. }}^{(\mathrm{BBB})}$


Appendix
(BBB.)

## 20th Mnrch.





The foregoing have been appointed either by Great, or Privy, Seal, Commissions. In addition, Mr. J. W. Dunscomb has becn directed by Letter to act as Commissioner or Super. intendent of Customs for the Inland Ports, at an estimated emolumentiof $£ 666134$ per annum; the passing of the Acts 7 Vict. chap. 1 and 2, among other pressing considerations, having rendered such temporary appointment, in the opinion of the Executive, necessary for the interests of the Revenue.

## Provincial Secretary's Office, <br> Montreal, 18th March, 1845.

## RETURN

Of the Names, \&c. of persons who have been appointed to any Office of Emolument in
Lower Canada, from the 10th February, 1841, to the 9th December; 1843; prepared in pursuance of an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 4th December, 1844.

| Names. | Date. | Temporary or Permanent. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Amount } \\ & \text { of } \\ & \text { Snlary. } \end{aligned}$ | Oflice. | Authority for Appointment. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1841. |  |  |  |  |
| Amiot, Thomas | 13th Fcl. | During pleasure. | $\pm 15000$ | $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { Clerk of the Crown in } \\ \text { Chancery, }\end{array}\right\}$ | Annual vote.' |
| Do. do. | 28 th Dec. |  | Fees, sc. | $\left\{\begin{array}{c}\text { Clerk of the District } \\ \text { Court, St. Thomas, }\end{array}\right\}$ | 4 \& 5 Vict. chap. 20. |
| Andrew, Frederick | ' " | do. | do. | Do. Chaudiere, | do. do. |
|  | 1842. |  |  |  |  |
| Anstin, Thomas | 1st. Jail. | do. | do. | Registrar, District of St. Jolins, | $\left\{\begin{array}{c}\text { Special Ordinnne, } \\ \text { 4 Vict. chap, } 30,\end{array}\right.$ |






Exclusive of Notaries, Magistrates, and Municipal Appointments, which were made at the commencement of 1842.

Provincial Secretary's Office,<br>Montreal, 18ih March, 1845.

## RETURN

To an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, bearing date the Sth day of January, 1845, praying for "\% Tabular Statement of each of "the Scholastic Institutions, to which an annual grant is made from the Funds of "the Province, stating the number of Pupils in each:"

Secretain's Office,
Montreal, 19th March, 1845. $\}$
(Copy.)
Crreular.

By Command,<br>D. DALY, Secy.

Secretaiy's Office,<br>Montrcal, 18th January, 1845.

Sir,
I am commanded by the Governor General to request that you will, at your earliest convenience, furnish a Return of the number of Students attending the King's College, Queen's College, Victoria College, Upper Canada College, the Grammar Schools in the District.
$I$ have the honor to be,
\&c. \& c. \&c.
(Signed, ) D. DALY, Secy:
To the Vice President of King's College.
Principal of Queen's College. Principal of Victoria College. Principal of Upper Canada College.
Chairman of the Trustees of the Grammar Schools,
District.

Statement of the Scholastic Institutions in the Province of Upper Canada receiving aid from the Funds of the Province, with the number of Pupils in each.


Appendix<br>(C.C.C.)<br>Copy of Circular: addressed to the Heads of Scholastic Institutions in Lower Canada. Sir, [Gentlemen,]<br>Secretary's Office, Montreal, 14th January, 1845.

I am commanded by the Governor Gencral to request that you will have the goodness, at your earliest conyenience, to prepare and transmit to this Department, for His Excellency's information, a Stateinent of the number of pupils at the present time, who are receiving instruction in the College [or Institution] under your charge; the House of Assembly having addressed His Excellency for information of this character from the various Instilutions of Education in the Province in reccipts of grants from the Public Funds.

I have, \&c.
(Signed,
D. DALY,
Secretar!-

Statement of the Scholastic Institutions in Lower Canada, in receipt of aid from the Funds of the Province, with the number of Pupils receiving instruction in each.

| names of scholastic institutions. | no. of scholiars. |  |  | hemarks. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Boys. | Girls. | Total. |  |
| Collegre Ste. Aune de li Pocatière, | 125 | - | 125 | See Copy of Letter No. 1, annexed. |
| Do. Clamlly, | 97 | - | 97 | Do. do. No.2, do. |
| Do. St. Hyticinthe, | 160 | - | 160 |  |
| Do. L'Assomption, | 188 | - | 183 |  |
| Rogit Grammar School of Montreal, . | 22 | - | 22 | Du. do. No.3, du. |
| Berthier Acadeny, . . in . | 60 | - | 60 |  |
| Royal Institution School at 'Thee Rivers, - . | 11 | 13 | 24 | Do. do. No.4, do. |
| British North American Society's School at Sherbrouke, |  | - | 102 |  |
| National School, Quebec, | 128 | 103 | 231 |  |
| Do. do. Montreal, | 132 | 102 | 234 |  |
| . Wociety of Education, District of Queber, | - | - | 612 |  |
| Britisti and Canadian School Society, Quelice, . | - | - | 223 |  |
| Du. do. de. Montreal, | 210 | 122 | 332 |  |
| St. Andrew's School, Quchee, . | - | - | 95 |  |
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Letter No. I, referred to in the preceding Statement. (Translation.)

Colrege of Ste. Anne Lifocatiere, 20th January, 1845 .

Sin,-In answer to your letter of the 14 tha instant, received by the last mail, I hasten to give you the required information on the subject of the number of pupils at present receiving their education at the College of Ste. Anne. Their number is one hundred and hwenty-five, whercof eighty-cight are boarders, and thirty-seven day scholars.

But in order to enable His Excellency more fully to meat the beneficent views of the Legisiature, in the portion granted to us from out of the public funds destined to the support of education, I take the liberty of adding' to the above information the following statement of the receipts and expenditure for the year ending at the last vacation, (September, 1844.)


I will refrain from making any reflection on the subject of the smallness of the salary received by the Pro-.
(C.C.C.)
fossors. It would also he uscloss to add that the education at the College of Ste. Anne is not a speculation,
2oth March. nor the means of making the fortune of those who devote themselves to the toilsome task of training up ymuth to science and virtue. "But permit me respectfully to draw your attention to the two following facts:-

1st. That at the Colloge of Ste. Anne, the Canailian youth have the advantage of obtaining a practical course of English and French education, for the purposes of commerce, \&cc. without interfering with the ordinary classical course, which is similar in evory respect, as regaris the subjects taught, to that of the best institutions in the Province, such as the Seminary of Quebec, of Montreal, of St. Iracinthe; \&c., and that the new Conlege erected for that purpose, in "addition to the old one, by means of public subscriptions, has heen open for two years, and might contain 200 pupils.

2nd. That the College of Sic. Anne, 'situated at a distance of 25 leagues from Quebec, on one of the finest spots of the south sliore of the St. Lawronce, is the only establistiment of the kind for a population of more than $\mathbf{1 2 5 ; 0 0 0}$ souls, in all that immense extent of tervitory which lies between Quclice and the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

It is hardly necessary to conctude from these two facts among many others, that the well-being of this establishment is closely emmected with the education of several housand British sulbjects, and for that rery reason it ought to rely with greater confidence than ever upon the munificence of a wise, enlightened and Jiberal Governmont.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your very humble and obedient servant,

> (Signeil,) F. PILOTE, Priest,

Director.
Honble. D. Daty,
\&c. \&c. Montreal.

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Boarders pay $£ 17$ 10s. 6d. and Day Scholars £3 per amum, both for cducation and maintenance.

Lelter No. 2, referred to in the last preceding Statement. (Translation.)

Chambiy, 20th January, 1845.
Sin,-In answer" to the "letter" which you have written me on the part of His Excellency, I have the honor to submit for the information of His Excellency, the following report on the Colloge of Chambly. The

College suspended its course of instruction on the 17 th
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July last, to recommence anothor on a new plan adopted to meet the wishes and wants of the majority, (C.C.C.) 20th March: which plan came into operation on the 20 th of November last.
Since that period the number of pupils has gradually increased, so that there are at present ninety-seven scholars receiving a liberal and practical'education in the English and French languages, according to the plan submitted to the Provincial Legislature.

I hattor myself, Sir, that the above Repor will meet the beneficent views of His Excellency:
I have the honor to be, Sir,
With the highest "consideration,
Your most lumble and obedient Servant,

$$
\text { (Signed, } \text { ) P.M. MIGNAULT, }
$$

Priest.
The Honble. D. Daly.
Memornadium of Pierre.M. Mignault, Priest, Founder of the Chambly Collige.
The undersigned, Founder of the Chambly College, after having expended almost Three thousand pounds current money of this Province, both in erecting the said Colloge with its appurienances, and in furnishing it with overy article necessary for such an establishlment, including a Library of $\$ 93$ volumes, transferred and made over the whole to the Corporation which had just been estalilished'on the '20th December, 1836.

Since that period the aftairs of the College have been managed by Mossrs. J. Bte. Brouilles, Priest, Hubert Lefolvre, Clerk, and the undersigned, as general Aitomeys.
The Receipts for that period,
amount to
The Expenditure,
Deficit,..

According to this sketch, the undersigned is of opinion that a sum of $\mathcal{L} 1000$ would be required; both to cover the debts and to keep up the College according to the new plan submitted to the Provincial Legislature, and to the public: in general, in the month of December last.
(Signed,) , P. M. MIGNAULT, Chambly, 20th January, 1845.

## Letter No. 3, referred to in the last preceding state-

 ment.
## Montreal, 17 Ih Januayy, 1845.

Sir,-I have the honor to acknowledge the reccip), of your letter of the 141 h instant, requesting a statement of the number of pupils who are receiving instruction at the Royal Grammar' School under 'my' charge, with one assistant teacher:'

I beg to acquaint you, for His Excellency's informa. tion, that their are twenty-two pupils attending school at present, of whom sixteen are on the fuundation, and six whom their pareints pay for their cducation. There are four vacancies at present on the foundation, which hiave occurred at different periods since the month of September "last.

> I have he honor to be, Sir, Your most obedient humble Servant,
> (Signed,) ALEX. SKAKEL, M, A.

The Hon. Domr. Daly,
Prov. Secy, \&c. \&c. \&c.
Montreal.
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(C.C.C.) Letter No. 4, referred to in the last proceding Stato
ment.

20th Mareh.

## Thmed Rivers,

25 th Junuary, 1845.
Snr,-Enclosed you have the certificates of the Visitors and the list of Scholars, \&ec. My Sultool is not near So numerous as it used to be before the Board redaced my price of tuition from 5 s. to 3 s . 4 d . per month, and the IIouse of $\Lambda$ ssembly reduced my splary from $\pm 60$ to £45 per dunum. Before the reduction took place I kept at French 'Teacher, mostly at my own expense ; my School then areraged from 45 to 53 Scholars, so that roducing hy price, \&c. they did the public an injury iustend of a benefit. No Publie School in this Province should be without, Ireach Teacher, and then all would lave the same advantage.

I remaiu,
Honorable Sir,
Your most obedicnt Servant,
(Signed,) SELBY BURN.
The Hon. D. Daly.

Eatract of Letter No. 5, referred to in the preceding Statement.
"Waterloo, Shefford, Canida, East, " 16 th Janutcry, 1845.
"My School is at present small ; and as the number " of childrea attending the various Institutions of Edu" cation are called for, to the intent,' no doubt, of com. " parison, it is just' to remark that my' school, while it " has done its part in Classical and Mathematical Lduca"tion, is espectally" designed for the preparation of "'Teachers-that there is a lurge District School at pre"sent in the Village,-that onc only of my neighbours' " children attends my school,--the others being Boardors. "These remarks are the more necessary, ns not unfre" quently the High Schools jertorm the office of District "Schools also, tind are the only Schools to be founll in "the Villages where they are locatel.
"I have the honor to be,' Sir,
"Your obedient Servint,
(Signed,) "ANDREW BALTOUR."
"IIon." D. Daly, Sccretary, \&e."




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## RETURN

Apjendix
(D.D.D.)

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor Gencral, praying that His Excellency will be graciously pleased to cause to be laid before the Housc, a Refurn of the Custom House Bonds received at the Port of Montrial during the years 1842, 1843; and 1844 ; how many of such Bonds have been paid; how many remain unpaid; upon how many Judgments have been oblained, and what procecdings have been taken to entorce such Judgments.

Secretary's Office,
Montreal, 19 th March, 1845. $\}$

By Command,
D. DALY, Secy.

Letter from the Collector of the Custons; Montreal, to the Provincial Secretary, with one Enclosure. (Copy.) $\begin{gathered}\text { Custons House, } \\ \text { Montreal, 17th March, } 1845 .\end{gathered}$

Sra,-In compliance with the commands of His Excellency the Governor General, signified to me by your letter of the 15 th instant, I have the honor of transmithing to you herewith a Return of the number and amount of Bonds taken at this Port for Provincial Duties in the years 1842, 1843, and 1844, mado out conformably to the requirements of the Adress of thi Honurable the Legislative Assembly of the 14 i instant.

Hon. D. Daly,
Secretary, \&"c. sc. \&c.
(Signed,)
W. HALL,

Collector.

## (Enclosure.)

Return to an Order of the Honorable the Legislative Assembly, of the 14th instant.
Statembert of the number of Bonds for Provincial Duties takon at the Port of Montreal in the years 1842, 1843, and 1844 , shewing the number fraid, how many remain unpaid, the number upon which Judgments have been obtained, and the proceedings that have bean taken to enforce such Judgments.
In 1842, the number of Bonds taken werc 613, amounting to ......

were placed in the hands of the Law Officer of the Crown, for prosecu-tion,- -upon which Judgments were obtained, nnd of which 13 have been paid, amounting to

1,591 $12 \quad 6$
Learing unpaid 33 Donits, nuounting to ... $\quad . .1$... ... ...
Memo: Of the above nomount remaining unpaid, the Collector is informed that the Bankrupt Commissioner has given an order for the payment, out - of the estate of one of the parties whose Boads are included in it, of about
$\overline{53,72510}$
$1200 \quad 0 \quad 0$
So that there will actually remain unpaid of the Bonds takeri in 1842, about . $\overline{\text { 12525 }}$ I 0
The Quen's Counsel acting for the Atlorney General, has'several times been requested to take proceedings to enforce the Judgments on the bonds remaiuing unpaid, but with what suceess the Collector has not been able to ascertuin.
In 1843 , the number of Londs taken were $31^{\circ}$, amounting to

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ... | ... |  |  |
| ... | ... | $£ 173$ | $166$ |

In 1844 , the aumben of Bonds taken were 877 , amounting to
Of which two Bonds, amountiag to $\ldots \ldots$
are overdue a few days ; and 377 , amounting to
$46,422 \quad 1910$
remain unpuid, being dated after the list September, 1844 , and only becoming due on the Ist April next.
Total number of Bonds taken in the three years, 1805, amounting to
'£251,993 $8 \quad 9$ Custom House,
Montral, 17th March, 1845.
W. MALL, Collector.

# AFFAIRS OF THE INDIANS IN CANADA, 

LAID BEFORE THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEAłBLY,

20tin MARCH, 1845.

## PROVINCE OF CANADA.

By His Excellency the Right Honourable Sir Charlis Bagot, G. C. B., one of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over the Provinces o Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice Admiral of the same, \&c. \&c. \&c.

'To Rawson William Rawson, John Davidson, and William Hepburn, Esquires,-Greeting:

Know ye, that $I$, reposing trust and confidence in your loyalty, integrity, and ability, have constituted and appointed, and by these presents do constitute and appoint you, the said Rawson. William Rawsoh, Jom Davidson, and William Hepburn, to be the Commissioners to inquire into the application of the annual grant of money made by the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland for the benefit of the Indians in this Province, together with such other matters connected with the Affairs of the Indians residing in or visiting Canada, as have come, or you shall consider right to bring under the cognizance of the Provincial Government, and to report to me upon the said several maters, "and whether in your opinion any change should be made in the manner of conducting the business of the Indian Department, or in the application of the funds placed at its, disposal ; hereby charging and commanding all persons to be aiding and assisting you, as Commissioners aforesail, in the performance of the duties by this Commission assigned toyou: And know ye further, that I do hereby give full power and authority to you as Commissioners'n's aforesaid to call before you all and every such person and persons as you may think proper, and to sehd for and examine all such papers, records, and documents, of every description, as you shall judge necessary, with a, view to obtain such information as you may deem requisite for your guidance and assistance in investigating the several matters and things as aforesaid.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at Kingston, this tenth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, and in the sixth year of Her Majesty's Reign.
(Signed)
CHARLES BAGOT,
By Command,
Commission.

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To His Excellency the Right Honourable Sir Charles Theophilus Metcalfe, Ba-
ronet, G. C. B., one of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over the Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice Admiral of the same, \&c. \&c. \&c.

## May tt phease Your Excellency,

The Commissioners appointed to inquire into the Affairs of the Indians in Canada, and the application of the annual grant of money made by the Jmporial Parliament for the benefit of that Race, respectfully submit to Your Excellency their Report upon the several matters which have come under their investigation.

With the view of making themselves acquainted with the information already collected upon this sibbject, the Commissioners have perused the correspondence between the successive Governors of the two Provinces and the Secretary of State, from the year $\mathrm{I}^{\prime} 827$ to the present time, together with the several Reports already made on the state of the Indians, 'and the constitution of the Indian Department.

They have also examined die documents published by the British and American Legislatures, relative to Lhe Aborigines of North Americal

By means of queries issued to the several officers of The Indian Department, to the Missionaries resident among the Indians, and to the other persons acquainted with the character and interested in the welfare of this race, a mass of valuable information upon their present state, and of suggestions for improving it, has
beon collecled, and will be found appended to this Report.

The written evidence thus obtained has in a great measure supeiseder the necessily of examining jersons, but the Commissioners have availed themselves of such opportunities is have presented themselves of procuring oral evidence from competent witresses.
'The general results' will be submitted under 'the following heads:
Ist. Nistory of the Relations between the Govermment and the Indians.
2nd. Past and present condition of the Indians.
3rd. Present mode of conducting Indian Affairs, under their several heads, with recommendations for its amondment.
The extent and importance of the subject, and the imperfee knowledge which exists with regard to it, will oblige your Commissioners to enter into considerable detuit; but the information which they will submit appears necossary in order to afford a comprehensive view of the Affairs of the Indians, and to enable Your Excellency and Her Majesty's Government to form a judgiment upon any scheme proposed for their future management.

## SECTION I.

# HISTORY OF THE RELATIONS 

CBETWEEN

## THE GOVERNMENT AND THE INDIANS.

The spirit of the British Government towards the Aborigines of this Continent, was at án early date characterized by the same forbenrance and kindness which still continues to be extended to them.

In" 1670, during the reign of Charles II.' a code of instructions was issued for the guidance of the Governors of Colonies, from which the following are extracts :

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"them from adversaries but that they more especially "take care that none of our own subjects, nor any of " "their sorvants, do any way harm them. And that if "nny shall dare to offer any violence to them in their "persons, goods or possessious, the said Governors do "seycrely punish the said injuries, agrecably to right and "justicc. And you are to consider how the Indians "and slaves may be best instructed and invited to the " Christim religion", it being: both for the honour of the "Crown and of the Protestant religion itself, that all "persons within any of our territories, though never so "remote, should be taught the knowledge of God and "Wo made acquainted with the mysteries of salvation:"

During the wars which Great Britan waged with France, and subsequently with the United Sutes, on this Continent, both parties used thoir utmost endenvours to attach the Indians to their cause, and to incite them to join their standard., In this they were but to successful. The warlike character of their people, the temptation which the presents and encouragement


[^23]if the "Red Coat",*' offered, and the opportunity which the occasion prosented for prosecuting their revenge against their adverse tribes, led a great part of the race into the field. The history of this period affords abundant evidence of their enterprise and prowess as warriors, with many remarkable instances of heroism and magnanimity, and no less striking examples of bloody revenge, and savage cruelty:

At the conquest of Canadia, the same spirit of forhearance was shown towards the Indians, as well those who had fought on the French side, as those who had espoused the British cause. All within the Province were allike taken mider the prolection of the British Government. The 40th Arlicle of the Capitulation of Montrenl, recites that "The Savages or Indian "Allies of His Most Clristian Majesty shall be main"tained in the lands they inhabit, if they choose to re"side there; they shall not be molested on any pre" fence whatsoever, for having carried arms and served " Itis Most Christian Majesty; they shall have, as well "as the French, literty of religion, 'and shall keep " their missionaries."

The subsequen Proclanation of His Majesty George III. issued in 1763 , furnisled them with a fresh guarantee for the possession of their hunting grounds and the protection of the Crown. This document, the Indians look upon as their Charter. They have preserved a copy of it, to the present time, and have referred to it on several occensions in their representations to the Government. It is of sufficient imporiance and interest to be quoted in purt in this place.f

## EXTRACT.

"And whereas it is just and reasonable and essen"tial, to our interest and the security of our Coloniss, "that the several matives or Tribes of Indians, with "whom we are connected, and who live under our "protection, should not he molested or disturbed in "the possession of' such part of our dominions and ter"ritories, as not having been ceded to us, are reserved "to them, or any of theon as their hunting grounds; "We do, therefore, with the advice of our Privy Coun"cil, dectate it to beour Royal will and pleasure, that "no Governor or Commander in Chief, in any of our "Colonies of Quebec, East Florida or West Florida, "do assume, upon any pretence whatever, to grant "Warrants of Survey, or 'pass any Patents for lands "beyond the bounds of their respective Governments, "as described in their Commissions; as also that no "Governor or Commander in Chief of our' other Co"lonies, or Plantations in America, do presume, for "the present and until our further pleasure be known, "to grant Warrants of Survey, or pass any Patent for "lands, beyond the heads or sources of any of the "rivers which fall into the Atlantic Ocean, from the "West or North West, or upon any lands whatever "which, not having been ceded to, or purchased by us "as, aforesaid, are reserved to the said Indians or any "'uf them.
"And we do further declare it to be our Royal will "and pleasure, for the present as aforesaid, to reserve " under our sovereignty, protection and dominion, for " the use of the said Indians, all the lands and territories, " not included withinthe limits and territory granted to "the Hudson's Bay Company; as also all the land and "territories lying to the Westward of the sources of "the rivers which fall into the sea, from the west and "north west as aforesaid; and we do horeby strictly "forbid, on pain of our displeasure, all our loving sub" jects, from making any jurchases or settlements what"soever or taking possession of any of the lands above

[^24]$\dagger$ For the entire document, see Appendix, No. 46.
" reserved, without our special leave or license for that " purpose first obtained.
" And we do further strictly enjoin and requiro, all "vertently, seated themselves upon any lands within " the countries above described, or upon any other " lands, which not having been cerled to, or purchased "by us, are still reservel to the said Indians as afore"s said, forth with to remove themselves from such settle" ments.
"And whercas great frauds and abuses have been "committed in the purchasing lands of the Indians, to "the greatprejudice of our intercsts, and to the great dis"satisfaction of the said Indians, in order, thercfore, to "prevent such irregularities for the future, and to the "end that the Indians may be convinced ofour justice, "and determined resolution to remove all reasomable "calase of discontent, we do, with the advice of our "Privy Council, strictly enjoin and require, that no pri"vate person do prosume to make any purchase from "the said Indians, of any lands reserved to the said In"dians, within those parts of our Colonies, where we " had thouglit proper to illow settlement; but if,'at any " time, any of the said Indians, who should be inclined "to dispose of the said lands," the same shall be pur"chased only for us, in our tame at some public meet" ing or assembly of hie said Indians, to be held for that "purpose, by the Governor or Commander-in-Chief of " our Colonies respectively, within which they shall be; "and in case they shall be witlin the limits of :ny pro" prietiries, conformable to such directions or instruc" tions as we, or they, shall think proper to give for that " purpose: And we do, by the advice of our Privy "Council, declare and enjoin, that the irade with the "ssid Indians shall be free and open to all our subjects " whatsocver; provided that every person who may "incline to trate with the said Indians, do take out a " license for carrying' on such trade, from the Governor " or Commander-in-Chief" of any of our Colonies res" pectively, where such person shall reside, and also " give security to observe such regulations as we shall "it any time, think fit, by ourselves, or our Commis"sioners to be appointed for this purpose, to direct and "appoint for the benefit of the said trade; and we do " hereby authorise, enjoin and require, the Governors " and Commanders-in-chief of all our Colonies res"pectively, as well those under our immediate go"vernment, as those under the government and difec"tion of proprietaries, to grant such licenses without fee " or reward, and the security forfeited in case the per"son to whom the same is granted, shall refuse or "' ${ }^{\text {ncg}}$ " glect, to observe such regulations as we shall think "proper to prescribe as aforesaid. And we do further "expressly enjoin and require all officers whatever, as "well military as those employed in the management "and direction of the Indian Affairs, within the terri"tories reserved as aforesaid, for the use of the saidn"dians, to seize and apprehend, all persons whatever, " who, standing charged with Treason,' misprision of "Treason, murder, or other felonics or misdemeanors, "shall fly from justice, and take refuge in the said ter-" ritory, and to send them under a proper guard to the "Colony where the crime was committed of which "they shall stand accused, in order to take their trial " for the same.
"Given at Our Court at St. James, the seventh day " of October 1763, in the Third. year of Our Reign. " God save the King."

The resident Tribes were thus left undisturbed, and at the close of the American War in 1784, the Government granted to the Confederacy of the Six Nations, who had loyally maintained the British cause during that struggle, and were desirous of removing from their
old bunting groomds within the United States, a large block of the most valuabli land in Upper Canada; containing about 674,910 arres, which it had previously purchased from the aboriginal occupants. This Grant was made without any condition' or restriction except that the lands should no be allenated without the consent of the crown.

Since 1763 tho Governinent, adhering to the Royal Proclamation of that year, have not considered themselves entitled to dispossess the Indians of their lands, wilhout entering into an agreement with them, and rendering them some compensution. "For a considerable time after the conquiest of Canala, the whole of the western part of the Upper Province, with the exception of a few military posts on tho frontier, and a great extent of the castern part, was in their occupation. As the settement of the country advancerd, and the land was reguired for now occupants, or the predatory and revengeful hatits of the Indians rendered their removal desirable, the British Government made successive'agreemerits with them for the surrender of portions of their lands. " The compensation was sometimes made in the shape of presents, consisting of clothing, ammunition, and objects adapted to gratify a savage taste; but more frequently in the shape of permanent annuities, payable to the tribe concerned, and their descendans' forever, either in goods at' the current price, or'in money at the rate of ten dollars, (£2 10s.) for ench member of the tribe at the time of the arrangement.

Of these agrements the Commissioners submit in the Appendiz ( 66 and 67) a schedule, showing the date, the tribe, the extent of the surrender, and the amount of compensation.

As these transactions have been made the subject of reproach to the Government, and a ground fir subsequent claims on behalf of the Tadians, it may be proper here to offer a feew remarks on the subject.

It las been alleged that these agreements were unjust, as dispossessing the natives of their ancient territuries,' and extortionate, as 'rendering a very' inadequate compensation for the lands surrendered.

If, however', the Government had not made arraingements for the voluntary surrender of the lands, the white setlers would gradually have takon possession of them, without offering any compensation whatever; it would, at that time, have been as impossible to resist the natural laws of society, 'and to guard the Indian Torritory against the encroachments of the whites, as it would have been impolitic to have attempted to check the tide of immigration. The Goyernment, therefore, adopted the most humane and the most just course, id inducing the Indians, by oflers of compensation, to remive quietly to more distant hunting grounds, or to contine themselves within more limited reserves, instead of teaving them and the white settlers exposed to the fiorrors of a protracted struggle for ownership. The wisdoni and justice of this course is most strongly recommended ly Vattel, in his Law of Nations, from which the following passage is an extract :-
"There is another celobrated question to which the "diseovery of the new world has principally given rise. "It is asked whether a nation miy lawfulty take pos"session of some part of a vast country in which there
"are none but crratic nations, whose scanty population
"'is incapable of occupying the whole? We have al-
"ready observed, in establishing the obligation to culti-
"vate the earth, that these mationis catinot exclusively
"appropriate to themsclves more land than they have
"occasion for, or hore than they are able to settle and
"cultivate: Their unsettled habitation in those im-
" mensc regions, cannot be accounted a true and logal
" possession," and the people of Europos too closely pen " up at home, finding land of which the Savages stoor "in no particular need, and of which they made no ac" tual and constant use, were Lawfully crittled to take " 6 possession of it and to sette it with Colonies. Tho "earth, as welavealrealy ohscrved, belongyto mankind '" in general, and was designed to furnish" them with "subsistence.' If cotch nation 'had from the Heginning "resolved to appropriate witselfia vist country, that the "people might live only by humting, fistiing and wild " fruits, our globe would not be sulficient to maintain a "tenth part of its present inhabitunts. We Whot, there-
"fore, deviate from the views of nature, in collfining
"the Indians within narrower limits. However," wo
"cannol hefp"praising the moteration of" We English
"Puritans, who first setted in Now England, who,
"notwithstanding thoir being farnished wilh a charter
"from their Sovereigu, purchased" of the Indians the
"lands of which they intendel' to take possession. This
"haudable oxample was fillowed by William Pem, 隹d
"the Colony of Quakers that he conducted to Penn"sylvania"."

Nor can the friend of the Indian claim for him a monetary compensation based on the jiresent value of the land, which has becin crated sololy by the presence and industry of the white settlers. Its only value to the denizen of the forest, was as a huntiug ground, as the source of his supply of game and furs. Of Che cultivation of the soil, he then kiew nothing. The progress of sotlement, and the consequant destruction of the forests, with the operations of the lumberer, and fir trader, was shortly about to destroy this yatuc in every case the Inlians had either the opportunity of retrcating to more dislant huntirg grounds, or thoy were loft on part of their old possessions, with a reserve supposed at the time to be adequate to all their wants; and greatly exceeding their requirements as cultivators of the soil at the present day, to which wore added the range of their old haunts, until they becaure actually occupied by settlers, and in many cuses, anannuity to themselves and their descendents forcever, which was equivalent at least to any benefit they derived from the possession of the lands.

If subsequent evorts have greatly enhanced the value of their lands, it has been in consequence of the speedy and peaccable settement of the country, by means, chicfly, of the agrements in question, and the Irdians ard now in possession of advantages which far exceed those of the surrovinding white population, and which afford them the moans, under a proper system of mental improvement, of obtaining independente, and even opulence.

These agreements have been fathfully observed by both parties. The Indians have not dispoted the tite of the Crown to the lands, which they have sutrenderen; and the amnities have always been the first clarge upon the revenue derived from the sale of Crown Lands, and have been punctuelty perid up to the present time.

From the earliest period of the connexion between the Indians and the British Government it has beem customany to distribute annually certain presents, consisting chiefly of clothing and ammunition, It does not clearly appear how and when this practico arose. In a menorial of the Scren Nations to the Gorcruor of Lower Canada, in 1537 , they assert , that it was commenced by the French Goveriment." The olject

[^25]at that poriod was rumblicss in the first instance to concilinte tho Imbians, to ensure thoir services, and to mapjly their wants as warriors in the field: and aterwatds, in timos of peace, to secure their allegiance lowards dho British Crown, and then' good wili and goncefal behaviour towards the whito setuers.

The practice las continued to the presont time, partly owing to a renewal of the occasions which first lod to it; partly to ropented, but upparently cuatuthonisod, declarations of officers of the Govermment, That the system should for over he mainained; and partly to tho apprehension that its suddea discontinhance would cause inconvenience and hamelships to a large protion of tho dace withis the l'roviace.

The IBtitisl Govermment havo always considored the ladians to be amber theirespecial charge. In the Lower Province tho tribis wero early convertod and ioblected in sellements by the Jusuits, who received large grants of land from the Fromel Cruwn for this sprviece Upon the Compues, the Crown tork possesmion of these estatos, ami hus cut of any farther benelif which the Indians might have dexved liom then. In the Upiper Province, however, Christianity and cinilization had, until a recont period, made litile progress among them. 'They wero an untatight, whary, race, anong a population ready and able to lako every adrathage of them. Their lameds, their prosents and anamitics, 'the produce of the ehase, thair gums and cluthing, whaterer they possessed of sulue, were ulb. jacts of temptation to whe needy setters and the dinprincipled trader, to whom datir ignorance of com-
 able fondness for spirits, jolded them an easy prey. Hence it became nocessary for the Govemment to interfere. Laws were passed o provent or limit trading with them-to himfler the sale of spirits to them-to exclude whites fron their sellements-and to restrain encroachments upon their lands. Officors ware appointed at the principal hadian suttemonts, to riforee theso laws, and to communicate botween the tribes and the Guvermment; to allend to the distihution of their prosents and annuities; to prevent disrussion; and, generally, to maintain the abthority of the Government among the tribes.

The system of clealing with them was essentially. military. Fur a long time they wore under the had if the military departmont, and were considered ant? trated as militaty allies or stipendiaries.

Litue was done by the Government to raise their mumal and momal condition, In Lown Camathe Komin Catholic Missimatios, origmally appoinod by hat Jesuits, wero manained. In Upper Canada, unlil a very late period, neithor Missionary nor Schoolmaster was appointed. The omission was in later gants supplied by varions religious Societios, whose othorts have in mary instances met wilh sigmal success, and within a still mure recent period the Government has directed its attention to the same oliject.

As we Indian Lands were hedd in common, and the lithe to them was vested in the. Crown, as their Guardian, the Indians were excluded from all political rights, the tenure of which depended upon an extent wi interest, not conferred unon them by the Crown.

Their inability also to compete with their white brethen debarred them, in a groal mensure, from the wiopment of civil rights, while the policy of the Guverment lad to the beliof that they did not in lact possess hicm.".

[^26]They wore thus left in a state of tutelage, which Hohough" devised for thoir proteetion and benefit, has in tho ovent proved very dotrimental to thoin interests, ly encouraging them to rely wholely upon the support curd advico of the Govermment, and to neglect the opm portunitios which thoy lave possessed of ruising themsoltes from the state of dependence to the level of the survolrading population.

It is easy, at tho 'prosent day, on looking lack, to trace the error of the (iovermment, and its evil conse" quencos; but it is only just to observe that the system was in accordance with the legistation of the times. "Ihe rggencrative powor of religion and education was not thers as now appectiater.' 'The effects of civilization, and tho necessitios mising out of I , were not foreseen. The information of Dhe lmperial Government was very 'mperfoct: It was not ensy ror safo rashly to change mode' of dreatment to which the Indians had 'hecome accustomerl, and thus the system" has been allowed to continte up to the present time, long ufter the Govermment has becomo aware of its lmperfections' and inconveniencos.

It must also bo acknowledged that the system was never fully omried out. The protedion which the Government intended to throw over the lindians was not and coukd not be sulliciontly maintaind. No sufervision was adequalo to guard so many detachied and distant bands from the ovils inflicted on them by Their white neigtbours, aided by their own cupidity and love of spirits. 'Their lands were encroached upon, frequently with their own consent, hought with a bribe to the Chiol. Their complaints were often adjudicated upon by parties interested in lospuiling them, or prejudiced agatust thom; and thus a system, crroneous in itself, Jecame more liarful from its necessarily imperfoet devolopment. Of late years, however, tho Govermment has become sensible of the necessity forintroducing some change in this policy.

The Commissionors Lave' not had an opiortunity, ard they did not consider it nocessary, to examine the ufficial correspondence prior to the year 1927; but subsequent to that date they find abundant evidence of the desire of successivo Sectetaries of State to asecttain the condition of the ladians, and to suggest measures for their benefit, with a reciprocal spirit on the part of the soperal Governors of both Provinces. This correspondence, which up to the year 1839, has been laid before the British Parliment,", contains very valuable indormation, particulanly with regard to the Indians of Lower Canada; and conveys sugrestions 'and orders from the Secretary of Seate, which, if acted ' upon, would already fave done muels towneds raising the condition and chameter of the Irdians', and which, it is presumed, have been neglerted only on account of the more pressing, matiors atising out of the disturbed state of the two Provinces.

The Commissioners deem it of importance to give a brief summary of this correspondence, as it exhibits the views of the Govermment, and vindicates it from the
"hites whun indivitually prossesser of the neerssury qualifications may bo inferted from tho fuet, that Joha Brant, an Indiun Cliter of the six mations, was elected a hember of tha Iocrishative Assembly of Uppor Cannda. Tho subsuquent lass of his seat in that body, was oecasioned in consequence of his nol possessing sufficient
 Mrumahys, mat Mr. Atarney' Gelneral Ogden's opinions on this subject are given in the Appendix, Nu. 08.

* Ieelurn to severnh addresses to lis Mugesty relating oo the Abritifinal Wibes in North Amortur, '\&c Ordered to be printod by the Ifomse of Corimonis; 4th Sugust, 1834 . No. 017.
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(EEE:) imputation of indifference to the welfare of the Indian race, while it poins out many of the remedies which it will be thoir duty to recommond, and enables them to claim the bygonesanction of officers of distinguished benevolence and experience.

Parl Papors, It appears that Earl Bathurst the Cow Ip. 7, 1804. Wonial Secretary in the year 1822, and
Ib. p. 5. Viscount Goderich, holding the same of fice in 1827, contemplated a reduction of the Indian Departmont, with a view to its ullimate abolition: Lurd Guclerich suggested the commutation of all payments then made in goods, inclading the annuities and presents, into morcy.
1b. p. $\boldsymbol{c}_{1}^{\prime} \quad$ The Enrl of Dallousio, who, as Commander of the Forcos, had the superintendence of the Indians in buth Provinces, objected strongly to this change, the mischiof of which is clearly politiod out in other 'parts of' this correspondence, and will' be hereafter noticed.

1b. p. 22. "' In 1828, Lord Dathousie furnishod a dotailed Report upon the condition of the several bands of Indians in bolh Provinces, prepared by Mijen General Darling, who, in his capacity of "Militury. Secrotary, bad for mary years been in charge of tho didian Department.

As this information was obtained Ly personal investigation, and po refercuce is made to any former Reports, it is probable that this is the enrliest document received by the Governmon, which contains any detailed statement relative to the tribes.

1b. p. 26, 27. General Darling pointed out the necossity of more active steps to civilize and educato the Indians, and surgested the substitution of stock and agricultural implements, for the goods given them in payment of their annuities.
"(lt may be well here to state, that the total number of Indians who then came under the observation of the Government, aud widhin the reach of its irfluence in buth Provinces, did not exteed 18,000, and it has since decreased.)

Ib. pi 36, The above suggestion was approved by $3 d$ Dec., 1828. Sir Goirge Muriay, whio at the same time divided the Government of the Indians, arid placed thein under the supermendence of the Governors' of the respective Prowinces., In the same Despatch, he called upion Sir J. Kempt to Report "ts to the measures which be considered "necessary fur the "moral and religious instruction of the Indians, and "how far the labors of the Missimaries in this re"spect had boen benoficial"; or may' require assis"tance;" and whelfer the measures which have
"hitherto been adopted for lie protection of the In-
" dians, in the lands and property to which they are
"fairly entitled, have been effectual:"
16 May, 1820, These enquisios were not directly anil. p. 37. swered, but Sir J. Kempt, in his reply, proposed various reducions in the Department, and suggestions for the sotlement of the fudians, and tho distribution of the prosents, and concluded with the tollowing recommentations:-
"It appears that the most offectual means of ame"liorating the condition of the Inidias, oi pronoting "their religious improvement and uducation, and of
roso "cventually relie"ing His Majesty's Go-
P. 40. "veriment from the expense of the Indiant
"Department, ate-
"1st. To collict $\|$ o [ndians in considerable num. "bers, and to settle them in villages, wilh a due portion "of land for their cullivation nud suppirt.
"2d. To make such provision for their roligions. "improverment; education, and instruction in hustandry, "as circumstances inay from time to time require.
"3n. To afford them such assistance in building "their houses, rations, und tin procuring such soed nod "agricultural implements as may bo necessary, commut"ing, when practicable, a portion of their presenta for "llie litter.
"4th. To provide active and zealots Missionaries "for the Indians at the Bay of Quinte and Guillimbury, "und to send Westeyan Missionaries from lengland to "coupteract the antipathy to the Extablished Church, "and other objectionible principlos, which the" Metho" dist Missionaries from thi United States ara suppnsed "to instil into the minds of heir Indian converts."

These suggestions, with the exception of the list," which'was' not noticod in tho reply, were approved by 1st Dee, 1829, the Lords of the Treasury and the SecreIb. p. $60 . \quad$ tary of State, but an'urder wasit the same time given liat the whole expense of the bepartment should not exceed $£ 20,000$.

This limitation has probably been one of the chief reasons why the policy recommended by SirJ. Kempt, and adopted by the Secretary of state, has not been cirricd out on any systematic plat, for die greater part of this sum has been absorbed ly the anmul nesents. and the expenso of the Deparinent. The mode niso in which the accounts of the Department have been kept, has left the Government in the dark th to tho supplies applicable to purposes of improvenent, and it may be asserted that the propused scheme could not then have been undertaken upon an "extensive saide with the means thus aftionded, and with an establishmont organized for tho mantemance of a diferent systom.

In the meantime, however, Sir John Colborne, then Licutonant Governor in Upper Camada, had sought permission to apply the amount of the annuities tosirJ. Komph wards building houses and 'purchasing' 22 June, 1822 , ugricultural implements and stock for the 16. pi 53. Indians entilled to such payments, who might be disposed to tako up a fixed abode in the Province; and upon leave being granted, he lost no time in intronlucing the changen

In the same year, the experiment of educating Indian youths, at a common English school, wis com menced in Lower Canada, by placing six Indian boys at a school ar Chateaugary, inder the suparvision of - Major Plenderdeith Chistio; who has bestowed great aliention upin the ludiaras, and whuse benevolent exertions in their favor have been continued to the present time. This nurder was subsequently inereased by Lord Sydunham to tiwelve, andilie expense of their buard ancl education continues to be bothe by the Giovernment.

The important change of transfering the Indinns from the clarge of the Military authorities to that of the Civil Governors in both Provinces, was introduced at this time by Sir Georgo Murray, and the motives 25 June, 1830, which led to it are ably described in the
1b. p. 87. following extract from one of his de-spatches:-

[^27]"il appears to me, that the course which has "hitherto been taken in dealing with these people, "has had reference to the adrantages which might be "derived from their iriendship in times of war, rather "than to any settled purpose of gradually rectaiming " them from a state of barbarism, and of introducing " amongst them the industrious and peaceful tabits of "civilized life.
" Under the peculiar circumstances of the times, it " may have been originally difficult to pursue a more "enlightened course of policy; the system may, per"haps, have been persisted in by the Home and Colo" nial Governments rather as a matter of routine than "upon any well considered grounds of preference; " whitst, on the part of the Indians themselves, there " is to doubt that is accordance with their natural "propensities, and with. their long established babits, "rendered it more acceptable to them than any other.
"Nor is it unlikely that if, on the one hand, there ex-
"isted a disposition' in the aboriginal inhabitants to
" cling to their original habits and mode of life, there
" was a proneness also in the new occupants of Ame-
"rica to regard the natives as an. 'irrechaimuble vace,
" and as inconvenient ncighbours, whom it was desira-
" ble ultimately wholly to remove.
"Whatever may have been the reasons which have " hitherto recominended an adherence to the present "system, I am satisfied that it ought not to be per"sisted in for the future; and that so enlarged a view
" of the nature of our connexions with the Indian " tribes should be taken, as may lead to the adoption
" of proper measures for their future preservation and
" improvement, whilst, 'at the same time, the obliga-
"tions of morat duty and sound policy should not be
"lost sight of."
He then notices the favorable opportunity offered by the increased dispasition of some of the Indians to alter their mode of life,-repeats a former injunction to encourage in every possible manner the progress of religious knowledge and education generally among the tribes,-expresses "his decided opiaion that these "inestimable advantages should be allowed to fullow "in, through whaterer channel they may find their "way,"-recomiends the substitution of presents likely to produce a tasie for agricultural pussuits, in lieu of those calculated to keep alive in the Indians their passion for the chace and their warlike propensities, and advises their settiement in Townships or apon detached lots of pard, in a manner similar to the Europran settlers.
${ }^{27}$ Jun., 1930, Sir J. Kempt having objected to the Ib. p. 99. Indians being placed under the Civil Governors, the Secretary of State replied that he saw 22 March,, 8830 no good reasun for not adhering to his 14. p. 90 . originall instructions.

From this time forward, therefore; a different system has been adopted towards the Indians, upon the express aulhority of the Secretary of State. A subsequent correspondence shows that several measures in anticipation of these instructions had already been sir J. Kempt, taken. But unfortumately the dificicultics in May, 1850, already pointed out, and the unsetted
page 95. 1 politicul state of the Provinces, have prevented any systematic arrangements for carrying out in their full spirit the benevolent intentions of the British Government.

Vicle last re-'
Sir J. Kempt proposed a schicme for ference. settlement and education in Lower Canada, which was never acted upon. Subsequently, the Earl of Gosford transmitted a voluminous and 13 July, 1837, highly valuable Report of the Executive Harl. Pupers, Council of Lower Canada, containing

1839, p. 25. various recommendations for the amelioration of the Indians, which met with the entire appribbation of the Secretary of State, who, in the autumn 22. Aug, 1838 , of 1838, authorised Lord Durhim to carry Ib. p. 5. the proposed measures into effect.

The Commissioners have already noticed the difficulties which have been opposed to the execution of these instructions, and which may account for no steps having, up to the prosent time, been taken for the further improyement of the Indians in this part of the United Province.

In Upper Canada murfh has since been done in furtherance of Indian civilization-it is wae that much more was required-than in the Lower Province. The number of resident Indians was double, and many thousands more were wanderers in the remote and uninhabited districts. Alnost all the tribes in Lower Canada had lung been partially civilized and converted to Christianily; the majority of those in the Upper Province were uncivilized and pagans. The former possessed no annuities, and were dependent whully on the I'arliamentary Grant, the inadequacy of which, to meet any large increase of expenditure, has been atrendy pointed out. The latter were in the enjoyment of an annual income, payable by the Government; or derived from investments in publie and private securities, amounting to above $£ 6000$.

Hence the opportunities and means for promoting their improvement were much greater, and successive Lieutenant Governors, prompted and aided by the Secretaries of State, and by the zealous and laudable exertions of missionaries of all classes, bave conferred great and lasting benefits on the tribes within their jurisliction. Their efforts have been restricted by the same causes as in the other Province. In both, it appears that the Indians have now attained nearly the same stage of civilization at which their farther progress requires more enlarged measures, and more active interference.

The steps by which the Upper Canalian Iudians were brought to this condition are described in the official correspondence.

14th Oetoher,
In 1830 Sir John Colburne reported 1830, l'arl.' that certain triber, comprising a' few Papers. 18834 , hundred individuais, had been placed unp. 128. der the charge of a Superintendent of the Indian Department, and urged to clear a tract of land between Lakes Huron and Simeoe; - that he had directed houses to be built for thern, on detached lots, and that dicy were clearing ground for farms. Agricultural implements had: been procured for them, experienced larmers had, been engaged to instruct them, and schoolmasters appointed to educate thieir children.
Mr. Amier. The successful result of this first experison's. Rep. in ment is described in an interesting Report sir J. .C., 22.d. of the Superintendent, 'transmitted five Parl. Papers, years subsequently, to the Sccretary of 1833; p. 148 .' State.

Similar mensures were reported in 1830, io be on trial at the Indian stations on the Thames and St. Clair. The result has been alike beneficial.

The expense of these mensures, which were subsequently extended by Sir Jolin Colborne to nther tribes, was defrayed ont of the surplus of the Parlinmentary Grant, and their annuities.

Parl. Papers, In 1832, the Secretary of State recom1830, p. 138. mended that the charge fir the Indian Department in the Canalas should be submitted to Parliament in a separate ustimate. Previously to this

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period the charges for the presents, including those given on account of the annuities payable for lands surrendered, had been yearly granted by the British Parliament in a separate vote, while the salaries and pensions of the officers of the Indian Department had been paid from the military chest, and provided for out of the army extraordinaries. . This course being considered irregular, Lord Goderich proposed that for the future, the land-payments, or annuines yayable for lands surrendered, which were confined to Upper Canada, should be charged on the Casual and Teritorial Revenue of that Province, while the remaining charge, having been originally incurred with the view of securing the services of the Indians in wars, for British, and not'exclusively colonial interests, ought, according to His Lordship's view, to be provided by the Imperial Parliament.
Ib. p. 146. This arrangemen't was' completed in'1834, when the annuities were definitely ordered to be charged on the 'Territorial Revenue.

About this time, the project of collecting, at the Manitoulin Istand, the small band of Indians hitherto scattered over the north-western parts of Upper Canada, was matured. This island, which is situated on the northern side of Lake FIuron, and is in extent, about 100 miles by 30 , appeared well suited for the purpose. It was, uninhabited by whites, and offered fow temptations to invite them thither. The land and climate were reported to be good, the country to be woll watered by rivers and interior lakes, and its numerous bays, to abound in fish. Sir John Colborne authorized the commencement of a seltlement by the erection of several buildings, and made it the place for the delivery of the annual presents to the visiting Indians.

In the year 1835, a select Committce of the House of Commons on Military Expenditure in the Colonies, reported the following Resolution:-
"That the Committee are of opinion from Patl. Papers, "the evidence taken, and to which they re-' 83 9, p. l. "'fer that the Indian Department may be greatly re"duced, if not altogether abolished; and they therefore "call the attention of the House to the same, and also "to the expense of articles annually distributed to the "Indians, and whether' any arrangement' may not be " made to dispense with such distribution in future, or "to commute the presents for money."

In consequence of this Resolution, Lord Glenelg, then Secretary of State for the Colonies, addressed a Despatch to the Governors of both Provinces; the following extracis from which will explain His' , Ibid. Lordship's views.
1.: "I feel bound, after much consideration, to ex"press my opinion, that the time is not yet arrived at "which it would be possible, consistently' with good "faith, altogother to disconinue the annual prosents to "the Indians."
2. "Of tho sum expended in presents', there is; "however, a portion, which would appear" to be placed "under peculiar circumstances. ". It has often been re"presented, and lately on official authority, that of the
"Indinns who receive presents from the British Go-
"vernment," a considerable number reside within the
"United States, and only rosort to Canada at the :pe"riods of issuc."
"I have to request that you will direct an imme"diate iriquiry' to be made into the truth of this state" ment, and that you will ascertain and report to me
"under what arrangements or conditions, "such' persons
" have hitherto received presents, at what" periods their
"change of domicile took place; how far the faith of
" the country is pledged to them; and whether any " bad consequences are to be apprehended from the " discontinuance of their supplies."
3. "Whilc, however, my present information leads " me' to believe that the immediate or early discontinu" ance of the annual presents to the Indian Tribes re.
" siding within the British. Provinces, without a com-
" " mutation," would be unjust and impolitic, I am by no
" means prepared to admit that they should be indefi-
"nitcly" perpetuated; and I have to request' that "you will direct your early attention to a considera"tion low far it may be practicable, consistently with "good faith," and sound' policy, gradually to diminish "their amount, with a view to tho ultimate abrogation "of the existirg custom."
"4. With reference to the idea of commuting the" "s presents for money, His Lordship stated 4 I am not " disposed to question the accuracy under these exist-
"ing circumstances of ethe opinions expressed by Lord
"Dalhousie and Sir J. Kempt; on the contrary, I
" think it probable that at the date of their despatches, "s such consequences might linve followed from money "s payments to the Indians; but since that time consi"derable progress, I have reason to believe, has been " made in the settlement and civilization of tho tuibes, " and it "has'been stated by persons to whose expe" rience it is impossible not to defer, that it would be " very "advantageous to them to receive in money a " proportion of the annual issues I have therefore "thought it advisable again to bing the subject under "s the consideration of the Lords Commissioners of the "Treasury, and I have obtained their Lordships sanc"tion to a commutation of the usual presents formoney.
"If, therefore, you should, upon investigation find "reason to conclude that the well being of the Indians "would be promoted by substituting an equivalent in " money, in lieu of ardicles at present issucd, or a por" 6 tion of them, you will consider yourself at liberty, to "effect such acommutation.'
"5. Looking, however, to the moral and religious " improvement of the Indians, and their instruction in "the arts of civilized' life, as the principal object to be " kept in view in our infercourse 'wilh these tribes, I " am anxious that your enquiries should be specifically " directed to the practicability of effecting a commuta"tion of the presents for some object of permanent bo", nefit and utility" to the parties now receiving them, "It was with this molive that agricultural implements "have of late been included among the presents; * "but I hope it may be possible to carry the principle " into more extended operation.
'6. From the Reports in' this Department, it ap"pears that not only anong the more settled and ci"s vilized tribes, but eren" among those inlabiting the 's remote Districts of Canada, a strong desire for "knowledge has recently been evinced in Upper Ca." " nada," schools have'been established by societies and " by private individuals, and are said to be well at"tended." In Lower "Canada, also, similar offorts ap: "pear to have been made, though perhaps not with so "favourable a result : these circumstances, combined "with the gencral docility of the Indian tribes, lead me "to hope, that a scheme of a more general nature " would not, fail of ultimate success. I cannot, of "course, pretend to enter into the details of such a "s scheme; "it is sufficient for me to impress upon you "' the readiness and the anxiety of His Majesty's Gow "s vernment to co-operate to the utmost of their power "in its promotion. With this view they are pre

* This is a mistale, no such change had been made in the pre, sents, but'part of the nnnuities in Upper Canada'had been expend ed in the purchase of suoh'articles.


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[^31][^32]"land should be reserved in specified parts of the "Province, for such of the tribes as appear to need "such an augmentation of their property." Some of these and other minor recominendations, Lord Gosford at once commenced to carry out, is far as he felt himself authorized without the previous sanction of the Secretary of State. And he reports to the Secretary of State the measures he had adopted.

As Sir F. Heal's' views difler from the most compotent authorities, and do not appear to be supported by experience, it will only be necessary to state them in his own concise words.
" 1st. That an attempt to make farmers Ib. p. 125. " of the Red men has been generally speaking a com" plete failure.
"2nd. That congregating them for the purpose of "civilizition has implanted many more vices than it " Jas eradicated; and consequently
"3rd. That the greatest kindness we can perform " lowards these intelligent, simple minded people, is to " remove and to fortify them as much as possible from " all communication with the Whites."

The practical result at which he arrived was the gencral removal of the Indian tribes to the Manitoulin Island, and the cession to the Crown of the Lands which they hail previously held in different parts of the Province.

In the impolicy of discontinuing the issue of presenls, or commuting them for a money allowance, he concurred with the authoritics already quoted.

With regard, however, to the wisiting Indians from the United States, he was of opinion, that the issue of presents to them might be stopped after the expiration of three yoars, which would give them time to prepare for the change; and he recommended that a declaration to this eflect should be formally an- Ib, p. 128. nounced at thenext distribution. This suggestion met with the approval of the Secretary of State, and was carried into execulion,

In the spring of 183\%, the Lords of the Treasury, with the view to enable His Majcsty's Government to determine what 'ulterior arrangements it might be expedient to adopt for the purpose of encouraging the Indians to adopt agricultural pursuits, and acquire habits of settled industry, and of regulating the expense of building villages for their occupation, issued the following setes of queries, which were transmitted to the Governor of cither Province, and answered in considerable detail:-

Ib.' p. 76.
" 1 st. The number of tribes" and of Indians resident * within the British Territory.
" 2nd. The pursuits of each tribe, with the number " of fixed locations occupied by the Indians.
"3rd. The situation of the locations of the settled "partics or of hunting grounds occupied by the other "Indians.
" 4 th. The extent of lands set apart at the different " locations, for the use of the Indians, or of the hunt-
"ing ranges.
" 5 ih. The persons employed in the stperintenderice
"of the settled Indians", or of the other Tribes, with
" the designations and salaries, and a summary of the
"d luties they lave to perform."
" 6 th. The number and description of the Clergy or "teachors attached to each tribe or party,' and
" 7 th.' Whether the expenses of the tribe or party "'are defrayed"by the Parliamentary grant or from the "land paymenis, out of the Teritorial Revenue of the "Crown."

With this information before him, Lord Glenelg addressed Despatclies to the Governors of buth , Ib. p. . . Provinces 'in August, 1838.

## To the Earl of Durham, he wrote:-

"With respect to Lower'Canada', the Report of the "Committee of Executive Council leaves little to be " " losired, either as to the details of the question, or as "to the principles on which it ought to be dealt with, " or as to the practical application of those principles. "The sentiments and suggestions of that Report coin"cide, not only with my own views, as explained in
"former Despatches, but also with those of the persons "'in this country, and 'in the Canadas, who most inter"est themselves in the fate of the Indians. I have, "therefore, to authorise you to carry the proposed " measures into effect."

He desired a Report upon the result of the several measures adopted by Lord Gosford, and with a view of furnishing the Government from time to time with an accurate account of the state of the Indians and of their progress in the arts of civilized life, directed that a rletailed Report on' these subjects should be proposed and transmitted periodically.

The early return of Lord Durham, and the more momentous afhars which have occupied the attention of his succossors, will account for these instructions not having hilherto been executed.

His Lordship, concluded his Despatch with the following three general observations.
" 1st. It should be regarded as a fixed principle in " auy arrangements that may be made regarding the "Indians, that their concerns must be continued under
"the exclusive care and superintendence of the Crown.
"My'meaning cannot be better expressed than in the
"words of the Committee. "They think it right to " observe in general, that in the recommendations " which they have offered, they assume that the Indians " must continue to be as they have hitherto been, un"der the peculiar care and management of the Crown, "' to which, whether under Frenchor English dominion,
"they have been taught exclusively to look for paternel
" ${ }^{\text {s }}$ protection, in compensation for the rights and inde-
" pendence which they have lost"; until circumstances
" make it expedient that they should be turned over
" by the Crown to the Provincial Legislature, and re-
"ccive Legislative provision and care, the Committee
"conceive that all arrangements with respect to them,
" must be under the immediate directions of Her Ma,
" jesty's Government, and carried into effect under the
" stupervision of oflicers appointed by it,"
"2nd. I recommended (in a former Despatch) that "although the modes of applying the money destined "for the Indian Department'might be varied, yet the "' whole amount applicd to that service should not ex"ceed the sum actually voted by Parliament for that "purpose, and cerlainly the strictest economy should " be exercised in the application of the money so vot"ed, - at the same time, no real interest of the Indians " ought to be sacrificed, norany practical improvements "deferred, on the sole ground of expense:" From what "source any necessiry supplies for this object, beyond "the sum annually voted should be drawn, may be a
"question; but although it would be inexpedient to "apply to Parlinment ior an increased vote, resource "might be had to the Provincial Revenues', 'including
"in that term the Cirown Revenues' as well as those "of other kinds. There is surely no object for which "those revenues can bo more justly and legitimately " rendered available than this."
"It is to be regretter that in the porposals made to "the Assembly of the different Provinces respecting

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" the" cession of the Crown Revenues in return for a " fixed Civil List, sume stipulation was mot introduced, "securing a portion of the annual revenue for the so"cial and religious improvement of the the Indians. "In these cases, as in Upper and Luwer Canada, " where the negotiations will have to begin de novo, " it may be right to insert some provision to that elleect, "for in such cases it is clearly open to the Crown to "vary or add to the terms of the proposal. But even "were it too late to take this step, I have no doubt "that an appeal to the justice and liberality of the local "Legislature, in behall" of the Indians, would meet " with a cordial and efficient return.
" 3rd. I would, in the same spirit, deal with the "question of lands for the Indians,-however rigidlly "the rules respecting the disposal of lands may be "observed in general, and it is necessary to observe "them with the utmost strictness, yet if in any' case it be
"for the clear advantage of the Indians to depart from "those rules, the luparture ought without hesiation "to bo sanctioned."

- To Sir George Arthur, who succeeded Sir Francis Head in the Government of Upper Canada. His Lordship wrote as fullows:' "Thic Re- (Ib. p. 86.) "port of the Committee of the Executive. Council of "Lower Canada so completely accords with my sen" "timents, both as to dee principles which it lays down " and to the detailed suggestions which it recommends " that I might well abstain from addressing to you any " instruction except that of acting on that Report, in so " far as the differcnce of circumstances in Upper and "Lower Canada may permit.
"It is to be regretted that there exists no Report or "accuunt of the actual state of all the Indians in Up"per Canada on the plan of this Report of the Com" mittee of Executire Council of the Lower Province; "of the condition of some of them, accurate statements "are given by the Missionaries most conversant with
" thein; but the desideratum is a clear and compre-
"hensive representation of the position, number, ba-
" bits, circumstances, and legrees of moral and social "advancement of each tribe. I must request you to "take means to supply this defect,"

The Commissioners must here observe that this Report, although subsequently called for on several occasions has never yet been furnished, nor has any periodical report on the state and progress of the Indians, which His Lurdship in this despatch ordered to be supplied at least once a year, cver been transmitted.

His Lordship dissented from Sir F. Head's opinion that there was ally peculiar inaptitude among the Indians to profit by the doctrines or Christianity, or to adopt the hathits of civilized life; but concurred with him and the Committee of the Executive Council of Lower Canada, in the necessity of separating the Indian locations as much as possible from the white settlors, and directed that in any scheme for the improvement of the Indians, the first object to be arrived at, should be their location'in compact settlemonts, apart, if possible, from tho population of European descent. He added, however, that where settlements liad already been made and land brought into cultivation, Her Majesty's Goverument would be most unwilling to interfere.

With regard to the settlement at Manitoulin, His Lordship, upon the representations made against it, requirod information, and directed that special inquiry into their truth sloould be made on the spot, and the result be reported to him.: 'The enquiry appears to have been made, and a report was presented to the Lieutenant Governor, but not transmitted to the Secretary of State.- (See Appendix No. 25.)

The general principles by which His Lordship considered that the Executive Government should be guided in its treatment of the Indian tribes; are stated in the following extracts:-
"The first step to the real improvement of the In"diaus is to gain them over from a wandering to" a "settled life; and for this purpose it is essential they "should have a sense of permanency in the locations "assigned to them; that they stould be attached to
"the soil, by being taught to regard it as reserved for "them and their children by the strongest securities.
"Their locations therefore' should be granted to them " and their posterity for ever by a grant under the "great.scal of the Province, on such terms, and accom" panied by such provisions, as shall reniler them un"attachable by creditors, and inalicmable cither by " the tribe or any occupant, without the joint concur"rence of the Lieutenant Governor for the time being,
" the principal chiof of the settlement, and the ress" dent missionary or missionaries,
"In this connection I recommend to your conside"ration the means of encouraging and promoting " among the Indians the pursuits of agriculture. By "seasonable and judicious intervention it seems not "unlikely that tho Government may materially aid " that object.
" 2nd. The next important object to be obtained is the " establishment among them of schools, with compe"tent teachers; schools affording elementary instruc"tion, not only in the common brancles of education, " but in the rudiments of agriculture and of mecha" nics, and superintended, by misters of competent " nics, and superintended, by masters of competent
" knowledge, and of strictly moral and religious cha"racter. The requisite authority for applying to" wards purposes of this nature a portion of the Par" liamentary vote on account of the Indian Depart" ment, was conveyed to your predecossor in my des-
" patch of the 14 d. January, 1836. I Inave little " ment, was conveyed to your predeccssor in my des-
"patch of the 14 dh January, 1836. I have litte "doubt that among the missionaries who have so zea"doubt thal among the missionaties who have so zea-
"lously devoted themselves to the conversion of the "Indians, teachers for such schools may be found,"
" 3rd. In order to stimulate the exertions of those "who ittend the schools, it would protably be advan" who tutend the schouls, it would protably be advan-
"tageous, that periodical examination should talke "place, accompanied by public trials" of skill in agri"culture. On such occasions, pizes should be distri-
" buted to those who have shown peculiar diligence "culturc. On such occasions, prizes should be distri-
"buted to those who have shown peculiar diligence " or ability or who have" distinguished themselves by "or ability or who have" distinguished themselves by
" regularity and good conduct. The consideration "which would allach to those who obtained such " which would allach to those who obtained such
"prizes would be an incentive to some "who might " otherwise neglect the seliools.
" 4 th. The gradual conversion of the usual presents" " into agricultural implements. And the introduction, "into agricultural implements. And the introduction,
"if possible, of a clange in the dress of the Indians; "would probably conduce to wean them from their "former habils. In promoting such a change, how"former habits. In promoting such a change, how-
"ever, greai care would be required not to offend the " national halits and prejiudices of these people, or to "deprive them too suddenly of any articles" which by
"" custom have acquired a fictitious value in their eyes: "deprive them too suddenly of any articles, which by
"c custom have acquired a fictitious value in their eyes." "Still more' carefully is it to be provided, that in ef-
" fecting changes of any kind, no room shall be given "Still more carefully is it to be provided, that in ef-
"fecting changes of any kind, no room shall be given "for any just imputation on the good faith of this "country."
" 5 th. The penalties denounced by law against per" sons. solling spirits to the Indians' should be' strictly " enfurced."
"" 6 th. The instructions which you have previously " received, and which are reiterated in this despatch, " in regard to the titlc-deeds of Indian lands, should " tent teachers; schools aflording elementary instruc-品

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" be made known to the Indians as extensively as pos$"$ sible.
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" 7 th. The co-operation of the officers of the Indian
"Department, should be cheerfully afforded to the
"Missionaries employed in the various settements in
" any arrangement calculated to promote the common " interests."

In consequence of this despatch, Sir Gcorge Arthur directed the whole subject of Indian Affairs in the Upper Province to be thoroughly investigated by Mr. Tucker, the Provincial Secretary;' but the atiention of that gentleman having been called to other dutios, the task was assigned to Mr. Justice Macaulay, who in April, 1839, presented a lucid and valuable report, in which, however, the consideration of the future constitution of the Indian Department was omitted. As this was one of the chiof points on which Sir G. Arthur desired information, since le had reported to the Secretary of State that," "it was his intention to suggest "a plan for remodelling the whole Indian Depart" inent at the earliest opportunity," he referred the report to Mr: William Hepburn, who had for a period of nearly two years carried on the superintendence of the Department, but was not then connected with it. The Commissioners have been unable to discover, and Mr. Hepburn has not been able to supply a copy of the remarks and suggestions which the in consequence furnished.

In the latter part of the same year, the Indian Department camo under investigation, in conscquence of an Address from the House of Assembly to the Lientenant Governor, praying that he would order an investigation into the business, conduct, and organization of the several public Departments. The inguiry was conducted by the Vice Chancellor, Mr. Justice ${ }^{2}$ Macauly, (who had already reported on the sulject,') and Mr. Heppurn, one of the present Commissioners: :

According to their instructions, they were to inves: tigate-first, the present condition, both in a moral and political point of view, of the different tribes, ${ }^{*}$ forming the Indian population: also, the extent of their lands and annuilies; and second, whether any alteration or nmendment might be beneficially introduced in the mode of conducting the Indian Department. The enlarged and benevolent views of the Licutenant Gover-nor are shewn in the enumeration of the topies connected with the first head into which they were directed to inquire; but unfortunately, owing, as thic Commissioners stated, to the very extensive and complicated nature of the first branch of inquiry, and the remoteness of the sources of information upon which the Committee can alone form accurate opinions, they were inducerl, while such information was in the progress of collection to confine their first Report, which appeared in February, 1840, to the subject of the Department, and they did not subsequently resume their labors, nor have the present Commissioners been able to recover much of the information at that time collected.

The Report, however, was printed and became public, allhough it wis never furmally adopted nor transmitted to the Secretary of State, 'and its recommendations were never carried out,

At the Union of the two Provinces, Lord Sydentam combined and remodelled the various public Departments, with the exception of that connected with the

Indians, which, from the want of sufficient information, and the many difficulties with which the whole question of Indian Affairs was surrounded, he was obliged to leave untouched ; but it was his intention, whenever the state of the public business enabled him to apply himself earnestly to the subject, to reform the Department. His general views, which coincide in some respects with those of Sir F. Hoad, are stated in the following despratch :-

> Governmpnt House, Kingston, 22nd,July, 1s41:

## My Lond,

1 have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch of the 1st instant, No. 393, on the subject of the Indian Department in Canada. 1 beg to assure your Lordship that! have given the subject my attentive consideration, and I hope to be able to submit for your approval, a scheme for the consolidation of the Department. At the same time the matter is attended wilh great difficulty, arising from the peculiarity of the duties which the officers of the Department have to perform, the extent of country comprised within their jurisdiction, and, aboye all, from the system pursued with regard to the Indians, which, in my opinion, is of the most mistaken character. All my observation has completely satisfied me, that the direct, interference of the Government is only' advantageous to the Indians who can still follow their accustomed pursuits, and that if they became setulers, they should be compelled to fall into the ranks of the rest of Her Majesty's sub: jects, exercising the same independent controul over. their own property and their own actions, and subject to the same general law as other citizens.

The attempt to combine a system of pupilage with the settlement of these people in civilized parts of the country, leads only to embarrassment to the Goverriment, exjense to the Crown, a waste of the resources of the Province, and injury to the Indians themselves. Thus circumstanced, the Indian loses all the good qualities of his wild state, and acquires nothing but the vices of civilization. He does not become a good settler, he "does not become an agriculturist or a mechanic." He dues become a drunkard and a debauchee, and his females and family follow the same course. He occupies valuable land, unprofitably to himself and iinjurious:ly to the country. He gives infinite trouble to the Government, and adds nothing either to the wealth, the indusiry; or the dofence of the Province.

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\text { (Signed, } \quad \text { SYDENHAM. }
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The Right Honorable

## Lord J. Russele.

Sulsequontly, but not until the Governor General had again leen called upon for the information required by Lord Glenelg', in 1838; the present Commission was appointed in the autumn of 1842. "Thieir labours have been retarded by circumstancesover which they had no controul, and which will be pönted out in a separale Roport ; but they trist that the delay will have enabled them to give a more attentive considerition to the numerous and varied topics connected with this important subject, and to mature their opinions' on the measures which they have to recommend:

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I.-Indians of Canalla East,-Special View.

1. Iroquois of Caughnawaga or Stall St. Louis.
. Do. of St. Régis.
2. Algonquins, Nipissings and Iroquois, at the Lake of Two Mountains.
3. Abenaquais of St. Francis.
4. Do. of Bécancour.
5. Hurons of La Joune Lurete.
6. Micmacs of Ristigouche.
7. Unisettled Tribes, viz:-Algonguins of Three Rivers.

Tetes de Boule of River St. Maurice.
Amalacites, Micmacs and Algonquins.
If.-Indians of Canada West,-Special View.

1. Six Nations, Indians of the Grand River.
. Delawares, Chippawas, Munsces, and Oneidas, of the River Thames.
2. Chippawas, Hurons, 'Shawnees, ind Munsees, at Amberstburgh ind Port Sarnia.

4: Chippawas of the St. Clair Rapids or Upper St. Clair Reserve, River aux Sables, and Kettle Point.
5. Chippawas, Pottawatanics and Ottawas, of Walpole Island.
6. Manitoulin Island.

Molawks of the Bay of Quinté.
Mississagas of the River Credit.
Do. of Alnwick.
Do. of Rice, Mud and Balsam Lakes.
Chippawas of Rama.
Do. of Beausoleil Island, Mateladiall Bay and Lake Iluron.
Do. of Snake Island, Lake Simcoe,
Do. of Saugeen, Lake Huron.
Do. of Big Bay, in Owen's Sumd, Lake Huron.
Do. and others, in the Toiwnship of Bedford.

## PAST AND PRESENT CONDITION OF THE INDIANS.

The carliest delailed information on the condition of the Indians to which the Commissioners have had acParliamentary cess, is that contained in Genemal DarP'apers, 1834, ling's Report, made in July, 182S, which r. 22. embraced the tribes in both Provinces. No similar document appors among the printed records, until the year 1837, of which date are the roPary. Papers, plies of the two Governors, to the queries 1830, p. p. 21 put by the Lords of the Treasury, and the and 139. Report of the Committec of the Executive Council in' Lower Canada. These, however, will coable the Commissioners in some degree to exhibit the process of the several bands of Indians, uy to the present time.
16. page 27. It is necessary to premise that there ajppears to be at present a marked difference between the Thdians in Cimada Fast and Canada West (Lower and Upier Canada). In the former Province the native wabes had, from a periort as remote at the midelle of the 17 th century up, to the Conguest, been under the especial care and direction of the Jesuit Missionaries, who collected some of them in the settlements which now exist, obtained grants of land for thein from the French Crown, to be applied to their education and civilization, and became themselves their instructurs in so much of the knowledge and arts of life as they thought it advisable to impart to them. These Tndians therefore carly embraced Christianity, and became members of the Roman Catholic, Church, zealous devotees at the slirines of their stints, and docile, but unenlightened followers of their appointed missionaries. Since the cession of the Province to Great Britain, when the Crown succeeted to the Guardianship of the Indians, litule or no advance has been made in their education and improvement. Their conversion heine already complete, there was no strong incantive or call

- for fresil measures on the part of the Guvernment, and
the missionaries, who were not disturbed in their appointments, were not likely to initiate any. In Canada West, on the contrary, to which the influence of the Jesuits and Roman Catholic Clergy did not extend, the Indians remained, until a very recent period, in a state of heathen barbarism. With the exception of the Mohawks on the Grand River and Bay of Quinté, and a small Moravian settlement at Farlield on the River Thames, which was founded in 1793, there was not a Christian community of Indians previous to the present century. The missionaries of the Church of England and the Wesleyan Methodist Church have since converted, almost all the resident tribes, and have endeavoured, in some instances with much success, to imbue them with that spirit of iuquiry, and desire for improvement, which, in all countries, peculialy characterise the Protestant convert. The Indians, too, are less enervated by a long dependence on 'their missionaries, and by intermarriage with the whites.
Their proximity to settlers of activity and enterprise, and their constant exposure to deception and robbery by the more imprincipled of their neighbours, have aroused some of their durmant energies ; and these circumstances, with the attention which they have rocently received from the Government, have raised them in intelligence and knowledge, abovo their brethren in the other Province.
The physiral formation of the red man in his nittive state, the sole inhabitant of his ancesim! hunting grounds, and stranger to the practices and vices of civilisation, is of the finest description. Height, beauty of proportions, nobility of carriage, activity, strength and suppleness, are its generul characteristics. These, however, have all decreased with civilisation and the progress ol settlement, and the present race exlibit but thint traces of their former organisation. Intemperance may be cited as the chief cause.

It has already been observed, that the untutored Indian is inordinately fond of liquor. For this he will sacrifice every thing in his possession, and he seldom meets with compunction at be hands of the covetous and unprincipled trader. This passion for liquor among the Indians, and its banoful olfects, have led to statutary enactments making it an offence, punishable by a fine of £20, to sell or give liquors to individuals of this race. Notwithstanding, however, all the efforts of the Government and the missionaries, intemperance has been the red man's worst enemy:

The next causes of his physical deterioration have been the exposure and increased hardships attendant upon his hunting expeditions," and the alternations of extreme hunger and repletion, to which he is usually subject on these occasions.

Formerly, the Indian, accustomed to the shelter of a rude wigwam, or to the canopy of heaven, and inured to the exertions of the chase, found little difficulty, and wis exposed to little hardship in procuring the game necessary for hiss sustenance, which was abundant in his native foresis. But now, the game is exhausted in his old hunting grounds, and bas become scarce in thuse far distant to which the is obliged to have recourse. He now hunts for the sake of the fur ailone, to produce which he is' often pledged to the trader. His experlitions become long and distant; his success precarious; his supply of food is often exhausted, and he is frequeritly exposed to the horrors of starvation, both by hunger and cold. The civilised Indian, too, who has been familiar with the warm log hut and other comforts of civilisation, and who quits these for a fer months or weeks in the year, is no longer qualified to brave the exposure conseqnent on the chase, and their expeditions to the sugar camp; and thus diseases, numerous and fatal, are ongendered. Consumption, catarrh, theumatism, which, with scrofula, the consequence of insufficient or bad food, exhaust the 'strength of their victims', and lay the secis of disease and degeneration in their descendants.' The frequent intermarriages of bloud relations in small bands, and the irregular connexions' with profigate whites, are also stated among the circumstances leading to the same result.

To these must be added the natural indolence of the Indian temperament; which, in the absence of the excitement of savage life, keeps many of his race in a state of inertness, destructive alike to the energy and health of body and mind:

The same causes, it is obrinus, must have had a material effect upon their mental energies and habits; and it is a melancholy truth; that the example and encouragement of vicious white neighbours have been among the chief causes of the deterioration of the Indian character. In his native state the Indian is sim-ple-minded', generous', proud and energetic; 'his craftiuess is exhibited chiefly in the chase and in war. He is generally docile, and possesses a lively and happy disposition. He is very hospitable, never refusing to share his provisions with the indigent, and usually dividing the fruits of the chase with his neighbours. An Indian brave would rather die than commit an act decoratory to his characler as a wartior ; and a true 'medicine man would prefei" the torments of the stake, rather than violate the rights of his medicine bag." In his balf civilised state, he is indolent to excess, intemperate, suspicious, cunning, covetnos, ind addicted to lying and fraud. These are not the fruits of Christianity, and therefore it is evident that in such cases the mode of their treatment has been defective, and "ralls for, alteration.

With these preliminary obsorvations, the Conmissioners will enter upon a more detailed account of the several tribes in Crinada.

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## INDIANS OP CANADA EAST.

The last Return of Indians' in Canada Eanst, states their number at 3727, exclusive of a small body at the King's Posts, on the River Saguenay, within the territory of the Hudson's Bay Company, which, however, never come under the observation and protection of the Goverument.

There has been little fluctuation in the number for many years past, as in $1827^{\prime}$ it was reported to be 3649 , and 3575 in 1837. But it is stated to be at present on the increase from natural causes; the greater part are half breeds; in some settlements there is scarcely a siugle pure-bluoled Indian. "At prosent, however, they sellum intermarry with whites, and all instance of less legitimate comexion is almost unknown.

The Indians of Lower Canada, helong to seven tribes, viz:' Iroquois, Algonquins, Nipissings, Abenaquais, Hurons, Amalacites and Micmacs, and occupy seven villages or setlements, viz :-

1. Caughnawaga, on the Lake St. Louis, near Montreal, (Iroquois.)
2. At St. Regis, at the head of Lake St. Francis, (Iroquois.)
3. At the Lake of Two Mountains, on the Otlawa, about thirty six miles north-west of Montreat,' (Iroquois, Algonquins and Nipissings.)
4. At St. Francis on the River of that name, (Abenaquais.)
5. Becancour, in the River Becancour, nearly opposite the town of Three Rivers, (Abenaquais.)
6. La Jeune Lorelte, nine miles north of Quobec, (Hurons.)
7. Restigouche, on the River of that name, in the Bay of Chaleurs, (Micmacs.)

These settlements and the lands which they possess elsewhere, are secured to thom either by deeds from the French or British Crown, or from individual proprietors, or they hild them by long unilisputed possession, confirmed by the Proclamation of 1763 , already adverted to. They have all embraced Christianity, and profers the Roman Catholic Faith, with the exception of four or five families'at St. Francic, who have been converted to Methodism. Almust all have their own chapel,' or access to that of the village at which they reside; and at each seitlement there is a missionary eilher appointed by the Government, or by the Seminary of St. Sulpice, for their special instruction; they are generally zealous and regular in their attendance to their religious duties. It is considered a great punishment, when an Indian is prohibited, for any offence, from entering his church. They usually attend service once or twice daily, and it is slated that one of the motives for their regularity, is their love of singing, of which a great portion of their Worship consists. Their progress in religious sentiment and moral conduct, is reported to vary at the different settlements.' There has been some improvement within the last two years, caused in a degree, by the introduction of Temperance Socioties'among them. The birth of illegitimate children is less frequent than formerly, but an event of this nature does not cast a stigma upon the mother', nor upon the child, which is usually adopted into the tribe.

As regards education, these Indians appear stationary. In most of the settlements there is no school, and the attempts which have, at various times," been made by the Government and Charitable Societies, to establish "Schools among them in this part of the Pron vince, have been frustrated by the jealousy of the -missionaries, who are generally opposerl to the influence of 'a'Protestant teacher, and to the introduction

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of the Euglish language among the tribes．In some settements，however，the Euglish solety，or the Eng－ lishi and French jointly，are suken．In all，their native language is retained aud encournged．The aptitude of the lodians for the acquisition of know－ ledge，is as great as that of the whites，or may even in some respects be said to surpass it．＇Their qualifi－ cations as artizans，are stated to be less marked than in the Upper Province，and the number acquainted with handicraft tu bo smaller．

In agriculture，considerable progress has been made of late years．Eormerly，they cultivated only Indian corn，using the looe and spade．At present，barles； oats，peas，beans and potatoes，are cultivated to a considurable extent，aud each settlement possosses a greater or less number of ploughs；several havo adopted the system of a rotation of crops，and apply， mantre to the laud，like the Egylisth and Scolch set－ tlers in their neighbourlood．

Must of the tribes possess stock，chicfly horses， cows，and a few oxch，but they are not skilful in the management of them．

One of the peculiaritics of the Indians，in their native state，is their proud aversion to labour；hence in the carly stages of civilization，they are accustomed to impose upon the women tle greater part of the labour in the fipld and household．This continites to prevail to a considerable extert among the Indians of Lower Canada．A systematic division of the day and of the hours of labour，is not yetpractised among them． The Indian seldom Icares lhome in the morning before eight or nine o＇dock，when the sun being risen the air begius to grow warm；he then in some settlements goes to chapel，in otherts to his fich，where lie con－ finues at work during the heat of the day，forsix or seven hours，leaving off at ibout four P．M．The rest of the day is spent in idleness in the villago，or in fishing and fowling，and somelimes in attendance at chureh．At times he will stay at home all day，or sleep during the ficat of noon－tide．

The lnclians have in general，no stated hour for their moals，except their brealfast，which they eat before they lave lome．＇Inded their language does not contain terms for the perioulical meals of civilized life；they are inl included in the term＂cating．＂ Such as can alford it，eat three times a day；when they happen Io feel hungry；but the majority eat unly wice a day，moming anil evening．＇When they stiny at home and have fiond at their command，they cat several times in the course of the day．

Their health is generally stated to be as grood as that of their white neighbours，and they＇are subject to the same diseases．It has been remarked，however， that Epidenics have proved more fatal among this race，thin among the whites；but this difference arises probably from moral and social，rather than from physical causes．Since the year 1823 the ludians of Canada East have received advice and attendance， when necessary，from the Army Medical Officers，in consequence of a regulation to that effect，established by the Earl of Dalhousie．
Thic usual number of children born to a married couple，is stated，by the greater number of authorities； to be six or seven；the number reared to be fuur or five．The number among the wilder tribes，however， is less，and is repurted not to exceed two or three．

Few of them live in wigwams，except the Algon－ quius and Nipissings，at the Lake of Two Mountains， and some of the Iroquois at St．Regis，who occupy them lemporarily during the summer season，when their fields are at a distarice from their fixed residences．

Few，if any，of their national institutions and cus－ toms romain，since their conversion：Their Pagan cercmonies and observances are abandoned．＇The rites of baptism，marringe and burial，are observed among them as annong the whites．＇The possession and descent of property are regulated by the same rules， except that by provision of the Government，their land canuot be alienated from the tribe to which it belongs，without the consent of the Crown．The hand is not divided among the members of the tribe，but it is not occupiad nor tilled in common．，Each member chunses any parcel of groundl，within the reserve of his trile，which he pleases，provided it be not already ap－ propriated by anothor，and this he cultivalos for the support of hisown family，without the interference，and secure from the intrusion of his neighbours．This parcel he can bequanth to his heirs，or to any member of his tribe；if he expresses no wish on the subject，lis heirs take undisputed possession of it．
The fiovedness of the Indians for lounting is stated to bave abated considorably，owing，in a great measure， to tho diffuculty of indulging it．Formerly it was usual for the male adults to pass the winter in the firests，in pursuit of game；but now fow，except the Agromquins and Nipissings，alrealy referred to as living in wigwams，and a fow of the Abenaquais， comtinue the pratice．A general view of＇the Indians of Canarda East，is shewn in the fullowing Table，a description of the several Bands will supply the infor． mation peculiar to each．

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| Names of chie Tribes： | Where Setriled． | $\begin{aligned} & \dot{p} \\ & \underset{\ddot{y y}}{\ddot{y y}} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 佥 | $\begin{gathered} \text { 寧 } \\ 0 \end{gathered}$ | Boys． |  |  | Girls． |  |  | 号 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 20 \\ & 20 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \dot{m} \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \end{aligned}$ |  | $0 \begin{aligned} & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \dot{8} \\ & \underset{2}{8} \end{aligned}$ |  |
| Iroquois， | Caughawag | 19 | 247 | 306 | 61 | 67 | 72 | 53 | 66 | 64 | 955 |
| Ditto， | St．Regis，．．． | 12 | 106 | 127 | 33 | 35 | 33 | 17 | 33 | 54 | 450 |
| Algonquins， | Lake of Two Mountains，．．． | 3 | 92 | 116 | 23 | 20 | 19 | 99 | 26 | 5 | 333 |
| Nipissings， |  | ， | 71 | 85 | 23 | 15 | 12 | 17 | 29 | 7 | 263 |
| Iroquois， | Ditto， | 9 | 78 | 103 | 17 | 19 | 24 | 22 | 2.1 | 23 | 316 |
| Abenaquais | St．Francis， | 9 | 91 | 111 |  | 27 | 32 | 14 | 26 | 29 | 353 |
| Ditto，．． | Becancuur， | 5 | 19 | 33 | 7 | 5 | 4 | ， | 7 | 2 | 84 |
| Hurons， | La Jeune Lurette，．． | 6 | 58 | 55 | 8 | 6 | 11 | 10 | 13 | 10 | 189 |
| Algonquins， | In the neighbourhood of ＇Three Rivers，．．．．．．．．．． | 3 | 22 | 34 | 5 | 9 | 10 | 3 | ． 8 | 3 | 92 |
| Têtes de Boule． | River St．Maurice，．．．．．．．．． | 3 | 28 | 22 | － 1 | 10 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 3 | 86 |
| Amalacites，＇） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Micmacs，and Ahenaquois， | Uncertain， | 11 | 54 | 66 | 11 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 28 | 180 |
|  | Grand Total，．．． | 84 | 866 | 1058 | 203 | 220 | 224 | 179 | 233 | 234 | 3301 |

## 1. IROQUOIS OF CAUGHNAWAGA OR SAULT ST. LOUIS.

20th March.
Parliamen- This settlement is at Caughnawaga, a tary Paper, village on Lake'St. Louis, ten miles wost Evidenco of of the City of Montreal. "The village Secy. of Indian covers about forty acres of ground. It conAffairs. Do. tains forty-five stone houses, 182 wooden Revd.Jno.Mar. houses, and 100 barns and stables of the
coux. Appen dix Nos, 3 and latter material. The population is up4. wards of 1100 , but the number of $\operatorname{In}$ dians entitled to receive presents is only 955 , the remainder being half breeds, and, as such, exclucled from a parlicipation in them. In 1837 it was 932 , and in 1827, 967, but it is probable that, in the earlier of these years, fewer precautions were taken to prevent an abuse of the issues. During the seven years, from 1835 to 1841 , the number of Baptisms which took place 'was 413 , averaging fifty-nine yearly; 'and the number of deaths was 241, averaging thirty-four' yearly.' The increase, thereforo, by the excess of births over deaths during this period was 172. There is scarcely a pure blooded Indian in this settlement, Their general health is the same as that of their white neighbours. Pulmonary diseases are the most prevalent among them. "There has not been an instance, at Caughnatwaga, of an Indian woman living unmarried with a white man, for a long period. 'Tho birth of illegitimate children has also become loss frequent than formerly, and particularly since nocturnal assemblies and dances have been abolished in the village; only one illegitimate child was baptized during the year 1842.

The Seigniory of Sault St. Louis, was granted to
the Jesuits in the year 1680, "Pour contribuer a la conversion, instruction' et subsistence des Iro. quois." 'This concession was made by two separite instruments; the first from Louis XIV, dated $29 \mathrm{ih}^{\prime}$ May, 1680, confined the grant to a front of two loagues; tho second from the Compte de Frontenac, dated 31st. October, 1680, made an addition to that front of one league and a half or thereabouts, by a dopth of two leagues.' The title deeds contain a clause to the effect," que la dite terre nominee le Saull apparticndra toule deffriché a $\mathbf{S a}$ Majesté lorsque les dits Iroquois l'abandonneront."

The Seigniory continued under the superintendence and management of the Jesuits until the 15 th April, 1762, when it was entirely and exclusively vested in the Iroquois, under the supervision of the Indian Department. The terms and conditions of the new tilles or declarations, under the Letters Patent de Tennier, dated 19 th December, 1827, are "such as arc usual, and have been stipulated in the grants made in the Seigniories heretofore belonging to the late order of Jesuits in this Province.

The Scigniory is at present under the immediate management of an Agent duly authorized, who is required to render'an annual account, formally attested, of the transactions of his agency, and to explain to the Iroquois Chiefs', in full Council, (in the presence of the missionary and Superintendant of Indians, the particulars of the receipts and expenditure, and finally to transmit the accounts and youchers to the Secretary of Indian Affairs, by whom tho abstract is printed and furnished to the Indians. The following is an abstract of these statements for the last fifteen years:-

ABSTRACT.

|  | INCOME. |  |  |  |  |  | U EXPENDITURE. |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | N |  |  |  |  |  | ON |  |
|  | Minots: |  |  | £ | 8. | d. | Minots. | Pots. | Qts. | ¢ | s. | d. |
| From April 17, 1826, to Jan. 16, 1827, |  | $3$ | 17 | 25 |  | 51 | 161 | 3 | $1 \frac{1}{2}$ | 27 | 10 | 4 |
| "J Jan. 27, 1827, to "، 31, 1828, | 161 | $1$ | $0$ | 60 | $12$ | 04 | 161 | 1. | ${ }^{2}$ | 56 | 6 | 6 |
|  | 116 | 5 | $0{ }^{2}$ | 49 | 2 | $9 \frac{1}{2}$ | 116 | $\bigcirc$ | $0 \frac{1}{2}$ | 34 | 15 | 6 |
| "، "6 1, 1829, to " April 1, 1830, | 83 144 | 4 | 0 | 48 | ${ }^{1} 1$ | $8 \frac{1}{2}$ | 89 | 4 | 0 | 66 | 11 | 0 |
| ". Sept. 1, 1830, to Oct. 31,1831 , | 639 | 8 | 0 | 54 | -13 | ${ }^{2} \frac{1}{2}$ | 144 | 7 | 0 |  | 13 | 10 |
| " Nov. 1, 1831, to Oct. 31, 1832, | 343 | 16 | 1 | 181 | 13 | 5 | 401 | 0 | 0 | 100 156 | 3 | 9 |
| " " " 1, 1832, to May 31, 1833, | 360 | 11 | $1{ }^{1}$ | 163 | 9 | 5 | 389 | 16 | $0{ }_{4}$ | . 163 | 3 | 51 |
| " June 1, 1833, to Oct. 31, 1834, | 723 | 1 | ${ }^{1} 0$ | 234 | 14 | ${ }^{7}{ }^{1}$ | 769 | - | 1 | -219 | 6 | $11^{4}$ |
|  | 267 62 | 10 | ${ }^{0}{ }^{\frac{1}{2}}$ | 95 | - | ${ }^{9}$ | 258 | 16 | $0{ }^{\text {d }}$ | 97 | 3 | 3 |
| '". Sept. 4, 1837, to Sept. 30, 1838, | 62 278 | 10 | ${ }_{0}^{0}$ | ${ }^{5} 72$ | 19 | ${ }^{7} \frac{1}{2}$ | 69. | 11 | ${ }^{0}{ }^{2}$ | 52 | 19 | 7 |
| " April 18, 1839, 10 April' 7, 1840, | 180 | 17 | $0^{12}$ | 164 | 4 | 2 2 | 181 | 19 | 0 | 186 164 1 | 9 | 9 |
| " Dec. 29, 1841, to May 8, 1843, | 320 | 7 | 1 | 123 | 17 | 02 | . 320 | 17 | 1 | 164 | 2 | 1 |
| $\therefore \therefore \therefore \quad \therefore$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

A copy of the accounts for the last year is inserted at length in the Appendix, No: 86, with the view of exhibiting the nature of the transactions: In addition to these revenues the tribe is entitled to an annuity of £62 10 s. Od. currency, from the State of New York, for land sold to that State, under a treaty executed in the "City of New York, on the 31st May, 1769, which" the Chiefs receive in person from the American Authorities, "and expend without the interference of the Government.

The quantity of land under cultivation in this settlement is about 2250 acres; in 1837 it was reported to
be 2230 acres. The land is of inferior quality along the front of the tract.' But in the rear concessions, and in those on the River La Tortue, it is better adapted to agricultural purposes. The number of acros cultivated by each family may be averaged at ten; a few families cultivate from thirty to forty acres each, In those cases in which families bave no land, they procure their subsisterice, in summer, by the wages of the men who are employed in nayigating boats and rafts down to Montreal; and in winter by the profits arising from the salo of sho whoes, baskets, mocassins, \&c, which thoy make up themselves ; some

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eligage as labourers with white settlers. There are not any who derive the whole of their support from agriculture, and many depend chiefly on fishing and hunting ; at present very few of the tribe pass the winter in hanting. The summer hunt hasts about two months, but it is only when they can obtain leave from the tribes occupying the north side of the River St. Lawrence and the Ottawa, to hunt on thoir grounds, that they can pursue the chase, as they have no hunting grounds of their own. Occasionally, they resort to the upper part of the River Chateauguay, near the Province lino. Thoir ntachment to the chase mor fising is stated to be on the depline.

Within the last fifteon years botweon forty "and fifty fimilios have commenced to till the land, they at first followed the old Canadian moile of agriculture, and used only the hoe, which is still rotained by a considerable number; but others have adopted the more advanced method, introduced among' their white neighbours. Tho members of the tribe own forty-five ploughs, and forty harrows, with a numbor of spates, hoes, axes, \&c. They appear to understand the use of these implements, and, with fuw exceptions, to take carte of them. They possess 115 osen, 172 cows, 206 horsus, and 344 swinc, with some poulty, but unfortunately many of themperish in consequence of the Indians not understanding the management of their stock in the wimter seasun. In the yone 1841 they raised 2876 bushecs of Iadian corn, 950 bushels of oats, forly hushels of barley, 790 bussichs of beans and peas, 2307 bushels of potahes, and 635 tons of hay.

A resident Roman Chatholic missionary, porfoctly conversant with the Indian language, and paid by the Government, is attached to this settlement, where he has been stationed for a Ingg. period. There is in the village a substantial aud spacious stonc church, with it stocple and two bells, and a Presbyicry for the misssionary, also of stone; both buildings, were erected by the Jesuits; and in the yoar 1532, the Imperial Government granted $£ 200$ for the repairs of the church, and in the following year a targe bell was sent out by command of Her Majesty. The missionary celebrates the mass and preaches every Sahbath and Holiday; and there is daily service morning and evenigg, throught out the year; the also catechiscs the elildren daily, The Iroquois have evory means of religious instruction, which are enjoyed by other foman Catholics, and they are reported to be regular in their atendance. at confession, and at the holy Communion.

There is not at present a school of any description at Caughnawaga, but five boys of the tribe are educated at the school at, Christieville. In the year 1835, Lord Aylmer appointed an English teacher of the Roman Catholic jersuasion to conduct a school at his village; but, like a firmor' sinilar attempt, on the part of the Society for Promoting Education and Industry among the Indians and destitule settlers, it failed, through the prejudices of the missionary to the 'introduction of the Eniglish language. The teacher was in consequence withdrawn in 1838, by order of the Earl of Cosford. There are not any tradesmen, strictly spoaking, among the tribo, a few may be classed as self-taught carpeniters and joiners, and nearly all are expert in the use of the axe and sary.

With regard to their moral latits, the Suporinten-' dant states; that he considers these Indians to be very little inforior to the lower order of the French Canadian population in' the District.
The Chiefs and all other respectable Indians, acknowledge that their condition has' been improved within the last few years, and they appear to be very desirous of advancing. In the sumner of 1841, a

Temperance Society was established among them by the Bishop of Nancy. The missionary reports that ho finds them much less addicted to viofous habibs than formerly, their morals are improved, and a larger number follow agricultural pursuits, For a few years this sollement was much disturbed by petty local disputes and dissensions, , but during the last two years tranguillity has been restored. The gellantry of these Indians, in resisting and defealing the Rebels who collected at their village in Novenber, 1838, met with the marked approbation of the Governor and the Sccretary of State, and was brought under the notice of the Queen, who authorized a special issue of presents? in tukon of Her commendation.

## 2. IROQUOIS OF ST. REGIS.

Purliamen. These Indians occupy a tract of land
 donce of Mi. Province, on the parallel of $45^{\circ} \mathrm{N}$. latiChicsely, Supte tude, so that the southern portion of the lnd. Dept. Jo. tract helongs to the State of New York,
of Nevd. Marcoux. Ap. and the Indians occupying it are American
 and 6 . ous times given riso to feuds and disputes; to which, since the Ticaty of Waslington has now removed all donbts to the true line, it is very desinable to put an end as far as passible, by determining and clcarly making out the line of boundary throughout tho tract ;' the village is wholly within the Canadian Territury.
The portion of land occupied by the British Indians is of a triangular form, extending from the Peninsula. of St. Regis, on which the village is situated, atbout twelve miles along the shore of the River St. Lawrence, and Lake St. Francis, by which it is bounded on the north; along the bounclary line on the south, it extends nearly fourleen miles; on the enst it is bounded by the Township of Godmanchester. Its area is* about 21,000 acres.

The village covers about thirty acres; it contains sevenity-nine dwelling houses, and fifty-onc small barns ansl stables, all of woud, owned ind occupied by British Indians, and forty houses and twenty-eight birns and stables, also of woon, owned and occupied. by American Indians.:

The number of British Indians ontitled to receive presents is 450 . The American Indians are stated to be more numerous. In 1827 the number of British Indians was only 348, and in 1837, 381 .

Thi increase, therefore, within thie last six years, has boon consideralle, and more rapid than in the proceding ten years. The number of baptisins during the last ten years; has amounted to 165. The number' of deathis during the same period is not stated: The number of balr breeds of legitimate birth, is' stated not to excced ten; but it is probable, that this does not inclule the quarter breeds and others of still more impure Indian blood, and there is no means of ascertaining tho number of those illegilimately born. The resident Superintendant, however, estimates the latter' at belween thirly and forly. He reports that such births occur as frequently as formerly, in:proportion'to the nunber of the tribe.

Besides the land at SL . Regis, those Indians are also the proprietors of nine Islands in the River St. Lav-" rence, and of a reservation of Iand, called Natield, in the Castern Disirict of the Uppei Province, lying betwerit the countios of Stormont and Gleangirry, and containing 30,690 actres."

[^34]These lands form but a small portion of the liunting grounds of the once powerful' Iroquois Nation, and are supposed to have been occupicd by this tribe since the first setlement of Canada. Their title was originally a mere occupancy for the purpose of hunting; but it was recognized and acknowledged by the Govornment of France before the conquest, and was subsequently secured to thein by that of England, in common with all similar titles existing at the time of the conquest.

About the year 1769, when the vicinity of the new 'settlement had reladered the tract in Lower Canada' useless, as a hunting ground, tho Iroquois Indiens, in order to turn it to advantage, lonsed out all but a Reserve of about 3000 aicies, in small farms to settiors, for an mnnual 'rent, and since thi year 1822, the leases so granted, have been radified and confirmed by the Commander of the Forces or the Governor. "These: leases are granted for periods varying from thirty to ninety-nine years. The reservation in Upper Canada has heen noarly all granted by the chiefs upon loases of 999 years, but the difficulty experienced in collecting the rents, Ied, "about the yoar 1836, to an offer to surronder the property to the Government of Upper Canada, in exchange for a perpetual annuity of E200; Halifax currency. The arrangement, however, appears nover to have been comploted.

The management of the proporty of these Tndians is in the hands of a resident Agent, who is also the Sun perintendani, and a Committec of twolvo chiels and warriors nominated by the tribe. Tho acconats are made up in the same manner as those of the CaughnaWagi Indians, and are annually transmitted to the Secrotary of Indian Affairs, for the information of the Govornos. The amount of income and exponditure for some years past, is sliewn in the following Table-tho details of the last your in Appendix No. 87 :-


The reserve in Lover Canada occupied by these Indians, although rather low and swompy in some places, is generally well adapted to agricutural gurposes. The average quantity of land cultivated by the British Indiatss during the last ten years is about 500 . acres, and the avertge number of families during the same period whis about hinety, of which twentyone didnot omploy themselves in agriculture. The average quantity, tberefore, of lane cultivated by each frimp may be stated at se on and quater ades exclusive of the prairies or marstes producing wild gras, of which the Inctians cut large quantities In 1837, the quanitity of land under cultivation was 361 acres: in six yeds', therefore, the increase has been more than one thirt

In 1820, not more than one half of the tribe prow cured any part of the means of subsistence from tillage. Since that your, about thirty families lave commenced to till the land for a livelihood; ; and at presont, there are not more than twenty lumilies who do not, in some degree, support themselvos by farming. These depond upon'a precarious subsistenico procured by hunting in wirter, and by working on ralts and in boats during the summer, 'The women, also, employ themselves in making up the skins of animals killed in wintor, intu'mits and moccasins, and in manulacturing splint baskels and brooms. 'Very fuت̈ of the men ful. low hanting for a livelihood; those who do, reson chiefly to the mountainous wilds in the State of New York, the neighbourhood of the Rice Lake, Porth and Richmond; and those wlio go beyond the inmediate neighbourhood to fish, generally fiequent the Thousand Islands, where the river abounds with eels, a fish which the Indinus prefer to all others.
In summer, during the seasons of planting, sowing and reaping, many of the Indians who have hair hiedls at a considerable distance from the village, roside in tomiorary wigwams, but they relurn to their permanent residences in the autumn. Their mode of agriculture, with respect to new land, is invariably to put in as many consecutive crops of Intian corn as the soil will bear, after which a rotation' of 'whent; "peas and onts, unilit the land is quite worn" out, when they do, not attompt to restore it by artificial means, but allow it to run to grass or abandon it altogether, find select a new spot for tillage. Alhough the Indiaas do not make any use of manure, which they lonve for years collected about their barns and stables, this may arise more from the distance at which their plantations are from the village, and the consequent expense and troublo of transport, thin to miny disinclination on theie part to imitate the example of their mote enlightened white neighbours:
Their stock consists of liorses, oxen, cows, swine, and poultry, nono of which are properly attended to during the winter; the consequenco has frequently, boen the loss of hall thoir stock during severe and scarce saasons. A groat improvement in that respect has been shown in the hist two years by the introducLion of'an improved breed of catle, and by laying in larger stores of wild hay for the winter supply. Indian com,' wheat, pens', beans; and onts, are the principal crops ; ryo and buckwheat have' also been introduced haty. In the year 1841, these Indians produced by their own heour
2293 bushels of Indian Corm,
65 do of Whieat,
225 do of Pens and Beans,
304 do of Oats,
633 do of Potatoes,
besides pumpkins, vegetables, applos, ma sone rye and buckwhent. Their agricultural "implements consist of seven ploughs, four harrows, three cirts, one waggon, besides a number of hoes, scyties, sickics, pitchforks, axes and crowbars.
The St. Regis Indians have the same means of rellm gious instruction as those of Caughnawagn: A French Canadian missionary, of the Roman Cathofic Chu che is maintained by the Government at the village where he resides pormanently, and devotes bis whole time to the tribe. There is a large and commodious stone church of abdid. 100 fect $b y$ 40 fect, with a steeple ind two bells. This ehdrth trected popards of fifty yenrs ago, at the, stle expenso of the Hadians. The form of public worship is the same as that of the Canndian Roman Catholics, ex coptrg wat areater porto of the service consists of singitigy of wion the Imdians are passionately ford; nothing being considered by them.
a higher honour than admittance into the chors. In the nutidance at church thoy are moro regular than many whito communitios ; but this tho tesident agent attributins rather to thair hova of psalmody. Thie old people pratico private dovotionmurning and ovoning, and on some ocensions the young people of buth sexes assemble together to sing psailns.

From the carliest sethement of llese Indinus at St . Regis, a period of about eighty yeurs, nu uttompt was made by the residen olergy to ustallish schools amorig thom; and as ofion as the propusilion has been mado by Government or ly individuals, it has lieen resisted by them. In July, 1835 , through the exertions of tho resident agent, Major Plenderleilh (now Plenderleith, Christie) of Montreal, and the late Rov: G. Archbold, Rector of Cornwall, a school was opened by the Rev, E. Williams, a native Inclinn of Chughawagn, educated in Comnecicut, and sevontem children attended at the opening, the number continuing to increase until it reached forty. For the support of the schiool $£ 100$ was ohlimad from a Society in England, and books to the vulue of £25 from a Suciety in Now York, togow ther with money int clothing to the arnownt of $£ 75$, eollected hy private subscription. The Govermont likewiso allowed a salary of $£ 24$ per annum to the teacher, out of the Parthamentary Grant. Aboul wo months after the schiool liad been in operation, the resident Missionnry connanded the parents of the childres attending the school to willdraw thom imnediately, on pain of his displeasure and tho anathema of the church, which threat in a great moasure proved oflectual, as tho number of scliolars was teduced to seren; with those, however, Mr. Williums perseverod, mnil tho arrival of the Darl of Gosford, whlo, upon tho complaint of the Roman Catholic Bishop of Montreal against Mr. Williams' interference with his flock at St. Regis, withrew his salary and tho patronage of the Govern'ment; the school was then clused, thel has not sinco been opened. 'If a schnol' were establisthod 'with the co-operation of the missionary, a large number of children, from sixty' io eighty, would probally attond it. The aptitude of the children to Jearn during Mr. Williams' short stay, was fumin, genemally, to exceed that of the white children, considering that the instruction was given from English books, of which language, it is stated, they knew nothing.
These Indians do not cvince ary inclination for mechanism or handicraft. There lave been two instances among thom of a turner and a carjenter, both selftanght, who were tulerable workmen.

A steady but very slow improvement has been manifested in the morals of the S. Regis Imdians during the last twenty years, which is said to beatributable mainly to the example of their white neightbours, with whom they have more intercourse than formerly. The influence of Temperance Societies has also been bencficinl ; three-fourths at least of the population of the village hare, since the commencement of 1842 , been reclaimed from habitual drunkenness. They have not advanced much in picty or roligious knowledge, and their prngress in industry has not been marked by any very satisfactory resulis.

## 3. THE ALGONQUINS, NIPISSINGS, AND IROQUOIS, AT THE LAKE OF TWO MOUNTAINS.

Parliamentary. The tribes at this- post do not pussess Papors. 1833 . any lands from which a revenue is derived, P. 53 . Trwidence and have hitherto depended upon the chase Hughos. Ap- for the principal part of their support. pendix No. 7. They occupy a portion of the Scigniory of the Two Mountains, which, was granted to the Seminary of St. Sulpice, at Montreal, for the maintenance
and instruction of the Indians stationed thore. They
tako is much land as thoy can cullivito without paying any ront fis it ; but the qualily of tho soil throughout 20th Murob. is very lad, tho tract boing a mero samdith, mad tho produce bears no proportion to the oxtent ocenpicd.

The total number of these Indians is 1050 , of whom 418, including 02 heads of liouses, ara Algonguins, 318, isicluding'? hends of houses, are Nipissings, 314, including 60 heads of houses, are troquois, at least twothirds aro stated to bo half breeds.

As tho Algonquins and Nipissings diller very much from the lroquois, in characler and labits, it' will be necossary to duscribo thom sepurately,

The two former tribes lead a roving life, dwelling in huts and wigwams during the greater part of the yent, and some throughout the your' ; ho majority, howaver, ressrt to the Lake of the Two Mountains for aloul two months annually; and during that period thoy occupy houses in thicir village, which is separato from that of the Iroquois. These two tribes possess 68 heuses, 10 stahles, and only one barm. The Iroquois, although the smallest of the three thands', occupy 44 louses, and possess ' 33 stables and $2 \cdot$ barns. ' The latter devote themselves in a considemable degree to agriculture; but in the other two tribes, only the women and aged men, who are unablo to follow dhe clase, and are consequenlly le lit at home, cultivito small patches of land to a yery limited extent.

The quantity under cultivation by each tribe, is as fullows:

|  | Tillage. | Meadow-la |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Algonquins, | 60 astes. | - 120 |
| Nipissings, |  | - 100 |
| Irorluvis, | 250 | 780 |

The two former tribes have not incroased their tillage for many yoars. The Iroquois have brought 100 acres of fresh land into cultivation sinco 1837.

The sume differencos exhibited themselves in the produce raised ly the three tribes, and the slock and carts in thoir possession, as will be seen in the follow. ing statement. The plough is little used by any of then.

Qutarititis raived.
In 1842.

| Qutarititis raised. |  | Algmquins. | Nipissings. | Iroquois. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Indian com, | bushels, | 150 | 100 | 750 |
| Onts, | " | 150 | 100 | 750 |
| 1'cas and Beans, | " | 25 | 8 | 200 |
| Buck Wheat | " | 2 | 0 | 100 |
| Potitoes, | " | 150 | 60 | 460 |
| Hay,-lons, |  | 5 | - 3 | 35 |

Hay,-ions,
Stock and Implements ofned,

|  | Number, |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: |
| Horses, | 4 | 2 | 32 |
| Cows, | 6 | 3 | 45 |
| Oxen, | 2 | 0 | 4 |
| Swine, | 10 | 5 | 56 |
| Carts, | 2 | 2 | 18 |
| Ploughs, | 1 | 0 | 1 |

The greater part of the field labour is performed by the women, assisted by their husbands. The young men generally attend to the catile, hay; oats, and firewood. A few of the Iroquois find employment during the summer, as pilots and raftmen, to the rafts which arc lurought down the Ottawa to Montreal. Their condition, however, is far from prosperous; and as they have no other resource than their crops, a failuro in the harvest reduces them to state of absolute destifution. The si-

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doth Muruhi.
tuntion of the Algonquins and Nipissiags is still moro deplomble: their hanting grounds on tho Otawn, which wore formerly most extensive, abounding with deer, and other animuls, yielding the richast furs, and which thoir ancestors had enjoyed from time iramemorial, have beon destroyod for the purposes of the chase, " 1 considerable part has becn laid out into townships, and either settled or takon possession of by squatters. The operations of the lumber-men have either destroyed or scarol away the game throughouta still more extensive region, and thas, as settement advances, sliey arodriw von further and further from their bomes, in search. of a scanty'and precartous livelihood.' Tholr' case has been often brought bofore the Government, and domunds enrly attention.

As all the present appearances of stiperior woall and industry; exhitited in the written statements of tho ugents; are in favour of the Iroquois, it is right to quoto tho comparison whith General Darling drew between. them in the year 1527; and which will shew the disastrous elfects of the progress of settlement on the Indians dependent upon the chase before they have exchanged their roving tastes and habits for the customs and comfors of civilization :
"About two hundred of the Iroquois are found in a "small misecrable village contiguous to, but apart from
"that of the Algonquins and Nipissings of the Lake of
" the Two Mountains, by whom they are despised and
"lonked upon with contempt. Thie difference of cha-
"racter in theso tribes is shewn at once on an exami,
" nation of their dwellings. "Thatt of the Algonquins
"4 and Nipissings prosents an appearnice of comparativo
at wealth and advancomont in civilization, which is
" shewn in its interios cloaniliness and arrangement, in
"useful articles of furniture and utensils, while the
"huts of those of the Iroquois bespeak wietchedness
"and innctivity in the extreme."
The Missionaries who attend to their religious instruction, are appointed and maintained by the Semihary of Saint Sulpice. The resident Indians are attentive" to their religious duties; and the wandening Indians are said to be regular in their private devotions, morning and evening.
There is a school conducted by a French Canadian at the settlement, but the mumber of scholars toes not excced six, who are very irregular in their attendance. A ferv girls receive instruction from two niuns residing at the Post. The books used are spelling-books, ancl the proyers of the Roman Catholic Church. It is mentioned of the N Igonguins and Nipissings, that there are many among them, "who, alhough living a wandering life during the greater' part' of lie year, cann read and write tolerably in their own laniguage; and it is observod of them, thit they are generally much more intelligent and civilized than the lodians that remain in the vicinity of the towns.' "There can 'starcoly bo stronger cyidence of the demoralizing effects of partial civitizntion. These wandering and almost destitute tribes, fur from being sensible of any improvementin their condition, say that forty years ago they were much happier and wore indopendent than they are now; thoy then had gamo and poltrics in abundance; thicy lived well, and were well clothed; but now, they are ragged and starved half the year,' This statementiaccords with that of the Superintendant.

## 4. ABENQUOIS OF ST FRANCIS:

Puphme The ands belonghe to this tribe ate 10 Paporis is 39 cated within tio Sejpiotios of St. Drancis dance of Mond Pioreville The extent of teritory Supt Lurhas, orginally belonging to the Abenquos in Inerre Bland the seignory of St. Fancis, compreltends Appendis Nas half a League in depith, ascending the river, 4and 8 .
ville extends half a loague and five acres in depth; adjuining the above, by aleague and a half in breadin, the riyer St. Francis passing noarly through the midelo of the grant. Thoy have also acquirded the Soig niory of St . Francis about a millo moro in front on the northenst side of the river only, mud sitwated bulow tho above mentionod block, thy the depth existing botwoen that ind theadjoining Soigniory of Susandiere. They also possoss fourteen istancs in that part of the river which passos through their property; one of chum contails probably one hundrod neres, and produces a quantity of hay; the othors are small, and averago from ono to ton acres each.
The grant for st ratancis is describedas a Tite of Coneession, dated 23rd August, 1700, from Dame Marguerite Hertel, widow of Sicur Jean Crevicr, Seigneur of St. Francis, to the Abenquois Indians, ropresented by their missionary, the Rey. Jacques Bigot; and that for Pierreville, in an act passed nt the town of Three Rivers, on tho 10th of May, 1701, by Sicur Antoinc Plagaish, and Charlote Giguerro, llis wife, to the said Indians so represented.

In these grants, he Seignicurs have reserved the right of re-uiniting to'their respectivo Soigniories any land abandoned by the Indians; and of dispossessing the" latter äs soon is the religious mission should cease to re" side upon the conceded tracts.' The land in the cont cessions is of a very inforior quality, consisting chielly of a' dry, sandy soli, without any adinixture of clay:

In the your 1805, a number of lots in the Township of Durlan, amounting to 8900 acres were granted in free and common soccage to seventeen heads of families belonging' to the Abenguois tribe of St. Ftancis, for their own private use and benefit, and that of theirlieins and succossors forever, subject to the following condition :-"That the said lots of land so granted, nor any " nor either of them, nor any part thereof, shall in any " wise be capabie of being alienated," lecased, transfer" "red, conveyod, or otherwise disposed of, by our said " grantes, or any or eitheriol them, to any" person or' "persons, in any manner or way whatsoever; and that,
"if at any time or times herealter, the' said lots of land "so grantel, or any, or either: of them; or'any part "thereof, shall cense to be occupied by them, the said
"grantes, or sonc or ine of them, or their, or some " one of their lawfut heirs; that then the said grant for "s such part thereol which shall so cease to be occupied, "" shall thereupon become void and of" nonce effect ; and " such part shall thereupon report and escheat to His "Majesty, His heirs and successors, and become the "absolute and entire property of Him and them; in "the same manner as if the said grant had never been "'made, anything herein" contained to the contrary' "thercof, in" inywise notwithstanding." It does not appicar, lowever, that the original granteces ar their heirs, were made acfuainted with the terms of this grant; as they have leased several of their tots: for ninety nine years, to discharged soldiers, and the selthers in the neieighbourhood of Drummondville. In the year 1829; these tenants addressed a petition to Sir James Kompt, praying to be allowed to purchase the lots held by such lenses, or to hold them at a quitrent from the Crown, and that hunting grounds might be assigneil to the Abenguois elsewhere,-but the Commissioners litive not boen able to trace any proceedings upon this's application:

The managoment of the St. Francis property is in the hands of an, agent, selected by the chiefs, and approved by the officer hat the liend of the Indian Departmentat

The anount of income and oxpenditure from 1832 to 1842, is shewn lin the following table, - and the de. tails for the last year in Appendix No. 88.

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1832, | £ 9116 | £ 97741 |
| $20 \mathrm{th} \mathrm{March}$. | 1833, | $137-411 \frac{1}{2}$ | 1115 |
|  | 1834, | $47.1711 \frac{1}{8}$ | 42140 |
|  | 1835, | 42.82 | 3798 |
| , | 1836, | $3+119$ | 6310 61 |
|  | 1837, | 6611 11 | 42159 |
|  | 1835, | 51189 | 4710 81 |
|  | 1839, | $42 \quad 0$ | $391610 \frac{1}{2}$ |
|  | 1840, | $50 \cdot 1$ |  |
|  | 1841,-42, | 169-3 | 9418 |

The present number of this tribe at St . Francis is 353. In 1841, it was 306 , at which time there were 96 heads of families. Owing to the imigratory habits of this tribe, there may be some fluctuation in their number from year to year, but since 1827 there has been no material increase or decrease. The number of baptisms in 1841, was 12 ; of marriages 4; and or burials 21. The mapority of these Indians reside in the village of St. Francis, which is about $3 \frac{1}{2}$ acres in ex-tent: they occupy 44 liouses, built chicfly of wood, with a few of stone, which are tolerably comfortable; they possess 4 barns, and 16 stables. About a dozen families, who don't cultivate any land, live in wigwams for about three quarters of the year, frequenting the forests near fish lakes. These soldom resort to their villages more than once annually, to receive their presents, and to perform their religious duties. Their wives contrihute to the support of the family by the manufacture of baskets, mocassins, snow-shoes, \$c.

The land which they have rescrved for their own use is about 500 acres; the quantity under cultivation about 200 acres; they are backward in their mode of agriculture, having made no progress during the last fifteen years ; their fondness for the chase is stated to be as great as formerly. Few of them subsist wholly by agriculture. They produced in 18.41 :-
180 bushels of Indian Corn,
23 do. of Wheat,
40 do. of Oats,
68 do. of Peas and Beans,
1469 do. of Potatocs,
79 tons. of Hay.

Their stock consists of 16 horses, 34 cows, and 50 swine; they possess 2 ploughs, and 10 carls.

The Government supports a Roman Catholic Missionary at this settlement, and the Indians frequent the church at St. Francis. A Methodist Missionary resident at this place has converted four familics to his persuasion. "The Roman Catholics have full service on Sabbaths and holidays, and evening service throughout the year. They are regular in their attendance, and the Missionary reports that, their spiritual condition leaves nothing to be desired.

There is a school in which about thirty children of both sexes are instructed. They are taught reading and writing and the elements of arithmetic. The French language is used in the school. The only books in use are the Old and New Testaments. The scholars are stated to evince good ability, but little inclination for the acquisition of knowledge, and the teacher is frequently obliged to fcich them from their homes.

On the whole, these Indians are loss advanced than those of the Iroquois tribe, especially in agriculture and habits of industry: The establishment of Temperance Societies amongst them during the past year, has proved beneficial in weaning many from their habits of drunkenness, and may Jend to further improvement."

## 5. ABENQUOIS OF BECANCOUR.

Parlianien- These Indians were at one time proprietary laper, tors of the Seigniory of Becancour, which
1839 . Puge 53. Evidence of was granted to them by Messere Pierre Mi. J. B. De Rolirceau, Chevalier, Sicgneur of Port-Niverville,for- neuf , \&c., by an Act passed on the 30th
inerly Interproter, Indian April, 1708 , but by an Act passed in the Department. year 1760,they ceded to Mousieur DeMonAppen, No. 9 . tesson, in consideration of a certain sum of money paid to them, the whole of their territory, keeping only the small portion in their actual occupation, consisting of a few acres round their village, and three sinall islands in the river Becancour; subsequent encroachments by their white neighbours have still further reduced their Reserve, and have compelled them to solicit the protection of the Government.

Their present number is eighty-four. 'In 1836 it was 119; the decrease is owing chiefly to migration; about a twenticth part are half-breeds. "The village is nearly six acres in extent. It contains only eleven small wooden houses. One chief, has a house and property in the town of Three Rivers. The tribe cultivate, in small patchos, about thirty acres, including the islands, but their method is of the rudest kind; they use no instruments but the hoe and rake, and of these' they have so small a number as to be obliged to lend to one another.

They have made no progress in agriculture, and have broken up no fresh ground since the year 1812. This, however, may be partly owing to the limited extent of their Reserve; and to the necessity of prescrving the wood for their winter supply. There are several poor members of their tribe, who have talsen sheler in their village, with whom they share their me ins of subsistence. All are obliged to make out a livelihood by dressing skins and inaking snow-shoes and baskets.' During the winter some of the ablebodied men hunt. In summer, as soon as the potatoe and corn crop are taken in, scarcely a man is left in the village. Most of them establish themselves on the banks of rivers, where they catch a supply of fish and, make baskets;' others go about the country, some as far as Quebec, in search of a liveliliood; they remain absent from two to four months.

There is no missionary attached to these Indians, but they are regular attondants at the church of $\mathrm{Be}_{-}$ cancour, and constant in the performance of their religious duties', both public and private.

There is no school in the settlement. They are reported to have made some progress in religion and morality, and to have benefited by the recent establishment of a Tersperance Society among the tribe.

## 6. HURONS OF LA JEUNE LORETTE.

Puriamen- These Indians have long been settled at tary Paper Lo Lorette, which is only nine miles from 1839, paje 54, Quebec; thoy claim to be the descendants
Evidencerf tho Rev. Mr. For-of part of those Indians, for the conversion tier. Appendix and instruction of whom the Seighiory of
No. 10 . Sillery was"granted to the Jesuits byithe French Crown in the year 1651; their present number is 189; In 1836 it was 210 , having increased from 179 in 182\%. They are all half breedser

The land at present in their possession, besides the the site of their village, consists of forty'square acres in the Seiguiory of St. Gabriel, about two miles distant. With the exception of two frimiles, they all reside in the village, which covers about twenty acres of ground, and contains thirty-four houses, (two of stone, ) and nine barns and heds. Theie number is on the

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decrease, owing to the difficulty of finding a subsistence, which is forcing them gradually to abandon the village. Whatever advantage they may derive from their proximity to Quebec, in the ready sale that they find for the game and fish taken by the men, and for the various articles manufactured by the women, these are more than counterbalanced by the vicious habits which have in consequence been introduced amongst them. At one time Lorette was the constant resort of the dissipated youth of Quebec. It became the scene of midnight orgies, and profligacy of the worst description, until the extent of the evil attracted the attention of the Police authorities in Quebec, who took measures to repress the mischief. Since then a considerable inprovement has taken place in the village, and within the last two years the Indians have made a sensible progress in religion and morality. Owing, in some measure, to the want of land, agriculture has made but little progress among them. They cultivate part of the forty acres which they possess, in patches of three or four acres to each family. They use the system and implements common among the Canadians, and grow oats, peas, Indian corn, potatocs and vegetables. In 1835, they produced-
43 bushels Wheat,
161 do Indian Corn,
353 do Potatoes.".

Their present annual produce is about-
400 bushels Oats,
10 do Indian Corn,
25 do Peas,
1000 do Potatoes.

Thicy do not, however, depend upon agriculture entircly for support-thy hunt and fish, and their women make moccasins, snow-shoes, \&c., which they sell to visitors and in Quebec. Some of them employ Canadian labourers for the field, work. Their fondness for fishing and hunting still continues, and they commonly devote three months in the spring, and the same period in the autumn, to these pursuits, but with loss ardour than formerly; as they meet with greater difliculties and less-success. They resort chiefly to the district between the 'St. Maurice and the Sague'nay:
They bave a chapel, and a missionary is maintained by the Government for their instruction. There is a school which is attended pretty regulaily by twentyfive children. The instruction and books in use. are the same as those to be found in common Canadian schools. The children are apt scholars-the natults are skilful artizans formerly there werc among those Indians, masons, carpenters, joiners and blacksmiths; but at present there are only two masons.

Within the nast to years they live improved considerably in conduct and industry and, with hssistance; they would make further progress.

## 7. MCMACS OF THE RISTIGOUCHE.

pariamentary, These Indans formone of the scattered Papiers, 1839, remnants of a tribe formery numerousion pabo 54 Novaiscotiand Now Brunswick, níd whose descendants are stll found lingeting in the wio oinity of the more populous seltements in those pro vinces. The estimated number in the atter Province is 1200 , and in Candat 442 , of these" 353 are settled in t village called Mission Point, on the north side of the Ristigouche in a very advantage ousposition at the head of the Bay of Chatedrse The village contiths
 chies nhibit substantial wodedr builaings the meto

of almost every convenience. They partially cultivate 325 acres, but know little about agriculture "Their rescrve contains between 500 and 600 acres, but they lay claim to a further quantity of about 1250 acres, granted many years, ago by the Govermment to a white settler, to which they appear equitably entited, and for the loss of which they ought to be adequately compensated. They belong to the Roman Catholic religion, and profit by the services of the missionary on that statin, who receives a salary rom the funds of the Indian Department for devoting part of his time to this band. They have no school and no means of obtaining instruction, but some of them crin read and write. Solne years ago, they commenced to build a church, but it has remained unfinished for want of funds. In 1842; three of the tribe visited England with the tope, among other objects, of obtaining contributions towards its completion, but with what success, is unknown; and, in the present year, the Governor Gencral directed that $£ 30$ should be advanced to them out of the Parliamentary Grant, for the same purpose.
These Indians have never been admitled to a title to share in the annual distribution of presents. : On three occasions, viz in 1826, 1831 and 1842, they received them as a special favour, under particular circumstances accompanying each occasion. Their distance, also, from thie Government of both Lower Canada and New Brunswick, from the latter of which they lave been in the habit of claiming assistance, has removed them from observation, and been the cause of their falling into a, state of neglect and misery from which they have only within a year or two commenced to emerge.
They have lately joined the Temperance Society, and display considerable anxiety to improve, and a disposition to assume habits of industry. They have been encouraged by the visis of agents on the part both of New Brunswick and Canada, and a manifest improvement is reported to be visible in their condition and prospects.

There is also a band of eighty-nine Miemac Indians settled at Cascopediac (New Richmond), on' the north side of the Bay of Chaleur, But there is no information respecting them.

## 8. UNSETTLED TRIBES.

Parlinonitary. The foregoing description comprises all Papers, 1839 ; the settlements atipresent known to exist page 53\& 54. in Canada ${ }^{2}$ East:
In the year IS2S, about thirty families of Amalacitos Were induced to form a settement on a branch of the River Verte, about 140 miles bolow Quebec, under the auspices of the Government. By an Order in Council, dated 28th May, 18.7, they received a grant of 3000 acres, in lots of 100 acres to each family.

They were assisted by Government for two years in seet; and some provisons in sowing time. The expetse incurred was $£ 138$, of which $£ 44$ was for the surfey, and $£ 11$ for he travelling expenses of the Superintentent During the first yorthey cleared 70 acios not soyed pattof the sed whithey received on this cearaince, and part on ground belonging to Ca. badian ettlers Tbe return was god and satisfactory, and the experinen of fred a fair prospect of suo cessfifl tesults, but unfortunalely po further notice of the settlement was taken by the Government. From 1829 up to the present time, it lias not been visited by any officer of the Indian Department, and it is supt posed to be now abandoned.

The Committe of the Executive Counoil, in noticing this setilement in their Report, justy observe,
(hat from the cricumstance of these Indinns naving "been' left very much to themsolves, without sufficient "superintendence, and from the fact that some families "still remain on the land, the Committee do notsee rea" son to think thata fair chance of success was offered to
"s the scttlement in its progress, or that its apparent failure "t would justify' the entire abandonment of it." 'They therefore suggested the " expediency of endeavouring to
"induce the Indians who had left their lands to return
" to them, aud of continuing that superintendence, sup-
"port and encouragement which it was, no doubt, the
" intention of the Earl of Dalhousie to afford, and with-
" out which no attempt to settle the Indians on land can
" erer succeed." No steps, however, have been taken
" to carry out this suggestion.
Besides the Inclians already described, there are a few who have no fixed place of residence, although they generally frequent certain localities, and are known by the names of those places.

## 1. TIIE ALGONQUINS OF THREE RIVERS.

Fivence of These are ninety-two in number. With Mr. De Niver- the exception of a chicf, who has a farm at ville. Alphen $^{\prime 2}$ Batiscan, and three other families, who
di. hare houses and plots of land at Three Rivers, they Io not possess any landed property, and subsist wholly by hunting and fishing.

They reside in wigwams, being unable, from their porerty, to procure or build houses. Having no land, they are altogether ignorant of agriculture. Their chief resort for the ohase is the river St. Maurice.

The women are much engaged in the manufacture of embroidered mitts and mocassins and other fancy articles, for which they find a ready sale at Three Rivers. The Chief at Batiscan employs a Canadian farmer.

They are members of the Roman Catholic Church, and atiend service at Three Rivers and Batiscan.

## 2. TETES DE BOULE OF SHHE RIVER.ST. MAURICE.

Evidence of Theso are wandering Indians, cighty-six Mr. De Niver- in number,' who live wholly by fishing and ville Appon- in number, whe are the leastcivilized of any tribe in the Lower Province; -have no fixed residence, and never quit their hunting-grounds on the upper part of the Riverst. Maunice, until the approach of the period for recciving their annual presents. Part of them appear to have been heathens up to a recent period, but are now, like the rest, admitted into the Roman Cat tholic Church.

## 3. WANDERING AMALACITES, MICMACS AND ABENQUOIS.

These Indians, who are for the most part in a state of complote dostitution, subsist exclusively by fishing and hunting, and by the produce of fancy articles made ly their women ; their present number is estimated at one hundred and eighty. In 1827 they were twice as numerous. Among them are included the Amalacites, who are supposed to have abandoned the River Verte settlement ; some of the Abenquois, who were formerly included in this number, have proluably setlled with their brethren at"St. Francis and Becancaur.

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## INDIANS OF CANADA WEST.

The Indians of Canada West may be divided into three classes.

1. Resident Indians, located within the Province.
2. Wandering Indians, having no fixed location, but living within the Province and the Territory of the Hudson Bay Company.
3. Visiting Indians, resident in the United States, who attend amnually to receive presents.

With regard to the two latter classes, verylittle information can be furnished. They only come under the observation of the Government once in the year, when they attend to obtain their presents, which they have hitherto been allowed to receive on the same footing as the Resident Indians.

It is impossible to form an accurate estimate of the number of these two classes. The number frequent ing the shores and islands of Lake Huron, the country about Lake Nipissing; and the northern shore of Lake Superior, as far as Fort William, wercestimated by Mr. Superintendant Anderson, in 1839, not to exceed 3,300 , and this calculation is borne out by the numbers who have attended annually to receive presents.". The number of those in the North-West and the Territory of the Huclson's Bay Company, have been variously stated ; but the Commissiuners have no data on which to form an estimate. They are for the most part, wild and uncivilized, dependant upon the chase and fishing for subsistence, and constantly exposed to the severest privations. Those who are in the employment of the Hudson's Bay Company as hunters and trappers, are understood to reccive much attention from the Agents of the Company, who, as well as various religious Societies in England and North America, employ several missionaries for their religious instruction and temporal improvement.
The Visiting Indians, as already described, are those who fought on the side of the British in their wars with the Americans, but who retained their lands in the territory of the United States. Theirnumber must be considerable, but only a small portion have attended annually to receive presents. The distance to the place of distribution, the opposition of the "American authorities to their attendance, and the necessity for leaving a sufficient number to protect their villages and crops, have, for some years past, limited the attendance to between 2000 and 3000.

The issue of presents to these Indians will be discontinued for the future. In 1836; Lord Glenelg suggosted the proprioty of this course, which was justified on the grounds, first, that as the recipients were subjects of another state, there was no reason why the British Government should continue to make annual payments to them; and secondly, that it amounted almost to an act of hostility to the Government of the United States, to supply guns and ammunition to the American Indians, with whom itfoas at that time engaged in civil war, Upon the proposition of the LieutenantGoverior, Sir Francis B. Head, sanctioned by the Secretary of State, notice was given at the general distribution at Manitoulin, in 1837, that, after the expiration of three years; presents would only: be given to those Indians. who should aotually reside in tho Butinh territory. This notice was interpreted to sig. nify that the Americen ludians would be deprived of the presents onty while they continued to reside in the United States, and that those who should settle in British North America at any time after the expiration of the three years, sliould become re-entitled to presents. This interpretation, however, was repudiated by the Imperial Government; and in 1841, a second notice was given, that those Indians who should got have be come settlers in Canada previously to the issuc in 1843 should henceforward and forever cense to receive pro sents. These notices have led" a considerable immigration of the American Indians into Canada,

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It' remains then' to describe the Resident Indians:Owing to the manner in which the issues to these Indians have been recorded, it is impossible during past yenrs to separate them from the Wandering and Visiting Indians with any accuracy, and consequendy, the fluctuations in their numbers cannot be stated.' There is. no doubt, however, that their number has increased, partly by the excess of births' over deaths, partly by the setilement of several bands who were formerly wanderers, and in a siill greater measure, by the immigration from the United States, already noticed.

The number to whom presents have been annually issued, appeats, from factsand statements which have come under the obscrvation of the Commissioners, to present no accurate index of the number actually existing in the Province; and the Records of the Department are, 'upon this and many other subjects, very imperfect.

The existing settlements, and the number of Indians residing at them, are shown in the following Table.

Several tribes are under the charge of Local Superintendents, of whom there are six; the remainder, which consist chicfly of small bands scattered in various parts of the Province, are under the care of the Chief Superintendent, who resides at the seat of Goverrment.

The principal and aboriginal tribes in Cunada West, are the Chippewas, or as their name is more correctly spelt, the Ojibeways, with the Mississagas, who are 'a branch of the same nation,-there being some doubt which is the national term.' The Dttawas and Pottawatimies, who are mostly immigrants from the United Stites, are closely connecled wilh the Clippewas. Besides these, there are only tho tribes formerly the Six Nations, who settled in the Province at the close of the American war; and who consist of the Mohawks, Oneidas; Onondagas, Scuecas, Cayugas; and Tuscaroras; with' some Delawares and Munsees, on the river Thames, some Hurons and Wyandotts at Amherstlury, and a few small bands of other tribes on the Grand River.

TABLE.


## 1. SIX NATIONS INDIANS OF THE GRAND RIVER.

Widence of At the termination of the War of IndeMr. Superin-pendence, the Six Nation Indians of the tendent. Win- Mohawk Valley, who had taken part with mev, Mr. Nel , the British, against the Americans, became Ios,-DO. ofA apprehensive that injurious consequences of W. H. Lan - inight result from their hunting grounds don.- Appen-being within the territory assignet to the dix Nus. 17, United Statos. They accordingly deputed 27,28, and 29 . their celebrated chief Captain, 'Joseph' Brant, (Tyeridenaga,) to represent their fears to Gene-
ral, afterwards, Sir Frederick Haldimand, who was 'then Governor of the Province of Quebec. 'His Ex-' cellency's answer, dated 27 th May, 1783 ;- the speech of the Superintendent of Indinns, Brigadier-General; Sir J. Johnson, made to these Indians at Niagarr,' in the subsequent July, are furnished in the Appendix as docurnents of historical interest:" (No. $\mathbf{4}^{7} 7^{\circ}$ )

In the following year, Sir F. Haldimand, by a Pro. clamation dated 25th October, 1784, grantod to the Six Nations and their heirs, forever, a fine and fertile tract of lard on the Ouse, or Grand River, in Upper

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Canada, six miles in depth upon each side of the river, legimning at Lake Erie and extending in that proportion to the head of the river.*

This grant was confirmed + and its conditions defined by a Patent under the Grent Soal issued by Licutenant

## * Fienierien Ilambmand, Captain-General and Governor-inChicj of the Province of Quelecound the Territhries depending thercon, sc. sc. Gencral and Commander-in-Chief of Mis Jutjestys sc. sc.

Wherens Ilis Majesty having beon pleased to direct, in condideration of the early attachment to llis cause manifested by the Sonhawk Indians, and of the loss of their settement which they thereby suatained, that a conveniont tract of hand under lis protection, should be chosen as a safe and comfortable wetrent for them nut on hers of the Six Nations, who either last their settlement within the Territnry of the $\Lambda$ merican States, or wish to retire from them to the Brilish; I have, at the earnest desire of these, Illis Majesty's fiuthful allies, purchised an tract of land from the Indians situated hictween the Lakes Ontario, Erie, and Huron, and I do hereby, in Ilis Majesty's' name, anthorize and permit the said Mohawk Nntim, and such others of the Six Nation Indians, ns wish to settle in that quarter, to'take possession of, nad settle upon the banks of the river commonly enlled the Onso, or Grand River, running into Lake Eric, athotting to them for that purpose, sin miles deep from mach side of the river, berinning at Jake brin andextending in that mropmetion to the hem of the said river, which they and their postority are to enjoy forever.

Giren :uiuer my iland and Seal at Armss at the Cnstle of St. Cowis, at Quebee, this 2 2th Outuber, 1784 , and the twenty fifth year of Ilis Majesty's Reign, King George the Third.
(Signed)
fredmrich matidimand.
(Signed, ) R. Mathews.
Registered 20th Marchi, 1793.
(Sigued,) fran. Jamis.
$\dagger$ J. Gmares Sisicor.
Geonge the Third, by the Grare of Gon, of the Uniled Kingdom of Great Britain and Irelani, King, Definder of the Faith, and so furtio.
To nid to whom these Prfeents siafle come.
Grebing:-
nsow Yr. that wherens the attachmentand fidelity of the Chiufs, Warriors and People of tho Six Nations, to us, and our Government, has been made manifest on divers occasions by their spirited and zallous exertions, and by the bravery of their conduct, and we, being desirous of shewing our approbation of the same, and in rerompense of the losses they may have sustained, of providing a convanient tract of land unfer our proteciinn, for a safe and comfortable retreat for them and their posterity; have of our specia? rrace, certain knowledge, and mere motion, given and granted, and hy these presents do give and grant to the Chiefs, Warrious, Women and People of the said Six Nations, and their Miris' forever, all that District or 'lemritory of land, being parcol of a certuin' District lately purchased by us of the Mississaga Notion, lying and being in the llome District of Our Provite of Upper Canadn, begiuning at the mouth of a certain River enomonly limewn ly the name of the Ouse or Grand River, now called the River Ourq, where it empties itself into Lake Erie, and ruming along the banks of the same fur the sprec of six niles rach side of the staid river, or a space co extensive therewith, confurmably to a certain surrey made of the snid tract of land, and annexed to these presnuts, and continuing alour the said river, to at place called or luown by the unme of the Forks, and from thener along the main stream of the said river for the space of six miles on cach side of the sam of stream, on for a space equally extensive therowith, as shanl the sa d slream, or or a space equaly extemse to the umost extent be set vut by a survey to bo made of he same, to the utmostextent
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seren humdred and ninety two, to have and to hold the said Distriet al Territory of hund so bounded ns aforesuit, of us, wir Meirs and Sucecssors, to them the Chiff, Warriens, Women and Penple of the Sir Nations, and to and for the sole use and behoof of thom anul ther Iteiss forever, freely and clearis of and from atl and all manfor of rente, fines and services whatever, to be rentered by them or ony of then to us or oue Snecestors for the same, and of and from nill conditions, stipnlations and aprements whatever, except as
 by these presents confirming to the said Chiefs, Wirtiors. Wonien and leople of the said Six Natimns. and their Heire, the full and matice pessession, use, bencrit ant ndrantage, of the said Di,trict or "Ieritory' to be held and enjoyed by them in the most free and ample rannoer, ond according to the several custom; and usages anp them the said Chiefs, Warriors, Werren and I'rople of the snid
 trtue intent and neaning of these presents, thant tor the purpose of true intent and ineaning of chese presents, hatt chise purpose, of Nosuring the said lands as aforesuid, to the snit Chinfe nrinis. Women und Peuple of tho sis Natune, and heir hers, and of

 transfer, alienatien, conveyunce, gne, gift, oxchame, wase, propery ar possessiun, shan at any time be had, made ar piven, of the satr said Chiels, Wascors, Womern or People, to nay other Nation or

Governor Simcoc, and bearing date 14th January 1793.

The original extent of the Tract was 694,910 acres, but the greater part of this has been since surrendered to the Crown, in trust, to be sold for the benefit of these tribes, and some smaller portions have been either granted by the Government in foe simple, to purchascrs, with the assent of the Indians, or have been alienated by the Chiefs, upon luases, which, although legally invalid, the Government did not at the time, consider it equitable or expedient to cancel.

The following is a list of the principal surren-ders:-

## $\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { 15th January, } \\ \text { 6th February, }\end{array}\right\} 1798$.

The lands now forming the Townships of Dumfries, Waterloo, Woolwich, and Nichol, extending downwards on both sides of the River from the Nothern extremity of the Reserve: and the greater part of the Townslips of Canborn' and Moulton, on the Eastern side of the entrance of the Grand River,
$.352,707$ acres.

## 19th April, 1830.

The site of the Town of Brantford on the
Grand River,..........................
807 ،
191h April,", 1831.
The Northern part of the prosent Township of Cayuga, on the lower part of the River,.

20,6\%0 ،

## Sth Februcry, 1834.

The residue of Cayuga, the present Township of Dunn, which adjoins that of Cayuga, and part of Canboro' and Lioulton,

50,212"
26lh March, 1835.
A confirmation of all the preceding surrenders.
borly of people, person or persons whintsnever, wher than among themselves, the said Chiefs, Warriors, Women and Yeople, but that any such thaster, alienation. salp, gift, exchange, lease, or possession, shall be null and roid and of no uffect whatever, and that no person or persons shall possess or accupy the said District or Turtiory or any part or pircel thereff, by or under pretence of any surd aliention, title or conveyaner, or by"or unter any protence whatever, under pain of our severe displeasure ; ond that in conce any person or persont, oher that he said Chefs, Warriors, Wumen and J'epple of the said Six Nations, shall, under, pretence of Wamen and fleople of the satidsix nations, stanl, under pretence of any such the ns nifecsand, precund or possess ne necupy the saik and may he hurful for us, our Mrirs and Successors, at any time and may he lawful for us, our Heirs und successors, at any time thereafter, to enter upon the hatls so occlupied and nossessad by
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and them the said intrudids thereof and therefrom wholly to disand them the said intrinders thereof and tharefrom wholly to dis-
possess and eiect, and to resumo the part or pared so occupiod to possess and eicet, and to resume the part or pared so occupicd to
curselves, our Hhirs and Suceessurs. Irovided always, that if nt

 med and inlerest in the said District or Territury, or any part Ilatroof, the samo shan be purchased fur us, our Meirs andl Successors, ne some Public Meeting or Assembly of the Chicfs, Warriors, and L'eople of the suid Six Nations, to be holien for that purpose by the Goyernor, Lieutenant Guvernor or person administering ont Government in our Province of Upper Candt,
In testimony whercof, we have calised thesen nur letters to to made Patent and the Great Seal of ontr said Prorince, to be heremuto affixed. Witness, His Fixellonry Joln Graves Simcoc, Eyquire, Lemtenant Governor' and Colemel Cominating our Forces in our Laid Proviluce.
Given at our Government Monse at Navy Hrll , this Fourteenth day' of Jantars, in the yoar of our Lerve One thousant soven hundrod and ninelj three, in the thity-third y'as of van reign.
(L. S. S )
(Signed, ${ }^{\text { }}$
J. G. S.
(Signec!) Willati Jaitis, Sectolity.

## 18th Junuary，1841．

The residuc of the land，with a reserva－ tion of＇ 20,000 acres，and the lands actually in the occupation of Indians，or upwards of， $\qquad$
Of the eanlior surronders，the greater portion has been already sold，and the proceeds have been invested either in Consols in England or in the Grand River Nuvigation Stock；＂，The survey of the portion last surrendered is not complete，but a considerable part is already occupied by setlers or squatters，and the whole will probably be soon settled．

The Six Nations consist properly of the Mohawks， Oneidas，＊＇Senceas，Onondagas，and Cayugas，which formed the original confederacy of the Five Nations， called Iroquos＇by the French，with the Tuscaroras， who wore adopted into the confederacy．

But the community on the Grand River insludes， also a few Delawares，Tutulies，Muntures，Nunti－ cokes，and some other Indians，together with＂a few families of Negroes，adopted into the Nation．The number，according to a census taken in 1843，is 2，223． They are settler in small bauds，divided according to thoir tribes，or collected under separate Chiefs，on both sides of the River，from the Cayuga Cownship line，to the south side of the Hamilton road，but are，at present，about to retire altogether to the south side．
The greater part live in log houses scattered over his tract；very few，comparatively，live in villages；of these there are properly but three，the Mohawk，Tus－ carora and Cayuga．The first，which is between one and two miles from Brantford，was established in 1784－5，the year after the emigration of the Six Nations．It contains about twenty－four houses，and
extends in a very irregular form from a quarter to a half a mile．＂Its church，which is said to be the oldest in Canada West，is a very neat building in excellent repair， and contains the family vault of the celebrated Chief of the Mohawks，Josejh Brant．＇All the Indian in Habi－ tants of this village，with the exception of four or five families，have sold their improvements to white settlers， and have removed to other parts of the Reserve，for the convenience chiefly of procuring fuel，whicis they hat great dificulty in obtaining at the＂village．

The Tuscarora village is a mile and a half from the site of the Six Nations Council House，which is cleven miles distant from Brantlord；it was established ten or fifteon＇years later than the Molarwk Village，and is of nearly the same extent ；but the houses，of which there are about thirly，are less scattered；；it contains few or no white settlers，and there is a neat little church at one end of the village．

The upper Cayugai Village is now deserted by the Indians．The Onondaga and Salt Spring settloments， mentioned in former Reports，can scarcely be called villages．

Thic houses are all＇of logs，and in each setlloment＇ there are several barns．None of the Six Nations Indians reside in wigwams．The wcallh and condi－ tion of each tribe is sufficiently shewn in the following table，from the Abstruct of which，it appears that 2223 individuals，forming about 500 families，occupy 397 houses，having fifty－five barns attached to them．They： possess eighty－five wagons， 127 sleighs， 153 ploughs and ninety－soven harrows．Their stock consists of 350 horses， 561 oxen， 790 cows， 2070 swine，and eighty－three shoep．

[^44]TABLE．
Statemenit of the Names and Number of the several Trilics of the Six Nations，with the quantities of iniproved Land，Houses，Barns，Agricultural Inmpements and Stool，belonging to each，in the year 1843.

| names of the tribes． |  | No．of acres． | $\begin{gathered} \text { 品 } \\ \text { \#\# } \\ 0 \end{gathered}$ | 宫 |  | $\frac{\dot{g}}{\dot{6}+0}$ |  |  | $$ | 品 | $\begin{gathered} \text { en } \\ 0 \\ \hline 0 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \dot{n}, \\ & \text { 品 } \end{aligned}$ | 灾 |
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| Upper Mohawks | 364 | 11631 | 64 | 8 | 17 | 28 | 29 | 21 | 36 | 90 | 107 | 377 |  |
| Lower Mohawles． | 310 | $1648^{2}$ | ． 60 | 15 | 18 | 28 | 28 | 23 | 32 | 74 | 110 | 253 | 30 |
| Bay of Quinto Mohaw | － 94 | 183 | 11 | 2 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 2 | 13 | 8 | 15 | 92 |  |
| Clarar Sky＇s，Onondaga | 219 | 700 | 51 | 3 |  | 2 | 14 | 5 | 55 | 109 | 125 | 184 | ． |
| Barefoots，Onondagas． | 64 | 111 | 12 | ．．． | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1. | 3 | 9 | 9 | 44 |  |
| Nekarontasa＇s，Seneens，included in the Onondaga Return． | 55 |  |  | ．．． | ．．． | ．．． | $\ldots$ | ＇． | ．．．＇ | ．．． | ．$\because$. | ．．． |  |
| Kaghneghtasas，Senecas，ditto ditto．．． | 52 | $\cdots$ |  | ．．． | ．． | ．．． | ．．． |  | ．． | ．．． |  | $\ldots$ |  |
| Oncida，Joseph． | 42 | 124 | 6 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 7 | 12 | 9 | 30 | 8 |
| Peter Green＇s Nughquaga | 75 | 283 | 15 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 8 | 10 | 19 | 45 | 11 |
| Upper Cayugas． | 114 | 417 | 18 | 1 | 5 | 7 | 10 | 4 | 33 | 26 | $36^{\prime}$ | 161 |  |
| Iower Cayugas． | 287 | 1003 | 76 | 7 | 10 | 21 | 25 | 12 | 58 | 82 | 151 | 403 | 21 |
| Tuscaroras ．．．．．． | 192 | 500 | 38 | 7 | 7 | 10 | 21 | 9 | 44 | 76 | 105 | 183 |  |
| Tuteillies，included in the Upper Cayuga Return． | 40 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\ldots$ |
| Delawares（Tom）．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 127 | －347 | 20 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 22 | 23 | 38 | 167 | 12 |
| St．Regis，included in theOnondega Return | 6 |  |  |  |  | ．．．＇ |  |  |  |  |  | （1） |  |
| Mantures，included with the Lower Cayuge | 20 | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | ．．． | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ |  |
| Old Nantucokes，included in the Delaware Retiu＇n． | 30 |  |  | $\ldots$ |  | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ |  | $\cdots$ |  |  |  |  |
| Now Nantecokes． | 17 | 169 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 5 | $\stackrel{\square}{3}$ | 14 | 17 | 25 | 61 |  |
| Aughquagas（Joseph）．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | － 182 | 260 | 11 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 8 | 5 | 25 | 27 | 41 | 70 | 1 |
| Canda fimily，（included in the Towe <br> Mohawk Return． | － 9 | ＇י＇ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ＇．．． |  |  |  |
| Rayentagowa，included in the Upper Mo． |  |  |  |  |  | $\ldots$ |  |  |  | $\ldots$ |  | $\ldots$ |  |
| Mawk Return．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 14 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Brant family，ditto ditto | 10 |  |  | ．． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tot | 2223 | 6908. | 397 | 55 | 85 | 127 | 1.53 | 97 | 350 | 561 | 790 | 2070 | 83 |

'The extent of improved land among them is 6,008 acres, orenan average, aboul fifted acres tocath family ; somo, however, fold extensive farms, as will be soen by the follwwing ahstact:-

Number of lindians folding no improved land, 50 6 ". bolding under live notes, 96


## Total 104

Fo those caseg in which the fimily has no improved land, tho mates gemeatly wolk out in the winter, chmping and catrying wood for fuel, se. In the spring and summer, and in the carly par of heautumn, they engeg as labourers, for whied they receivo high wages. 'I he females remain with their relations, and are supported ly the earnings of the men. Many of the Indians work on the farns of the white setters during harvest time, being excellent eradlers of various kinds of grain

The hard is mot subdivided into regular phots. Dach lidedian selects his own locality, and takes as much hand as he cha callivate, or winhes to reserve to himself, without the interference of the Chices. " They are generally secure from the intrusion of ollere Indians; and they can transmit hocir lanet to their heirs, of convey their interest in it to any other Indian.

If any disputes arisa, they are submitled to the Chicfs in Council, who decide upon the matter. These Jidians, however, subier a grod deal from the eneroachments of the whites, agrainst whom it has been found impussible entirely toprotect hem; and they have been rendered very uncasy and unsottled by the uncertainty attending the possession of their farms, in conseduence of the fropuent removals rendered necessary by the successive surrenders of portions of their tract.

They depend ahmost entiroly upon agriculture for their subsistence, and soldom resort to hunting and fishing for a supply of food, although many of them indulge in these'sport's for various periods, extending from a fortnight to three months, towards the close of the yoar. Their clief hunting grounds are in the Townships of Nurwich, Zorra, Denham, Wendham, Blemheim, and at the Chippewa Creek; but when unsuccessful at these places, they resort to mure distant localities. At least ore-1bird do not hunt at all ; and it is probable, that, when the game becomes exhausted in the surrounding Townships, the inclimation of the remainder to the chase will have athogether censed.

They ate much improved in their habits of industry and their mode of agriculture, and they mase a greater ratioty of grain and vegetables than formenty; but it has been obsorved, that their crops lame been less abundant, and their houses and stuck less numerous than at formor periods. This may be accounted for by a lare portion of their cultivated hand having fallen into the possession of white setters, -and, by the erection of certain dams on the Grand River, which have flooded much of their marsh land, and obliged them to abandon it.

The large farmers pursue exactly the same mode of agriculture as the whites, except thoy sow less seed, and are mot so careful in preparing it; hence, their crops ate frequently steveroly injured by smut. They sow wheat and yats; and grass down with timothy; they also grow peas in large quantities, with which, and Indian com, they fatton their, hogs. The smatl far-
mers grow little clse than Indian corn and potatoes, in the cultivation of which they mily use the hoe. On the large 'farms the field labour is performed by the men, with the excoption of the cultivation of Indian corn, which on large or small farms, is always performed by the womon: The young men of the Upper Tribes, who are Christians, and furlher advanced it civilization, engage more in farm labours, and arc more industrious than the young mon of the Lower Pribes, who are mostly heathens. They perform a fair share of the work on the farms. The regular divisiun of tho day as to labour and meals is protty generally attended to on tho large farms, but not so systematically as among the whitos. From the irregular hahits in which the Indian children are brought up, they are not, when they arrive at mature age, so regular in these particulars as whites.

No statemont can be furbibloch of the "quantities of produce raised. The Indians only measure such as they intend to take to market; and this bears a very small proportion to the quantity consumed in their fat m:lies. Thoy seldom hold any stocks of grain; and when their crops lail they are often reduced to great distress, and obliged to purchase large quantities of flour. At various periuds the Governmont liave had occasion to come to theit aid, and to take steps to fumish them with necessary supplies.

As regards religion, the Molawks had been Christ-' ians for' many years' before the Amerigan revolution. The church at the Mohark village was buit by the Government for the ir use, the year after the settlement; for many yoars, however, they hat no resident missionary among them"; the nearest clergyman lived at Niagara, seventy miles distant. He visited them about twice a year; but so strong were their religious principles, and their feelings of devotion, that the Liturgy of the church was regularly read every Sablath by one of their body, and by this means a congregation was ahways kopt up among them. About sixteen years ago, a clergeman was first selled here for the benefit of the Inclians, by the "Company for the Propagation of" the Gospel in Now England and the parts adjacent in America," commonly called the "New England Company." Some attention had been previously paid te the inhabitants of this neighbourhood, by one of the missionaries of the Socicty for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, but by an arrangement with the New England Company, the care of this station. was entirely resigned to that Company, who have ever since maintained a missionary at the Mohawk Vilage, kept the churd in repair, ant have established several rchools, and a Mechanics' Institute for the Indians in and ahout the station. More recently they have estab. lished an assistant missionary in the Tuscarora village, where thay have built a church and a parsonage-house. Besides the services in these two charches, divine worship is performed in a school-house in the Johnsen sellement; in the neighbourhood of the Salt Springs:" in 1 private house at the Fuir Springs sethement at He Lower Onondaga; 'and at the Delaware settlement; and in a priate dwelling near the Council-house. There is also a Mohorlist. Chapel at the Salt Springs, and a comgreyation of Beptists hohd service in private houses at 'Juscarora.

A latre majorty of the ladians on the Crand River are Christians, and helong mostly to the Church of England. $\Lambda$ few years ago, some of the Lower Mo havks left hiat Church and at tached themselves to the Epinscopalian Mothodists; but lately, part of hese hnve roturned to the Church. During the last year, about forty of the Tuscarora Tribes joined a sect of Baptists.' There are also some Wenleyan Melhodists. $\Lambda$ considerable number, however, of the Upier and Lower Cayugas, the Onondagas, Sonecas, and some of the Der-

Appendix (EEE.) entirely widhout succoss. Within a few years they have baptized one hundred adults, and within the last year, sixty of the Delaware tribe, who are gradually renouncing paganism, were baptized. The Indians who' still remain profossedly heathens, do not, for the most part, deny the truth of Christianily, and their spiritual condition has been manifestly improved by their intercourse with the Christion Indians. Many of them occasionally altend divine scrvice, which is perfurmed ina language thoy understand; and thus they are lod almost imperceptibly to imbibe the doctrines and sentiments of Christianity. The chiof obstacle to their conversion is a joint deterinination on the part of certain of their Chiefs to perscyere in their rejection of Christianity, and to induce all under their influence to fullow their example. The glaring inconsistency, which they cannot fail to discover, fietwecn the profession and practice of many of the nominal Christians among, the white people who have settled around them, and who are generally of a very bad character, has furnished then with a phausible objection to the Christian religion.
The improvement among the Christian Indians has been very perceptible. They freguently express the sonse which they entertain of the benefils arising from their change, and their disgust at the heathen ceremonies in wlich they onco delighted. Among the ovidences of their sesire for adyancement, is their attention to religious instruction and divine worship, and their engerness to obtain admission for their children into the boarding school of the Now England Company at the Mohawk village. A few years ago, there was dificulty in procuring fourteen scholars for this school; there are now fifty applications in' addition to 'the 'fifty already there. The discouragement of drunkenness is another sign of improvement.

Besides the boardiug school abuve mentioned, in which the scholars arc taught handiceralt, and are instructed generally upun the sjstem adopted in white schools of inilusiry, there nere five day schools, including one at the Mehodist Mission;-these, however, aro very irregulaty attended. The total number of children urider instruction, including 'those at the loarding school, is 160 . The mode of teaching is the same as that amoing common schools for the'whites, and the books in use tare those recommended by the Board of Educhtion, viz: the Bible, Mavor's Spolling Book, English Reader, Diboll's Arillmetic, Murray's Grammar and Geograply. The instruction is carried on altogether in English. The children shew is much aptitude in acquiring knowledge as the whites. At the Now England Company's School, fifteon boys are under instruction in the several trades of waggon-maker, blacksmith, carpentor, and shoemaker. The girls, twelve in number, are taught house-kecping, necellework, spinning, and knitting. The adults evince much aptitude for mechanical arts: Many of them, without instruction, are blacksmiths and carpenters, capable of crecting and finishing a frame-house. Many, and particularly among the women, are sufficiently good tailors to be able to make their own clothes.
These tribes have increased by about 100 during the last ten years;--the average number born to a couple is three or four, of whom two arrive at maturily. The estimated number of hall-breeds among them is small,not above three in 100.

The Six Nations Indians are under the superintenNence of an Officer of the Indian Department, who resides at Brantford. They receive medical attendance form praclitioners in the same town, who are remunerated out of the funds of the tribes.

If the property of these Indians had been properly managed, they would, at the present time, have been an indeperudent and oputent people. Of the extensive tract which they have surrendered, a large piortion has been sold for their bencif, and large quantitios of excelIent timber have been cither sold or pilfered from their lands. There is at present a sum of $£ 25,733$ arising from the source, invested in the British Funds; a further sum of $£ 38,000$ has been invested, upon the authority of Sir Joln Colborne, in the Grand River Navigation Company, in which they hold threcffourths of the stock. This investment, which was male by the LieutenantGovernor, in the expectation that it would not only yicld an early profit but greatly enhance the value of the temainder of the Iudiail lands, has proved very unfortunate. It has absorbed all their funds for the last soven years, leaving no surplus for distribution in money or provisions, 'ts formerly., 'The works are' far from complete: and advances have already been made to the amount of $£ 9,000$, to meet past instalments. The Indians have frequenlly complained of the transaction, and have petitioned the Government to take the stock of their hatuls.

## 2. THE DELAWARES, CHIPPEWAS, MUNSEES, AND ONEIDAS OF THE' RIVER THAMES.

Evidonce of The Dolaware setlement was one of the Mr. Stperint first established by Indians in Canada West. Clench; , Nitto In 1792, the principal remnant of the once Floor. Apper- flourishing congregatious of the Moravian, dix, Nas. 19 or United Brethren Church in the United and 19. . States, was compelled to seek an asylum in Upper Canada, where they were fivourably recived by the Provincial Authorities, and were permitted to settle on the river La Tranche, now called the Thames. By an Order'in Council, dated 10th July, 1793, a large tract of forest land on the river, comprising about 50,000 acres, was granled for their ise, on which they proceeded to build a village called Fairfield; a church and other premises, at the expense of a Voluntary Socicty, established at Belliteliem, in the State of Pennsylvania, in the year 1787, under" the name of "The Brothron's Society for the Propagation of the Gospel." By a sccond Order in Council, dated 26 th February, 1799, a' survey of this tract was directed to be made, and the land was appropriated to the Trustees of the Moravian Society, "to be reserved forever to the Society, in trust, for the sole use of their Indian converts."

Tho first settlement having been entirely destroyed by the invading American army, during the campaign of 1812 , a now one was formed on a site at no great distance from the former, where, in a short time, the Indian congregation was again collected, and where it now resides.

In 1836, these Indians were induced by Sir F. Fead to survender' a large portion of their lands, about six miles square, in exchange for an annuity' of $£ 150$; and the tract which they now possess, situated in the Township of Orford, Western District, contains' about 25,000 acres.

The number of the Indians who belong to the tribe of the Delawares, was 802 in 1897, but owing to a dissension which arose in the previous' year, rolative to tho salc of their lands, a portion of the community retired to Missouri, United States, and their present number is only 153.
The Chippewas and Munsees occupy a tract of land containing about 9000 acres, in the Township of Caraduc, within the Lóndon District, at a distance of about twenty-five miles from the Moravian village. It is only within ten years that the Chippewas hive been reclaimed from a wandering life, and settled in their

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prosent location. 'The Munsces have been settled since the year 1800, on land belonging to the Chippewas, with the consent of that tribe. The present number of Chippowas is 378 , and of Minsees 242.

The Oneidas are a band of American Indians, who oame into Canada in the year 1840, and have purchased, with the produce of their former lands and improyements sold to the Amorican Government, a tract of about 5000 acres, in the Township of Delaware, District of London, which is separated by the River Thames from the Chippewa aid Munsee settlements. Thoir number is 436 .

There are also several Potawatamic fumilies, who have fixed their residence among the Chippewas, Mluring the last year ; and a band of about 500 Senecas, frum Tonawantee, in the State of Now York, are expected alortly to furm a settement near their brethren, the Oncidas.

These Indians are under the general chargeofa Superintendent of the Indian Deparment, who resides at Dolaware.

The Chippewas possess 'an anniity of $\mathfrak{x} 600$, granted by the Government for: a surrender of land made in 1832 ; the Moravians have $£ 150$ a year, in exclange. for land ceded to Sir F. Head. The Munsees have no anmity. These threo tribes partake of the presents. The Oncidas neither possess an annuitynor are entitled to presents; but they brought with them into Canada a considerable sum of money, received from the Amorican Government, in purchase of their lands and improvements, which they lotged in the hands of the Chief Superintendent.' On the first occasion after their arrival, they were included in' tho amual issue; but when the circumstance came to the knowledge of the Administrator of the Government, Sir Richard Jackson, by the insertion of the hand in the estimates, and it appeared on enquiry, that they had neverbefore received presents, nor were entitled to them hy having fought on the British side, orders were given that no further issues should be made to then.

The Moravian Delawares are collected in a village, which contains one frame, and hirty-four logr-kouses, with ten barns. They have 292 acres under cultivation. Their stock consists of 14 oven, 40 cows, and 47 heifurs, 60 horses, 35 sheep; and 200 swine; they possess 8 waggons, 16 ploughs, 5 harrows, 3 foming mills, 11 ox chains, 21 sey thes, 12 sickles, 6 spades, with a number of hoes, axus, \&c. \&ce.

Tho Chippevas and Munsecs are not collected in a village, but live on small farms scittered over their tract. Some of the Chippewas are sctiled on surveyed lots of wenty acres each. This tribe occupies 76 log houses, and sin wigwams; they possess 25 barns. They have 450 acres under cullivation. Their' stock consists of 30 oxen, 27 cows, 44 heifers, 82 lorscs and colts, and 400 swinc. Their agricultural imple-ments include 9 ploughs, 9 harrows, 23 scythers and sickles, 19 ox chains, a fanning mill, it waggons and carts, 7 spades, icc.; they have a blacksmilh's forem, and two and a half setts of carpenters' tools.
The Munsees occupy one farm, and $50 \log$ houses, to which are attached 10 barns. They have 209 arves under culfivation. They possess 14 oxen, 50 corvs, 30 heifers, 55 horses and colls, and 250 swine. Thieir inplements consist of 11 ploughs, 7 harrows, 17 scythes and sickles, 10 spades, a fanning mill, 5 waggons, 7 ox chains, with hoos, axes, \&c.

The Oncidas, who are more recently setled, but who brought with them means of purchasing from old settlers, occupy six frame nod ' $4 S^{\prime}$ log' houses, with four wigwams; they have also five frame and $15 \log$ barns.

They cultivato 335 acres of land. Their stock consists of 64 oxen, 61 cows, 27 heifers, 17 horses, and 102 swine ; they possess 13 ploughs, 16 harrows, 14 waggons and carts, 42 ox chains, 43 scythos and sickles, three fanning mills, two setts of carpenters' tools, with hocs; axes, de. Sc.

Those families who live in wigwams do so from necessity, and not from choice; a number of the Chijpewas are selted on sulveyed lots, as already stated, but in geremal, mach Indian selects the spot which he wisties to cultivale, and the Chiefs do not interfere. The extent of land cultivated by cach family, waries from ove fo fifteen acres. When a family has no tand under cultivition they depend upon the bounty of their neighbours, who are always realy to share with those in want. They also hum,-and make howls, brooms, and baskets, which they sell to the whites. There is very litloc decreaso in thic partiality of these Indians for hurting und fishing. They usually leave home towards the end of October, and remain away until the berinuing of January; they also sjend about a month during each sipting, in the chase. They resort to the unsetiled lands in the London and Western Districts; and it is promalle, that as soon as those lands are occupied, they will be comjelled to abmandon the chase. The eflect of the gradual settlement of the country has been to assimilate Ulicir habits to those of the whites, and to attach them to their homes; they now hunt and fish as near home as possible.

They who follow agriculture carry on the different branches of husbundry on a small seale, adopting the same method generally as the whites. They raise wheut and grain, but Thdian corn and potatoes are their chief crops. The quantity of their produce cannot be stated, but in some jcars they raise more corn and potatoes than are required for their own consumption. The fied labor is divided among the mon and wonen. The young men do their share with but fow exceptions. The labor of an Indian, compared with that of a white farmer, may be estimated at about one-tenth of the latter.

With regard to their religious and moral condition, as very' decided 'mproremeni has taken place within at recent period. The Delawares have been converted from Paganisin, since the year 1783 ; and many of the others have a tolerable knowledge of the leading doctrines of Christianity, and can'repeat the Lord's Prayer, Creed, and Ten Commandments.' The Dulavares are all Christians, and lelong to the Church of the United Brethren, who maintain a missonary among them.

The converted Chippewas and Munsees belong to the Church of England, and the Wesleyan Methodist Church, but sume of them remain lioathens. The Pottawamies and Oneidas aro for the most part heathens.

The Church of Eugland claims 25 communicants, and from 100 to 150 usually atiend its service. A Jergyman who has ministered anong these Indians during the last soven years, was appointed missionary' in 1540, at a satary of $£ 100$, borne upon the Parlinmentary Grant.

There are 201 communicints anong the Wesleyan Methonists, and the atleudance at their sorvice is from 30010400 . A missionary for this community is supported by the Canadian Branch of the Melbodist Church.

When at home; these Indians soldom neglect to attend divine service, and appear more zealous oven than thoir whito neighbours. During the service they are orderly and attentive. Thicy liave family worship in their houses, mowning and evening, and say grace before and after their meals.

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Aboul 283 porsons are still heathens; but many of those attend church or clayelf, and there is every prospect of their prejudices being overcome. .These, and their fondness for lighor, which they know that , they must renoumce with their other vices before they can be aulmitted into the Church by baptism, are the chicf impodiments to their conversion.
During the year 1842, the clergyman of the Clurch of England baptized twenty-thre individuals, the Methodist Missionary sixty-six, and the Moravian ten.
The Morivinns have a place of worship at dhoir own settlement; the Episcopalians aud Mecthodists haive each a Chingel in the Chippowa and Munsee settlement; and there is a Mofludist Chapel in the Oncida soctlement.
The Clergyman of the Church of Englaud has two services on the Sabbath, and assembles the Indians for religious instruction, twice a week; in the evening, liesides visiting them as time pernits, from house totiouse. There is a school in the Moravian settlemont,--two athong the Chippewas and Munsecs,-and one unong the Oneidas.

The forner is atteniod by forty-nne sclolaris of whom twenty-three are boys from 5 to 15 years of age, and eightion girls, from 6 to 14 . The schoolmasiter is maintuined by the Moravian Missiouary Society. The children, in their respective classes, spell and read. together', and ropeat ilheir lossons individually.
They' use the Union Primer, Webster's Spolling Book, the Enuglish Reader, and Iutton's Arithinctic.
The school'at Lower Munsee is under tho control of the Missionary Society of the Church of England, and the scholars belong to the Chippewa aud Munse tribes. Ifs schoolmaster reccives in tunnual salary of L50 from the annuity of the tribe. It is attended by twenty-ono lioys, from 0 to 15 years of hige, and by four girts, from 6 lo 10 , besides a numbior of youngit men and wwimen two attend occasionaily; some of the former are learning arillmmetic and English grammar.
The chiduren are taught spelling and reading in classes, with writing at thie desk, from copy lines, and occasionnally from dictation. The Looks used are Primers, Mavor's Spelling Buoks, Now Testaments, and Grainmarts, and Diboul's Arillmmetic.
the second schiool for the same two tribes is under the control of the Methodist Westeyan Missionary Socecty in Canaada. It is attended by severieen boys and. eigliteen girls, belween' 6 and 14 years of age, and by three young men. , The method of instruction is the simme as in the comnion sclooly establishled ammg' the whiles. The books used are the New London Primer, Mavor's Spelling Book, Richnordson's Reading made Easy, New Testanent, and Rogers' Aritllmetic.
The School in 'the' Oncida settlement is also under the control of the Wesleyan Methorlist Soricty. The tracher is an Indian of the Oncida tribe';" it is allended by sixileen boys, from 6 to 16 , aud screntcoul gitls, from 5 to 15 years of age. The looks usell are the Spelling Book and New Testament' in 'tice Oncida hanguage, and the English Testament." The cliildren faught in their own language, learn very fast, but they make slow progress in the English; the master, however, is raporied not to be well qualificed to instruct in that languago.
One of the greatest impodiments to the eduction or the Indian children, is their practice of leaving school 10 accompany their parents on their hunting, fisling, aid sugar making excursions. They ishibitit considerable aptitude in learning. The adults are yery inge-
nious, and slicw ability for becoming good mochanics. Among the Chippewas there is a selfetaught blacksmith, who is cupable of doing common work, such as sloeing horses, repairing firming implements, fire-arms, \&c.; there are also tailurs, who work for their own people. Among the Moravians there are tivo rough carpenters, and four tailors. The Oneidas have two good carpenters al plain work.

These tribes are on the increase since their conversion to Clristianity. Their health is gonerally good, allhough many are stated to die from want of proper nourrishment and medical treatment. Discaises are on the decrease imong them. The averige number of childeren born to a married couple, is cight, of whom alout three are reared." A small number only are halfbreds; among tho Moravians here are two; Chippewas, flyutctenn; Munscos, five; Oneidis, two.'
Tho Indians who have reccinly become converied and sctlied, appecar, to be sensiblo of the great good that may, be derived from the cullure of their lands; end thoy aro anxious to have their children educaied.' Two large scciool-houscos, and a good dwelling louse, for one or ithe teaclers, liave becil erected by the Clippewas, out of thicir own funds; mand it is understood drat one of the teachlers is supported from the same source. The plan adopted to promote their spiritual and temporal welfare las theen to combine religious instruction mad education with the inculcation of habils of indusiry; and the Superintendent and Cluurch Missionary, report. that their effirts liave bioen attented wilh as much success has could have been expicied from the linited means phaced at their disposal.

## 3. TIIE CHIPPEWAS, HURONS, SHAWNEES, and munsees, at amherstburg and point pelee.

TVideried of Those Ihdians are under the charge of a Mr, Superint, separate Superintendent. Their number is of Jev, Fin very small. At the issue of presents in Mack. Do, of 18 12, there were only 324 in attendance, Rov, 33 , Slight) and the estimate of 1544 includes 368 . 10,34, und 32. The number befonging to each Trile is as follows:-

| Chippewns, | 258 |
| :--- | ---: | :--- |
| Murons, | 88 |
| Munsens, | 28 |
| Slunveecs, | 6 (in 1842 ). |

Formerly Amherstburg was the chief post for the distribution of presents to the Indians rosiding west of Toronto, and to those of the United sitates. Since the formation of the ostablishment at Manitoulin Island, the distributions at Amherstburg and Drummond lsland, have been discontinued, except to the Indians' in the immediate neighbenthoud of the former place, and have since been made at Manitoulin.

The Hurons possess an extensive reserve of lanit on the bank of the River Detroit, a little above Ambierstburg. In the year 1790, when the Council of the Four Nations, (Clippervas, Ottawas, Hurons and Pottowalamies) surrendered to the Governnent, the extensivo tract of land in Western Canada, kinown by the name of the Huron District, they stipulated for it reservation of tho hunting grounds, then occupicd by the Ilurons ind Wyandotis, which comprised 22390 ncros, extending alout six miles along the shore of the Rivor Dotroit, and having a depih of scven miles, In the year 1836, in consequetice of the encroach ments of the whites ypon those lands' and the desite which oxisted in that part of the country, to be allowed to settle upon them, the Government induced tho Indians to surender a large portion of their reserve,
in trust to be sold for thair exclusive beneft. By a subsequont agreement mado in the next year, by Sir F. Hed, they resignod two thirds of the reserve, the proceds' of one third to be applied to their exclusive hencfit, and thase of the secomb and thind for the general purposes of the Indians in Upper Camada, Tho portion of the Reserve still remaining in their possossim is about 8,000 acres in extent. Upon this are soltted, each on ar separate farm, tho Chippewas and wher ludians. Tho Munsces and Shawnees, will raspect to whom the Superintendent gives no separate information, are chielly migratory, but the few families who have berome in some mensure, slationary, live on the above Reserve, but hive not had separate farms assigned to them, nor erected any dwellings.

The furmens have thinty-four dwelling looses, of which thirysthree are mato of loge, and one is a very comfortable farm dwelling of two stories, for the erection of which they paill £250. They have also ten barns, of which fur ate framed," "and twenty-liree loig stables. None of the ITurons live' in wigwams, but all the Chippowas, except their Chief, who resides at Pointe Pelée, haye no other habitations.

The lam occupied by the Irurons, is hidd out in regular blocks of 200 actes oach, which are selected for the serema limilies by the Chiefs. Among this tribo a man's chillren inherit his property, hut if he leaves no children, his farm becomes at the disposal of the Chief. Ho has not the power of conycying his interest to other members of the tribe, nor to strangers. These Hurons have for a long time been engaged more or less, in cultivating the land, but until a fer years ago, they made little progress' in husbandry. Nore recenty; they haro greatly and regularly extended their fams by clearing, and have improved in their masle of artriculture.

Many of them are gool farmers; and they are annaliy beconing more prosperms and happy. About bolve years ago, they had searcely any agricultural inplencults but the hae, they now possess nineteen flough:, ten harrows and six faming mills: they have also twelve waguns and carts, fourteen sleighs, one caleche and diree carides, of all of which they are vory carcfal. They have cleated 259 actes, ench male adule has a farm of 200 acres alloited to him, on' which many have from fifteen to thirly artes under cultivation; the averge is between seven and cight acres. Their stock consists of seven yoke of oxen, nine bulls, eight stecrs, twenty-seven cows, fifteen heifers, ninety-three horses, 290 swine and seventythree geese.

They cultivate their furms in the same manner as tho whitos; they raise Indian corn, wheat, wats, potatoes, beans, peas, buckwheat and vegetables, but chiefly the first of these crops.

The men perform the greater part of the labor, the women assisting in some kinds. The division of the day, as regards labaur and meals, is observed as systematically as annong the whites.

They have given up the cliase in a great measure, and only bunt occasiomally when their absence does not interfere with their furming operations, usually in the autumn.

They all profess christianity, and several of them are examples of true piety. The majurity are Wesleyan Methotists, and the others Ruman Catholics. They have no place of Worship of their own. They ran command the means. The Mehodist minister, however; who is stationed in the town of Amberstburg, visits those of his persunsion every Sunday, and with the aid of an Interpreter, preaches, reads and
expounds the Scripturo to thom. They also have a general Prayer Mceting among themselves, once a fornight, and thoy meet occasionally more privately fin social prayer ; some of them inatimain tamily worship. The Roman Catholics attend chapol at Amlierstburg, which is about theo milos from. their settlement.

There is at present no school among them, but they huve oxpressed their desire to estublish oue, and would ghadly avail themsclyes of instruction for their childien. When there was one, the attendance of tho schulars was very irregular, but their ability in acquirinc. knowlolge was in no way inferior to that of tho white children.
Tho adults are ingenions and show' aptitude for mechanical arts, particularly in wood work. There is ouly one'regulur tradesman, a tailor, among them, but the men usualfy make and mend their own farmiug implements. The women make baskets, brooms and other artieles for sale, and do their own needework. Their lieulih is groud. Their numbers are un the incrase.

The averago number of chiddren born to a fumily is between three and finur, tho number reared is, the same as among the whites.

The Chippewas are in a very diferent and interior condition. They chicfly depend upion hunting and fishing. Abont ton familics commenced to till the ground within the last twolvo years. They have no more than three or four acress cach mador cultivation; they raise only Imlian corn, and use no implement but the hoe". "Thio women perfirm' almost all the field work. The hanters resort occasiunally to the surrounding country, tur principally to the forests in Nichigan, United States.

They are all heathons, and it does not appear that any offors have been mate for their cunversion; the only obstacle mentionta by the Suparintenden, is their migratory habils. Their number is on the decrease, oceasioned by exposure, intenperance and insufficioncy of fivod.

Or the Indiaus at this post, those who ate' stationary, have improved very much within a recent period, in morals and hathits of industry. They are quite sensiblo in their inpruvement, and express theonselves desirous of advancing. Among the evidences of their anelioration, may be mentioned the decrease of intoxication; the yarly progress in clearing the land, the raising of surplus produce for sale, and the attendance of their women at inarkel at Amherstburg for the silo of various articles of tagricultural produce.

The Chippewas, however, who continue their roving habits, scarcely exhibit any perceptible improvemont, except a growing desire to beroine seltled on land.

## 4. CHIPPEWAS OF THE ST. CLAIR RAPIDS OR UPPER ST. CLAIR RESERVE, RIVER AUX SABLES AND KETMLE POINT.

## Tridence of These Indians are among the first whom

 Mr. Suprin-Sir John Colborne endeavoured to settle tendant fones and civilize. Previously to 1830, they Scont. Anpent were waudering henthens like their dir. Nos. 20 and brethern elscwhere, scattered over the 33. wostern part of the Upper Province; they were drumken and dissipated in their habits, and without cither religious or moral restraint. In 1830 and 31, a number of them were collected on a reserve in the Tuwnship of Sarnia, now the head of the River St. Clair, and containing $10,280^{\prime}$ acres. A number of(EEE.)
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houses were buite for them, and an officer was apm, pointeil for thair superintendence. Iheir conversion to christhanity nad their progress in roligious knowledge, and in the acquisition of sober, orderly and industriotis habits, has been under the care of Missomarios of the Wosicyan Mothodist Socioty, both rapid and uniform. From the lismation of tho mission 221 adults aud 239 childron, have been baptized and admitted into the Methodist Communily. The total number up. to the year 1839-40; does nut aprear to have excected 300. Since then their number has increased greatly by inmigrotion, chiefly from the Saginaw Bay, in the State of Michigno, anl by the settemont or wandering Indians; antil in 184, as many as 741 received prosents.

Their are two other sollements undor the same superintendence, one at tho River anx Sibles in the 'Lownship of Busimquet, on a reserve of 2650 acres, and another almost adjoining it, on a reserve of 2446 acres at Kelle Point, where five fanilies reside.

These lurlians also possoss a fourth reserve, on the River St. Clair, withif the Township of Moore, containing 2575, acres.

Owing to tho imimigration which bas taken place on this frontier, since the notice to the visiling luclians of the United Slates was first issued; and the removals which have orcurred at these and the other Indian set. thements in the neighbourtood, logether with the morle in which the returns have been rendered; it is dillicult to state witheprecision the progress and he incrense of rach settlement.

At prosent thoy are establishod chiefly on the fromt of the Upper Resorve, having small farms of six mada bald channs in width on the River St. Clair. The total number of separate farms is forty.two, on sixtem of which there are grool suhstantial $\log$ honses, erected by the Government on the first furmatinn of the settlement; but on the lower part of the Reserve, where no hiusics were built by the Government, the Indians reside in small log or bark houses of their own crection. Thero is mly one log builuing "resembling a barn, but almost all the Indians have small outbuildings or stheds in which they house their crops.

From a Return made in 1839, there were twonty familics occupying houses, who had 140 acres of land aleared, of which 100 were under cultivation. Thair stock then consisted of two usen, three cows and tyvo pigs, and hey prissessed three ploughs, wo harrows, and nine sleighs.

At present there are thinty-two families setted on the Reserve, who have improved 205 ateres of land ; four individuals have improved from ten to thirty acres; of the others, fiffeen have five artos or more, and the remainder under five acres cleared. There are also five families setled on some land purchased with their annuity, and some held by Liense of Occupation under the Government, in Enniskillen. These have about forty acres under cultivition, and possess two good $\log$ houses and two small $\log$ barns.

The Indians of the River aux Sables lave about sixty acres under improvement, and oue log housc. Those at Kettle Point have twenty acres of improved land and two log houses. The land on the Upper Reserve was regularly surveyed and hial out in farms.' The Chief, with approwal of the Superintendent, placed most of the present occupants on these lands, but it is not indispensable that he should be consulted, as the members of the tribe may choose any unoccupied spot; when once in passession they are secure from intrusion, but repeated ill conduct or drunkemness
would sulject then to be expolled from the reserve of the Chict:

They aro decidodly improved in agriculture; they now understrimd ploughing, seeding, "harrowing, the management of catte Sec. They posscss cight ploughs and fibur harrows, which' each Camily tises alternately', a number of seythes and sickles, two fanning mills and four cross cut salws form part of their goneral stock, besides which, exed fumily possesses an axo and a sufficiency of hucs, shovels, \&e.

Thoy-hne nine yoko of oxen, cight cows and some young slock, besilics a large number of horsos and pigs. Few familios are without ono or two breeding suws. 'They are excoodingly attentive to their catle and feed lhem woll during the winter.

They cultivato chiefly Indian corn and potatoes, with small quantities of spring whicat, orits, and peas; the quantity of produce camot be exactly stated, but two yoars ago it wass estimated to be between 3 and 400 bushels of wheat, with tho sume quantity of onts, and 100 buxhels peas. The field labor is entirely done by the malo alhilts, but the women do all the lighter work of weeding tind hooing; the Indian corn and potatoes. They work and take their mpals according to their indination, withoul any systom, but the greater part of the day is spent in labour. Their fondliess for hunting is much diminished; they selclom hant except when obliged to by, want of meattheir stock being at present insufficiont; as for fishing, they live on the banks of the river, and during the run of 'he fish' in' both spring and fall they devote a great part of their time to fishing. 'There are' two excellent fisheries, yielding an abundance of herting end white fish: they have seines, which the young men, combining in lands, use alternately.

The majority of hoso Indians aro Weslegan mothodists in cunnexion with the British Conference. All those residing in the Upper Reserve belong to that community; those at the Riyer aux Sables are either members of the Church of England or are desirous of being admitted into it. About 30 familios ato reported to have applied to the Bishops for such admission. There are also one or two fanilies of Roman Catholics, and those residing at Kettle Pointare heathens. The number of Westoyan Mathodists reported to the conference in 1842 was 172 ; but the missionary states that this is no index 10 the numbor of his fock, as those only are returned who have conie to the years of maturiy and discration, and who are walking as far as can be ascertanod in the fear of God. These attend pullic worship, which is perfurmed in a capacious medting-houso, buill for the joint purpose of a church athed schoshthase by the Government, and lent to the mission-with regularily, derency, and solemnity. Thoy maintain private worship, according to the practice of the methoolists, consisting generally of a hymn sung in their now language, fullowed by a prayer from the lieat of the family. As a body, they are religious and moral, and will hear a comparison with any Christiap community of the same class. "They are deeply sensible of the improvement of their condition, and many atribute the preservation of their lives to their conversion.

The mumbers of the Church of England, at the River aux Sables, to which they rolired tiro years ago, have as yet neither a clergyman nor'a place of worship. This year a Catcheist, an. Indian by birth, has been appointed by the Bishop to the charge of this setlloment.

There is a school at the Upper Reserve under the I direction of the missionary which is attended hy 20 or

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30 moholars of bolh sexes. Tho modo of hastruction is tho same is in ommon primary schools; tho childton are tught spelling and rading in Sigetish-arithmelic, writug, and vocal musk. Thuir readiug consists of passuges from ho Seriptures, and in the Sumby School thoy are langht thoir caleohisim. Tho scholars aro deguan in their attemdance from 9 (1) 12 a ar., and from 1 to d doms, and are as quick in lomming as whites.

The loulh of thase rudians is goor- - fhein numbers on thu inerease; they have usuatly fanifies of fire


## 5. CHIPPHWAS, POTMAWATAMIES, AND OPLAWAS, OF WATMOLH ISLANO.

Tivilonce of These Indims are ako known minder Mr supprin the mamo of Chippewas ol Chmatho tument kine Fecurto.' The Chippewns who have long ting. Di. of hanted aver tho wasto lamels aboul tho mow. S. Cumer. Chemille Earto amd Bearm Creok aro a dix, Nus, 23 b brand of the same nation which is nethed 3.4 in"Sania, und shom in the sume amoty.
The Potavatanios are recont inmigmals from the United States.

The sethement at Walpolo Ishand whe commetred at the close of the Amerima war, when Col, M'Kie, called by tho ladians "White EEtk," mollected amd placerd upoli the island which lies at the jundiom, of the River and lake St, Clatir, tho semterod semmins of some tribes of Chipperas who hed heon engeged on the British side. Buing lof for many years withun' any interference or assistance on the purt of the Government, they became a prey to the prontigate whites setteal on the frontior, who, ly varions frauds and in moments of indoxication, oblemed lasises mad took pos. session of the most fertito and raluable fart of the island.

When the rettioment was firs placed moder the rharge of an Assishant Superintoudent in 1839, these Indians possessed scarcoly an acre of amble land, but he has succeoded in expolling many of the mast misrhovious intruders, under the authority of an Aot of the Provincial Legislature, pased in is39; and has placed their fams at the disposit of tho Indians, who have since beome mote setted, and lave furned their attention more generally to agriculture.

The number at his post has inereased consideribly since 1539,40 , owing tu the influx of several bants of Pollawatamies and Otawas, invited ly the Prochamation of 1837 , relative to tho discontinuanco of presents to Visiting Tudians. Previously to that vear they did not exceed 300 ; hut in 1842 , presents ivere distributed to 1140 , viz.

| Chippewas,-nold residents, |
| :---: |
| Dilt, arrivod within a yerim, |
| Pottawatamies and Otawas, from |
| Michignn, |
| n their way to sente, |

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The new cumers are vely dilterent in character and habits from the resident Chippevas: The Pollawatamies especially, are skilful hanters, and have long depended solely upon the chase. They are will, durbu* lent, mendican, and dishonest. I'loey possess no land or property. They hare been kindly received by the resident tribes, and allowed to selle on their lands; hut their roving lablits render them averse to settling; they prefor remaining poor, ragget, and filhy, to the restraint of civilized life: they are a burthen on their
bretliron, a nuisanco to the white farmers in tho dis. tried which hey frequent, and the in arym in tho 1'rovinco is in orery resped to bo regreted. 'Iheir' chef hunting grounds aro bear tho 'Inames and the unper paris of tho two branehes of Bear. Crock. Thay also hant in tho Unitod States, but wilh some danger to themselves, the the Amerins do not alluw it.

The Indians who aro settled ingon Walpole Tshand, occupy the farms and houses hitherto possessed hy the white sigatters, together with a fow houses erocted by, themselves. The present mumber of dwellings is, liventrecight, af which threo are fromed, with sovemal more in the conrse of eroction, and four log barms. There is no village, the barms beng deheloel wamong the white solters. There aro fire inferion Chief among the Chippowas, who livo surmonded by thoir uwn rohitions and connections by manting ; and the young men, who, thongh inder the com rom of the hend Chidef recogrnise especiatly thoir own Icmber. These, on "the expulsion of the sipuateres, met logether amd subdivided the farms and arable latid among themselves acrowding to thoir mombers. 'Thus, cach sopmate bond cullivaten ono vast cuchosure; ouch man phating more or less land, aceording to his industry: I his incended, however, to lay out tho fidils moro regularly.

Their nequmintance will agricullure is of recent Into, but heir progress has beensatisfactory. In 1839 they manted only Indiun eorn, and used no other is:strument but the hoe At prosent thoy haye nino plowghe and as many yoke ufoxen, hesives scydies und sicklas"in abmance, Thuy have aksa arge number of pigs and horses, and the Chiof has fivo cows. Steps have been taken to improve tho breed of these animals; a large quatility of mamh lay is saved foe winter fodder. 'The exient of cleared land is estimated at 600 ancres, and it is ammally on the incrense. The gratest oxtent croppod ly anc Indian, may lic (wolvo acoes- 1 ho smallest, abut three acres, At loast, one hunded herds of families hate commenced to lill the land within the last (woyears. When a fanily has mos land in cultivation, its members depend upon the chane and fishine, and tho sule of baskets and mats.' 'The chiof crop is Indian com, but they also phat latgo quantilies of potatoes, some onts, buckwhint, amd peas. 'They aro about to bergin the ondivation of wheat. Much of the lighter patt of fedd labor is still dono ly the wumen; the division of the day as well as the hour of thein meals, is irrgglar.

The fonduess for bunting and fishing is very much on the decrense among tho Chippewhs, who soldon in. dulge in cithor, excopilaring the winter. The gamo has almost disapreared in the neighbouting hunting grounds.

All hese Indians aro henthens; bul twenty families buve applied for religinus instrumtion. In Jumaty, 1841, a missionary of the Church of England was appointed. on a salary of $\operatorname{sjO} 0$, borne upon the Parliamentary Grant, lint whether througti the want of a proper juterpreter, the distance of the residence, (there being no suitalile bouse on the island, or other circumstances, die Indians have not profited by his labours, and the Bishop has been obliged to appoint another clergyman in his place, It is now juended to erect on tha island, with the fonds belonging to these Indians, a builiting achapted for a chapel"nad school-house, with a house for the missionnry; and the plans and estimates have roceived the aproyal of the Governor Gencral. $\Lambda$ schoolmaster; also, is to be appointed and paid from the same source. The Indinns are anxious for the edtu cation of thoir childron; and sinco the recent death of their old Chicf, their aversion to become Christinns has diministed, and may be expected to be gradually ovet. come.

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The heallhi of the setled Indians is very goorl, "and surpasses that of thic neighlouring whites'; thoir rumm bers and also on tho increase, but the contrany is the cense wilh tho doylag Potawatenige, many of whon have been known to dia from the eflocas of intoxicition, or in broily, ind from the eflects of severe wouther during the winter, Itho namber of childeren born to a family is, wout five, and hoomumer roned, three. Thero are mo regular hall-breods among thom, recogninsed as such.

## (3. MANTROULIN ISLANDS.

Reidume of Tho prosent seldements on Mantitulin Mr. Fipenvint Istand aro of revent establishment.
 Hhough, Ma , uf thition of presents to a larger portion of the
 Nus. "23, 30,1 lern "Tribes," consisthig of the Visitinu
 at Satalt Sl. Mario, and on the shores of lake Suporion, - of these from the Soulh-west and Lako Michigan, Green Buy; the Fox River, Wiscuisin, even from the distant Mississipui,-wers mate at Drummond's Istam, hod ohd miltary Pust on Lake ISiron,

In that year, tho Istand having been fivally ceded io the Americans, and the Government being desirous of ascertainitg tho disposition or the Indians' to embrace. civilizalion, the distribution was mude at the lstand of St. Juseplis, atiout nine miles north-west of Drummond's Is land. On that oceasion the intentions of the Government wers announced in tha following (erms:

## "Childion;

"1t is the wish or your great. Prother, that all his "r red children should become civilized; ; anul for this "purpose, lie has mamed a place near Penetarguisheno, "to sectle all those who wish fur the change. Ho will' " Purnish a fow of each Tribe wilh catlo, farming int"plements, and materiais, to assist in building their " houses; mud fir the yourg ho will provide a. schuol, "will teadhers, and a minisler; and also, mechanic's "to histruel them in habits of industry."

## "Chilaron,

"I am nware that you coniol all shange your "moile st tife inmediately; but sone of you linve it " in your power, and outhers will in a short time fibal it "their imserest to juin the souterient. You are all, " without excoption, invited. The Oltansas have a "Sarge Islanc, the great Maniton, "near Denetangui"shene, on whath the land is grant, and where dhere is "abundance of'fish. Stanuld they not wish to join the "new settement, their Fiulher woutd be happy to fien "of their nocupying and selling themselves on it."

## "Children,

"Whether ye necept of your great Father's "kimul offer or nut, his bunnly will be continued to all "his failhful children. But they" must go to Penetan"s guisliene in the months of Junc and July, evory year, "for their presents."

The proposition of seltlitig at Manion appears to have been frunded on a Report from Major Winnolt, in the carly part of the samin year, in which, in reference to the civilization of the Indians, he shated, "From personal kinowiculye, I atm enabled to name "the Great Manitoulin Island as a point offering great "advintages in tho furmation of che setilement fo" the "Indians; much greater than, St, Joseph's conuld pre"sent witl respect to soil, elimate, and lake fishing, "the last a great olject in the estimution of old Indings.

[^47]"It is distant ono havarod miles and" upwerds from "iny American Militury Posi, and betwoon sixty and "soventy from any part of the Americin Jorritory:"

In 1880, and the filluwing five yoars, Hac distribu' ion of prosents was mado al Penotanguishone, and this, the Wostern cribes wero brumght within tha influance of the clibits of the Government to civilize them. Their visits to tha prosipervis sotuements of Colile wator, and the Narrows, were freduent; thoy witnos. asd tho alvantiges enjoyed by thoir brothren whowero sethed, there, tand applications wero consequently allm morous for if participation in tho same benofits.

In 1835, after Mr. Suparintendent Andersom had visited the Island, 'a sheme was matured' nasl autho rised by Sir J. Colborna, for forming in extensive estublishinent upon it, and for melsing it the futureplace of distribution, instead of Pamotanguishene and Anhesstburg, where the remainder of the Western Tribes had previbusly been supplied

In the spring of that yoar, Mr. Andersnit, fuand, onn his visit, five en six families of the Ollawa Tribe, Moman Callolios, from Lake Michigum, selled in Wequinmokong Bay (Smith's Sound,) where thoy had cul. tivntel two or cleree acres of land; and wero living in tenpurary bark huts. These, und a fuw wadering 'Chippewns, 'were all the Indians' he met wilh on the Island, - nmounting to, perlaps, 70 or 80 persons.

In 1836, the prosent scltement at Manatownwning, (Hulson's Sound,) about cight miles distant from Wequamekong, was commenced,-sone land was clonred and houses built. It dies not appear how many Indians, were setted on the island this year. The first issue of presents at this Post was made in the autumb, as announced by Sir John Culborne, and was nttended by 2607 individuals.

On this occasion the Lieulenant-Governor, Sir F . Hoad, was present, and formed the wiew of collecting at Manitoulin, not the wild Imblans from the north of Lake Euron, as had beun at first propnses, but all , hose who had seltled, or wero wandering among the white population, in parious parts of Upper Canada. Will this intention, he induced the Chiets of the Ottnwa and Chippewa Nations then present, to resign, their exclusive rights to the occupancy of the Gireat Manitoulin, and alitho othor lslands, esimated at above 23,000 , ons the north sthore of Lake Huron.

He also nbrained from the Saugeon Indians the surn render of the greater proportion of their 'Territory, and proposed their removal to Maniloulin. To other Indians whom he visited in the western part or Camanda, be likewise made the same proposal; offering themathe assistance and encouragement of the Government int this island. These offers, however, to the settled Indians, do not appear to lave heen goneratly acceptable, as few or none arniled themsolves of them. Tho setthers at the island have, for the most part, come from the United Slates, or from the shores of Lake Huron and Lake Superior.

In 1537, further progress was mado in clearing land and building houses,- the number of setters on tho Island was reckoned at 208.

In the autumn of 1838 , tho Officers appointel 'to form the futuro establishment of this sellement, including the Superintencent, Mr. Anilerson, $\rightarrow$ clergy. man of the Church of England, -and a surgconl, with several arlizans and laboifers, arrived at Manitawnwinong, and took up their residence there, being the first white men who had wintered in the Island. This year the number of Indian setters was $30 \%$.

In the following year, the clearings were extended; a saw-mill was built; and the number of sellers increased to 055 . A school was commenced at Manitowawning, hut it was ill attended. The Roman Gabulics at the other settement would not allow their children to frequent it.

In 1840,732 Indians reported themselves assettlers, of whom maly 437 were Christians. The number of houses and extent of clearing were further increased.

In 1841, many Poltawntemies from the River St. Clair, who had promised to settle, and some Ottawas and Clippe was from Lake Michigan, returned to their homes: but the actual number thus reduced was unt recorded. Some Indian houscs, a carpenters' shop and asmih's were erected. The schoal was better attonded, and eight Indian boys were in the course of instrucLion in difterent branchos of handieraft. A schonl was also opened, and a Roman Catholic schoolmaster in the oher settlement.

In 1549, twenty-five Indian houses were built, by contract, and a large store, coopers' slop, and barn, were erected by the mechanies attached to the establishment. A saw-mill was also nearly finished at Wequamekong Bay.

The attendance at the Roman Catholic' school lad fluctuated greatly. At one time as many as seventy pupils were present, but more frefiuently from five to twenty; and at some seasons, not one. The number at the Manitowawning school had not exccedod fortym fire, but it had never fallen below twelic.

On the 15 th Norember, there were resident at wequamekong, 9t families. and at Manitowawning 44 filmilies, making together 138 families, which on an averare of four mombers to a family, would form a population of 522 . 'The number seluled or wandering in other parts of the Istand, and living in wigwams or tomporary bark huts, were estimated at 150 at least," making a total population of 702.

The following is the present size and extent of the two settlements. Fach occupies about 200 acres of latud. The seveml houses are surrounded with gar-1 dens, and the farms are for the most part at a distance. ithis armarement was resorted to with a view of preserving their crops from the cattle, without the tronble of making onelosures; but it has not'answered the intontion, as the catte roam much farther than was expected, and it has been found necessary to commence funciag.

The Wequanckong Vilage, which has been longest established, contains in all, seventy-eight buildings, viz-seventy-three Indian houses, one for the missunary, and another for the schoolmaster, a church, a school-house, and a saw-mill.

The Manitowawning Villigecontains fifty-five buildings, viz-thirty-seven Indian houses, six of the same description occupied by the mechanies and labourers,four larger houses, vceupied by the Superiniendent, missionary, surgeon, and schoolmaster, three shops, (bhacksmiths, carpenters, and coopers,) an excelleat frame store of 60 by 30 feet, and two storios in rieight, une log-barn, a school-house, a saw-mill, built by confract in 1839 , and a sawyer's house; 'preparations have been madu in the present year, (1843) for the erection of a chureh.' Besides these, there are in both villages, a number of outhouses for cattle, small storehouses, \&c.

All tho batalings are of wood. Those of the latter: village bave been erected cither by the resident arti
zans in the employment of the Government, or by contract. Those at Wequamekong having been chiefly built by the Indians themselves, with the assistance of mils and glass, axes, "\&c., afforded by the Government, are neither so neat nor substantial as the others.

Soon after the commencement of the scttement of the Manitoulin, duubts were entertained as to the climate and fortility of the island, and its fitness for the residence of the Indians, which increased the roluctance of the Indians seuled in the more southerim partsofthe Proi-ince to resort to the listand, and has continued to prove an obstrcle to the increase of the seltlement," Thise "bjections baving been represented to the Secretary of State, Ilis Lordship' suggrested that an enquiry should be made on the spot by Major Rounycastle, of the Royal Engineers. The result has not come under the notice of the Commissioners, but the Reports of the Resident Agent leave no reasion to doubt, that the Intand is in every way suited for habitation. The climate is very liealily; the temperature is moderate ; the winter sets in about the beginning of November; the cold is not unusually severe; the snow seldom lies more than two Feet deep, and the spring opens about the middle of April. The formation of the Islands is limestonc. The soil is gencrally a mixture of clay and sand with limestone pebbles. Some parts of the Island are stony, hut there is abundance of land favourable for cultivation. The celar swamps in the ligh land, of which perhaps one-third of the Istand consists, though at present wet in the fill and spring, appear to be land of the finest quality, being of a deep black loam, and free from stone. When these are opened and exposed to the sun, they will became dry and fit for any kind of cultivalion. The timber of the uplands is of the usual kinds of hard wood met with in other parts of the Province, viz:-maple, bass-wood, olm, red and white oak, pine, \&c."\&c.

Both the soil and climate are favorable to cullivation. Abundant crups of all kinds of grain raised by the Indians in other parts of the Province, have been annually produced. Cattle thrive woll; during the winter they are allowed to roam about and find their awn fued in the bush. In 1842, a few sheep were added to the stork. There is mot much game on the Island but fish is in abundance on its shores.
The Indians collected here, belong chiefly to the Ot tava and Chippewa Tribes; the former who immigriter from the United States, have all their lives been In iain farmers; some of them brought horses and stock with them to the Istand. On their arrival they sought no other means of subsistence than the produce of the ssuil, and the fish they caught in the immediate vicinity of their own village; and in the autumn, each family cured a sufficiency to supply them through the winter; conscquently, it was not neressary, for them to leave their homes in search of food, nor to trust, like the Chippewas, to the precatious resource of spearing fish through the ice.

The Chippewas, on the other hand, who had never, until collerter at Manitoulin, cullivated the soil, were slow in alopting a new mode of life. For some time they were reluctant to settle in a fixed place of residence; they frequently shifted their camps, and although many of them lived within a day's journey from the new settloment, and admitted the benefits arising' from a change of life, still it required much persuasion and perseverance to induce them to make a commencement.

The Ottawas, moreover, had long been converted from heathenism, and were members of the Roman Catholic Church. In 1838, they were joined by a priest of that persuasion, who has since resided with

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them at W equamekong. : The Cbippewas, on the contrarg, were all heathens, and the work of conversion only commenced among them in the same year, when a missionary of the Church of England, athached to the establishment, arrived at the Island.

These differences will account for the greater increase of the settlement at Wequameknog, and its more rapid progress in the cultivation of the land, and the ucquisition of stock which are exlibited in the following table:-

Extont of Land cleared and of Slock owned at the two Settlements, in February, 1843:-

|  | Manatowawning. | Wequamekong. | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Acres of Land cleared Stock, viz. | , 140 | 200 | 340 |
| Horses, | 2 | . 19 | 21 |
| Morned cattle, | 2.4 | . 58 | 82' |
| Pigs, | 17 | 161 | 178 |
| Sheep, | 11 | 8 | 19 |
| 13arn-door Fowls, | 62 | 157 | 219 |
| Geese, | 5 |  | 8 |

Some families have perhaps ten acres or more cleared, whilst others have only a patch under cullivation. Their principal support at both villages is now derived' from farming and fishing; they sometimes kill hares, partridges, and even deer and bears. 'They also manufacture considerable quantities of maple sugar, of an excollent quality, for which they find a market at Penetangusihene, Goderich, and sometimes in the towns on the American frontier.

The land in the village is laid out in half acre lots, and a few farms of filty acres were in the commencement surveyed and staked out ; but the labor and expense were found too great, and each Indian now selects such place as he pleases, and takes possession of it, in most cases, without consulting the Superintendent or the Chiefs." $\because$ 'As long as he continues to cultivate his' piece'of land, he enjnys quiet possession of it, but if he happens to leave it fur a'season, some other Indian will most likely enter upon it, and in such cases, there is frequently a difficulty in arranging the matter amicably, They respect the boundary lines which have been drawn, but blocks of wild land marked out by the blazing of trees, or otherwise, by individual Indians, cannot be secured from intrusion. The propriety of making wills, or of transferring their property in the presence of witnesses, "whether in "anticipation of "death, or by sale, has been pointed out to them, and they are sensible of the advantage of such precautions, and are adopting them more generally.

With regard to their mode of agriculture, they are improving but slowly. They are now beginning to plough their old fields, to make more substantial fences, to cultivate garden vogetables, \&c. Each individual cultivates his furm separately. 'Their general mode of clearing land was, and in many cases, still is, by felling the trees in all directions during the summer season, and leaving them in this state until the spring ; then setting fire to them, and after removing such of the smaller timbers as they conveniently could, planting corn and potatoes among the trunks of the trees', thereby losing at least, onchalf of the ground. The evil of this has been urged upon them, and now many of them, with the aid of their oxen; cloar their land more thoroughly.

Formerly the Ottawas were prelty well supplied with hoes, and an inferior kind of small axe. The Chippe-was had a smaller quantity of the samo inplements.

Both tribes, in planting, supplied the deficiency: with a crooked stick conveniently shaped for the purpose. At present, the Government has supplied them with a sufficiency of these articles, and with a few spades, shovels, ploughs; harrows, pick-as'es, Sre'.

In addition to their former crops of Indian corn, potatoes, and pumpkins, they now begin to cultivate wheat, oats, peas, and barley; but they are so obsti'nately careless about their fences, that their crops are not" unfrequently destrojed by the cattle. There is; however, reason to hope that they will soon find wheat to be a more certain crop than Indian Corn, and will cultivate it more largely. The quantity of produce cannot be slated; but in 1842, being a fayorable season, one family saved upwards of $80^{\circ}$ bushels of Indian corn; others, from 20 to 40 ; and many, from 5 to 20 bushels; besides potatoes, a few turnips, and quantities of pumpkins, \&c.

Ten bushels of corn, with potatoes, dried pumpkins, and fish, will suppnet a moderately sized family for a year.

The men, of all ages, do most of the chopping, but after that, men, women, and children, take share in the labour, from the burning of the timber to the reaping of the crop.

The division of the day is not systematic.' They generally rise about day-light and go to rest a little after sun-set. They take a hearty meal before going to work, and during the day they work, smoke, rest, perhaps sleep, eat'and drink alternately, as happens to be convenient, without regard to time or place.

The fondness of the converted Indians for hunting and fishing is decidedly diminished. :They seldom leave the Island for either purpose. They occasionally go out spearing fish at night, or set their nets in the evening and take them up early in the morning. They also spend from six to fifteen days in the autumn to lay in a stock of fish for the winter.

As regards civilization, they are more regular in theit habits;" dress more like white poople, wash their hands and faces daily, and appear to bo influenced in their conduct by the instructions they receive; "they attend public worship regularly, and the Protestant Indians are much pleased to hear the Bible read and explained to them. Their moral habits are materially improved. They appear to feel the impropricty of injuring their neighbours, of lying, stealing, \&c. and they do not talk of their ancient mode of cruel warfare with the same delight as formerly. They are sensible of their improvement, and of the blessings of Christianity. They often express their regret that they did not sooner become civilized, and they strongly advise their brethren to follow their example.

A large proportion of the Chippewas are still hean thens. There were received into the Church of Eng. land in


Making a total of 172 , together with 30 converts from the Roman Catholic Church. Since August, 1841, the Superintendent reports, "that he has not been made "acquainted on the subject, but he" is not aware that

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"cven one adult heathen has been brought into the "Church since that time." There is no information with regard to the progress of conversion by the Roman Catholic missionary. The principal obstacles to the conversion of the heathens are stated to be their superstition, - their fear of not being allowed to drink whiskey, - the bad advice of traders, who erroneously suppose it will destroy their trade,-and among those who have a plurality of wives, to turn them avay.

The Protestants have their service in the schonlhouse. The Roman Catholics in a log church. The form of worship is the same as among while congregations, except that the service is translated into Indian.

The schools bave already been described. The quickncss of the children, and the irregularity of their allendance, is noticed here as elsewhere. 'The mode of instruction is the same as in the Township schools among the whites. The books userl in the Protestant school are Mavor's Spelling Book, the Old and New Testament, and Woodbridge's and Peter Parley's Geography, In the Roman Catholic schoul, noither Mavor's Spelling Book nor the Billo are allowed by the Priest to be used as school books. In the former school the childten "are taught parity in Indian and partly in English: in the latter, English is only taught.

The Ottawa tribes, who subsist by agriculture, are supposed to be rapidly on the increase; and the Chippewas, wholive chiefly on fish, to be on the decreasc. Among the former it is not unusual to meet with fimilies having six or seven,' and sometimes even ten or twelve children all living, although, in many instances, they do not rear the half of the number born. The Chippowas are neither so prolific nor so successful in rearing their children. It both tribes the adults seldom reach an advanced age.

These Indians appear to enjny the same healh and to suffer from the same diseases as their brethren in other parts of the Province; bothbeing dependent, in a great dogrec, upon their mode of life. 'They seldom exceed the middle sizo, are slender, but genorally well formed. The chief defect in their figure is the flatness and narrowness of their chest,

The proportion of half-breeds among them is not above one in twenty.

The Establishment of Manatowawning is under the local Superintendent. There is a resident surgeon, a clergyman of the Church of England, a school-master, a master carpenter, a blacksmith, a millwright, a mason, a cooper, a shoemaker, a sawyer, and six labourers supported by the Parliamentary grant. The school-master at Wequamekong is paid out of the same fund, but the priest is maintained by the Church to which he belongs.

Owing to the infrequency and difficulty of communication with the main land, it has hitherto been deemed necessary to engage a certain number of mechanics and laborers by the year. Part of the buildings, however, have been erected by contract, during the summer months, and in this manner as many as twentyfive were built in 1842.

The Roman Catholic Village appears to be almost entirely under the charge of the priest.

The remaining bands, which are widely scattered over the country, have no Local 'Superintendents, but
are undur the general care of the Chief Superintendent; hence, thie ghtistical information with regard to these except in cases where the resident missionary has supplied the details.

The settlements are altogelher twelve in number.

## 7. MOHAWKS OF THE BAY OF QUINTE.

Eridencoofthe "These Indians separated from the Mo Chief Supert. hawk Nation, and sotiod in their present Rev. S. Givens.
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Nocality 15 and 37. year 1784. In 1703, they received from the Crown a grant of land, containing about 92,700 acres; but of this, in 1820, they surrentered 33,280 acres, in exclange for an annuity of $\mathfrak{f} 450$. Their ostate was then reduced to 59,400 acres. From this the Surveyor-Genoral deducts 14,773 acres for Crown and Clergy Reserves, (vize 6858 for the former, and 7915 for the lattor.) In December, 1835, they made a further surrender of 27,857 acres, in trust, to be disposed of for their benefit, so that their present possessions do not excced 16,500 acres. They lie within the Townships of Tyendenaga, the name of which is borrowed from the original Indian settlement.

These Indians live, for the most part, in detached farms scatered over the Reserve. Their present number is 383 . They have 1368 acres of land cleared, and about 500 acres under tillage: Some of them cultivale considerable quantities of land, as much as 50 acres; but in general, the quantity is much less. There bave been some instances of successful, industry and thriftiness in this community. Ono of their chiefs named Hill, who died a few years ago, was remarkable for his industrious habits, and for a desire to accumulate property. Besides his own homestend, to the cultivation and improrement of which he paid more than ordinary attention, he became possessed, ly puirchase, of some of the farm's and improvements of other Indians, and at his death, left them, by will, to partichlar members of his family, who are at this day in full cnjoyment of them.

One of his sons, who is catechist to the inissionary at this settlemon't, recently applied for a loan to enablo him to build a wharf, and commence business as a general trader among his brethren, in partnership with a white. They possess stock and agricultural implements corresponding to their progress in husbandry. Some of them grow a considerable surplus of grain for sale.

These Indians have long been Chiristians, probably before their arrival in Canada.' A missionary was first appointed to the settlement in 1810 , by the Society for the Propogation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts ; their present missionary has been among them eleven years, and reports, that during that period, they have made a gradual advance in morals, piety, and industry.

The church having become too small for the congregation, they are now engaged in the erection of a new and commodious stone edifice ; the expense will bo defrayed out of their own funds.

Some of the young men are employed in quarrying and carrying the materials for this building.

They support a schoolmaster out of the produce of certain small rents, which they receive andmanage themselves.

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8. MISSISSAGAS OF THE RIVER CREDIT:

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Evidence' of' 'These Indians are the remnant of a tribe Chict suport. "which furmerly possessed a'considerable Coleman ; dit-portion of the Home and Gore Districts; of todf Rev.Peter which, in 1818, they surrendered the greatJones, (itto of er part, for an annuity of $£ 532: 10$, reditto of Rev.B. serving only certain small tracts at the Slight; ditto of River Credit, and at Sixteen and Twolve Ar. Adamson. Mile Creeks. They were the first tribe $15,34,38,30$, converted to Christianity in Upper Canada. 32 , and 40.

Previous to the year 1823, they were wandering pagans. In that year, Messrs. Peter and John Jones, the sons of a white surveyor, and a Mississaga woman having been converted to Clristianity, and admitted members of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, became anxious to redeem their countrymen from their degraded state of heathenism and destitution. They, accordngly ; collected a considerable number together, and by rote and frequent repetitions, taught the first principles of Christianity to the adults, who were too far advanced in years"to learn to read and write. In this manner the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Commandments were committed to memory. As soon as the tribes were converted, they perceived the evils attendant on their former state of ignorance and vagrancy. They began to work, which they nover had done before; they recognized the advantage of cultivating the soil; they totally gave up drinking, to which they had been greatly addicied, and became sober, industrious, and consistent Clristians.

In 1826, the Government, with funds arising from their annuity, buil a hindsome village for them on the River Credit, about fifteen miles west of Toronto, consisting of twenty houses. They were then about 200 in number. In 1828, they had added seven more houses, erected by themselves. The Bishop of Quebec, speaking of them, in 1029, reported, "That a great "proportion of the tribes had become sober and indus" trious' in their habits, well clad as to their persons, "and religious in" their life and conversation." In 1831, they had added eight more houses, and a sawmill ; and the Methodist Missionary Society had helped them to build'a chapel, a school-louse, and a work-shop. A missionary, a schoolmaster, and a schoolmistress, were maintained among them by the same Society. From that time to within two or three years, their improvement has continued steady, although slow. Their number has been gradually on the increase. "Their bealth, under the care of one or more resident modical men, to whom they pay an annual salary out of thoir annuity, has improved. .Their habits of industry have been prelly well maintained; intoxication; although more frequent, has not again become habitual among them; their religious and moral behaviour is still very creditable; latlerly, however, their progress has been retarded by the uncertainty which has prevailed as to their stay in the present settlement.

In 1840, the Chiefs represented to the Government that it would tend greatly to the advantage of the tribe to move from the Credit. Their reasons deserve to be recorded, as indicating their desire to advance in habits of religion and industry', and their just appreciation of the means by which their progress might be best promoted.
" 1st. The soil at the Credit is generally yery poor, "and consequently, the crops are light, and this, in a "great measure, discourages our people from becom"ing good farmers. The situation"of the Credit Re"serve is better calculated for commercial than agri"culturál purposés
" 2 nd. We have learned, by experience, that living "together in a village, whilst endeavouring to follow " farming, is attended with many disadvantages, and "loss of time;' it is theretore desirable, that all the "Indians who wish to become planters, should be set" tled on their own lots.
"3rd. "The evil example of many of the white peo"ple around our village, exposes our people to the "temptation of drinking fire-water, and of committing " other vices.
" 4th.' We are of opinion, that, if we go and sette ", on a good tract of land, many of our young men, who "are now spending their" time in'idleness, would be "induced to become industrious, and attend to their " farming."

This memorial was very favorably reccived by the Governor in Council, and tho proper Officers were ordered to report upon the measures necessary to carry out the proposal. No report, however, was made; and although the Indians have often rene wed their petition, that the. Government would enable thom to remove and sell thoir Reserve, the Indian Depariment, although acknowledging the expediency of the measure, has taken no stops in the matter, and appears to have retarded rather than expedited the measure. The consequence has been, that, for the last three years, these Indians have been in a very unsetted state. The favorable manner in which their request was reccived by the Government, led them to expect an early removal, "and they have therefore been induced to refrain from any further improvement of their lands, and even to neglect their existing clearances; while the absence of their former friend and pastor, the Rcv. Peter Jones, who has already removed to Munsee Town, in anticipation of the tribe following him thither, has been of much disadvantage to them in a religious point of view The dolay, too, has encouraged an opposition to the removal, which although slight at first, consisting only of one family, has generally increased, until as many as nine families are now said to olject, which wil render the arrangement of the removal, and the divi sion of their several interests, yery complicated ant difficult. It is to be hoped, however, that this difficulty may be overcome, as there can be no doubt that the removal will tend in evory way to the interests of the tribe.

The following particulars will exhibit their prosent condition. They are" 254 in number. Their village, which is beautifully situated on the west bank of the River Credit, and at a distance of two miles from its mouth, contains at present 50 dwelling houses, a warehouse, three barns, a chapel, " and a school-house. There are also two saw-mills belonging to the tribe.

Their Reserve at the River Credit contains 3189 acres.: They bave disposed of their lands at the Sixteen and Twelve-Mile Creeks to the Crown, in trust, for sale, for their benefit: At the Credil they cultivate about 500 acres. The farms are mostly on detached lots of 50 acres, at a distance of two miles from the village, which circumstance has been found very prejudicial to the progress of habits of industry among these Inlians," on account of the fatigue and loss of time in going to and returning daly from their farms. Many of them are tolerably good ploughmen, and have made considerable progress in agriculture- -growing wheat, oats, peas, potatoes, and other vegetables; several cut hay, and have small orchards" many, however, are still content merely to cultivate a small paich of Indian corn, with some potatoe and vegetables.

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minister officiating in the settlement, they aro constant in ineir attendance at chapel, and are quiet and attentive during the service.

They possess several portions of the Old and New Testaments translated into their own language, which many of the old people, and all the young can read. 'The youth of both scxes are taught English. 'The school is maintained by the Methodist Missionary Sosicty. With few exceptions, the Indians ard stated to be a quict, inoflensive, and moral people. They live on the most friendly torms with the surrounding whites, aud quarrels and disputes are exceedingly rare among themselves. They are very sensible of the improvement which they have made since their conversion, and feel grateful to those who have instructed them. They are still desirous of advancing and raising themselves to an equality with their white neighbours, whom they perceive to enjoy many comforts and privileres which they do not possess.

## 9. THE MISSISSAGAS OF ALNWICK.

Eridence of Those Indians were converted to Christthe Chicf Su- previntendent ; inity the years 1826-\%. They were perintendent; then pagans, wandering in the neighbourW. Case. Ap-hood of Belleville, Kingston, and Gananopendix, Nos. que, and were known under the name of the Mississagas of the Bay of Quinte ; in those years, between 200 and 300 were received into the Weslcyan Methodist Clurch, and settled on Grape Island, in the Bay of Quinté, six miles from Bellevillo, where they commenced planting, and where schools were established by the missionary for their instruction. On this island they resided eleven years, subsisting by agriculture and hunting. Their houses were erected partly by their own labour, and partly at the expense of the Methodist Missionary Society. The number, at length, amounted to iweny-three; besides which, they had a commodious building for religious service and schools, another room for an infant school a hospital, a smithy, a shoomaker's shop, and a building fir joincrs', and cabinet work.

These, however, were relinquished, to be sold for their benefit, in 1830, when they removed to a block of Crown Lands, granted to them by Lieutenant-Governor Sir J. Colborne, in the Township of Alnwick, not far from the Rice Lake, and fifteen milos northcast of Cobourg. This plot, which contains' 2000 acres, is divided into lots of 25 ncres each. The village or street, which is called Alderville, is about a mile and a half in length. It contains 36 houses, six barns, a sawmill, and a large school-house, in which divine worship is performed, all erected under the direction of the Indian Department, out of the annuity of $£ 642$ 10, to which this baud is entitled for the surrender of a vast tract in the rear of the Jolnstown and Midland Districts. Of the 36 dwelling houses, 22 are framed, and the remainder are of square logs, all of commodious size and internal arrangement. The barns are framed, of 40 by 30 feet in dimensions.

There are also a parsonage house, and school buildings, erected at the expense of the Methorlist Missionary Society.

These Indians are 233 in number; each fumily has at least hall its lots of 25 acres cleared, and several have nearly the whole under cultivation. The total quantity cleared is between 360 and 400 acres. The stock belonging to these Indians consists of eight yoke of oxen, two horses, 11 cows, 21 heifers and calves, and a quantity of pigs and poultry. They possess eight
ploughs, six harrows, three carts and wagyons, and twelve ox-sleds. Their progress in industry and agriculture is satisfictory.

When on Grape Island, a cabinet-maker, blacksmith, shocmaker, and occasionally, a tailor, wero employed by the Methodist Society, to instruct these Indians in their several trades. Nilhough it was found difficult to keep the scholars at their work, and considerable losses were sustained in the undertaking, yet the Indians shewed unusual ingenuity, and gained considerablo knowledge in those branches, which bas been of much use to them since their settlement at Alnwick, where no shops have yet been erected. 'At prescnt, only ono man pursues lis calling, as a house-joiner and carpenter, for a livelihood, but others occasionally work at tailoring, or at making and reparing agricultural im plements.

The change produced by their conversion and their progress in Christianity will bo best described in the words of their missionary, the Rev. William Case, who has ministered to them for the last fourtcen years, and whose charitable zeal and self-devotion to the improvemont of this community, it behoves the Commissionera to notice with approbation.
"The Gospel found them in 1826 in a pagat slate, " having neither bouse, catte', nor fellds; degraded by
"intemperance, and sulfering from want of clothing
"and food; by which their constitutions" and health
"wore undermined, suljecting them to disease and
"death,-especially from pulmonary complaints. To
"gratify their thrist for ardent spinits, they' expended
" The avails of their hunting, selling or parting with
"their most valuable articles, leaving themselves bare
" of clothing, and exposed to the frost of winter: "In
"these drunken revels they were often led into broils
" with the whites, and with cach other, which some-
" times ended in loss of lifc. But their conversion to
"to Christianity has made a most happy change in all
" those respects. At once and entirely they renounced "all intoxicating drinks, and to which they continue, " with few exceptions, resolutely to adhere. Their "presents from the Government have since been ap"plied to the comforts of their families, and thetr an" nuitics have purchased lands, provided comfortable "dwellings, catte, and implements of husbandry. Por
"seventeen years I have known of few disputes, two
"of which only ended in scuffling and pulling of hair;
" none in bloorlshod. From first they became' a praying
"people, constant and daily in family devotion : the
"Cltristian Sabbath is strictly observed; no ordinary
"labour or sporting is known in the settlement, but a
" general attendance on divine service is observed."
"On the conversion of the Indians, the parents were "acknowledged man and wife; as they prosented them"selves in families at the altar for baptism. Since "that period, marriages liave been regularly performed; "except in two cases, whore the men left their first " wives and took other women. One of these men has " ever since lived back of Kingston, a wandering hun"ter. This couple has five illegitimate children."
" During the twelve yoars this body resided at Grape "Island there was but one illegitimate "child" born"; "since their "residence here, there have been two " more."
"We have, hovever, to regret their infirmities, " among which is a want of industry; with some ex"ceptions, they are fond of roving, by which the best "of the season is lost for farming. To romedy this "evil, and to elevate their character, has been one ob" ject of the Society in the establishment of the Manual

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"Labour School,-in connexion with a Model Farm: (which will presently bic described.)" " 1 further "inducement to industry, in my opinion, would be "'found in fixing a premium on the best improvernents "in farming, such as crops, fencing, stock of cows, ox" cn , pigs, \&c. It is, however, but just to remark, "that the Indians are everyyear bettering their condi"tion, and tho past has been the most'comfortable "they have yet secn. Several have raised all their " hread stufls, and provided well for their families; "some of the women taking example from the school, "have, during the past' seasom, spun and made clothing " for their hasbands and chiddren.
"On the first setuement of the Indians on Grape "Island, a common daily, anil Sabbath school, were "commenced among them, with a school on the sys-
"tem" of Pestalazzi; the former two have been con-
"tinued, with"occasional intermission, up to the present
"time; the scholars generally have made commend-
"able improvement,-some of them have excelled. "Their advancement in reading, writing, arithmetic, "geography, and English grammar,' have been equal "to that atrong white scholars with similar alyanta"ges. Selections of young men from this number "are now teachers in the Indian schools; others are "interpreters and prachers of the Cospel."
"For fuur years past a school, on the manual labour "plan", has also been in operation. This system combines " elemontary instruction with domestic economy. "The "girls' are daily taught reading, writing, arithmetic, " and geography, together with house-keeping, spin" ning, knitting, needle-work, and the management of "a dairy. In the latter department belong seyen cows. "The boys are taught in the same branches as the girls, " and in English grammar; and, at stated hours, in the "business of farming, as chopping, ploughing, harvest-
"ing, \&c. For this purpose, a model farm of fifty "acres in extent is provided. The scholars, twelve in " number, are boarded and lodged in the mission "family, and clothed at the expense of the Missionary "Society. They are all clad in cloth spun by the In"dian girls. During four years past, thirtyone girls "and fourteen boys have received instruction in this " school."

The band appears to be on the increase since 1826, (seventeen years;) there have been 153 births, and 129 deaths, shewing an excess of 24 births.

## 10. MISSISSAGAS OF THE RICE, MUD, AND BALSAM LAKES'.

Evidrice of : Those Indians belong to the same tribe, the Chief Su- the Mississagas or Chippewas of Rice Lake, porintencent; who in 1818, surrendered the greater Anderson, Xsq part of the tract now forming the NewAppendix, Nus. 15 and 42 . castle District, for an annuity of $£ 740$. They have all been reclaimed from their primitive wandering life, and settled in their present locations within the last ten'or twelve years.

The Rice Lake'settlement is on the northern side of the lake; and at about twelve miles from Peterborough. The number of Indians is 114. They "possess ahout 1550 acres of land, which are subdivided into 50 acro lots ; of this, 1120 acres were granted in April, 1834, to trustees, " in trust, to hold the same for the bencfit of the Indian tribes' in the Province, and with ", view to their conversion and civilization ;", and the remaining 430 , have been since purctused with their own funds." They have rather more land cleared than the Indians of Alnwick, about 400 acres; but the cultiva-
tion is not so good. The village contains thirty houses, three barns, a school-house, and a chapel with a bell. The Hoad Chief of the tribe resides licre. For some time these Indians were under the charge of an officer appointed by the Indian Department, who assisted in their settlement; but at present they have no special Superintendent.

These Indians are methodists, and have either a resident missionary or have been regularly visited by the missionary belonging to the Alnrvick settlement. They have a school, and a schoolmaster is supported by the Methodist Missionary Society:

Tho Mud Lake lindians are sectled on a point of land on thic Mud or Chemung Like, sixteen miles north-west of Peterborough. ' 'They are ninety-four in number; and possoss twenty dwelling houses, with three stables. They occupy a grant of 1600 acres in the Township of Smith, made to the New England Company for their benefit, in April, 1837, of which about 200 acres are in cultivation. Those Indians were for some time under the management of the late Mr. Scott, agent for the New England Company, and belong to the Wesleyan Methodist Church. A chapel is in the course of erection at the village,", where there is already a mission house and a school.

The settlement is visited by the missionary at Peterbotough, and the schoolmaster is supported by the New England Company.

The Balsam Lake Indians, ninety in number, are at present sottled within the Township of Bexley," on a point of land jutting out into Lake Balsam, which is the most northerly of the chain of lakes, running northwest across the back Townships of the District of Newcasile. The Reserve which was granted to them by the Crown, is 1206 acres in extent. Of this they have about 200 acres in cultivation. Their village contains twelve houses, a barn, and a commodious school-house, in which divine service is performed by a resident methodist missionary. But within the present year, (1843,) these Indians having become dissatisfied with the climate and the quality of the land at the Balsam Lake, have purchased six hundred acres on the banks of Lake Scugog, to be pail out of their share of their annuity, and are making preparations for removing from their former settlement. ${ }^{\text {. Their improvements }}$ will be sold for their benefit. Their reason for removing cvinces their desire to advance in the pursuit of agriculture.

## 11. CHIPPEWAS OF RAMA.

Evidence of These Indians furmerly occupied the perintendent. -lands about Lake Simcoe, Holland River, perintendent
Appendix; No. and the unsettled country; in the rear of the 15. Fome District. General Darling reported of themin 1828 , that they had expressed a strong de. sire to be admitted to Christianity, and to adopt the habits of civilized life; and that in thesc respects they might be classed with the Mississagas of the Bay of Quinté and Rice Lake', but were then in a more savage state: "In 1830, Lieutenant-Governor Sir'J. Col. borne, collected them on a tract of land on the northwest shore of Lake Simcoe, of 9800 acres in extent, where they cleared a roda between that lake and Lake Huron. They consisted of three tribes of Chippewas, undor Chiefs Yellowliead, Aisance, and Snake, and a band of Pottivatamies from Drummond Island; their number "was about 500 , under the care of Mr . Anderson, now the Superintendent at Manitoulin, who was appointed to take charge of their settlement and civili-

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zation; they made a rapid progress.' 'The tribe under tho Chief Yollowbead, now setted at Rama, wero located at the Narrows on Lake Simeoe; Aisance's tribo, at present residhing at Beausoleil, Matchadash Bay; was settled at Coldwater, at the other extromity of the Reserve, the distance letween them being fourteon miles. Their condition, alter an interval of five years, is thas drecribed by Mr. Anderson:-
"Prior to the year 1830, these tribes hat become "s much demoralized from their long residence near the "White settluments. They were in the constant habit
" 6 of drinking spirituous liquors to excoss; not one of
"them could read or write, and they searcoly knew "wnything of roligion. Their hunting grounds wero "s exhansted; the Government presents were exchanged "for whiskey. They were in debt to all the traders, "sund unable to obtain more credit; and thus were
"constantly in a state bordering on starvation. Their
"s sulfering and mistry were strongly marked in their
"personal appearance, and the condition of heir wig.
"6was; the Jatier imperfectly made, and very insul-
is ficiently supplied with fuel, could scarcely le said to
" ${ }^{6}$ fiorid shellor to the ragged and emariated frames of
"t the elder lndians, whilst the wretchedly diseanod ap.
"s parance of the children, spoke still more furcibly of
"d dee intoxication and want of food of the parents.
"Miscrable as was their state, it will hardly leecre" dited, that their minds were so debased, their listless" 10 ess and lethargy so great, that it required consider-
"uble persuasion to prevail on them to accept the
"hounty of Government. By studious attention to
"their habits and prejudices, they wore at length gra-
"dually brought to, assist, and the general result bas
" loen, that each Indian with a family has now a lit to
" farm under cultivation, in which he raises, not only
" potatoes and Indian corn, but also wheat, onts, peas,
"\&c.; his wigwam is exchanged for the log-llouse;
"6 lunting heas, in many cases, been altogether abmadon-
"ed, and in noncappears, as formerly, to be resorted to
"asthe only means of subsistence. Habitual intoxication
" is unknown; the Sabbath is carefully observed; their
"foligions duties carefully attended to, and roading
"a and writing, with a moderate knowledge of arith-
" metic, is almost universal among the young peoplc.
" 1 attach grent importance to their habits of drunken-
" ness being overcone; at the first, it was necessary to
" prohibit the bringing of spirits within the bounds of
' the settlement. The near approach of white settlers
"has rendered this restriction no longer possible, and
" yel instances of intoxication are very seldom met
"with, whilst numerous cxamples may be brought for-
"ward of total abstinence from ardent spirits."
"The log dwelling housos for the Indians were erect" od by Government. Frame-houses for the Superinten"dent and the two chicfs, Aisance and Yellowhead,
" with school-houses at Coldwater and the Narrows,
" were also luilt at the commencement of the establish-
" ment; since that time, a sav-mill and a grist-mill have
" been added at Coldwater; and a saw-mill is in pro-
" gress at the Narrows. Ahout 500 acres of the whole
" have been cleared and are under cultivation, and it is
"very gratifying to observe this year, that many of the
"Indians are, of their own accord and unassisted, erect-
" ing log.barns and stables."
"Another strong mark of amendment is in the " article of dress. All the Indians here, compared " with the Indians in a wild state, are well clothed, and
" have in monst instances, abandoned the Indinn dress
" for that of their white neighbours. They have also
" become anxious to possess furniture, and some have
"exercised thoir ingenuity in the manulacture of articlos "of houschold furnituro for themselves. All have "advanced to a knowledge of the difierence between "burter and cash transactions,- Whe main source of "imposition by the trader; and they are alive to the "arlvanteges of pursuing their fishing in the fall, as a "source of profit, and not merely for their own food. "To emable them to do this more extensively, they have "built for themsolvos two battome, each capable of "holding forly or fifty luarrels of fish.
"I must not omit what I consider highly in their "praise, that, though obliged frecpuently to submit to "irritating and extremoly unjust treatment on the part "of the neighouring witite stetlers, no Indian has, dur"ing the whole period of my superintandence, been "complained of for any breach of the laws, with one "solitary exception,-for the removal of part of a "fence; and that was done in ignorance.
"Every Indian throughout the settlement is posses"sed of the means, with moderate industry, of" provid"ing himself with an ample supply of food and clothing, "und lie has acquired sulficient knowledge" of tho arts " of civilized life to avail himself of these advantages. "The minds of the younger branches are opened by "education, and religion has fixed itself upon the at"tention of all."

Such was the improvement mado among tho Indians in five years, under the careful superintendence of a zealous officer, co-operating with the missionaries cngriged in their conversion and religious instruction. It whs not long, however, before the encroachments of the white settlers on the line of road opened by the Indians themselven, and tho ill usage, and pernicious example to which they were exposed at their hands, induced these tribes to abandon their settlemients, and to seek elsewhere a rofuge from the contamination of their more civilized whito neighbours. In 1836, a year after the date of the above account, they surrendered their Reserve to the Government, and the tribe under Yellowhead, removed in 1838, from the Narrows to Rama, on the north-caslern extremity of Lake Simcoe, whero there appeared a prospect of remaining for some ycars, undisturbed by the white settlers. Here they purchased 1600 acres of land, at a cost of $£ 800$, paid out of thoir annuities, and applied themselves diligently to forming a new'clearance, and cultivating the land, in which they have made considerible progress.

Their number is now 184 ; the ir vilhage already contains twenty houses, and four barns, and they have 300 acres of tand under cultivation.

During the last two ycars they have been very industrious, and have raised large quantities of produce. In 1841, their crop of potatoes was sufficiently abun* diant to cnable them to dispose of four or five hundred bushels to the white settlers in Orillia and Medonte, without inconvenience to themsolves.

These Indians are stated to be Wesleyan methodists. Among the band at the Narrows there were also some Roman Catholics, but it docs not appear whether these have accompanied their brethren or have separated and joined those of the same church at Beausoliel.

They have a commodious school-house, in which Divine Scrvice is performed by a missionary of that persuasion. A respectable teacher is in charge of tho school.

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12. CIIPPEWAS OF BEAUSOLIEL ISLAND, MATCHADASH BAY, LAKE HURON.

Evilence of This band, under the chief "Aisanco" Chitiffuparin
turdent $A p$. the same which was settled by Sir John pemmiti, No. 15 . Colborne, at Coldwater. Their present villuge, which is not very distant from the former setttement, was only commenced last year. It contains fourteon louses, and a barn: the number of the band is 232. They have about 100 acres under cultivation.

The majority of these Indians are Roman Catholics. They have not as yet any place of worship, or school. In the former settlement they were occasionally visited by the Roman Catholic priest, resident at Penetanguishene.

## 13. CHIPPEWAS OF SNAKE ISLAND, LAKE SIMCOE.

Ividence of This body of Indians was ono of the Chief Superin- three bands established at Coldwater and tondent ; ditto the Narrows, and separated. from them on
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ic. Doan. Appen- the abandonment of those sottlements. dix, Nos. ${ }^{15}$ Thoy now occupy one of the three Islands and 43. on Lake Simeoc, which were set apart for this tribe many years ago. They are 109 in number,' and occupy twolvo dwelling houscs. They have also two barns athe, a school house, in which their children "are instructod by a sespectable toacher, and Divino Sorvice is performed by a resident Missionary of the Methodist persuasion, to which these Indians belong. They have about 150 acres in cultivation, and are improving in habits of industry and agricultural skill. Thoir Missionary, wbo has beon acquainted with them since July 1830, states that the majority of them are strictly moral in their character, that most of the adults are decidedly pious, and that many of them for consistency of character, would not suffer by a comparison with white christians of any deriomination.

## 14. CHIPPAWAS OF SAUGEEN, (LAKE HURON.)

Evidance of It was from these Indians, and their Chiof Superin-brethren, since settled at 'Owen's Sound, tendant o ditto that Sir Francis Head, in 1836, obtained lianus. Appen-a surrender of the vast tract of land lying ${ }_{\text {cix }}$ Nos. 15 and north of the London and Gore Districts; 44. and between tho Fome District and Lake Huron, containing about $1,600,000$ nctos.' He reserved at the same time, for the Indians, the extensire peninsula, lying bettveen Lake Huron and Georgian Bay, north of Owen's Sound; and supposed to contain about 450,000 acres.

Little was known of these Indians by the Government, before that period, as their village was remote from any white settlement ; but they appear to have been settled and converted about the year 1831. In 1837, their missionary gave the following description of their condition:-
"This Mission is beaulifully situated. Fine flats, "containing from " 200 to 300 acres, extend along the "river, whe the Indians cut sufficient hay for their "oxen and couts, and grow excellent corn. There are "here some good log thouses, and several comfortable" " bark shanties. On the hill in the rear of the flats are "several fine fields of corm and potatoes, and a good
" kilchon garden belonging' to the Mission house. The "Indians at this station have been romarkable for their "steadfastness since they embraced Christianity'; they "appour to be a lappy people; much attached to their" " missionaries, teachable, and give solid prool's that they "arc progressing in civilization."

The Chief Suporintendent', however, who visited them in the same "year," reported that they appeared very poor and miserable, tristing very mutch to hunting and fishing for their support. 'The fishing' is very pro-' ductive, and has attracted the notice of the white people, who annoy the Indians ly encroaching on what they consider their exclusive right, and on which they rely much for proyisions.'

They hunt in the tract belonging to the Canada Company, and on tho unoccupied lands south and east of the Saugeen river. Their present number is 197, including about a score of Potlawatamies.

This sottlement does not appear to have been visited by any officer of the Government since 1837 ; and so little is it known, that it is supposed to have been incorrectly laid down on the map; by the extent of half "a degrec. The Chicf Superintendent reports, that he cannot give an accurate account of it. He states that the greater number of the Indians lived for a long while in very small log houses, and in houses made of clm bark. The present missionary states, that there are only six $\log$ houses, and that the rest are bark huts or wigwams. The village is situated about two miles up the River Saugeen. From the report of the Chief Superintendent, it appears, that the Indians contemplated the abandonment of this situation for one nearor the month of the river; but they have since determined to remain in their old locality, and have this year, built by contract, six' excellent houses.

The mouth of the Saugeen River forms the best, and almost the only port of refuge on the eastern shore of Lake Huron; lience, 'it is likely' to become a place of considerable resort, and it is in contemplation to carry two roads in different directions through the Saugeen tract to this point. The rumour of this intention was lately a source of much inquictude among the Indians, as they became apprehensive of being obliged to quit their settlement and survender their improvements. 'This apprehension, however, appears to have been removed, and they are now looking forward to the erection of a sav-mill, and to the supplying of the schooners. touching at the port with lumber and fish.

A missionary of the Wesleyan Methodists has long resided among them; their present missionary is an Indian, brought up at the Rice Lake Mission; and at a school in the United States. They have a chapel which serves as a school-house, and a mission house, which were built by the Wesleyan Methodist Society, about the year 1831. They have also had a schoolmaster for some time past. Almost all the tribe have embraced Christianity, and many are pious and exemplary in their deportment.

They are entitled to share in the annuity of $£ 1250$, recently granted in exchange for the Satueen teritory, surrendered to Sir F. Hend in 1837, and as they have already given proofs of their desire for civilization and improvement, theer is every reason to hope that their progress will be at least as rapid as that of other tribes who hate possessed, and are exhibiting the results of similar advantages.
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Appendix
15. CIIPPEWAS OF BIG BAY, IN OWEN'S SOUND, LAKE IIURON.
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Evilenee in These Indians were formenly cilher Chiet' spritu- wanderers in the Saugeen tract, surrenof Render: ditto dered to Sir F. Hearl, or lived in scaterNeelands, ed wigwams, on the shores of Big Bay. 15 and 45.5 . According to the agreement then made 15 and 45 . With them, it was proplosed that they should either repair to Manitoulin or to that part of their former territory which lics north of Owen's Sound ; upon which it was promisod "that houses should be built
"for them, aud proper assistance, given, to enable them "to become civilized, and to cultivate land."

In 1842, their prosent settloment was permanently formed hy the erection of fourtecn log louses, and a harn, out of the proceeds of their annuity, under the direction of the Indian Department. Their number is 130 ; and they have about 120 acres of land under cultivation, but from the short time they have been settled, and the little experience which they can have yet acquired, it is not probable that they have made much progress in agriculture. In 1842, they were supplied with two yoke of oxen, paid out of thicir amuity, and are anticipating an extonsion of their present plantations.

They are Christians, and a Wesleyan methodist missionary, resident at St. Vincent, twenty-five miles dis-
tant, has visited them regularly since October, 1841. A rosident missionary was appointed to this settlement, last year, by the Canadian Wesleyan Methodist Conference. They havo also had a scliool, conducted by an Indian, and maintained by the same body, since the close of 1842.

They slure in the samo amnuity as the Chippewas of Saugech.

## 16. CHIPPEWAS AND OTHERS, IN THE TOWNSIIIP OF BEDFORD.

Within a few years past, some stragglers from the Rice Lake tribe linve settled in the Townslip of Berdford, about twenty-five miles north of the town of Kingston; and recontly, they bave heon joined by a band of cighty-one Indians from Lower Canada, belonging to the post of the Lake of Two Mountains. As the setlement is of rocent formation, and the claim of these ladians upon the atiention of the Department of Upper Canada, has only been brought forward last yeur, they have not yot been visited loy any officer of tho Departmont, and no account can be given of the settlement. By Instructions issued in 1843, they were transferred frum the Roll of Lower Canada to that of the Upper Province, and, accordingly, received their presents for the first time in that Province.
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# R E P 0 R T. 

The Select Commitree to which was referred the Petition of N. Sparigs and others, of Bytown, for an Act to restore to Nicholas Sparks certain lands in Bytown, taken possession of by the Ordnance Department, for the purposes of the Rideau Canal, but not appropriated by them to that purpose,-and, also, the Bill to explain and amend part of an Act passed in the seventh year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act for vesting in the Principal Officers " of Her Majesty's Ordnance, the estate and properly therein described; for granting certain "powers to the said Officers, and for other purposes therein mentioned," have the honor to

## Report:

That it was the manifest intention of the Legislature, in passing the 29th Section of the above mentioned Act, that "all lands taken from private owners "at Bytown, under the authority of the Rideau Canal "Act, for the uses of the Canal," which had not been actually used for that purpose before the passing of the Act, should be restored to the party from whom the same were taken.

It has been satisfactorily proved to Your Commitlee, that the land which the Petitioner, Nicholas Sparks, now claims to be restored to him, amounting to ablout eighty acres, has never been used for any purposes connected with the Rideau Canal, or for any other purposes whatsoever ; and it is also in evidence, that the proviso in the abovementioned section, was introduced for the purpose of compelling the Ordnance Department to return this land to its owner, Mr. Sparks; and that in consequence of this proviso being so inserted in the Act, the Special Committee to whom, in 1843, was referred Mr.' Sparks' Petition in this matter, felt it unnecessary to Report.

Your Committee find, on examination of J. S. Elliott, Esquire, the Commissioner on behalf of the Principal Olficers of Hor Majesy's Ordnance, and of Colund Holloway, Commanding Engineer in Canada, that no patt of the land belonging to Mr. Sparks, and taken possession of by the Ordnance, "was ever used from the time it was so taken until now, for any purposes connerted with the construction or defence of the Canal, and that it is' now as uncertain as ever whether it will ever be required fur either purpose. It further appears from the evidence of the above gentlemen, and from the circumstance of their obtaining from the Court of Chancery an Injunction prohibiting Mr . Sparks from entering upon or interfering with the land in question, that the Ordnance Department are resolved to resist his claims and to retain possession o his property, because', perbaps, at some future day, it may be required for some purpose connceted with the Canal, or its forlifications.

Your Committee feel bound to express their opinion that the conduct of the Department, in thus depriving property.

Wheneyer this or any other land may be required hy the Department for notual use, they havo full powers, under the provisions of this Vesting Act, to enter upon and take possession of the same ; and thoy, therefore, can suffer no injury in giving up to the Petitioner his own land, which may be of service to him, and is at present of no use to the Department.

Under these circumstances, Your Committee would recommend the passing of the explanatory Act which was submitted to hem by Yuur Honorable House, with some amendments.

All which is nevertheless humbly submitted..
WILLIAM STEWART, $\underset{\text { Chairman. }}{\text { STM }}$
22nd March, 1845.

## MINUTES OF EVIDENCE..

Wilhiam Stewart, Esquire, in the Chair.

## Tuesdar, 4th March, 1845.

## J. S. Elliott, Esquire, "called in'; and examined:-

1. Are you the Commissioner on behalf of the Print cipal Officers of Her Majesty's Ordnance at Bylown ?I am for Canada generally.
2. Were you instrumental in getting the Ordnance Vesting Act passed last Session of Parliament; and are you versant with the general matters affecting the case of, Mr, Nichotas Sparks of Bytown?-I was: and I have a general knowledge of the case of Mr. Sparks.
3. What did you mean by permitting the following words in the Act 7 th Vict chat. 11 , section $299^{\circ}$ viz: "Provided always, and be it enacted, That all "lands taken from private owners at Bytowh under "the authonty of the Rideau Canal" Act, for the uses "of the Canal, which fave not been used for that put"pose, be restored to the party or parthes from whom "the same were taken" I had no option in tho mattor: it was not a part of theoriginal Bill; it was inserled in Committee.
4. Were you present at Be Bar of Ho Hose at Kingston 1843 , when the Ordnance Vesting Act was discossed, and the 2 gth Clause adopted t - I was
St Du con consert o said Clause; mo contath
 that Cltise was introluced as an onendment byr. Dendishita, and as the Secsion was near its.chose, and wasder tous of chatht the passege of the Act the amedmen w dilo to to $\sigma$ of what yas worth:
 traty, thithmed him that I bhd opposed that amend ment to the utost of my ower.
5. Didyou omply wht the requfements of the Act

6. Did you, in particular, refuse to give up to Mr . Nicholos Sparks the lands akon from him at Bytown, and not used for tho Rideau Cannl?-I never refused, for ho never applied for them: If he had applied of them, I unquostionably should have refused him.
7. How many acres of land have the Ordnance? been claiming out of $\mathrm{Mr}_{\text {, }}$ Sparks' property in By . town ?-I think his contested part is something about 85 acres, but cannot'say positively.
8. Are the Ordnance now in possession of the same Jands, and for what purpose aro they used or ap-plied?-I consider it in their possossioti; the land has been cloared and fenced by the Ordnance, and it is intended to be applied, 'as far as I nm aware, for the formation of a Basin and Reservoir for the supply of the eight Locks at Bytown, ind for tho gonernil uses of trade,
9. Do you think that it is likely, with all the improvements going on in navigation in the Province, the Canal Basin at Bytown, which has hitherto done the business of the country, requires to bo' enthrged? Whink at the present moment it may not be required to be enlargod, but it is impossible for me to say to what extent it may hereafter be required. I am led to understand that natural causes themselves may produce a deficiency of the water, so as to require a Reservoir for the supply of the eight Locks.
10. If the low or fat land could by any means be required for a Basin, to what use or purpose wrould thoy apply the hill ;-I am not an Engineer, and do not therefore consider myself compotent to give a correct answor to the question.
11. Didy you eyer see the paper surrendering the bed of tho Canal and 200 feet on eachi side by Nicholas Sparks to Colonel By; and do you believe this Exhibit to be a copy of such paper in-1 think 1 did see such a paper, or a copy offit; the paper shewn me may bo the same, but cannot positively say.

## (Cony of the Exhibit produced.)

(Copy.)

## Huma, with November, 1826.

I hereby authorize Lieut. Col. By, Commanding Royal Engineer on the Rideau Canaf, to take such part of my land (being lot C, "in concession C, in the Township of Nepean, gralis; as may be required, for the purpose of construcling the Roleau Canal, jt being clearly understood that not more than'200 feet in breadih on' eachi side of the Candl' and paralleal to it , fy to bo thlien and that such parts astmaynotiberequifed Conitis is cojest's service, shall be restoted whin the Canal is completed.

Also, that it be agreed bet upeen myself and lieut. Coll By on the part of the Governments that the Concossion Road on the south side of my estate shall be changed to the noth side abuting on His MAjestye
property.
(Signed, NIEHOLASSPNRKS,
(signear) JOHNBX,
Eneut Col Royal Enginems
Witness H POOLE Lieut Royal Engincers

A.true Copy;
(Signedi) W. W.

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13. Do you knoyy when the Ordnance first took possossion of his truat of land, and for what purpose they have actuilly used it ?-They took possession, I think, in 1827; they cleared the land and fenced a portion of it, and reserved it for the future use of the Canal.
14. Mns this tract of larid been already used for Camal purposes, if so, state the purposes; or is it not rather retained in anticipation of being useful for Cand purposes hereafter?-It has as yet been only used for the purpose stated in "the last answer, und is retained in the manner mentioned in the quostion.
15. Do you know or have you heard that any portion of this tract is or will be reguired for the Military defence of the Canal, or for some Military purpose?-L have heard that it may be subservient both to Canal and Military purposes.
16. Is there not sufficient ground on the West side of the road from Upper to Lower Bytown to receive any earth that might bo romoved in forming a Basin twice the size of the present one?-1 do not consiler mysolf competent to answer that question, not being an Engineer.
17. Do you think that justice has been rendered to Nicholas Sparks, in not paying him for his lands, or restoring them to him without lifigation, as was intonded by the Ordnance Vesting Act?-Tho land was taken from Sparks in 1827 or 28; Colonel By and he could never come to any arrangement as to the terms of the romuncration. In 1831, Mr. Sparks prosecuted Oolonel By fur a trospass, with the view of re-obdaining his ground ; in that action he was defoated : he then had a resource under the provisions of the Rideau Canal Act, to oblain a compensation cither by arbitration or by a jury, hut he has never put forward any claim. I imagive that Mr. Sparks has not had recourse to those means, because, under the enaciment I alluclo to, the arbiterators or jury would be bound to tale into consideration, in awarding any compensation for damage, the amount of benefit his other property hed derived from the Canal, and it was to this effect Ho Chiel Justico charged the Jury upon the occasion of Sparks' defent.
18. When was the Canal finished?-In 1832 or 1833,
19. Have your Dopartment brought in action against Mr: Sparks, in Chancery; if so, state to the Cominitte why, and upon what grounds such action was brought?-Mr. Sparks, since the passing of the Vesting Act, threw down some of the fence on the property; served notices upon some of the Forwatlers who paid rent for wharves; advortised portions of the land for sale; and a stone houso las been crected upon it. Under these circumstances; the Ordnance have caused proceedings in Chancery to restrain Mr . Sparks.
20. Haro the Ordnance Dapartment not rented part of the land taken from Mr Sparks to several Forwarders on the Rideau Canal, and reccived rent for the same ? - Somu wharwos and store-houses are let to Forwarders,
21. Whan you wrote to Mr. Spirks on the 28 h instant, declining to leave it to arbirration or a Jury, after all that had passed between you and Captaln Boxer, whose legal opinion did you take?-Colonel

Holloway ind I consulted the Attomey Genoral, whose opinion was that wo could not entertain the proposition, based as fywas.
29. Haye you notemployed a young man a Solicitor to tho Ordnance Department, who makes out Deods'und charges the sum of $£ 1$ bs. and with your approval of the same?-I employ John Scot, Esif, , it Barristor of Bytown, who charges for tho preparation of the Deids, the Parchment, the Printing, the necesw sary searching in the Registry Office, and all other exjenses, the sum of 25 s , for each Deod, which I consider a yory reasonable chargo. Inuthorizod this charge by Mr. Scott, because 1 conceiyed when all the advantages were given to the individual, the Govermment coutd not be fairly chargenble with the ex1zuse of the Deed.
23. Are you not, by the Gih Clause of this Ordnance Vesting Act, obliged to give a Title to parties frec of any charge? -I real the Clause as compelling me to give Titles free of all charges and incumbrances on the property.
24. Have you, in your capacity as Commissioner of the Ordnance, relused in uny case to confirm the promises and acts of Colonel By, as intended by the 4 th Clause of the Vesting Act t-I have nover done so when satisfactorily proved to me.
25. Would you sign a Doed prosented to you, if made out in the same manner us those made out by Mr. Scott, if so made out by any other person?-Most undoubtedly.

## Wednesday, 5th March, 1845.

Colonel William Cuthbert Elphinstone Holloway, C. B. Royal Engineers, called in; and ex-anined:-
26. Is it not the object of the Ordnance to retain the high land taken from $N$. Sparks, known by the name of the Barrack Hill, to construct Fortifications in the course of time? - 1 have not had any intumation that it was the intention of the Ordnañon to give up that portion of Barrack Hill clamed by Mri Sparks. Thiere have been various designs as to the use of this litl: the last design, which is now under consideration, is the formation of Public Offices, Storehouscs, Workshops and buildings of that nature, for the service of the Canal.
27. De you believe that it is in contemplation to form a new Básin, or to eularge the one now in use, and if so, say to what extent, and say how many ateres in your opinion would anstyer-When the land was originally taken, it was for the purpose of a Basin; that design has never been abandoned that I ambuate or, and from year to ycar, 1 do not doubt, the necessity of it will become more apparent. The pan or extent of the Bisin, has nover boen fixed upon. I afm not propared to say what may be the size or extent of the proposed Basin, having never been colled upontor a Report, nor to conside the sutject, by dir Departh ment.
28. Do you not think that it is nodessary to retain the lands taken from Ni Sparks; or any part of them
F.F.F.) for Military purposes? -1 do not ; the Ordnanco has alroady ground enough on 'lio Barrack Elll, exclusive snow. Sparks land, for Military purposes, so far as I
29. Do you, as a scientific man, think that ir n new Busin were to be formed, or the present ono enlarged, thint the earth would be carted up to the thigh land taken from Mr. Sparks?-I have not considered the sulyject, but my prosent impression is that'spice could bo found for the excavated soll, upon the margin of the said Bnsin.
30. How much of said land would it bo practicable to construct a Basin on, providing such mad been considered nocessary? -Answeret by answer to Q. 27.
81. Are you aware that thero would be from 18 , to 20 feet of excaration on many parts, oven of the low ground ?-I am not sufficiently acquainted, with the locality to answer this question, having merely "passed over the ground without particular examinalion, and having never scon my seotions of the ground to guide my judgment.
32. Can you say, as an Engineer, anil intimately acquainter with such works, that, the ground in quess tion is actually required for the construction and using the said Canal?-I should say that should the trate of the Province increase as it has done within tho last two or throe years," (as appears from tho iflicial returns) that an enlargement would be requited.' It has aiso been reporterl by the officer in - Ehinge of the Canal, (in the course of the list summer, that tho waters supplying the upper lovels are diminishing, and that somo steps must necessarily be taken to prevent any serious inconvenience to the frade from that cause. The circumstance which has occasioned this diminution, is the gradual clearing of the country,
83. Hns the siid ground been hitherto used for Canal purposes, or how much? -The ground has hot been hitherto used to any extent for Canal purposes, that I am nware of.
34. Are you not aware that a great portion of it still remains in the natural state? $\mathbf{I}$ atn.
35. Are you of opinion that the second proviso of the 29th clause applies to N. Sparks' land, or to whom does it apply P-I do not consider that ilnat proviso applies to the land now claimell by Mr. Sparks, because, athougg it has not yet beon used for Canal purposes, it has aliways been the intention, as I undersiand, to enlarge that Basin on this land, though tho time thas
36. Do you not know that the Ordnance Departmont purchased from Perkins the hiouse and lof nowoccupied by Addisonstock Muster, and if so, what did they pays, and did not Porkins purchase from Sparks? -I thive nolknotwedge of the circumstances monitioned
87. De youmean to convey to the Cominittee whe Che Ordinnce shall keen Mri Sparks' land withitit paying him for it 7 -I concelve (hat if Mry Sparksyat any ulast claim upon the Ordhance, añd he wouta bring such olaim for whrd for adjudicaton the orfnatice would entertain the question, ath whate er its right didaproper, they would defray Ian rotsoffre ciently well achuainted with the reat mentize wo the case to aford any furthembinion on the subyoct we
38. Do you think after the completion of the St. Lawrence Canal, that the trade will ncrease by the Ottawa and Rideau routos to require an enlargement of the Basin at Bytown, while that Basin has beon found large enough since the comipletion of the OAnal to do the wholo business of the country Prom an enquiry I made last year, of the Foryarding Com panios and of other competent persons, I was given to undorstand that notwithstanding the formation of the St. Latvrence Canal, the Ridenii route would ofier such facilities to the trade that it would still rotain lis smount of trade and would gradually increase.
30. Do you think that under any circumstances, a Busin as large as tho Loridon or West India Docks, will be constructed at Bytown?-1 am not avare of the size of those Dorks ; the land is wanted for a Re. servoir of water as well as for a Bisin.
40. Was it, or is it not intended that the proposet Basin, or Resorvoir of water for tho supply of the eight Locks, should also answer the purpose of a wet ditch for the contomplated fortification? 1 am not aware of any such intention, nor do I think that fortifications, will
be required at Bytown. be;required at Bytown.
J. S. Elliolt, Esquïrc, 'again called in, and oxamined :-
41. Aro you aware that an affidavit was made and sworn to, for the purpose of obtaining in Injunction from the Court of Chancery, and by whom was the same sworn to i-I believe an affidavit was made for That purpose by Major Francis Renglet Thompson,
Royal Engineers.
42. Were you shewn the said affidavit, find asked to make the onth, and please state the reason why you did not do so, you being the guadran of the Ordnance property? - I was shewn the affidavit, but was not asked to swear to it. Aifidavits similar in effect yore prepared to be sworn to by Col, Holloway, R. E. 'ond myself, and we both slated our readiness to do so, should they, be required by the Yice Ohancellor. I have made no affidavit in the matter, but would have had no objections to do so, had it been required, as I had the most implicit belief in the opinions of those I considlened the most'competent juclges, and fell bound to take every proper stepto protect he property.
43. Have you any corrospondence with the Government or the Ordanco that wouid lead you to suppose that at enlargement of the Bisisis contemplated, and if. so, say from whion' There bas been coffec pondence from the Inspector Genernl of Fortifcations, and the Ordnance Department on the subjects:,
44. For what reason did you recomment to serve William Steivirt bith W Wit ifkehancerytant-if you consider him 'trespassoc, stathowand of the vay he becmme so ?-1 believo Mr. Stevatit has at store that projects on part of the land taken from Sparks and I appretend he was setved vith notice on that necouth bought and built upon the that whit Seded hat bought and built upon the bot which you day then pirt or the land taken from Sparks, Iong before that
 nware the the exended he whe rot datatat
down.
46. How many Soligitors have tho Ordnanco omployed at Kingston, Bytown, Montreal, and Quobec, and what are lieir namos, and what is their snlary; or are they paid by foos ;-Mr. Scolt at Bylown; Mr. Kirkpatrick at Kingston; Ma, Buchanan, Montroul: Mr. Black, aceasionnlly, at Qualec: they are paid thoir charges (ior any services.
N. H. Baird, Esquirc, Civil Engineor, called in; and examined:-
47. Ware you employed under the Ordnance Deparimont in the coinstruction of the Ridean Canal P-I was, from July 1828 to completion thereof.
48. In what capacity were you so emplnyed?-As Civil Engineor, in the capacity of Clerk of Works.
49. In the course of your engngement on the Rideau Canal had you occasion to know any thing of the land now in dispute between the Ordnance and Mr . Sparks :-Yes, I laid out the present Basin in the Beaver Moadows, and othertwise am acquainted with the land indispute.
50. For what purpose was it alloged the said ground was required - - The high ground for defence, the low flat for'a Reservoir to supply and keep up the hond levol for supply of the first cight Locks.
51. Whe it ever' occupied for the purposes you doss cribe ?-The high ground was, I believe, surveyed for the above purpose, and was enclosed; the low flat was never laid off or occupled to my knowledge, for any purpose conpected with the Canal.

5\%. Is it not consistent with your knowlodge that it was Lleutenant Colonel By's intention to construct a Reservoir there ?-I am aware it was.
58. Whas it afterwards found to be necessary ?-The Basin in the Benver Mendows and natural gully aliove; and entrance to the deep cut, were found to be adequate.

But Have you over found the level affected when the Locks were in full operation ?-1 have, to a slight degree, say 3 to 4 or 5 inches; and it would probably be adyisable to have a corresponding Basin similar to that in the Benver Meadows on the land in dispute.
55. Do you not consider the Beaver Mendows sulf: cient for the purposes intended under the Ridenu Canal Act?-As the St, Lawrence will to a certainty draw off much' of the traffic through that channel, it may now be sufficient, otherwise I stiould have recommended an additional reserve.

50: Are you aware that the Beaver Mendows' Reservoir does not occupy more than 200 fect granted by. Mr, Sparks i- That can be seen from the Maps.
57. Do you not conceive: that the relaining that large extent of property from Mr. Sparks is uncalled fors, and that it is not necessary for the construction of the Canelip-It is cerlainly not all necessary for the construction of the Canal:.
58. Do you conceive the hill portion absolutely necessary for military defence ? 1 am not a Military Engineer, and cannot answer that question:
59. If for Military defenco, lo yous not conceive that the properly you must know as oynod by O'Connor and othors, would pot equally be required lor tho same purposs:-Beling so contiguous, one would conceive sop; but, as I have before sald, I cannot give a sniliofactory answier to the question.

60: You know that now stone buililing immediately ppposite the property referred to, built upon Mr: Sparks' land ${ }^{2}$-I do.
61. Is that equally noar to the Rideau Cnami-1 think about oqual distant.
62. Has all'Mr. Sparks' Iand in dispute been usoll for Canal purpuses:-Certainly not.
08. How inuch of it romains unoccupied? ?-I should say about 60 or 70 acres, but' the map or plan will undoubtedly shew.
64. Is not the store formerly occupied by Messrs. M•Kay and Rodipath, quite contiguous to the Sappers' Bridge and first eight Locks i-It is within a very short distance, separated from the approach to the bridge by a narrow lane.
65. Are you awaro that Lieut. Col. By, on his own account, made a purchase of a largo blibck of land im. mediatoly contiguous to Mr. Sparks'side lite, and do you convider lifis is required for Cnal purposes ${ }^{3}-1$ am aware that Lieut. Col. By did make such a pur. chase, and I am satisfied it cannot be required' for Canal purposes,
66. On the whole, do you, as a Civil Engineer, and intimately acquainted with such matters, and this in particular, conceive that the ground now claimed by the Ordnarice Department, ever was requireds, or is likely to be required, for the construction of the Canal - With the excoption stated, viz: the construction of a corresponding Bnsin with the Beaver Man. dows, I do not conceive any more can he required.

Slewart. Derbishire, Esquire, called in ; and ex. anined:-
67. Were you a Member of tho first United Parlitment held at Kingston, in 1843, when the Ortinance Vesting Act passed the House ; and if so, look al the, 29 h Clausc, and say if this was not intended to aphlo to Mr. Sparks' property? and wasmotMr Elliotfy the Ordnance Commissioner; at the Barrof tie Hotise, andi well understood the true meaning of said Clauso, and consonted to the same being embodied in the saita Bill?-I was a Mumber of the first United Rarlia: ment, and was prosent in the House when that pait or Clause '29' of the 7ibh Vict. chap: 19, to thitif the question refers, was alded to the Bill: Mr. Elliott, the Ordnance Commissioner, was at the Bar when this occurred; he wall knew the naturo of the Clinuse, and that it referred expressly to Mr. Spank's land, 'for there was a debate upon the subject in which the merits of the questinn between Mr. Spanks and lie Ordnance Department were duty geno into the sense of the House was strongly matifested, getanst the Ordnaince, and when the Kon. Mro Blick; after consulting with the Commissioner aniounced tbe withirawal of all opposition to tho syorde in question, it was distincly understood that this was an acquie

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(F.F.F.) canco of the Ordianco Commistionor, binding ipion 22d Muwh lim and hls Depurtment 'in honour and grood faitu.
68. The sulssequent conduct of the Depprtmont then, you yeys as a breach of grod hailh :- Xes, as a brench of Ruith with tho Cunadian Legislature, such as I am convinged would lend to tho cotal repoal of the Ordnanco Vestug Act, if formally broughte unitor its notice. There was much repugnance to grant to the Ordnance Departmont the largo potvers, asked by it. Fur ten or fiftien yoars, I beliovo, the Dopartment had been using tho most strenuous offotets to obtuin in Vesting Act trom tho Canndian Liagishaturo. Finally, at tho oncl of the Sossion of 1843, the Biil was prasserl; il was in tho nature of a privato Bill, investing with corporate powors certaln ind indiduals: and in conforving those powers, so ardenity and long sougit by the individuals, the Logislature did what is very common will all Legistatures in such casos-lt imposed torms on the parties, as the condilion or consideration for which tho powers were granted, To nccept nund use tho privileges, and violate the cond in tions on which they were obtained, can only be yiowved ns a breach of frilh; an net, we must supposo, tho Mastor General and Board of Ordanco tof wiso and linnourablo to be guilly of, did they know the truo interesss of the Depnitment in this country, aind righty estimate the importance and charnater of tho Chandilin Legisisturg,
69. Do you menn that tho Board in London will not rutify the nets of its Agonss, when dealing wilh the Colonial Legislaturo?-We can judge only by results; the proceedings of the Board are a sealed book to all in this counliy, but its A gents and Officers. I hinppon, hovever, to know, through tho most dirrect and legitimate cliannel, that charges of oficial corrup. tion and dishlonour have boen proferteel by the Loindon Board against ligit and conficontial Oficers of the Canadian Government, based upon the grossost misconception and misinformation of fncts. The Board is novi aware of its error,', but not, I fear, of its liability to be misled upon facis of a local character, by the misinformation of interesied and prejudiceed minds conveyod to it hirough so many indirect channels. If that Board wore aware of the full consideration given by tho Lepislativo Assembly to all the fricts in the matter of Mr. Sparks' land at Bytown, afler hearing both sides of the question, the Oidnance Depariment linving the beriefit of so compotent in Advocate as the Honble. Henry Black, the Member for Quebee, and others in the House, so that nolling ung its belialf was. omittod that could be usefully advanced, it would, I am sure, bov to the adjudication of tho House and adopt its decision.
70. If the Ordnance Conmissioner had not bound himself and his Department by tho nequiescence to which you have referred, to ressore Mr: Sparks' land to him, would the Bill hare passed? - Certainily not, It was at tho vely end of tho session when the Biil got inio Commitlee of the whole ; it was in Decem. Der; $n$ prorogntion was daily expecied; a Sp pecial Committec was at the tirw tsitting on Mr. Sparks' Pe. tilion, and aniong other arguments, it was strongly urged in tho House, that it would be unjuat to Mr. Sparks to pass hie Bill before the Special Committoe on his case had reported. Thi merils of his claim wore then fully gone into, and it was further argued that the Eegislaturo should pauso before granting new powers to m boly which had so misused its potwer under the Rideau Cannt Act. The House seemed too well disposed to net upon thoso argaments and the Bill would have bean lost, but tho Oranance capittulated; the Bill thien rapitly passed through its remaining
siages: ut my oun instance, the appositon of somo mambers to it Was libuictoned, nad those mombers who particiliarly roprosenteol the Interogis of Bytexpa, inslend of dolaying, did nill in thoir power to hidelen its passage ; there was hardly timo to got it engrossed for the Royal Assent.
71. Uucler the circumstances you'neme, any one mumber could lave defoted the Bil for thint Session P- Yes, the discussion of an ameindment for delasy, consistently with Parliamionlary' forms, would haye offectualy yreventad the passing of the Bull But the Houso would not hivo passsed it on the grouits T have phimed; nor would iny Citriadin Legislaturg ever have passed such a Bill wilhout hearing and owording justice in the first histance, to the individutuils wromged by the baty pettiloping for new powegs dit de gar. Neither the House; nor thiose mombers especiaily fepre. senting Bytown, doubled the good faith of the ordnanco Dopatment; in tealing with such a body wo dith not innglind a mental reseryation; find twhen Mr . Black stated in the House; on wahalf of hac ordinitice That Mr. Sparks lund would be givon up to him, and Mr . Elliuth, at the bar of this House, confirmed the $\mathrm{mm}^{-}$ pression in conversation with myself and ofthof methGors, ind slook hands with Mr. Sparke tipon the termination of all dinicultias between him didd the Dopartmont, we could not suppose that the whiole whs to be turnal into a mockery, find that fistend of at once surrondering to Me' 'Sparks his land, the newely incorporated body of Respective Officers woutla wiall thetmsolves of their nely polvers to drag himi, wh endiess and expensive litigation; through every court of law and equity in the omplie,
72. Bit if you had suspecied it, what bion P-We should bave postponed the Bill until hext session, to give the Ordinine the opportunity of ciftrefing into efrect its undertulking to restote, the lainds.
78. Should you have taken that course-- 1 sliould have folt it to bo my duty to do so. I relled, howeper, inplicitly upon the assurance of the Ordmanice Commissioner; that the intonition and plaif menting of The Clause would bo horouiribly fulfilled, and proimply, wilhout voxalious proctedings or dëliny whatioover.
74. The position of the Ordnance with regard to Mr. Sparks' lanit is procisely the samo as biefore? -Identically the snime as if the Bill isself had not phssed, and none of che transnactions to whith Mave tostified tikcon placo; and the very poiver of suing and boing sued given by the Act, is that which thay liave used to deleat the only provision insarled at the special instance of llie House, affeer debiato.
75. It is now eighteen years since tho Dephithient Look the land in quasition for the purposes of fire Ridenu Canal; has it or any part of it becos puit to that or any other purpose? -The stumps remain in tho land just no bey rere eighteon yeairs go. Ifis an unsighty vaiste Elivien itho Upper and Lowar Towivo and as such greaty retarding the prostherity of the place The pinty use to which it has ever been fut, lias beon the lonsing a portion to a mán, sho ploughed and took ong crop of grain from' it which cerifinly
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76. Have you any duta upon whith yoo can with accurncy sinte the objects of the Ordande th thitog one likely to be able to enlighten me upon this head, and examined cvery printed and manuscript paper and document I could get at, likely to afford me information; and from the varying statements of different Ordnance Officers at different times, and even at the same time in different places, I am led to believe that the original and continued object is now to grow up a fund from the increasing yalue of the land, with which to pay the expenses of the Ordnance Department, or repay a portion of the outlay made under its superintendence in this country. The right to farm and job lands in this country, for such purposes, has been perseveringly advanced by the Department, but the Provincial authorities have always refused to sanction the scheme, and recommended upon grounds of policy and propriety, that the Ordnance should deal only in lands actually needed for the special Military objects of the Institution:
\%\%. What varying statements do you allule to ?The necessity of its appropriation by the Department has been justified by its Officers, upon the pretext of its being wanted for fortifications, for a rampart and wet ditch, for a reservoir to supply the Locks at Bytown if the water should ever fail, and finally for a Basin to accommodate the growing trade of the place. As to fortifications; there has not been the appearance of an attempt at making any, and you havo heard it declared in this Committeo by the first Engincer Officer in this Province, Colonel Holloway, that it is not at all probable fortifications will cver be made at Bytown; the wet ditch and ramparts follow the fortifications. The Rideau Canal has been in full operation for fourleen years, and there has been no diminution of water, but a waste weir is continually running; and so little did Colonel By really believe in the failure of water, that be let a mill site, and recommended the erection of expensive mills, to be turned by the never-ending supply of the waste water of the Canal at Bytown. In like manner we may dispose of the pretence of a Basin heing wanted for the accommodation of the trade. The timber upon the banks of the Canal becomes less, instead of more, every year ; and no want of space in the existing Basin has cyer been felt. The passage of ressels by the Rideau is not
likely to increase, but on the contrary to diminish, after the St. Lawrence Canals come into operation. But the imagination of a maniac only can realize the anticipation of a Basin or a Dock, covering 88 acres, at Bytown. Upon references to authentic sources, I find that the celebrated St. Catherine's Docks of London cover only 24 acres, including quays, warehouses, offices and buildings of every description. The water area covers a space of only $11 \frac{1}{2}$ acres. The great London Docks have but 30 acres of water area. The port of London reckons' 32,000 seamen in constant employment, with an annual fleet of 30,000 foreign and home ships coming and going, and produce to the value of $\mathcal{L} S 0,000,000$ sterling annually. The Basins of the Regent's Canal at London connecting the port of London ' with the Irish Sea, cover no more than two acres of ground. It is too obvious to noed further illustration that the Ordnance Department cannot seriously belicve that the 88 acres they have taken from Mr. Sparks will really be; wanted, or even applied to the benefit of the town, whatever may be the pretences put forth on their behalf for its retention. 1 have never been able to bring the Ordnance Agents to any definite declaration of what they would do or when. Some day something may happen that may render neccessary some work for Military or Canal purposes ; this I believe to be the most definite answer ever obtained from the Ordnance. Before the passing of the Vesting Act of last Scssion, it was never pretencled, that I lave heard of, that Mr. Sparks' land had ever been put to any Canal usc, allhough it was declared that some day it might be. An officer of the Department hias recently in his affidavit declared that it las been used for the Canal. Colonel Holloway, in this Committec, has on the contrary affirmed, that it has not yet been used for the purpose for which alone it could have been lawfully taken from Mr. Sparks, but that some day it may be. After a lapse of 18 years it is highly improbable. From all these varying and contradictory statements, all of thich cannot be true, the only safe and rational conclusion for one seeking the truth is, that there is somewhere concealment for an object. We have not yol got at the truth by the avowal of the parties; being left to conjecture, I can adopt no other opinion but that I have stated.

Appendix
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22d March.

## RETURN

To an Address from the Legislative Assembly, to His Excellency the Governor General, bearing date the 12th ultimo, praying for a "Statement, setting forth in detail, the amount of " War Losses awarded to individuals or persons in Upper Canada, and remaining un" paid, together with the causes why such claims have not been paid; the names of Indrass " entitled to such remuneration, whether it has been paid to them, and if so, by whom, " and when; and, also, a detailed Statement of the kind of evidence of such payment."

## By Command,

D. DALY,

Secretary.
Secretary's Office, Montreal, 22d March, 1845.

## Letter from the Receiver General to the Assistant

 Secretary West, with two Enclosures.Receiver Genemal's Office,
$18 t h$ February, 1845.
Sin,-With reference to the first part of an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated the 12th instant, relating to certain claims for Losses during the late War between Great Britain and the United States of America, roferred to me in your note of the 14 th, I beg to state, for the information of His Excellency the Governor General, that every particular relating thereto, with the nature of the claim, and the awards of the Commissioners thereon, are in the Books of the Library of the Commons House of Assembly.

The claims now remaining unpaid are enumernted in the accompanying Lists, marked No. 1, Third Instalment, $33 \frac{1}{3}$ per cent, and No. 2, Fourth Instalment, 31零'per cent, upon the original awards. The first amounting to the sum of $£ 373$ 12s. 6d, and the latter to $£ 10294 \mathrm{~s}$. 1d. currency.

Many of the abovementioned claims remain uncalled for ; some are unpaid by reason of dificulties in identifying the representatives of parties deceased, others from opposing interests, and those marked $\mathbf{D}$ in red ink are detained on account of debts said to be due to Government by the original claimants.

The third instalment is paid in conformity with the Provincial Act 3d Will. IV, cap. 26 and 27 , by the issue of Debentures bearing interest at 5 per cent per
annum; and in order to avoid making these Debentures in broken sums, (none having issued for less than $£ 50$, ' there has been distributed in fractions, the sum of $£ 554 \quad 13 \mathrm{~s} .4 \mathrm{~d}$. currency, over and above the amount so raised. This money has been borrowed from the Fund belonging to the fourth instalment created by Grant of the Imperial and Provincial Governments conjointly, forming a separate and distinct account, to which it will be refunded whenever a further issue of War Loss Debentures can be effected.

The unpaid balance remaining of the 1 st and 2 nd instalments, 10 and 25 per cent, Imperial Grants, was returned into the Military Chest in the year 1831, by order of the Lords of the Treasury, dated in February of that year.

The award to friendly Tribes of Indians was paid to and distributed by the Indian Department. "The different claimants and mode of payment are alike unknown' to this Department, no particulars having been furnished to the Receiver General from the War Loss Commissioners. For further inforination on this subject, reference is requested to the Chief Superintendent of Indian Affairs.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient humble seryant,
W. MORRIS, $\boldsymbol{R} . \boldsymbol{G}$.

To James Hopkirk, Esquire, Assistant Secretary, West,


LIST of War Loss Clains remaining unpaid of the $\frac{1}{3}$ rd or $33 \frac{1}{3}$ per cent. Third Instalment on the original award under Provincial Statute 4 Geo. IV, cap. 4, and 3 Will. IV, cap. 26 and 27 , to be paid by monies raised on Debentures bearing interest at 5 per cent. per annum.

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| Alyca, John |  |  |  | Ameliasburgh, |  | 5 | 0 | . 0 | 1 | 13 | 4 |
| Anderson, Cornclius | ... | ... |  | York, $\quad .$. | ... | 12 | 10 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 4 |
| Bellnap, Eleanor | ... | ... | ... | Flamboro' East, | ... | 3 | 2 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 10 |
| Benedict, Charles | ... | $\cdots$ | ... | Port Talbot, ... | ... | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Brown, Cornclius | ... | ... | ... | Bertic, ... | ... | 3 | 11 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 8 |
| Charron, Antoine | ... | .. | ... | Bellevillo, ... |  | 5 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 15 | 0 |
| Dale, or Deal, Jacob | ... | ... | ... | Flamboro' West, | ... | 12 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 2 |
| Derenzy, Elizabeth | ... | ... | ... | York, ... | ... | 12 | 10 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 4 |
| Douglas, Thomas | ... |  | ... | York, , ... | ... | 23 | 10 | 0 | 7 | 16 | 8 |
| Filker, Joln ... | ... | ... | ...' | Gainsboro', ... |  | 15 | 0 | 0 | 5 | ${ }^{0}$ | 0 |
| Fulker, Jacob ... | $\ldots$ | ... | ... | Ancaster, | ... | 16 | 5 | 0 | 5 | 8 | 4 |
| Halket, Jacob ... | ... | ... | ... | Flamboro' West, | $\cdots$ | 20 | 17 | 6 | 6 | 19 | 2 |
| Keiter, Beniamin | ... | ... | ... | Burford, ... | ... | 11 | 9 | 0 | 3 | 16 | 4 |
| M'Tirgan, David | $\cdots$ | ... | ... | River Thames, | ... | 12 | 12 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 2 |
| M Phee, Hugh | ... | ... | ... | York, . ... | ... | 20 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 13 | 4 |
| Mankle, Jacob | $\ldots$ | ... | ... | Toronto, ... | ... | 22 | 10 | 0 | 7 | 10 | 0 |
| Millar, George | $\cdots$ | ... | $\ldots$ | Thorold, ... |  | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 8 |
| Morison, Charles | . | ... | ... | Baldoon, ... |  | 3 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 8 |
| Nelson, William | ... | ... | ... | Nelson, ${ }^{\text {a }}$, | ... | 17 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 15 | 10 |
| O'Kecfe, Andreir | ... | ... | ... | Tork, ... | ... | 150 | 0 | 0 | 50 | 0 | 0 |
| Penebeckor, Cornelius |  | ... | ... | Moravian Town, | ... | 5 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 13 | 4 |
| Playter, Eli ... | ... | ... | ... | York, '...' | ... | 13 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 6 | 8 |
| Randnl; Rolvert | ... | ... | ... | Stamford, ... |  | 4 | 10 | 0 | 1 | 10 | 0 |
| Roger, William | ... | ... | ... | Beverleg, ... | $\cdots$ | 8 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 13 | 4 |
| Smith, Jacob | $\cdots$ | ... | ... | Glanford, ... | .. | 5 | 12 | 6 | 1 | 17 | 6 |
| Sovereign, Rovert | ... | ... | ... | Nelson, ... | $\ldots$ | 5 | 10 | 0 | 1 | 16 | 8 |
| Spanrs, Abigail | $\ldots$ | ... | ... | Cornwall, ... | ... | 6 | 4 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 6 |
| Stroud, Christian | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | ... | Augusta, ... |  | 12 | 10 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 4 |
| Teetzel, John ... . | ... | ... | ... | Grimsby, ... | $\cdots$ | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Vankoughnet, John | ... | ... | ... | Cornwall, ... | ... | 5 | 9 | 6 | 1 | 16 | 6 |
| Warren, John ... | . | $\ldots$ | ... | Bertic, ... | $\cdots$ | 506 | 10 | 0 | 168 | 16 | 8 |
| Will, Plilip ... | ... |  | ... | Beverley, ... | . | 5 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 13 | 4 |
| Wilson, John ... | $\ldots$ | ... | ... | Saltfiect,' ... | ... | 13 | 15 | 0 | 4 | 11 | 8 |
| FIRST SUPPLEMENTARY RETURN. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pitts, James ... | ... |  |  | Louth, ... | ... | 6 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| SECOND SUPPLEMENTARY. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Brown, IIenry ... |  | ... | $\ldots$ | York, |  | 37 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 6 |  |
| Kitchen, Henry | .. | ... | ... | Ningara, ... | ... | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 8 |
| Pearson, Andrew | ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | Barton, ... | ... | 5 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 13 | 4 |
| Poole, Catherine |  |  | ... | Westminster, | ... | 28 | 0 | 0 | 9 |  |  |
| Parnier, Jcan Btc. | , | ... | ... | Sandwich, ... | ... | 8 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 15 | 0 |
| FOURTII SUPPLEMENTARY. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bowman, Abner, | . | ..' | ... | Stainford, ... |  | , | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Blan, James ... | $\cdots$ | ... | ... | Miersea, ... | ... | 2.5 | 11 | 0 | 8 | 10 | 4 |
| Moor, Rachel ... | .. | ... | .. | Pelham, ... | ... | 5 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 13 | 4 |
| MrBean, Gillis | - | ..' | $\ldots$ | Cornwall, ... | ... | 4 | 11 | 6 | 1 | 10 | 6 |
| FIFIII SUPPLEMENTARY. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Megers, Peter ... |  |  |  | Charlottenburgh, | $\cdots$ | 8 | 10 | 0 | 2 | 16 | 8 |
| SIXTII SUPPLEMENTARY. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| MPDougall, Angus |  | ." | ... | Charlottenburgh, |  | 15 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  |  |  | Total, | .. $£$ | 1120 | 17 | 8 | 373 | 12 | 6 |

Amount unpaid, Three hundred and seventy-three pounds twelre shillings and sixpence, Currency.

LIST of War Luss Claims remaining unpaid of the Fourth and last Instalment, being $31 \frac{2}{3}$ per cent. upon the original award;-Provincial Statute 4 Geo. IV, and Joint Address of the Legislature, 24th February, 1837.


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A. 1844-5.

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\hline \& \& \& \& residence. \& \& соммıss \& ners' \& ard. \& 312 \& R Ce \& \& \\
\hline \& \& \& \& \& \& ) \& s. \& di \& \(\pm\) \& \(s\). \& \(d\). \& \\
\hline \& \multicolumn{3}{|l|}{FIRST SUPPLEMENTARY RETURN.} \& Brought over, \& ... \& 2470 \& 16 \& 3 \& 782 \& 8 \& \(5 \frac{3}{3}\) \& \\
\hline \& Doan, Israel, estate of ... \& ... \& \(\cdots\) \& Louth, '... \& \(\ldots\) \& 20 \& 10 \& 0 \& 6 \& 9
14 \& 10 \& \\
\hline \& Fowler, Nathan '... \& .... \& ... \& Ancisier, now San \& dwich, \& 30 \& 13 \& \({ }^{6}\) \& 9 \& 14 \&  \& \\
\hline \& Maisonville, Alexis ... \& \& ... \& Ainherstburg, \& ... \& 13 \& 4 \& 0 \& 4 \& 18 \& \(\bigcirc{ }^{T}\) 告 \& \\
\hline \& Pitts, James .. ... \& ... \& ... \& Osnabruck, ... \& ... \& 6 \& 0 \& 0 \& 1 \& 18 \& \& \\
\hline \& \multicolumn{3}{|l|}{SECOND SUPPLEMENTARY RETURN.} \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \\
\hline \& \multicolumn{3}{|l|}{Brink, Nicholas} \& Oxford, L. D. \& ... \& 15 \& 0 \& 0 \& 4 \& 15 \& 0 \& \\
\hline \& \multicolumn{3}{|l|}{\multirow[t]{2}{*}{Brown, Henry
Chase, Mark}} \& York, ... \& ... \& 37 \& 0 \& 0 \& 11 \& 14 \& 4 \& \\
\hline \& \& \& \& Port Talbot, ... \& ... \& 13. \& 7 \& 6 \& 4 \& 4 \& \(8 \frac{1}{2}\) \& \\
\hline \& \multicolumn{3}{|l|}{\(\begin{array}{ll}\text { Chase, Mark } \\ \text { Edwards, Isaac } \& \text {... } \\ \text { and }\end{array}\)} \& Oxford, L. D. \& ... \& 8 \& 0 \& 0 \& 2 \& 10 \& 8 \& \\
\hline \& \multicolumn{3}{|l|}{\multirow[t]{2}{*}{Kitchen, Henry
Pearson, Andrew}} \& Niagara, ... \& ... \& 4 \& 0 \& 0 \& 1 \& 5 \& 4 \& \\
\hline \& \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{Pearson, Andrew ... ... ...} \& Barton, ... \& ... \& 5 \& 0 \& 0 \& 1 \& 11 \& 8 \& \\
\hline \& \multicolumn{3}{|l|}{\multirow[t]{2}{*}{THIRD SUPPLEMENTARY.}} \& Sandwich, ... \& ... \& 8 \& 5 \& 0 \& 2 \& 12 \& 3 \& \\
\hline \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \\
\hline \multirow[t]{2}{*}{} \& \multicolumn{3}{|l|}{\multirow[t]{2}{*}{Huntly, Enoch FOURTH SUPPLEMENTARY.}} \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{\multirow[t]{2}{*}{Port Talbot, ... ...}} \& \multirow[t]{2}{*}{18} \& \multirow[t]{2}{*}{17} \& \multirow[t]{2}{*}{0} \& \multirow[t]{2}{*}{5} \& \multirow[t]{2}{*}{19} \& \multirow[t]{2}{*}{\(4 \frac{1}{2} 8\)} \& \\
\hline \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \\
\hline \& \multicolumn{3}{|l|}{\multirow[t]{3}{*}{}} \& Thorold, \& ... \& 7 \& 10 \& 0 \& 2 \& 7 \& \& \\
\hline \& \& \& \& Mersea, ... \& ...' \& \({ }^{25}\) \& 11 \& 0 \& 8 \& 1 \&  \& \\
\hline \& \& \& \& Chipparwa, ... \& ... \& 317. \& \({ }^{0}\) \& 2 \& 100 \& 7 \& \(8 \frac{1}{2} \frac{3}{80}\) \& \\
\hline \& Camp, Isanc , ... \& ... \& ... \& Nelson, '... \& ... \& 12 \& 10 \& 0 \& 3 \& 19 \& \& \\
\hline \& \multicolumn{3}{|l|}{\(\begin{array}{llll}\text { Moor, Rachel } \& \text {... } \& \text {... } \& \text {... } \\ \text { M•Bean, Gillis } \& . . \& . . . \& . . .\end{array}\)} \& Pelham,
Cornwall,

ar \& \& 4 \& 11 \& 0
6 \& 1 \& 1.8 \& \& <br>
\hline \& \multicolumn{3}{|l|}{Suchet, Manuel} \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{\multirow[t]{2}{*}{River Thames, W. D. Charloteville,}} \& 16 \& 9 \& 0 \& 5 \& 4 \& $2^{2} \frac{18}{68}$ \& <br>

\hline \& \multicolumn{3}{|l|}{\multirow[t]{2}{*}{| Slater, Benjamin |
| :--- |
| FIFTH SUPPLEMENTARY. |}} \& \& \& 7 \& 10 \& 0 \& 2 \& 7 \& \& <br>

\hline \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& <br>

\hline \& \multicolumn{3}{|l|}{Holmes, William ... ... ...} \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{\multirow[t]{4}{*}{| Niagara, | $\ldots$ | '.. |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Claratotenburgh, | $\ldots$ |  |
| Ancaster, | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| Delawarc, | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |}} \& 150 \& 0 \& 0 \& 47 \& 10 \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{0} <br>

\hline \& \multirow[t]{2}{*}{Meyers, Peter, M‘Cuaig, Eve} \& $\ldots$ \& ... \& \& \& 8 \& 10 \& 0 \& 2 \& 13 \& 10 \& <br>
\hline \& \& \multicolumn{2}{|c|}{...} \& \& \& 15 \& \multirow{3}{*}{17} \& 0 \& 4 \& 15 \& \& <br>
\hline \& Petty, Charlos \& ... \& \& \& \& \multirow[t]{2}{*}{14} \& \& \multirow[t]{2}{*}{6} \& \multirow[t]{2}{*}{4} \& \multirow[t]{2}{*}{14} \& \multirow[t]{2}{*}{$2 \frac{1}{2}$} \& <br>
\hline \& \multicolumn{3}{|l|}{SIXTH SUPPLEMENTARY.} \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{} \& \& \& \& \& \& \& <br>
\hline \& \multirow[t]{2}{*}{M•Dougall, Angus} \& ... \& ... \& Charlottenburgh, \& .. \& 15 \& 0 \& 0 \& 4 \& 15 \& 0 \& <br>
\hline \& \& \& \& - Total, \& .. $\pm$ \& 3250 \& 2 \& 5 \& 1029 \& 4 \& 1 告 4 \& <br>
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Amount unpaid, One thoustund and twenty-nine pounds four shillings and one pouny and $\begin{gathered}f_{0} \text { of a farthing, Currency. }\end{gathered}$
W. MORRIS,
R. G.

## Receiver General's Office, <br> 18th February, 1845.

Lelter from the Civil Secrelary to the Provincial Secretary.

Civie Secretary's Office, Indian Department, 20th February, 1845.
Sir,-With reference to that part of the Address of the House of Assembly requiring "the names of the "Indians entitled to such remuneration, whether it " has been paid them, and if so, by whom and when; " and also a detailed statement of the kind of evidence
" of such payment," I am directed by the Governor General to inform you that this Department is not in possession of any information on the sulject, but that an application will be made to the Chief Superintendent of Indian Affairs, who, it is possible, may be able to furnish some.

I have the honor to be, Sir, Your obedient servant,
J. M. HIGGINSON, Civil Secretary.
The Honble. D. Dalx,
Provincial Secretary.

## (G.G.G.)

## 2ad iltarch.

losses sustained during the late war with the United

Indian Office, Toronto, 13th March, 1845.

Sur,-I have tho honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st ultimo, requesting me to transtnit to your Department any information in reference to the payment of the Indians for War Losses, that may be in my possession, nand enclosing a copy of your letter to the Provincial Secretary, embodying the substance of an Address of the House of Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General on the subject.

In reply, I have to observe that shortly after my appointment to the office of Chief Superintendent', I was directed by the Lieutenant Govemor to remit to Mr. Superintendent Ironside, the sum of $£ 66417 \mathrm{~s} .6 \mathrm{~d}$. and to Major Winniett the sum of $£ 9189 \mathrm{~s} .2 \mathrm{~d}$., making in all $\mathcal{E} 15836 \mathrm{~s}$. 8 d , , being the third, and, I believe, the last instalment due for War Losses to the fadians under their' superintendence. 'The list of vouchers I placed on the files of this office on that occasion I herewith transmit. The previous payments of the Indians were made by my predecessor, and as I do not find any vouchers for them in the office, I infer that they were at the time transmitted either to His Excellency tho Lieutenant Governor, the Inspector General, or the Council Office.

In the vouchers for payments of the third instalment to the Six Nation Indians, the name of each individual who suffered loss is slated, and I presume the previous payments were made to the same individuals.

I have the honor, \&c.
(Signed, SAML. P. JARYIS, Ch. S. I. Affairs.
J. M. Higginson, Esquire,
\&c. \&c. \&c.

## Leller from the Chief Superintendent of Indian Affai's to Mr. Superintendent Ironside.

(Copy.)

> INDIAN Orfice, Toronto, 9 th November, 1837.

Sme,-I have the honor to enclose to you a draft on the Honble. J. Gordon for the sum of £664 17s. 6d. currency, to enable you to pay the undermentioned Tribes of Indians the sums respectively due them for

| Moravians, | £227 19 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Ottawas and Chippawas, | 783 |
| Shawanees,' | 2073 |
| Hurons, | 3281231 |
| Senecas and Cayugas, | 9149 |

I also enclose five Pay Lists which you will be pleased to have acquitted with the least possible delay,' and returned to me.

I have the honor, \&c.,
(Signed,) SAML. P. JARVIS,
Ch. S. I. Affairs.

## Letter from the Chief Superinlendent of Indian Affairs to Major Winniett.

(Copy.)

> Indian Offich, Toronto, 9 th November, 1837.

Sir,-I have the honor to enclose herewith, by this day's mail, Pay Lists numbering from one to nine inclusive, of the third instalment of War Losses due to the Six Nations Indians residing on the Grand River.

I also transmit a "draft on the Gore Bank for the sum of Nine hundred and eighteen pounds nine shil-' lings and two pence, currency, to enable you to pay the claimants the sums respectively due to them.

You will be pleased to have the Pay Lists acquitted with the least possible delay, and returned to me.


I have the honor, \&c.,
(Signed, ) SAML. P.JARVIS,
Major Wimaietr.

[^49]2ad Aaroli. P $A Y$ LIST of the undermentioned Indian Claimants for Losses susiained during the late War: 2ad Marol, the respective amounts being calculated in a due proportion to the sum ( $\{x, 000$ ) awarded by the Board of Commissioncrs under the Provincial Act passed in the fourth year of the Reigu of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, of which the sum of $£ 1,5836 \mathrm{~s}$. 8d. is now payable.


Amounting to Eleven pounds thirteen shillings and fourponee three fardings, Halifax Currency, Dollars at oss each.

> Indian Deparmanet,
> Branlford, $29 t h$ November, 1837.

JAS, WININETT,
Withesses to the above payments: $\quad$ S, I. A.
Wimliam Mulriead, Jacob Martin.

## No. 2.-MOHAWKS.

PAY LIST of the undermentioned Indian Claimunts for Losses sustained daring the late War; the respective amounts being calculated in a duc proportion to the sum of $£ 5000$ awarded by the Commissioners under the Provincial Act passed in the fourth year oi the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, of which the sum of $£ 1,5836 \mathrm{~s}$. 8 d . is now payable.

|  | Tribe. | Nanes of Clamants. | Individual <br> Amount. <br> Third layment. |  |  | Heceived of Samuel P. Jurvis, Senior Officer of the Indiain Department in Upper Canada, the sums set opposite our respective names having signed duplicate receipts. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | $\pm$ | $s$. | $d$. |  |
| 80 | Mohawk, | 1 David Davids, | 18 | 12 | 1 | Laurence Davis, his + mark. |
| 1 |  | 2 Jacob Braut, | 2 | 0 | 11 | dacol Brant, Lis + mark. |
| 2 | " | 3 IIenry Pawhs, ... | 0 | 11 | 2 | Divid Hill, his + mark. |
| 3 | " | 4 Henry Dehowemnagrionh, ... | 3 | 1 |  | Doboral mill, her + mark. |
| 4 | " | 5 Widow Ifill, ... '... | 7 | 6 |  | Deborah Hill, her + mark. |
| 5 | " | 6 Betsy Duncan, ... .. | 3 | 3 |  | Jacob Martin. |
| 6 | " | 7 Widow Pawlis, ... ... | 3 | 3 | 3 | Mary Johnson, her + mark. |
| 7 | " | 8 Pawlis Onwanegharaugh, | 6 | 0 | 102 | Paul Pawlis, his + mark. |
| 8 | " | 9 Dekanawaghtegueh, | 1 | 15 |  | Catherine Winney, her + mark. |
| 9 | " | 10 Asgwentsigoli, '... ... | 1 | 11 | $7 \frac{1}{2}$ | Sarah Davids, her + mark. |
| 90 | " | 11 Sarvatis, ... ...; ... | 2 | 2 | $9 \frac{1}{2}$ | Lawrence Baptiste, his + mark. |
| 1 | " | 12 Elizabeth, Joel Smith's sister, | , 3 | 14 | 5 | J. Martin. |
| 2 | " | 13 Warig DelKalarogeugtha, ... |  | - |  | Mary Green, ler + mark. |
| 3 | " | 14 Henry Jickers, ... |  | 6 | 11 | Nancy Green, her + mark. |
| 4 | " | 15 Deyononnathe, ...: | 3 | 1 | 4 | ITanmah Iferon, lier + mark, |
| 5 | " | 16 Susannah, Oncida Joseph's |  | 0 |  | Oneida Joseph, his + mark. |
| 7 | " | 17 Margaret Oneida, ... ... |  | 12 | 10 | Oneida Joseph, his + mark. |
| 8 | " | 18 Hester, dhird daughter, | 2 | 0 | $11 \frac{1}{2}$ | Lawrence Davis, his $\times$ mark, |
|  | " | 19 Widow Warig Cirey, |  | 15 | 6 | Ifenry Brant. |
|  |  | Carried forward, $£$ | 68 | 10 | $7 \frac{3}{4}$ |  |

PAY LIST of the undermentioned Indian Claimants，\＆c．－（Conitinued．）


|  |  | Brought fortward，$\quad .$. |  | 10 | $7 \text { 条 }$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 200 | Mohawk， | 21 Dekanentarighgwar， | 2 | $\begin{aligned} & 6 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | 6 6 It Martin． |
| ， | ＂ | 22，George Hill， | 8 | 15 | ${ }^{\text {a }}$ ，Catharine Hill，her＋mark． |
| 2 | ＂ | 23 Keherowinketreen，＇．．． | 0 | 14 | $10 \cdot$ Oncida Joseph，his＋mark． |
| 3 | ＂ | 24 Isatac Bamberry，．． | 1 | 0 | $5 \frac{1}{2}$ J．Martin． |
| 4 | ＂ | 25，Thomus Sulkey，．．．．．． | 1 | 17 | $2 \frac{1}{2}$ ITannah Claus，her＋mark． |
| 5 | ＂ | 26Henry Hill；．．．．．．．． | 3 | 1 | 4T Magdalen Carpenter，her＋nark． |
| 6 | ＂ | ${ }^{27}$ George Martin，$\quad .$. | 2 | 8 | $4 \frac{1}{2}$ Grourge Martin，his＋mark． |
| 7 | ＂ | 28.1 John Deyoneghguen， | O | 7 | $5 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{~J}$. Martin．＂ |
| 8 | ＂ | 29Jacol Johnson，$\quad \therefore$ | 8 | 11 | 2 Jacob Johnson，his＋mark． |
| 9 | ＂${ }^{\prime \prime}$ | 301Joel Smith，；．．． | 3 | 3 | 3 ．${ }^{\text {drartin．}}$ |
| 210 | ＂ | 31，Tohn Hill，：$\quad .$. | 8 | 10 | $2 \frac{3}{4}$ Hestur IIill，his＋mark． |
| 11 | ＂ | 32Scth Lill，＂．．． | 2 | 10 | $3^{3}$ Saral Hill，her＋mark． |
| 12 13 | ＂ |  |  |  |  |
| 13 14 | ＂ | 33 Margaret Hurst；… ．．． | 0 | 14 | $10 \frac{1}{2}$ Oneila Joscph，his＋mark． |
| 14 | ＂ | $3+$ English Joe＇s wife，IIester <br> English， | 2 | 0 | 11 Lawrence Davis，his＋merk． |
| 15. | ＂ | 35 Tekarilioga， | 3 | 19 | 11 奀 Hanmah Newhouse，her + mark． |
| 16 | ＂ | 367ohin Hill，senior，．．． | 3 | 1 | $4 \frac{1}{4}$ John Hill，his＋mark． |
| 17 | ＂ | 37Wilow Elizabeth，．．． | 1 | 9 | $9{ }^{\frac{1}{4}} \mathbf{J}$ J，Martin． |
| 18 | ＂ | 38＇Wilow Hanmh Coffeo， | 0 | 14 |  |
| 19 | ＂ | 30，Nikawrgneuta，＇．．＇ | 0 | 13 | 0 Lawrence Thomas，lis + mark． |
| 220 | ＂ | 40，Cnharime Nasoy Brant， | 2 | 6 | 6 Henry Brant． |
| 1 | ＂ | 41 Young，Troublesome Jacol， | 0 | 9 | $3 \frac{1}{2}$ Esther Froman，her + mark． |
| 2 | ＂ | 42 Widow Filler，＇．．．＇．．． | 3 | 1 | 4 S．Matin． |
| 3 | ＂ | 43 Wjdow Kanaroghlita，．．． | 2 | 0 | 117 Marguret Eloss，her＋mark， |
| 4 | ＂ | 4t Little leter，．．． | 3 | 1 | 4iv，Martin． |
| 5 | ＂ | 45，John Green，．．． | 3 | 18 | 13．J＇Martin． |
| 6 | ＂ | t｜Mamuel Lottridge，．．．．．． | 5 | 2 | 3 Elizabre th Lottridge，her＋mark． |
| 7 | ＂ | 47 IVidow Deyorcnyon，．．． | 5 | 0 | ${ }_{6}^{1} \frac{1}{2}$ Iisther Martin，her＋mark． |
| 8 | ＂ | 48， | 2 | 15 | ${ }^{6}$ Joln Froman，his＋mark． |
| 9 | ＂ | 49，John Davids，$\quad$. | 2 | 8 | $4 \frac{1}{2}$ Lawrence Davis，his＋mark． |
| 230 | ＂ | ${ }^{50}$ Daniel，（a war clief， |  | 19 | $6 \frac{1}{2}$ Daniel Spinger：his＋mark： |
| ， | ＂ | 51，Laiwrence Davids，．．．．．． | 1 | 2 | 4 Lawrence Davids，his＋minks． |
| 2 | ＂ | 52，Eve Lewis，．．．．．． | 1 | 7 | 9 Isame Lewis，his＋mark． |
| 3 | ＂ | 53，Widow Hester ITill，－．．． | 3 | 1 | $4!$ Anron Eraser，his＋mark． |
| 4 | ＂ | 54 Peter Major，－．．．．．． | 1 | 2 | 4. J．Mnrtin． |
| 5 | ＂ |  | 1 | 17 | $2 \frac{1}{2}$ Isatac Locke，his＋mark． |
| 0 | ＂ | 66 Jammina，－．．．．．． | 0 | 18 | $7_{1}^{2}$ Elizabeth Ball，her + mark |
| 7 | ＂ | 57 Inact Mill，，．．．．．． | 2 | 12 | $1{ }^{\text {c }}$ Catharine İll，her＋mark． |
| 8 | ＂ | 58．Widow Hester Tronblesome， | 0 | 14 | $10 \frac{1}{2}$ Esther Martin，her＋mark． |
| 9 | ＂ | 59，Lawrence Green，．．．．．． | 0 | 14 | $10^{\frac{2}{4}}$ Mary Matracle，her + mark． |
| 40 | ＇＇، | 60 Dewasenghtha，．．．．．． | 1 ＂ | 9 | $9^{4}$ Tronn George，his＋mark． |
| 1 | ＂ | 61．Hacob Lewis，${ }^{\text {a }}$ ，．．． | 1 | 2 | 4 Isanc Lewis，his＋mark．＇ |
| 2 | ＂ | 62 Nrs Brant，（Bay of Quinte，） | 6 | 8 | 44.5 Martin．${ }^{\text {a }}$ ， |
| 3 | ＂ | $60^{\circ} \mathrm{Jacob}$ Hill ，$\quad . . . \quad . .$. | 2 | 12 | 1 Esther Hill，her＋mark， |
| 4 | ＂ | 64 Joseph Martin，．．． | 1. | 17 | $2 \pm$ Toseph Martin，his＋mark． |
| 5 | ＂ | 650 Otariohogh，．．．． | 2 | 6 | $6{ }^{\frac{1}{4}}$ Mary Jolmson，her＋mark． |
| 6 | ＂ | 66 Dione Prince＇s daughter，．．． | 0 | 5 | 7 l ．J．Martin： |
| ， | ＂ | 67 Jacob Deharonawaryks，$\because \cdot$ | 0 | 14 | 10 ，Jacob Johnson，junior，his＋mark． |
| 8 | ＂ | 68 Pegay Symington，$\quad \therefore$ | 5 | 15 | $4 \frac{1}{4}$／J．Matin． |
| 9 | ＂ | 69 Nary Symington，．．． | 1 | 7 | 9 T．Martin． |
| 50 | ＂ | 70 William Johnson，．．． | 2 | 4 | 73. William Johnson；his $\times$ mark． |
| 1 | ＂ | 71 Riehard Davids，，．．．．．． | 0 | 14 | $10 \frac{1}{2}$ Susannah Davids，her + mark： |
| 2 | ＂ | 72 Henry Tewhannas，．．． | 2 | 2 | 91 Dehorah Jill，her＋maik， |
| 3 | ＂ | 73 Peter Pawlis，．．．．．． 10 | 10 | ＇0 | $11^{\prime}$ T．Martin． |
| 4 | ／ | 74 Jemima 3rant，．．． $1 .$. | 3 | ＇3 | 3 John Green，his＋mark， |
| 6 | ＇6 | 75 Prince Van Vater， |  | 11 |  |
| 7 | ＂ | 76 Seth Hills，＂吅．．．．．． |  | 11 | I．Martin． |
| 8 | ＂ | 77 Oncida Joseph， |  | 0 | $10 \frac{5}{4}$ Oncida Joseph；his + mark． |
|  |  |  |  | $1$ | $4$ |

[^50]Amounting to the spun of Two luthered and twenty－four pounds ono shilling and fourpence，Halifax Curvericy， Dollars at 5s，ench．

Y LIST of the undermentioned Indian Claimants for Losses sustained during the late War; the respective amounts being calculated in a due proportion to the sum of $£ 5000$ awarded by the Commissioncrs under the Provincial Act passed in the fourth year of the Reigu of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, of which the sum of $£ 1,5836$ s. 8 d . is now payable.


Amonnting to l'urty-one pounds two shillitgs and seren pence half-penny, Italifax Currency, Dolhars at 5s. each.
Indian Department,
Brantford, $29 \ell h$ November, 1857.
Witnesses to the foregoing payments, Wildiam Murnead,
JAS. WINNIETT, Jacob Martin.

No. 4.- -AUGHQUAGAS .
PAY LIST of the undermentioned Indian Claimants for Losses sustained during the late War; the respective amounts being calculated in a due proportion to the sum of $£ 5000$ awarded by the Board of Commissioners under the Provincial Act passed in the fourth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, of which the sum of $£ 1,583$ 6s. 8 d . is now payable.

|  | Tribe. | Names of Clainants. | Indiridual Amount. Third Payment. |  |  | Received of Samuel P. Jarvis, Senior Officer of the Indian Department in Upper Canadn the sums set opposite'our respective'names, having signod duplicate receipts, |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }_{9}^{8}$ | Alughquagas. | 2 Widow Doratin, | 1 | 2 |  | T. Mnatin. ${ }_{\text {In }}$ Sucnsing, his + mark. |
| sol | ." | 3 Widow Cobus, .. | 3 | 3 | 8 | J. Martin. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |
| 1 | " | 4.Jncob Scharmhorn, ... | 2 | 17 | $9 \frac{1}{8}$ | J. Martin. |
| 2 | " | 5 Peter Green, . | . 3 | 13 | $2{ }^{\frac{5}{4}}$ | Pater Green, his + mark. |
| 3 | " | 6 Kakslagh, '.. | 0 | 15 | 51 | J. Martin. |
| 4 | " | 7 Delaware Aaron, ... | 2 | 0 | 6 | Peter Green, his + mark. |
| ; | " | 8 Peter Smith, ... | 0 | 13 | 6 | Eve Hill, her + mark. |
| 6 | " | 9 Peter the Runner, $\therefore . \therefore$ | - 3 | 3 | $8 \frac{1}{2}$ | Susannah Green, hicr + mark. |
| T | " | 10 Lawrence, Aaron's son, | 3 | 15 | 3 | Susannah Green, her + mark. |
| 8 | " | 11 Dehaweyagen, ... | 3 | 9 | 5 | Peter Green, his + mark. |
|  |  | 12 Wareyahgonagh, ... | 2 | 0 | $6_{4}$ | Catherine Dickson, her + mark. |
|  |  | Carried forvard, | ¢ 32 | 13 | 10 |  |

 Dollars at bs. cach.

## Indian Departmpat, Brantford, 2917 November, 1837 .

JAS. WINNIETT, S. I. A. Jacob Martin.

## No. 5.-UPPER AND LOWER TUTULIES.

PAY LIST of the undermentioned Indian Claimants for Losses sustained during the late War; the respective amounts being calculated in a due proportion to the sum of $£ 5000$ awarded by the Board of Commissioners under the Provincial Act passed in the fourth year of the Reign of His late Majesty. King George the Fourth, of which the sum of $£ 1,583^{\prime} 6 \mathrm{~s}$. 8 d . is now payable.


Amounting to Twelve pounds twelve shillings and ten pence half-penny, Halifax Currency, Dollars at 5s. each. Indian Department,
Brantford, 29th November, $188 \%$.
JAS. WINNIETT,
Wilnesses to the above payments:- the respective amounts being calculated in a due proportion to the sum of $£ 5000$ awarded by the Board of Commissioners under the Provincial Act passed in the fourth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, of which the sum of $£ 1,583$ 6s. 8t. is now payable.


Amounting to the sum of One hundred and sixty-one potuds eight skithings and eight pence three furthings, IIalifax Currency, Dollars at 5s. each.

> Indian Department, Brantford, 29th' November, 1837.

JAS. WINNIETYS,

PAY LIST of the undermentioned Indian Claimants for Losses sustained during the late War; by the Board of Commissioners under the Provincial Act passed in the 25000 awarded Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fouth, the sum of $x 1,583$ 6s. 8 d ., part thereof being now payable.


Amounting 10 Ohe hundred and seven pounds six shillings and eight pence half-penny, Halifax Currency; Dollara nt 5s. ench.

## Indian Department,

Brantford, 29 th November, 188\%.
Witnesses to the furegoing payments,-Wililiam Muirhead,
JAS. WINNIETT,

## No. 8.-UPPER AND LOWER CAYUGAS.

PAY LIST of the undermentioned Indian Claimants for Losses sustained during the late War; the respective amounts being calculated in a due proportion to the sum of 5000 awarded by the Board of Commissioners under the Provincial Act passed in the fourth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, of which the sum of $£ 1,5836 \mathrm{~s}$. 8 d .
is now payable.

|  | lribe. | Names of Clainants. | Individual <br> Amount. <br> Third Payment |  |  | Reccived of Samuel P. Jarvis, Senior Officer of the Indian Department in Upper Canada, the sums set opposite our resplective names, having signed duplicite receipts. |
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|  | Opper Cayugas. | 1 Hen Hawk's son, ... | 2 | 6 | 4 | Hen Hawk's son, his + mark. |
|  | " | ${ }_{3}{ }^{\text {a }}$ James Cayuga, Aaron Cayuga, | 2 | 18 |  | Joseph, his + mark. |
|  | 46 | ${ }_{4}$ A Goron Cayuga, |  | ${ }^{6}$ |  | Joseph Dockstater, lis + mork, |
|  | " ' | 5 Atawakon Cayuga, ... | 3 | 13 |  | J. Martia. |
|  |  | 6 Kayannghuc, |  | - 3 |  | Kagnrimes, her + mark, |
|  | - ,"" | 7 Pater Green's wife, $\ldots$ | 1 | 15 |  | Christiana, her + mark. |
|  | ' $\quad$ \% | 8 Takaghuyolontye, ..... | 4 | 13 |  | Mary Green, her + mark. <br> Joseph Dockstater, itis + mark |
|  |  | Carvied over, : $\quad$. | 20 | 3 | 11 |  |

PAY LIST of the undermentioned Indian Claimants, \&c.-(Continued.)


Amounting to Two hundred and fifty-four pounds nineteen shilliggs and three pence three farthings, Halifux Currency, Dollars at 5 s. each.

## Indian Department, <br> Brantford, 29th November, 1837.

Apmendis (Ci.G. G.) 22d Marcli.

No. 9.-SENECAS.
PAY LIST of the undermentioned Indian Claimants for Losses sustained during the late Wat ; the respective amounts being calculated in a due proportion to the sum of £5000 awarded by the Board of Commissioners under the Provincial Act passed in the fourth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, of which the sum of $£ 1,5836 \mathrm{~s} .8 \mathrm{~d}$. is now payable.


Amounting to the sum of Twenty-six pounds eight shillings and five pence thrice farthings, Frlifax Curreency, Dollars at 5s. ench.

| Indian Defartment, Brantfort, 29th November, 183\%. |  |
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S. I. A.
(Copy.)
DISTRIBUTION of $£ 66417 \mathrm{ss}$. $6 \frac{1}{d} \mathrm{~d}$, being the proportion of the third and last Instalment, E1,583 os. 8d., due to the undermentioned Indian Tribes.


## RETURN

Appendix To an Address from the Legislative Assembly, to His Excellency the Governor General, bear:

## (H.H.H.)

22d March. other visels other vossels owned in this Province in the year IS44, distinguishing as nearly as maybe; those employed on the Lakes, those on the River St. Lawrence above Quebec, those in the Coasting Trade below Quebec and in the Gulfor St: Lawrence, and those in the Trade beyond the Seas, as nearly as can be ascertained; Steamers from vessels navigated by sails; the ports or pleces in this Province to which such vessels' respectively belong; and the number of seamen employed.
$\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { Secrejeary's Oferice; } \\ \text { ontreal } 22 d \text { March, } 1815,\end{array}\right\} \quad$ By Command; Montreal, 22d March, 1845, $\}$
D. DALY, Secy:

## Letter from the Depuity Inspoctor General to the Provincial Secretary.


$\mathrm{S}_{\mathrm{r} k}$,-1 have the honor herewith to transmit a Return of the Tonnget and number of velsels owned in this Province, distinguishing those employed on the Latess, thöse in it the River St. Liturrence between Montreal, and Kingston, and on the Ridean Canal, those in the Rifer St Laivience above Quebec those in the Coasting Trude below Quebec and in the Gulf of St. Lavrence, and those iff Trade by yond the Seat, as ntarly as can be ascerthined, ns required by an Address from the Höno herewith roturned.

1 havertie honor to be, Str;
Your most obedient servant,

Appendix
(H.H.H.)

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(G.G.G.)

## 22dMarcho.



To an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, bearing date the 12 th December, 1844, praying for a Statement of the number of Suits brought in the Court of Chancery since 191h July, 1841, shewing the number of suits actually adjudicated upon, the amount of costs taxed, and allowed on each suit, and the amount of fees paid on each suit to the Registrar, together with a detailed Statement exhibiting the aggregate sums received by that Officer, by way of fees'and charges on the said suits.

## Secretarz's Office, Montreal, 24th March, 1845.\}

By Command,
D. DALY, Sccy.

Leller from the Registrar of the Court of Chancery to the Provincial Secretary, with two Enclosures.

Recistrar's Office, Court of Chancery,
Toronto, 17 th March, 1845.
Sir,-I beg to transmit you herewith, a Statement of the number of Suits instituted in the Court of Chancary, between the 19 th day of July, 1841, and the 12th day of December, 1844, and of the number of Suits adjudicated upon during the same period; also a Return of such cosis as have been taxed during the same period, and the amount of Registrar's Fees during the dirst and last years of that period. The Suits in which costs have been taxed do not by any moans embrace the whole number of Suits in which proceedings have Been had during the' period referred to, costs being frequently settled without taxation, and in the majority of cases the costs of unsuccessful parties are not taxed. Judging from the amount of Registrar's Fees during the two years referred to, I should infer that costs are taxed only in about one instance out of three or four in which they are ilucurred.' The aggregate of the Registrar's Fees therdiore, as appearing from the taxation of costs, will furnish no information as to the amount of the Fees actually derived from his office. The aggregate amount will appear by the Returns of the emoluments of the office; and for the accuracy of the Returns since I have held the office, I can vouch:

In omitting the Return of Registrar's Fees for the period between the first and last years, I am aware that I have not strictly followed the terms of your letter, but in explanation, I beg to say that I have been prevented by illness from making the Return so soon as I otherwise should have done,- That since my recovery I have devoted to it and to my office, almost more time and labor than my heath (imperfeclly restored) could warrant, and 1 was unwilling to make the further delay which would necessarily occur in supplying the part omitted,-every'bill of costs requiring to be examined throughout, in order to ascertain the amount of Registrar's fees contained therein. The Return enclosed exhibits the relative proportion between the Registrar's Fees and the general costs, during the first and last years; the proportion during the former period being about one thited larger than during the latter, although the greater portion of the procectings in the more expensive suits, taxed during the latter period, occurred during the former. In future the difference will be still greater. In future also, there can be no doubt that the costs in suits in Chancery will lie materially diminished.

I believe the Return of Registrar's Fees, during the omitted period, would furnish no additional information, but, if required, I will prepare such Return with as little delay as possible:

1 have the honor to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
J. G. SPlAAGGE,

Registrar.
The Honble. D. Daly,
Secretary of the Province,
Stc. \&c. \&c.,

## First Enclosure.

A Statramene of the number of Suits brought in the Court of Chancery from the 19th day of July, 1841, to the 124 day of December, 1844, shewing the number of Suits actually adjudicated upon-also, a Schedule of costs taxed during the same period, and the amount of Fees paid to the Registrar during the first and also during the last ycars of the same period, in the suits in which cosis have been so taxed, exhibiting the aggregate sums received by that officer by way of Fees and charges in the said suits during the said first and last years of the same period:
Number of Suits brought in the Court of Chan* cery, from 19th July, 1841, to 12th De-,
cember, 1844
Number of Suits adjudicated upon during the
same period, 155

It should be explained that Suits are frequently disposed of in effect, otherwise than by a formal adjudication upon the hearing-the argument of pleas and demurrers-the granting or refusing of special injunctions, both parties being heard-motions to dissolve special injunction, and some other applications to the Court where the law and merits of the case are brought in question, frequently though not necessarily have the effect of a formal decision, the unsuccessful party not choosing to risk further proceedings. "These are," of course, not embraced in the number above given of suits adjadicated upon.
It frequently occurs also that a Plaintiff finding after: answer, and perhaps after evidence gone into, that his case cannot be sustained, forbears to proceed, and the Suit is after wards' dismissed for want of prosecution. In these ways, many Suits are disposed of without a regular adjudication.
J. G. SPRAGGE

Scnedule of Taxations in Chancery, from the 22nd day of July, 1841, to 31st day of De-
cember, 1844 .

|  | General Costs. |  |  | Ilagistrar's Fecs. |  |  | ' ' | Gencral Costs. |  |  | liegistrar'sFecs. |  |  |
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| Mothatt vs. O'lteilly, ...... | 12 | 12 | 8 | 1 | 4 | 8 |  | 8 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 15 |  |
| Covert vs. Bauk of Upper |  |  |  |  |  |  | 4 vs. Hanior, ... | 0 | 17 | 3 | 0 | 17 |  |
| Cunada | 15 | 12 | 2 | 2 | 13 | 7 | 16 ks , Munshuw, | 11 | 17 | 8 | 1 | 4 | $2$ |
| llobertson vs. Loring, ... | 6 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 11 | 8 | Ross rs. Martin, ... | 47 | 18 | 2 | 3 | 19 | $0$ |
| A'Kenzie vs. Kerby, | 28 | 0 | 6 | 1 | 19 | 10 | Lec va. Aldiughton, | 7 | 7 | 4 | I | 8 | 11 |
| Murumam ve. Lunshitz and | 52 | 8 | 0 | 4 | 14 | 0 | Fish ss. Burnide, ... | 25 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 1.4 |  |
| Covert rs. Bank of' Upper, |  |  |  | 4 |  |  | Iliseott vs, Merruyer, ... | 72 | 17 | 7 | 5 | 12 | $6$ |
| Camada, ... ... ... | 6 | 4 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 11 | ddams vs, Morton, ... | 31 | 11 | 10 | 1 | 1 | 8 |
| Davis vs. Commercina batk, | 7 | 8 | 4 | 0 | 10 | 2 | Kilborn vs, Flint, | 13 | 15 | 5 | 1 | 15 | 0 |
| Robertson ws. Rell, ... ...] | 93 | 18 | 0 | 9 | 14 | 11 |  |  |  | + |  |  |  |
| Jilgar ss. Chambers, ... | 39 | 0 | 1 | 1 |  | 10 | $\mathcal{L}$ | 2575 | 7 | 1 | 236 | 18 | 0 |
| Cull rs. Buyer, ... ... | 7 | 14 | 3 | 0 | 4 | 4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Crooks rs. Dicksont, ... | 23 | 17 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 10 | Smith vs. Mamann, ... ... | 7 | 11 | 10 |  |  |  |
| Ilamphrey vs. IIodgson, | 19 | 14 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 3 | Suith vs. Simpson, ... ... | 18 | 3 | 8 |  |  |  |
| Leslic ss. ILinds, ... | 18 | 16 | 11 | 1 | 17 | 2 | Comuter vs. M'1'hersotn, ... | 14 | 6 | 4 |  |  |  |
| Tougall vs. Spragge, .- | 11 | 17 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | Stott vs. Waddle, ... ... | 22 | 1 | 4 |  |  |  |
| l'arrott is. Dayy, $\quad . .1$ | 17 | 12 | 8 |  | 18 | 10 | M $\cdot$ Donell ws. Jackson,' | 14 | 17 | 5 |  |  |  |
| Vemorest vs. Carpenter, | 0 | 16 | 6 | 1 | 3 | 10 | M'Clure vs. Basselt, ... | 42 | 12 | 7 |  |  |  |
| Nolson ve. Crooks ... | 22 | 19 | 5 | 2 | $G$ | 6 | Andruss vs. Sheldon, ... | 10.4 | 8 | 7 |  |  |  |
| Pinlay vs. Mrlonald, ... | 4 | 17 | 3 | 0 | 6 | 0 | Sheldon is, Anditss, ... | 42 | 13 | 9 |  |  |  |
| Sume vs. Samie,... | 3 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Sheldon vs. Loder, ... | 24 | 11 | 11 |  |  |  |
| Same vs. Sime, ... ... | 10 | 7 | 10 | 0 | 10 | 4 |  | 88 | 0 | . |  |  |  |
| Il'futosh vs. Ciffurd, ... | 38 | + | 7 | 4 | 3 | 5 | Bliscoe vs. Chamberlain, ... | 21 | 15 | 2 |  |  |  |
| Same vs. Same, ... $\ldots$ | 13 | 8 | 7 | 1 | 11 | 6 | Hoberis vs. Susoll, | 20 | 10 | 5 |  |  |  |
| Finlay vs. M'Donuld, ... | 3 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Ilenson vs, Jhgg, ... | 83 |  | 0 |  |  |  |
| Commercial lnak vs. M-- |  |  | 0 | - | - | - | Bnldwin' vs, Wrilier, ... | 12 | 9 | 11 |  |  |  |
| Lean,.. .6 ... ... ... | 27 | 14 | 1 | 2 | 10 | 10 | M'Nab vs. Middleton, | 10 | 8 | $\sigma$ |  |  |  |
| Sume ws, Same, ... ... | 12 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | In reStreet, !... .. | 10 | 12 | 1 |  |  |  |
| Sinclair vs. Arnold, | 10 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 1.5 | 10 | Same, ... ... ... ... | 6 | 14 | 7 |  |  |  |
| Mosier vs. Hunter, | 44 | 11 | 0 | 4 | 9 | 8 | M•Lsod v . M'lonell, | 30 | 4 | 6 |  |  |  |
| Clapp vs. Clapp, | 17 | 17 | 6 | 1 | 10 | 4 | Tiaytor ves jelmsley, ... | 40 | 10 | 10 |  |  |  |
| Holmes vs. Perry, | 48 | 16 | 1 | 4 | 10 | 8 | Rhodes is Lawder, | 41 | 5 | 3 |  |  |  |
| l3radbury es. Ilird, ... | . 53 | - | 10 | 4 | 7 | 9 | Foot vs. Lamphiar, $\quad$ c. | 19 | 15 | 5 |  |  |  |
| Black vs Thompson, ... | 32 | 9 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | Court vs. M•Donald, $\quad .$. | 22 | 5 | 11 |  |  |  |
| $J$ Jris ys. Hamilton, | 42 | 15 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 1 | M'dill ve. Enott, | 28 | 2 | 0 |  |  |  |
| Burnside ys. Pish, | 28 | 14 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 7 | Wardropp us. Brown, ... | 7 | 8 | 5 |  |  |  |
| Steen vs, ILubbell, , . | 18 | 9 | 3 |  | 11 | 8 | Crooks vs. Bumis, | 17 | 2 | 7 |  |  |  |
| Yale rs. Aldernan, $\cdot$. | 21 | 10 | 8 | 2 | 16 | 6 | Same calise, , ... | 12 | 7 | 4 |  |  |  |
| Crooks rs. Mactab, ... | 27 | 9 | 11 | 3 | 4 | 6 | Coml. Bank vs. Fisher, | 23 | 8 | 2 |  |  |  |
| Coml. Bank vs. Purker, | 10 | 11 | 7 |  | 17 | 9 | In re Handley, a Lumatic:- |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| M'Dougnll rs. Robertson, | 46 | 12 | 7 | 5 | 7 | 8 | General costs of'T'rustecs: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Malony rs. Malony, ... | 23 | 9 | 4 | 3 | 13 | 4 | 251 4 4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Same ve. Sape, $\quad .$. | 5 | 4 | 8 | 0 | 2 | 6 | $\begin{array}{llll}27 & 3 & 1\end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Malony vs. Martin, -. | 18 | 8 | 9 | 3 | 2 | 0 | - | 78 | 7 | 5 |  |  |  |
| Stunc vs. Same, $\quad .$. | 5 | 4 | 8 | 0 | 2 | 6 | Costs of J. C Tildesly, |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Riddell vs. Ridout, | 19 | 6 | 7 | 2 | 7 | 6 | one of the 'Irustees : |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Chicw vs, Cliffurd, $\quad .$. | 26 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 17 | 6 | $\begin{array}{llll}50 & 10 & 7\end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ilector vs. l'uwelh, $\quad .$. | 37 | 13 | 4 | 3 | 8 | 0. | $\begin{array}{llll}4 & 10 & 10\end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Playter vs. Wells, ... | 17 | 7 | 10 |  | 7 | 8 | $12 \quad 20$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Same vs. Sime, ... $\quad .$. | 0 | 18 | 8 | 0 | 13 | 8 | $6{ }_{6} \mathbf{2}, 3,3$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Irooke vs. Calcy, $\quad$ O. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 34 | 10 | 3 | 2 | 15 | 9 |  | 39 | 10 | 8 |  |  |  |
|  | 138 | 14 | 4 | 12 | 4 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wilson vs. Whison, $\cdot$.. $\cdot$. | 52 | 13 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 4 | retiving Trustee: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Samo vs. Same, ... . ... | 34 | 10 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 10 | $\bigcirc \quad 1710$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Musict vs. Itunter, ... | 71 | 5 | 0 | 5 | 4 | 11 | 13.30 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mintosh ve. MPIntosh, | 2.5 | 2 | 9 | 2 | 2 | 5 | $7{ }^{\prime} 13.9$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Same cause, $\quad . .$. | 10 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 16 | 8 |  | 27 | 19 | 1 |  |  |  |
| Baby us. Suachan, | 9 | 10 | 6 | 0 | . 18 | 0 | Costs of the wile of the |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tribe vs M'Kcmaie, ... | 7 | 16 | 5 | 1 | 19 | 10 | Lunatic: ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Auglin vs. Mיlatoth, .. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 21 | 2 | 9 | 2 | 2 | 2 | $\pm 10 \begin{array}{lll}10 & 9\end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mkenzie vs. 'Tribe, $\ldots$. ... | 12 | 12 | 0 | 1 | 19 | 3 | '6113 6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lerming vs. The Desjurdina Canal Company, |  |  |  | 9 |  | 2 | 719 <br> 19 |  |  |  | . |  |  |
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| Flint \%s. Danl, Joues, | 61 | 16 | 11 | 6 | 2 | 1 | ofg.S. Boulton onc |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Same caluse, $\ldots$. ... .. | 10 | 19 | 10 | 1 | 6 | 0 | of the J'rusters : |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Flint vs. J. E. Joncs, .. | 65 | 10 | 5 | 6 | 0 | 6 | . $24017{ }^{\text {c }}$ - |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Same cause, $\ldots$ | 15 | 19 | 10 | 1 | 0 | 0 | $3010 \quad 1$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Forsyth is. Gamble, ... | 4 | 19 | 11 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 4548 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Iart vs. Wilson,... ... | 28 | 18 | 10 | 3 | 17 | 8 |  | 116 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sotmin vs. Audruss,... | 79 | 18 | 3 | 7 | :3 | 1 | Wardropp ve. Brown, ... ... | 38 | $6$ | 4 |  |  |  |
| Counter va, M.pherson, | 110 | 14 | 10 | 4 | 18 | 10 | M'Leod vs. M'Donel, ${ }^{\text {a }}$... | 30 | 4 | 0 |  |  |  |
| loss is. Martir, ... ${ }^{\text {. }}$ | 3 | 13 | 0 | - | 16 | 10 | Wilsonvs. Johnston, ... | 32 | 6 | 9 |  |  |  |
| Drew is. Vansittart, ... | 159 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 111 | 4 | Same eause,... | 11 | 0 | 0 |  |  |  |
| Blore vs. 'Ihompson, .. | 16 | 13 | 0 | 2 | 13 | \% | M Donell vs. Jackson, $\quad .$. | 48 | 11 | 6 | , |  |  |
| Empey vs. L,oucks, ... | 08 | 5 | 7 | 6 | 16 | 7 | Clitrles vs. Westruacott, | 60 | 13 | 0 |  |  |  |
| Kituy ws. Young, ${ }^{\text {c, }}$ | 19 | 0 | 9 | 2 | 13 | 10 | Same cause, $\quad . . .{ }^{\text {c }}$... ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 18 | 13 | 0 6 |  |  |  |
| ish we. Buraside, $\ldots$ | , 5 | 18 | 7 | - | 8 | - | Same cause, $\quad$.... | 18 20 | $\begin{aligned} & 6 \\ & 8 \end{aligned}$ | 6 0 0 |  |  |  |
| Kennedy vs. M'Doucll, | 28 | 15 | 4 | 3 | 9 | 10 | Molson vs. Crooks, $\quad . .$. | 11 | $4$ | 0 |  |  |  |
| Anderson res. Myan, ... | 17 | 18 | 5 | 1 | 19 | '1 |  | 32 | $\begin{aligned} & 4 . \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |
| Lee vs. M'Naughton, ... ... | 35 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 4 | Same ve. Same, ... | 7 | 6 | ${ }^{4}$ |  |  |  |
| Drew vs. Vansiturt, $\ldots$.. $\quad$. ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | 14 | 2 | 6 | 1 | 6 | 8 | Lyons va, Chisholm,,$\ldots$, | 19 | 8 | 5 |  |  |  |

$\overbrace{\text { gilh Murch }}$


## RETURN

To an Adnress from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Govemor General, bearing date the 18 th ultimo, praying for' a Return of the amounts which have already been expended for completing the Welland Canal from Thorold and Lock No. 18; respectively, to Port Dalhousic; the anount to be expended at Port Dalhousie for deepening the entrance, constructing Piers, protecting Works, the amnual cost of keeping the entrance clear of sand, the depth of water there will be on the Bar when the contemplated Works are completed, and a Statement of all necessary expenditures connected with the said Harbour at Port Dalhousie; with such Observations on the shallowing of the water on the Lake, as may have been made by the Officers of the Board; and also whether a certain Survey, or pretended Survey, made by the subordinate Officers of the Board, during the Polling days of the late Election for the Town of Niagara, from Thorold to the said Town, was made under the authority of the lioard of Works,-if so, the information derived by such Survey, and the intention of the Board in making the same.

Secretary's Office, \} By Command, Montreal, 244h March, 1845. $\}$
D. DALY, Secy.

## Letter from the Secretary of the Board of Works to the Provincial Secretary, with three Encloswes.

> Boand of Wonks, Montreal, 24th March, 1845 .

Sin,-Upon receipt of the Resolution of the Ilouse of Assembly, calling for certain information as the the rost of cmppleting the Welland Camal from Thorold and from the head of Lock No 18, respectively, to Port Dalhnusie, and other particulars comested therowith, the Clief Engineer in charge of the work was innediately writted to, and instructod to furnish the details called for. These have been furnished, and I have now the honor of enclasing them to you, in order that they may be presented to the House liy the proper ufficer.

I have the honor to le, Sir;
Your very obedient servant,

## THOMAS A. BEGLY,

Secretary;
LIon D. Datry,
Provincial Secretary.

## (First Enclosure.)

Questrons proposed in a Resolution of the House of Assembly, dated 18 il Felruary 1845.
Q. The amount already expended in reconstructing the Wolland Canal from the head of the 12th (weir) Lock to Port Dallousie :- $1 . £ 119,200$.
Q. From Thorold to the sume place, i. e. Port Dalhousie ?-A. $£ 211,361$.
Q. Amount to be exponded for deepening and constructing Piers at Port Dalhousic? $-A, £ 17,541$.
Q. The amnual cost of keeping the present entrance clear of sand?-A. £150, It is not probstable that this expenditure will hereafter be necessary, as all the silt can be removed in the spring by the water discharged from the immense reserveir situated above the first Lock.
Q. The depth of water there will be orer the Bar when the contemplated works are completed? $-A .12$ feet at low water mark.
Q. A'statement of all the necessary expenditures comected with sinid Harbour at Port Dathousie? - A. Sulary of Harbour Master and Light House Keeper, cost of maintaning Light, and other similar expenses requisito in all harbous.
Q. Such olservations as may have heen madeby the officers of the Board relative to the shallowing of the water of the Leke.-A. A daily record of the levels kept by the Lock'Tender during the last wo yoars, and the observations of the same person during 15 years, corroborated by those made at Fort Niagara, tend to show that the water is higher now than it was many years ago.
Q. Wheher the recent Survey was mide under the authority of the Board of Works? - A. The Survey was mate by order of the Chairman of the Board (October 25th.)
Q. The information derivod by such Survey? - A. Sce Plan and Report, which shew that although the ground between No 12 and Niagara is extremely favorable for the location of a Canal, the disadvantages of the Niagara Harbours, and the greator lengtli and cost of this route, soould, under any circumslances, haye rendered its selection inexpedient.
Q. The intention of such survey ?-A: To comply will the request made by Mr. Cayley and other gentlemen resident in Ningara.
S. POWER.

STATEMENT of the Cost and Dimensions of the Welland Canal to the Twelfith Lock, and 2 2th Jarelit: of the lateral cut to the Town of Niagara.


Locks 2-200×45
Do. 10-150×201
Depth of Wator, $\left\{\begin{array}{l}12 \text { foet, } 1 \text { mile, } \\ 10 \text { do. } 3 \text {, } \\ 0 \text { do. }\end{array}\right.$ 10 dog
9 do
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Width of bottora, $\left\{\begin{array}{r}\frac{1}{y} \text { to } 2 \text { mile for } 2 \text { miles } \\ 70 \text { feet do. } 3 \text { do. } \\ 45 \text { do. do. } 2 \text { do. }\end{array}\right.$
Width of tow path, 15 foel on top.
Do. berm bank, 12 do. do.
Side slopes, 2 to 1.
Total length 7 miles.
Rise 145 fed.
This Statoment shows the extent of the Steamboat navigation.

Locks 13-150× $36 \frac{1}{2}$
Depth of water, 9 feet.
Widih of bottom, 45 feet.
Width of towing path, 15 feet ons top.
Do. berin bank, 12 do. do.
Side slopes, 2 to 1.
Total length, $11 \frac{1}{2}$ miles.
Rise, 145 fect.
The prices assumed in this Estimate are the result of the most careful consideration, and the very oxtensive observations which there has been in opportunity of making on the actual cost of similar works.
In no instance has the value of the work on the Welland been over-estinated.

## (Third Enclosure.)

Whitand Canal Ompice,
Sl. Catherines; Gith March, 1845.
Sir,-I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your lotter of the 22nd, enclosing the Resolution or the House of Assombly requiring certain information respecting the proposed lateral cut from the Welland Canal to the Town of Niggara.

I bave, therefore, to submit the following Statement, which will, I trust, satisfactorily exphin all the mattors adverler to in the Resolution.

On the 25th September, I was instructed by the Chairmin of the Board of Works to make the Survey and take the levels necessary for ascertaining the cost of the proposed Canal, in compliance (as I understond) with a request formerly made liy Mr. Cayley and othor gontlemen resident in Niagara.

I accordingly examined the ground lying between that Town and a point situated at the head of the twelfth Lock from Port Dalhousie; where the Welland Canal emerges from the valley of Dick's Creek; the cost of the additional Locks was a sufficient oljection to the selection of any point higher up, and the height of Hie table land between' St Catherines and Niagara prectuded the possibility of leaving the Canal lover down.

I directed one of my assistants (Mr. Siater) to take thic levels of the line which was evidently most favorable for the construction of a Canal; wher and more urgent duties prevented this gentleman from at once attending to this business, and he was unable to com plete the Survey until the latter part of October, when he entered Niagata on one of the Polling lays; it has, (I beliove) been asserted with an intention to influence the election against the gendeman who has now the honor to represent that Town. It does notseon possible that the appearance of this officer could liave exercised uny influcnee on the election,-certainly it could not. have produced nor have beon intended to produce such. an effect as that attributed to it, for it was well known that the Survey was made in compliance with the request of many of the most respectable inhabilants, supporters of the successful canilidate, to defeat whom wris the alleged object of the Survey. I shall niterely say that the selection of that day was purely accidental, "he officer alluded to did not even know that it was one of the Polling days, so little interest did he feel in the matter.

The plan which I bave alrealy forwarded to the Board, with the memoranda and estimates thereto attached, exhibits all the information acgured by the Survey, it sheivs that the ground between tho points abovementionol isexcelingly fivorable for the location of a Canaly he line of which (marked blue on the
plan) muy be straight throughout, proceeding in a direct line from its departure from the Welland to its junction wilh dae: Niaguara river. No obstacle whatever is presented, exeepit hy tha ralloys of the creeks which ompey thepaselves inte the lake between the mouth of the Niagita and Port' Dallousio, of which the Four and and 'Jen Mile Creeks can alone be considered formitable, and the expense of crossing even these is not considerable', being much less than that of the additional lockage and excavation which would he caused by the attempt to avoid thone ravines by a line situated nene the main ridgo, Tho line for aine miles passes through what portion of tho country denominated the Swamp, genorally in the vicinity of tho main road, and reaches the Niagnra River immediately below Fort George, this point being selected as the entrance, for the rentons firmerly assigned by Mr. Roy, "that the "corent is too rapial for a sufie harbour ahove, and bo" low it would be expesed to the swells of the lake."

The accompanying Schedule slows the cost of the proposen Camat, and also whe part of the Welland situated between No. 12 and Port Dathonsie, inclurling the construction of that Harbour, It proves that the expense of the later is at least $£ 57,000$ less than that of the former could have been: thas regard for econotay must have induced the Board of Works, as well as tho Wellame Camal Company, to select Port Dalhonsio as the entrame, in preference to the month of the Nixgara; but there are tany mone imporant reasons which must have exercised in influonce on their decisim. The lougth of the Canal from l'ort Dallousie to No. 12 is seven milos-h hat of the proposed cut from the same point to Ningara is $112_{2}$,-thus, the increased length of the route, and consequenty the increased cost of transportationand hass of time, aswell as the additional expense of maintaimance, are serious objections. Although the Harbour of the Niagata River may possess sume natural advantages, such as great dopth of water, sufficiont extent and tolerable sholier, it is, nevertheless, very inforior to the new Inarbour about to be consirncted at Port Dalloousie; its defenceless position on the frontier, is an insurmountable ohjection-the entrance to the Citmal would, in the event of a war, be exposed to instant distruction from the guns of the Americin Fort ; bat aphrt from this, it hatours under other serious defects, the removal of which is beyond the reach of art. When there are light winds from the southerly points, the rapid current renders the intrance very difiicollt; and whon the wind is from the northerly point and, therefore, apparently favorable for the embance of vessels, the swell caused by the neeling of the waves from the lake and the current of the river, is attended with great langer. 'To its oxposed situation in the event of war, and the difitienlty of entrance during the prevailing summer winds (from the south) must bo adder the great danger arising from the floating ice late in the spring-and tho existence of a slifting bar at the month, which circumsuribes the chamel so far as to render the egross of vessels both difficult and dangerous when the wind is northerly.

The Farbour at Port Dallonsie will possess almost unrivalled advantages:' Accessible at all times, it will have a dopth of twelve feet water at its entrance ; an outer and well sheltered Harbour more than half a mile in length, amply sufficient for the accormodation of tho trade, to which must be added the extraordinary advantage of its inner Harbour, two miles long and noarly half a mile wide, sulficiently large to contain all the vessels on both lakes; rompletely shellered by the surrounding hills, and raised by the first Lock above the inlluence of the lake, so that the water canscarcely be agitated during tho most violent storms. The peculiar fadilities for the construction of a graving dock, comhined with the extentand security of this innor Harbour, will, dubbtless, at no distant perion, renter Port Dal-
housie the winter resort of a large amount of shipping on the lakes. The location of the old piers, as well as Heir plan and construction, was so fanliy, that a strong projudice has existed in tho minds of many ugainst this Harbour. An examination of the plan of the new piers will shew that, aftor the completion of the works now in progross, this harbour will be free from all the defects which have been urged against it with much forco and some justico. I am happy to be supported in the opinions now advanced by all the experienced masters of vessels whom I havo had an opportunity of consulting.

Appendor to this Report is an arcount of a few of the recent disasters arising from the above mentioned defects in the Niugara Harbour. If so many accidents have occurred among the fow vessels that visit this Harbour, and so few among the many that leave and enter Port Dathousio, defective as it at present is, it must be evident that the advantages of the later and the disaduantiges of the former have not been exaggerated in this Report.

Approhensions are entertained by some, that at no very distant period, the lower lake may become so shallow as to render all the works at Port Dalhousie useless. A daily record of the levels kept by the Lock 'Iender, since I have had dharge of all the ofd works, aud the observations of the same person during fifteon ycurs, curroborated by those made at Fort Niamura since 1815, tend to show that the water of the like is at least as high now as it was many years ago, and I have been unable to discover ovidence to prove that any change is going on rapidly, or reasons to justify us in providing for so remote a contingency, long before the probable occurrence of which all our works will be in ruins.

Enough has been said to prove that, oven if the selection of an entrance to the Wolland were still an open yuestion, Port Dalhousios should be preferred on acrount of tho advantages of its Harbour, the shortness of the line, and economy of construction. It therefore seems needless at this time to make any remarks on the inexpediency of expending $\mathbf{L} 230,000$ on the construction of a lateral cut to Niagara, when a Canal, in overy respect more efficient than that could possibly be, has been already constructed.

I have now furnished information on all the poinis adverted to in the Resolution of the llouse, though not evactly in the order there prescribed. Maving first mentioned the authority under which the Survey was made,-2nd, the cause (as I believo) of its being made, -3 rrl, the informution derived fron the Survey, and the conclusion following a full examination of the relative actyanlages and disaduantages of the entronices at Port Dalhousie and Niagra, and the respective routes from those harbours to the nearest point of the Welland, and in connection with this, have shewn that there is no evidence to prove that any change in the levol of the lake is going on rapidly.

I liave the honor to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

> (signed,) S. POWER.

Thomas A. Begley, Esquire,
Secretary, Board of Works.

Vessels lost or" driven on shore in attempting to make Niagrara Harbour: "Thistle;" "Essex," "Qeneral Wolfe," and "Brothers."
The "Bond Head" is the only vessel which has béen wrecked at Port Dalhousie, and she was water. logged before she neared tho shore.

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(J. J. J.)
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(K.K.K.)
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## RETURN

To an Address from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General, bearing date the 14 th instant, praying for "all the Reports on Letters made or written by the late "Commissioner of the Revenue, on the case and conduct of William Moore Kelly, late "Collector of Customs, together with any Statements, Evidence or Facts, set forth by the " said Mr. Kelly, and any Replications, Reports or Evidence, by the Commissioner, and " any Reports made by the late Inspector General, the Deputy Inspector General, or the "Executive Council, up to this date, upon this case."

Srureqairy's Office, By Command, Montreal, 24th March, 1845. $\}$
D. DALY, Secy.

## Schedule

N. B. For previous Correspondonco, see Appondix (I. I.) to the Journals of the 3rd Session of the 1st Parliament.

No. 1. Adrlitional Report of Malcolm Cameron, Esquire, on the Statements of William Moore Kelly, Esquire, fate Collector of Customs at the Port of Torono, dated 24th November, 1843.
No. 2. "Statement of Mr. Kelly in reply, dated 4th March, 1844.
No. 3. Report of the Deputy Inspector Genoral on Mr, Cameron's Report and Mr. Kelly's Statemont in reply, dated 7h May, 1844.
No. 4. Letter from Mr. Kelly to the Honorable Dominick Daly, dated 1st June, 1844.
No. 5. Letter from the Honorable Dominick Daly to Mr. Kelly, dated 6th June, '1844.
No. 6. Letter from Mr. Kolly to the Honorable Dominick Daly, dated 10th June, 1844,
No, 7. Letter from the Honorable Dominick Daly to Mr. Kelly, dated 11th July, 1844.
No. 8. Lelter from Mr. Kelly to the Honorable Dominick Daly, dated 28rd July, 1844;
No. 9. Letter from the Honorablo Dominick Daly to Mr. Kelly, dated 15th August, 1844,

No. 1.
Additional Report of Malcolm Cameron, Esquire, on the Statements of William Moore Kelly, Esquite, late Collector of the Customs at the Port of Toronto.

Kinaston, 24th November; 1843.'
Stir,-The undersigned hus carefully examined the statements of Mr. Kelly, by which ho hopes" to "disprove the charges of grave irregilaritiesimputed to him," and to bo roinstated to the Office as, Collector of Customs at the Port of Toronto.

Mr, Kelly has arranged part of the complaints in the Report of the undersigned, (written from Toronto during his tour in July, undor different heads at once convenient and tangible ; the undersigned will thicrefore take them seriatim.
" Mirst-Mr. Kelly hat not closed his accounts on the 13th of July."

No complaint was made of this, the lawy dia not compel tim to do so untit the q5ith day; but he entirely mistook his duty if he supposed that becuise the twenty diys ate given to enalite him fo cony his books to trinsit to the Inspeotor General, the they shotid not be balance on the oth, the fae was, that Mr . Kelly had no books at that time arid further more, on the 1 ist of the Conmissoner a few lays before,

Mr. Kelly informed bim lant he (Mr. K.) would have liss Accounts ready immediately ufter the 0th, as they Were in preparation.
"Second,-There was no system of doing business in Mr, Relly's oftice; no Bonded Warehouse Book be. ing kept, there whs no trace of the goods bonded, but by rolerunce to the Bonds."

On this charge, the undersigned must say lie is astonished at the statement of Mr. Kelly.

Diring Mr. Laing's time, accounts had been opened in the Ledger for the several sources of Revenue; whereas, up othe 5tho suly and during the stive of the tudersigged in Toronto, there iwas no Ledger whatover in usc, nor was there ofe found among die

 To which face the untersioned called he fitent on po only of Mr Gelly, but also of Mr. Grabam and Mr. Mandian who beppged to be on'lue spot.

The unders ged can ohly gay that be neye sav any Bonded warebouse Books but order one the
(K.K.K.) necossily of which wiss admitted by Mr. Kelly, and the endersigned mande a form and submitted it to Mr. Kelly, and ordered it to be prepared at the Colonist Ontere,-Mr. Roy the Deputy Colloetor, guing with tha modersigned for this purpose; and it is passing strmge that the Collector should never hare apprized him of the finet of there being one ine existence; and furthermore, when certain goods were inquired for, the unmersigned was informed thay wore in the Warehouseat anothor lime that they wore not, Norderonce was made in this chse to an Warchouse Book, whith led the undersigned to mato upa ilist of goods which he fimand unaccounted fore by the manifests in the oflite, and thon go and exanine the Warchonse persomily, mat by so doing found many of the articles.

On this subject the undorsigned forburs to make any further remark, having this day written for the cortifieates of Mr. Graban and Mr. Roy, but will add it few circumstances, showing the kiad of mis-statement athuded to above, and which will pernaps better expose the system than even the statements of witnesses.

On the dth July, the manifest shews an cutry of 50 chests of Tea hy Mr. Brett of Toronto, andno corresponding entry can be found in Mr. Kally's books; in fact tho trace of them as either bonded of stored. In trying to trace thom, it appeats that Mr. Brelf ontered at rat rivus times during the mond of July, 20 packages, and since the first of Seplember, with Mr. Stunton, 25 packages more, which makesa quantity noarly corressunding to tho 50 chests. Mr. Stanton's letter is appended, markcd D.

There wis also mu entry of goods by Messis. Rowsell, on which it appeats thajpaid $\mathcal{L} 10$ Gsion the ? 6 hi of July, ugainst which no corresponting item can ho found in the atcoun, nor can eidice Mr. Stanton, or Mr. Rowsell throw tuy light on this trasaction; so that it appears mother instance of moncy received and not credied, is to he eliurged to Mr. Kelly.

The undersigned found in the manifest of' a stenuroat, the following entry jer Mr. Thorpe:-

> 3 casks of fruit,
> 1 case merchandize,
and enguired what became of these goods; Mr. Kelly said "they were entered," and went to Mr. Grablam, who snid "they must have been entered," and he examined the book again and agtan, when after many fiuitloss someches," Mr. Kelly came to the madersigned, and said be "thought they had been paid for and onitted. "The box of morchandize he recollerted perfectly; it was of no value, minly some cut lobaceo, for which he would make in entry und pay the duty!!

The undersigned, who was anxions throughout to keep Mr. Kelly uut of trouble, tudd Mr. K. not to do so, unless quito positive atout the weight and value, for if it turned up afterwards, and there was a discrespancy, it would look had; so the case was left, and still remains whecounted for. Mr. Roy corroborated Mr. Kelly's statement about this box; but since then it turns out the contenis were plated hardware of considerable valuc.

The undersigned respectully suggesis that this case might render fat the remark relative to Mr. K.'s Warehouse Book, systom of business, veracity, or oven dismissal, unnecessary.
"Thirll."-Witli respect to the third charge, "No "nccount was opened in Mr. Kelly's Books for Harbour "Dues; and the entries were made in the Blotter 'se"'veralsmiall craft' with no names, dales or particulars."

Mr. Kully'says. "they wero in received, regularly entered;" tho undersignod sins "they were not"! ! but Mr. Kolly got Mr. Roy dariug the stay of the undersigned in 'torume, to ioll frum momury, what vessels hiad paild ; mad that such sthtoment, so made up, and without any dater, wns the Return to the Inspoctor Generthes Depurtamen, it truc coly of which is minexed, murked le.

The undersighed hus written for Mr. Roy's decharathen on this puint also; in the mean time statios twe facts, In the lalotor, on' tha 4 h ol July, in a list of reso sels which corminly were not in Torminto on that day', the "Rover" is hamed as laving paid 243 7s, lod ; po such item apports in the neroma, for it turnal out aterwards that she had paich, and was enered ai tho 23rd of 3 unce.

On the bth of June, an gntry is madeor 58 barrels of sult by Mr. Northeote, on which he is charged Bs. 3d for Tharbour Dues; Hisis marked in rat ink is if examinerl; now no such sum appears to tho crodit of the Guverniment, but the entry completed in the Bloter, minus the 8 s .3 d .- 'l'he original entry is unioxed.
"Fourlh."-1"lat" hiero was no necount formo"nies recelved for Auction Dues or Auction Licences."

This Mr, Kelly almits : certain sums wore in his Bloter, bul hot it dutes corresjponding with the dutes of payment by the parties, as transmitted with the nonies of that quarter.
"Afin-The Pleister imported ly James Brown "on the 17th of April, wis not eitered, und tho duty "thercon was not juid unti the thi of July."

The only charge mate on this point, was, that his case and soveral of the same kind, viz. Ketelum's, Robetson's, and oflers, wore in direet viohation of the instructions from the Inspector General's Dopartment.
"Sixth-The Sult imported by Charles Rolertson "un the 20th of June, was not entered on the 17th "of Jily."

Mr. Roburtson's own Ietter shews the gross irregularity of dis tranatetion, and that Mr. Kelly had actorl directly contrary to law, and allowed Mr. Rebertson, and interided to allow him to enter grods without payment of duties in cash, and received a pledge to pormit him to bond them (which metars to gel six monihs credit, when other merchants in the trade are by law required to pay cash for their duties as well as on oarh entry; and justly would, and did the a rade complain, herause if any persons wero allowed to bring in gowds from time to time, and hea give a Bond for the whole, all should he atowed a like privilege; and he underggned is of" opinion that an "olliging manner," when cartied so far is to riolate haw and equity, ceases in least to bea virtue.
"Seven(h.-Carclessness and irrugularity on the "part of Mr. Kolly, or of those acting under him, in hav"mg ineighty-seren instances, of which a written list was "furnished Mr. Kelly, omilled to make proper entries,"

Mr. Kellp's reply is an admission that he had received several sums of poney from time to time, of which nocentry' was made in his Dooks, mor was there' ever any entry of the goods, except in the vessel's imanifost.

Mr. Kelly very modestly states that the sum is only £18, and ihat if the undersigned had not romo he yould havo discovered the error bimself; the undersigned would simply refer to the case alluded to, uniler charge secoid, and to the fact that sererral of these en-

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fries aro still unaccounted for, as Mr, Duntop's, Mr. Steyait's, and tho suid Mr. Thorines's ; and camot conceive lew such froyment errobscin beaccomated for in conduoting aray business of this kind with which ho has bever been mequainted.
"Heghth.-Haring suflered Messts. Wilson and "Aamilua to remove centain goods before entry and "payment of duty," "pon an understanding that the "amotat of duties was to hein sotoff ugainst a privato "debtridue from Mr. Kully to Messers. Wilson and "Hamilton'."

The uflidavit of Mr. Jiamilton fully substuntiates ull this shargo.

That Mr, Kolly did nllow, the firm nhovonamed to rocoive fivm the Custom Hoaso a lot of groods on which, according to haw, and his positive instructions, ho should have paid tho dulies in cash beloro dolivory, (nbout E45, without so phying such duties, or without oven making an ontry in his books, or koeping any record of such trinsuctions, although the said firm of Humilton' and W'ison' did supply Mr. Kolly wilh their terms and invoices ; and tho undersigned would further'state that Mr. Kolly owed the suidflirm $\mathbf{5 3 6}$, which the said Hamilton told the Commissioner was to be paid by Mr. Kelly in this way, to which tho undersigned is roady to make oath. Tho sail duly on the sinid goods wis not paid in aly account of theirs in the Books on the 30th of July, ind tho undersigned cannot conceive what more serivus charge could lie urged against any public offecr's public or motal character than this fact, and the additional one that Mr.' Kally stated to the undersigned "that these goods wero then in store, when loe kney they were not, and ufterwards wont to the parties and got olher goods packed up atid sent down to the Cusiom Houso, as appars in Hamilton's affidavit; and hore the andersigned would remark, if there is in exiscuneu Warchouse Book, it would be of tho moss important utility now to produce it in vindication of Mr. Kelly's character.
"Ninth.-All the goods received since the 5ith of "July, wore entored on a fow sheots of paper sowed to. "gelier."

This has already been noticed under the second charge,
"Tonth.-The goods imported by Deane, on the " 301 h of June, were entered since the 5th July;' also "thognads that artived onithe 5 th of July, and the goods "imparted by Burke and O'Neil; by which tha duties "under the ofd tariff were avoidel."

There was no erime imputed to Mr. Kelly in this matter, bul it was necessary to remark it, to account for "quintity of goods which arrived in Muy and. June, and not envered daring the quarter, nod was ruther in vindication of Mr. Kelly than otherwise.
"Eleventh.-Cerinin sums recoived from Mr. "Stratge were kept biack, or borrowed from one jeo"riod to another."

Mr. Kelly provos that the cheque was dated the 6th of April; his return for that quarter to the Inspector General's Office, was not made until the 22 nd, at letist it wis nol receiveduntil the 24th; now, if they did not get this monéy in time to retirn it, he was guity of great nogloct of duty, as it wis from the pasi guanter, and ais he hata called whit his nceountand liad his cliequa' mado oil, but he adinits recoiving it a fow days after; nad ther kept tit untillifter the th of July, thus doing Mr . Strange an injustice, dy reprosenting him to the Govern tolit as having mate no sales from Jnuaty to

April, or having neglected to pay the duties when it was notorious ho why suriting goodis at aution dally; ut best it was a fifse return.
"Twalfih.-Tha sums erodited to tha Government "by Mr. Kully for die Stompers "Gure," "8r Lamine," "und "Americh," lo not corrospond will the sums op. "terad in Mr.' Bethumo's Books, "1s paidfor hesostoam"urs."

In answor to this stitement of the undersighod, Mr . Kolly says somo ovidonce should be adduced, and bu insists on further investigntion.

Why did Mr, Kally not go to the urants of these bonts mul get thoir statoments, as he fid Humitor and Witson's, und so contradiot this 'ipportant lhet! Suroly the onus probandi in tefenco oflis owh charactor is with himsolf, but tho books from which the undor.: signed, took his stutement; woild be ovidence in' a Court oll Lay.

## "Thirteonth and Fourteonth-The Harbour Dues wero collected in an imperfect manner."

Mr. Kelly says that Mr. Ogilvio's leter will shew
Mr. Kelly says that Mr. Ogilvio's letter wilh shew
thut Mr. Cameron'sstatement so lar as remards Mr. O. is wholly unsustainable, as Mr. O. cortifiat that he did not pay into Mr. Kolly's office nny Harbour Dues.

What is the fret?' Mr. Urquhart, agent for Mr. Ogivio, paid LO 6s: 0 , , ts satal by the Commissimer,
and the original puper received from Mr. Ogilve is Ogivie, paid $\& 0$ 6s: $\theta$ d, ths sated by the Commissiuner,
and the origimal puper received from Mr. Ogive is annoxed, marked C, and no such sums reveived for stich vessels, ni such dates, have been returnod to che Inspector Gonoral's' Depmrtment, Allbough tion undersigued has this day vory chrefully examined the accoung, and some of the scliopnors do not open appear at all in lis (Mr. Kelly's) return, which proves that other items must have been omilled; and fapitior invastigation in this case will no doubt show a much greader amount of errors of this kind,
"Fifteenth. - On the specifie charge of" borrowing," Mr. Kelly says "it is that the sums enumerited lvere "" not on He 28ih Jily, tho date of Mr. Chameron's' Rat" "port, deposited nor renderedin account, but Were bor" "roved."

Mr. Caineron checked of all sums recoived from Customs, but none of the sums montiongt frotin tiar. bour Dues or Licences; and aroference to dates would. havo convinced Mri. Kolly that Mr. Browne had no
paid him. paid him.

At the time alluded to the sum paid to the Bank to the credit of the Roceiver Genemal, up io the ath of July, wis only e54t, not quito the amount received from Customs.

The following facts in conelusion will show how the account is balanced:-

The gross amounl received by Mr. Kolly up to the 18i. August, was \&1542.

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What then becomes of the statement that all sums of money received had been paid in, when it was necessary to take LSS from this source to make the balance, Lesides $\mathbf{L 3 2}$ 4s. 3d. for which there was no authority. The fact is, he (Mr. K.) wis actually a defaulter on the lirst of August, for both these sums, ' $£ 12043$

An overcharge of salary, he having charged
£230 0s. 9d. for six months and tiventyseven days, whereas he was only entilled to 517210 s .3 d. ; making a lurther balance of
66.06

Unpaid the difference on steambont account,
The Ifarbuar Dues of Ogilvie and Rubert-
son,
670
1266
The amount collected from Rowsell,' . . 1060
and a few entries not completed.
In default, $£ 21543$
One circumstanee farther, which although not direct$1 y$ connected with the case, throws great light on it.

Mr. Kelly was permited to deposit all the cash received, in the Upper Canada Bank in his own name, to be transferred to the Receiver General from time to time, but the undersigned discovered, accidentally, that Mr. Kelly had overdrawn' his account, between $£ 400$ and $£ 500$, and had he suffered the account to go on as usual hy daily deposits from the Custom House, that it would soon be batanced at the Bank, and Icave a like sum due by Mr. Kelly to the Government; however, an order was issued immediately after this, requiring Mr. Kelly not to deposit any longer to his own credit, but to transmit to the Agency at Kingston to the credit of the Receiver General, which appeared to the undersigned to have had the effect of keeping Mr. Kelly nearly right with the Revenue, though the undersigned' has reason to believe the said balance is still due to the Upper Canada Bank; of course this is no affair of the Government, but it strikes the undersigned as being of importance, as accounting, with the other funds already mentioned from seizures, for the wholesome'state of the balance.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

## MALCOLM CAMERON.

November 30lh.-Mr. Roy's Affidavit has been received this day and will be found annexed to this Report.

## M. CAMERON.

December 1st.-Mr. Graham, the Accountant's,Affdavit I reccived this day, and it will befound annexed.

## M. CAMERON.

## D.

(Copy.)
Monday, 13 th November, 1843.
My Dear Sm,-The explanation given with respect to Brett's Treas, I think satisfactorily accounts for the whole importation.

Piper's entry, Mr. Graham thinks was made on the 4th January, and will be found in the accounts to 5 thi of that moith; the money was probably not actually received 'till 21st, and hence the endorsement in Mr . Kelly's hand writing,-the yariance is a proof of the
badness of the system pursued, of allowing entries and removal of goods without cash down. "Nous avons changé tout cela."

Campbell's and Rowsell's entrics I can say nothing more about.

Yours, very truly,
ROBERT STANTON.

## (Copy.)

Statement of Tonnage Dues received at the Port of Toronto, for quarter ending 5th July, 1843 :-

(A true copy.)
I. G. O.

23rd November, 1843.

Harbour Dues paid by Messrs. A. Ogilvie \& Co.


Toronta.
JAS, BROWNE,
Per J. II.

## G.

Account of Harbour Dues charged A. Ogilvie \&s. Co. per the following vessels:

## Per Steamer Cily of Toronto.


(K.K.K.)

## 24th Mareh.

Per Princess Royal.
Brought forward,....... $\mathfrak{E O}^{2} 1$
Ciot. qrs. lls. " ' $\quad$ s. $\quad d$
May 12-On 121 ps $261 \quad 0$ 11—0 16
$26-420$ " 4

$20-153: 4117 \quad 2 \quad 14-0 \quad 7 \quad 4$

$\begin{array}{lllllllll}27- & 64 & 6 & 643 & 0 & 0-2 & 0 & 2 \\ 30 & 6 & 51 & 6 & 94 & 1 & 0-0 & 5 & 10\end{array}$
$4 \quad 13$
Per Steamer Union.
May 17-On 3 bbls. Whiskey,
0.9

Per Steamer Sovercis n.


0139
Per Steamer America,
May 25-On 5 bbls. Whiskey, $\quad 0 \quad 13$
Per Stcimer Gore,
June 5-On 1 pl...... 220
0 0.1
Per Steamer Oneida.
6 -On 25 ps. 40 0 $0-0$ or 6
Per Steamer St. Lazorence.
11 -On $293 \mathrm{ps} 149 \quad 0 \quad 9-0 \quad 9 \quad 4$
Per Schooner Louisa,
11 -On $7 \mathrm{ps} .60 \quad 214-0 \quad 4.3$
0161
Per Schouner Princoss Royal:
10-
184 2 0
0116
$\begin{array}{ll} & 6 \\ 6\end{array}$
Toronto, 5th July, 1843.
GEO. URQUHART,
Per L. M'Callom.

Toronto, 5th July, 1843.
Mr. Northcote, Entercd,
58 barrels Salt, 2s. 6d. per ubl.
£7 add 2-13ths,

10
$\begin{array}{ccccc}\text { Harbour Dues on } 33 \mathrm{bbls} \text { at } 3 \mathrm{~d} . & . & 0 & 8 & 3 \\ \text { Permit, } & . & . & 0 & 2\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lll}£ 8 & 13 & 1\end{array}$
Paid.
6th July.
Entered.
Memo. 6ih July
Richard Northcote entored and paid duty on 58 barrels Salt, at 5 s .

2s. 6d. ster. per bble 540
190
Add 1-5th and 1-12th $0 \quad 2.5$

Tononso, 12Lh August, 1843
SIr, -In answer to your inquiries, - Mid Kelly say the Inspector of Customs was up, and unless the cases were sent down, he would get his head in his hand; I reply, 1 do not recollect ever hearing those words made use of by myself or Mr. Kelly.

What I said about the furnishing the Invoices is, that on the arrival of those received in December, I gave copies of the Invoices to Mr. Kclly,--on the remnant coming in spring, I furnished a second copy, and subsequently twice I furnished copies.

## ALEX. GAMILTON.

To J. Rox, Esq.
D. C. C.

Toronto.

## Toronto, 8th August, 1843.

Dear Sir,-Yesterday your's of the 5th came to hand:-I hasten to reply.

The circumstances and conversation are these; early on the morning of the 15 th or. 16 th of July, youcame into our store and inquired if we were not in the habit of importing from the United Slates-I said somelittle. You asked what duties we paid last year-Lirequested you would walk up stairs, where I shewed you: our invoices and receipts for the duties. You remarked they were right, corresponding with the entries in Mr. Kelly's Books.

You then asked what we had paid or were owing this year ; I told you we had paid nothing for goods importeds this yoar; that any duties accruing upon goods imported by us this year were stilldue; anounting to about $£ 46$; you then asked if we had anygoodsin the Bonded Warehouse; I said we had two cases; you asked when they Were put there; I told you two or three evenings ago: You then said you knew it, as you saw them go, being on the watch, from some suspicion on your mind that some person or persons at the Collector's Office were attempting to hoodwink or deceive you. . You asked if they contained the goods mentioned in the invoices shewn you, and upon which duties were due. Ianswered not-only a part; as Mr. Kelly informed me when", he requested them sent down, such part would do, as : would secure the duties, or the Government from loss; and therefore it was necessary only to pack and send down such a part as would do that; which I said was: done, there being; as I supposed, double the amount in the two cases, of the duties iowing by us. It appeared singular to me at the time that such a circumstance should be noticed, nor was I a ware that Mr. Kelly or ourselves were acting wrong in any respect in the: whole transaction,' until from his anxiety and the conversation with yourself I was made avare of it, as we were in the habit, in Mr Savage's time, of having the goods sent up as soon as they came to the wharf, and ve furnished the invoices as soon after as possible; and during Mr. Carfraes time, the invoice was furnished and the permit granted, and goods sent up, the duties being paid in 3 or 4 or 5 or 6 months, as conventent; and we neither knew of our acting wrong, or Mr. Kelly being in the slightest r degree culpable.

The above is as near as possible the conversation which tonk place between us.

[^51] nish to any one, shall be most readily done.

DearSir,
Your most ghedient Servant,

## ALESANDER ILAMILTON.

To M. Cameron, Esquite, Inspector of Customs.

Personally appeared before me, Charles Berczy, Esquire, one of Her Majesty' Juatices of the Peace for the IIome District, John Roy, Deputy Collector of Customs for the Port of Toronto, whe being duly sworn, deposelh and saith, that there was no Warehouse Book kept at this office; that some time car! in the summer, the Deputy Inspector General of Canada, and the Collector of Montreal came to this office, and amongrst other enquiries asked for a Bonded Warehunse Book; on the departureof these gentlemen to the upper part of the Province, a book containing the goods received from Quebec and Muntreal, in bond, was made out previous to their return.

This de ponent further saith that there wero no entries made from the opening of the navigation for 1843, in any Book, of Auctioncers' Duties or Licences, 'Tonnage Dues, or Harbour Dues ; that the whole business of the office was transacted on slips of paper which were copied by the present Accountanl, Mr. Graham, who came to the office on the first of May. This deponent further saith, that Mr. Kelly informed him that Hamilton and Wilson would send into the Queen's Warchouse two boxes of goods which they were unable to pay duties upon, and that they were to remain there until the present examination was over; deponent did not receive the goods; they were however put into the Warchouse without the knowledge of this deponemt; that the said goods were said to be the same goods as imported by Itamilton and Wilson in April last. This deponent was afterwards ordered by the present Collector to take a particular account of these goods, and they amounted to about one-fourth of the value of the original packages; Mr.. Inamilton informed this deponent that he liad sold the remainder; that they had removed the goods from Mr Kelly, with the understanding that he, Mr. Kelly, was to pay the duties, with the exception of a few pounds, as Mr. Kelly owed them nearly the amount for furniture. Mr. Hamilton further informed this deponent that sevoral friends of $\mathbf{M r}$. Kelly's had called upon him and said he was the cause of Mr. Kelly losing his situation, in consequence of the statement he had made to Mr. Cameron; he said he was sorry for it, but that he had told nothing but the truth; they wished him to make a different statement, which he declined doing ; he was then asked if he would go to Kingston and give evidence in the matter: he replied that he could be of no service to Mr. Kelly, as he had already told all he know about them. This deponent further declareth that, to the best of his recollection and belief, he gave a statement from memory of the greater number of the vessels which had paid tonnage dues for the year 1843, when the Commissioner of Customs was in the office.

JOHN ROY.

## Sworn before me, this $\}$ <br> 27th November, 1843. <br> Charles Berczy, <br> J, P. H, D.

Received this paper, 30th Noyember, and handed it in to the Inspector General's Office, to be filed with my Repret.

MALCOLM CAMERON,

Personally appeared before me, Charles. Berczy,

## (K, K.K.)

 Esquire, one of Her Majesty's Justices" of the Pence for the Ilome District, George Graham, Accountant at the Custom House, Port of Toronto, who bning duly sworn, deposeth and saith that he has to the best of his knowledge and belief seen a Book purporting to be a Bonded Warehouse Book, but that he never made entry in it; that it was kept by Mr. Kelly, late Collector ; and with reference to a Ledger, deponent futher saint that there was a Book kept in this office in 1843, shewing the general resul,, "but not under distinct heads:" in this was entered the total amount of Duties, Harbour Dues, AuctionDuties, and Auctioneer's Licences, the detail of which was to be ascertained from the Day-Book or Blotter; the last time deponent saw those Books, was in the possession of Mr. Kelly, late Collector.GEORGE GRAHAM.
Sworn to before me, this 28th?
day of November, 1843.
Charles Berczy,
J. P. I. D.

Received, December 1st, 1843, and referred to the Inspector General.

MALCOLM CAMERON.

Toronto, 15th July, 1843.
Mr. William Carpenter,

| One bureau, | \$13,00 |
| :---: | :---: |
| One table, . | 4,50 |
| Six chairs, | 3,75 |
| Two fenther-beds | 12,00 |
| A lot of bed clothes, | 8,00 |
| Add 10 per cent | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 41,25 \\ 4,12 \end{array}$ |
|  | 45,37 |
| Duty 5 and 4 per cent, | 4,09 |

Enlered. Paid.

Rochesten, May 12th; 1843.

## IH. Piper,

1 box of lead pipes. .' . . . . '. . \$\$7,85
H. PIPER,

Duty $\$ 1,29$.
I, Hiram Piper, affirm, that the Invoice hereunto an. nexed contains a just and true statement of the prices, the quanlities and contents of the several parcels or articles of Merchandize coumerated therein', and import. ed per the America; for my account; and that the prices therein are charged at the current value of the like merchandize at the port of exportation.

## H. PIPER.

$\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { Sworn to before me, at the Custom } \\ \text { House in the City of Toronto, this } \\ 21 \text { st day of July, } 1843 \text {. }\end{array}\right\}$
Wh. M. Keley, Collector.
H. \& W. Rowseld,

Bought of the-Press Manufactory,

| 1 Impl. No. 4. Washington Press, | \$240,00 |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1 medium slice galley, | 1,75 |
| 1 quarto do. | 1,50 |
| 2 common galleys, | 1,00 |
| 6 double brass roof do.' | 16,50 |
| 1-20 in. composing stick, | 3,25 |
| 1-14" do. | 2,25 |
| 2-10" ${ }^{\text {2 }}$ ' do. | 3,50 |
| 6-8" do. | 9,00 |
| 26 pair cases at \$1. 75. | 45,50 |
| 12 job do. " 1.25. | 15,00 |
| 189 yards furniture | 9,45 |


| Dutyat 78 5 on \$ 240,00 | 18,48 |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | 12,00 |
| Duty al 4 \& 5 on 108,70 | 4,78 |
|  | 5,43 |
|  | 40,69 |
|  |  |
|  | 41,19 |

1, Henry Rowsell, affirm, that the Invoice hereunto annexed conlains a just and true statement of the prices', the quantities and contents of the several parcels articles of merchandize enumerated therein, and imported perthe America, for my account ; and that the prices therein are clarged at the current value of the like inerchandize at the port of exportation.-So help me God.

## HENRY ROWSELL.

Sworn to before me, at the Custom)
House in the City of Tononto, this 26th day of July, 1843.

W. M. Keliy.

Memo. of Mr . Brett's entries of Tea up to the 1st August.

| July 10.-4 chests, 15. -5 chests | 4 catties <br> Tea, |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Aug. 1,-5 do | Y. H. Tea, | 28 |
| " 3.-3 do | Levant Ter | 17 |
| 4 do | Twankay, | 19 |
| 26 pieces |  | 22 |

## Messrs, Rowsecx.

July 21,-Printing Press and Type, $\because$ ※15 2
" 26, - A lot of Stationery, $\quad . \quad 2 \quad 7$
Amount of duties by them from 5th July to
Ist Aügust
Had no oportunity of making entries, except foom 5th July to 1st August, in which differences appear as stated.

Kingston, 27th October, 1843.
Malcola Cameron, Esq.
Sir,—On examining Mr. Kelly's Return from 5th July to 1st August, there does not appear to be any entry made of Mr. Brett's Teas, as per account herewith, of 7th July, say

| 20 half chests | 1118 |
| :---: | :---: |
| 5 do | do |
| 5 do Twankay | 294 |
| 20 | 247 |
| 20 | boxes Y. |

1899 lbs . Tea, and which requires explanation:

I further observe, as per account, that a Washington PressandS Sationery, value $\$ 240$ and $\$ 108,70=\$ 348,70$, dated 17th July, and imported 20th, of which there is no entry, though I do perceive entered on the 21st July, "Printing Press and Types" $\$ 476$, and on the 260 th , Stationery $\$ 100,70$ : the latter may be the Stationery referred to, but which also requires explanation.

In many cases the Collector has collected (as per memo.'s furnished) the Provincial duty on the additional 10 per cent. added to Invoice', though the correct duty is crodited to Government; the differences I am enabled. to trace, amount to $£ 43 \mathrm{~s}$. 7d, being so much over exacted by Collector:

See memo : dated 19th July, of Mr. Carpenter's' furniture: Is this intended for same lot as "per account of 15 th , the latter only being credited by Mi. Kelly?

I do not see any entry of H. Piper's lead pipes, dated the 21st July:

I am Sir,
Your obedient servant,
Wm. DICKINSON.
N. Y. June 17th, 1843.
R. H. Brett,

Bought of L. M. Hoffman and Co.
20 half chests Y.H.Tea, 1398,280, 1118 lbs.
at 30 c , $\$ 335,40$
5 half do $344,80,294$ at 40 c , $\quad 117,60$
5 do Twankay, $327,80,247$, at 35c, $\quad 87,45$
20 boxes $\mathbf{Y}$. Hyson, 240, at 40c, $\quad 96,00$
Entered:

Mr. Carpenter,



Statement of Mr. Kelly, in reply to the Addilional
Report of Malcolm Cameron, Esquire, dated King'ston, 2tth November, 18.43.
Mr. Cameron admits that Mr. Kelly's classification of Mr. Caneron's charges and imputations againsi him is an arrangment "at unce convenicnt and tangible."

Mr. Kelly, in order tomake each of his explanations and replies as distinct and satisfactory as possible, will place them in red ink in juxta-position to Mr. Carreron's allegations.

First.-Mr. Kelly considered this to be a complaint, speing it urged against him. Nr. Kelly's explanation has rompelled Mr. Cameron to admit that it cond bot amount to a charge, and Mr. Cameron findiug his allegation to fail in criminating Mr. Kelly, now for the first time asserts that Mr. Kelly "had no Booksat that time." It is most extraordinary that Mr. Cameron could have been led to make such an assertion, since Mr. Cameron hat "at that lime" minuty exemined, marked off, and clrecked each entry in Mr. Kelly's Day Brook. The Books thon in use by Mr. Kully aro new in the possession of the Inspector General and Mr. Kelly's successor, which will be by themeltes a sufficient eflutation of Mr. Cameron's assertion.

Mr. Kelly would also refer to his answer, to this first charge, in his former statement.

Second.-Mr.Kelly would, in the first instance, refer to his previous reply in his former statement to this tharge. In answer to Mr. Cameron's additional charge, of his having no Ledger and no Books except on a few sheets of paper, Mr. Kelly would refor to Mr.Cameron's Journal of Inspection in 1842, pullisthed by order of the House of Assembly, being an Appenidix to his Report, page 61, in which he says, in reference to the management of Mr. Kelly's ofice, "that he found a Blotter tantaining a full entry of all goods," and in approbation of the mude in which this book was kept, he has given extracts from it as specimens, wfer which he has stated "the Books are well kept;" he has further, in a letter dited Toronto 29th July, 1842, addressed to the Honourable S. B. Harrision, and published in the same Rcport and Appendix, page 86, stated "the business lias ween well done-Mr. Kelly is constantly in bis office." Mr. Kelly begs leave to state that at the time of Mr. Ctumeron's visits of inspection in the month of July 1843 , Mr. Kelly had in use the identical Books and pursued the same mode of doing business as that which Mr. Cameron had previously approved of, and that up to the hour of his dismissal, Mr. Kelly made full' and explicit entries of all goods in the same Day-Book, and afer the same manner and form as that entry which Mr. Cameron had extracted as a fair specimen of Mr. Kelly's mode of conducting that part of his duties, and which Mr. Cameron had so higlly approved of. These Books are now in the Inspector General's Ofice, and must fully corroborate Mr. Kelly's assertion.

In reference to Mr. Cameron's charge of Mr. Kelly having made some entrics on "a few sheets of paper sewed together" after the 5th of July, the cause of this is fully, and (Mr. Kclly would subinit) satisfactorily
explained in Mr. Kelly's former statement, to which he would in this particular again refer: Mr. Kelly would however further add, that previous to the date of Mr. Cameron's Report he saw all entries which had been made in this paper book or on those "shicets of paper," copied into a new Book properly bound and ruled in accordance to the provisions of the new Tarift, and which bad before been ordered by Mr. Kelly for that purpose. Mr. Cameron compared the copied entries and satisfied himself that they were correct; the last entry contained in the lormer book was made on the 28th July 1843, the date of Mr. Cameron's Report. Mr. Kelly cannot aroid remarking that the suppression of those facts by Mr. Cameron is inost uncandid on his part, Mr. Cameron well knowing that what he calls "sheets of paper," were only nude use of by Mr. Kelly until a DayBook corresponding to the requisites of the new Tarif should be properly prepared, which was accordingly done, and had been in use and was submitted to Mr. Cameroin lefure the date of his Report. Mr. Kelly again asserts that there was a Bonded Warchouse Book, which is now in the possession of Mr. Stanton, the present Cullector of Turonto, and a copy of which is herewith handed to the Inspector General.

In proof of Mr. Camerm's extraordinary assertion, that there was no Bondad Warehouse Book, he malies a statement that there "was no trace" of 50 chests of Tea imported by Mr. Brett on the Ath of July," as either bonded or stored." This is inarcurate and untrue ; the Tea on its arrival was stored and duly entered in Mr. Kelly's Manifust or Warchouse Book, whore alone it ought then to be entered, (they not being bonded grouls, as the duty wis paid on portions of it, the propur further ontrios were made, the remainder was in store at the time of Mr. Kelly's dis. missal, and has been subsequently contered, and the dutios thercon paid by Mr. Brett to Mr. Kelly's succassor; this Cemeron adnits,

In respict to Mr: Rowsell's matter, which Mr. Camoron would mention ass a further and new charge against Mr. Kelly, there is an entiy in the Day-l3ook, made on the day the transaction took place, (viz: 26 th July 1843,) in Mr. Kelly's hand-writing, giving the Government credit for the full anount, £10 6s. 0 d : mabable and received by Mr. Kclly. This explatation would have been given if Mr. Kclly had been applied to, which, however, has not been done.

It is also worthy of remark, that Mr. Cumeron checked off the entrics of which this was one, on their being transferred from one Book to the othor.

In reference to this case, (which is atso a now charge, the transactions were delailed in the Manifest or Warehouse Book from which Mr. Carreron gleaned his information. All Mr. Kelly told Mr. Cameron was the information which Mr. Kelly had obtained from Mr. Roy, whose duty it was to attend the Boats and to take care of the proper storage of the grods, \&c. . The case alluded to was at the time of Mr. Cameron's investigation, in store, and it is most extraordinary that it, was not then discovered by either Mr. Roy or Mr. Cameron, when they profess to have mado their search; but, in a feo days after $\mathrm{Mr}_{\text {: }}$. Kelly's dismissal, it was discovered in store.

Third.-Mr. Kelly confidently perscveres in his. former assertion that the Harbour Dues were regularly entered by him as paid, notwithstanding Mr. Cameron's attempted contradiction. The first instance which Mr. Cameron has furnished, to sustain lis contradiction, has no connection whatever with Harbour Dues, but has referonce to Tonnage Dues, which are a distinct and different source of Revenue, and collected in a different minner.

The Tonnage Dues are an annual charge of 1 s . per ton, payable on British vessels, for the support of Light-houses, under the provisions of a Provincial Statute.

The Harbour Dues are payable on merchandize, and not on craft, which Mr. Cameron ought to be, and no doubt is aware of.' During the previous' winter Mr. Kelly had caused his Deputy to take an account of all the steamers and other craft which were then laid up at Toronto, with the object and intention of securing the payment of the Tonnage or Light-house Dues from all the vessels then wintering there;--this was done, and from this list Mr. Kelly returned to the Government a correct account.

With regard to this further and new charge respecting 8s. 31. For Harbour Dues, it will be found credited to Government, under the entry per schooner Native.'

Fourth.-Mr. Kelly cannot conceive on what grounds Mr. Cameron can assert that Mr. Kelly admits this charge. Mr. Kelly in his previous statement denied this ctharge, and he cannot refrain from copying that denial.
"The sums received by Mr. Kelly from time to time "for Auction Dues, were, on the day of receipt, enter"' ed in the Bloter or Day-Book as all other sums receiv"" ed by him on the public account were entered, and at "the end" of each quarter the sums so received were "stated and entered in a separate account, and in that " form transmitted to the Inspector General."

This is what Mr. Cameron is pleased to designate an admission. Mr. Kelly denies that it is such; on the contrary, he asserts it to be a distinct denial, and Mr. Kelly also refers to his books to corroborate his statement.

Fiflh.-Mr. Kelly has fully explained this in his former statement, to which he would again refer, by which it is manifest in this and the other similar cases, the entire transactions were in strict accordance with the law and his duties; in fact, those instances could only have been so noticed by Mr. Cameron, either in ignorance of the law or from a desire to damage Mr. Kelly, by accumulating apparent charges against him.

Sixth-Mr. Kelly would ngain refer to his former explanation of this charge, and the staternent of Mr . Robertson which accompanied it. In the second statement Mr. Cameron endeavours to give much more unfavourable features to the transaction than the actual circumstances warrant. The facts are simply these :Mr. Roberison purchased at Oswego and exhibited to Mr. Kolly the invoice of '500' batrels of Salt', for the duties upon which, by lav, he was entitled to six months' credit, and which le expcted to ecelve in one shipment; : 250 barrels only arrived in the first instance, 'the remaining 250 barsels were hourly expected to arrive, in anticipation of which the entry was deferred, an accommodation which Mr Kelly believes would not be refused by any, Collector in Canada to any merchant of Mr. Robertson's respectability and standing Mr. Kelly submits, that in this transuction there was no violation either of law or equity, and he denies that liere is one - instape in which a rader in Toronto has made any - Complaint against him as to the mode in which he discharged the Office of Collector; but on the contrary, he can confidently appeat to the merchants and traders of and at Toronto as to the strict mpartialty with which he performod the duties of his office. Mr. Kelly bas litle doubt that if any such complaint had come vithin the knowledge of Mr Cameton, he wouldrejoce in The opportunity of bringingit forward:

Seventh. -Mr . Kelly refers to his former answer to this charge, as well for the purpose of general explanation as to refute Mr . Cameron's assertion that Mr . Kelly admits that he had been in the habit of receiving several sums of which no entries were made in his books. Mr. Kelly has made no such admission, nor has he ever been guilty of a habit so irregular and improper; afler a most rigid and unscrupulous investigation of his accounts by Mr. Cameron, assisted by Mr. Roy, Mr. Kelly's Deputy, (whio appears to have had'no friendly disposition tovivards Mr. Kelly, as is evidenced by his conduct,' statements and affidavits, after the strictest and very' unusual enquiries 'made by Mr. Cameron among the merchants of Toronto and their clerks, in reference not only to the sums paid by them during the pending quarter but since the time of his assuming the Office of Collector, and from other parties who had paid other sums of money to Mr. Kelly on account of other sources of Revenue, Mr. Kelly's credits to the Goveriment were found to correspond with the statements of the persons applied to, which is strong evidence of the accuracy of Mr. Kelly's habits of transacting the business; in fact, the only instances of duties alleged to have been paid, but omitted to have bien entered on the day of payment, amounted to four, and are stated by Mr. Cameron in his grinted Report of the $19 \mathrm{~h}^{\prime} \mathrm{July}$, page 107,

| Sovereign, Duties on Hopss, $\quad \therefore$ £ 3 9 3 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |
| Hinds,' | do. | Cider'and Fruit, | 0 0 69 |
| Lane, | do. | Apples, | O 910 |

The total of duties upon which amount to $£ 516 \mathrm{~s}$. 10d. currency. But it is most important to add that those goods were all of them entered in the Manifest or Warehouse Book, and their omission could not have failed to have been discovered by Mr. Kelly at the end of the quarter, and set right by him before vouching his accounts, is had been the case at the termination of former quarters." Mr. Kelly would submit thatitis ${ }^{\text {s }}$ a harsh and unprecedented mode of treating him, to select those four isolated items a's specitmen's of his general habits of transacting the public business, and leads him to the condusion that Mr. Camerons when preparing his Reports against Mr. Kelly, was largely influenced by a desire to injure and disparage him with the Government. The harst conclusions which Mr. Camergh so readily reaches, and the severity of the terms he employs, manifest more of a spirit of personal hostility towards Mr . Kelly than a desire of fairly setting forth, for the information of the Governor General, the mode in which Mr Kelly was found by him to have been generally performing his official duties: In respect to the instances mentioned by Mr, Cameron,-Mr Dun. lop's was a barrel of fruit; Mr. Stewart's was fish (duty free); and Mr. Thorpe's was in store.

Eighth, Respecting this charge, Mr. Kelly would refer to his, former statement respecting it . Mr . Hamillon's affidnvit does not substantiate Mr. Camcron's charge, but on the contrary negatives the material allegations made by Mr. Cameron in his pre vious teports; it absolutely contradicts in unequivocal term, Mr. Camerons assertion the Mr Kelly had ever consented to permit his private acoont with Messis Himitito and Wilson, bo be me a seto agans the duties pyable to the Crown, and it is strongy fidicatie of the temper and tone of Mf. Camerons strictores on Mr Kely bat he whold stil porsever in pressing the portion of the charge, notwithitanding Mr. Kellys positive dent and $\hat{\mathrm{H}}$.
 also denies that Mr, Kelly hat mite use of the words

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(K.K.K.) altributed by Mr. Canceron to him, viz: that he "should have his head in his hand," which denial is further sustaned by the letters from Mr. Hamilton, appended to Mr. Cameron's last Reports, whe addressed to himself and the other to Mr. Roy, in reply to enquitits which thase gentlemen thought it necessary to iustitute on this sulject, Mr. Kelly did nut consider it a necossary precauiton to minute all his conversations with Mr. Cancron after they had occurred, a circumstance le hats now occasion ta regret; he is therefure compelled to have recourso to documents, circumstances and dates, which will demonstrate that he could not have made the false statement respecting the storage of chose groots which Mr. Camerom so unfuirly and unjusily asserts that he has.

Mr. Hamittom in his amblavit, states that two cases of the same grods were deposited in the Store on the 13th July, the day of Mr. Cameron's arrival in Turonto; and on the next lay, the $14 \mathrm{th}, \mathrm{Mr}$. Cameron commenced his investigation, so that they were in store at tho earliest time Mr. Cameron could have made any enquiry respecting them. In Mr. Camcron's Report of the 28ih July, Mr. Cameron states, "the two cases of Hamilton and Wilson are still in store." "Mr. Kelly, infurmed me of the fact of their delivery to tho parties and his ordering them back, and says they comtain all the goods not entered by Hamilion and Wilson, and that the duty will be about £45." Now it is apparent from Mr. Cameron's own adinission, that Mr. Kelly grave him every information rospecting this case, and Mr. Kelly was not guilty of a suppression of any of the facts connected with tho transaction in his communication with Mr. Cameron on the suljeet.

What other conversation Mr. Kelly may have had with Mr. Cameron it is impossible for him now to recollect, (and this affords hilin a further occasion to regret that he did not minuto them, but he will be believed by overy one who knows him that he is incapable of asserting "that these goods were in store when he knew they werc not." Mr. Cameron's assortions that Mr. Kelly "got other goods packed up and sent to the Custom House," is negatived by Mr. Hamilton's affidavit.

Ninth.-This charge has been explained in Mr. Kelly's first statement, and in his reply to the second charge in this statement.

Tenth.-This allegation appeared to Mir. Kelly to be a charge, because Mr . Cameron states that the delay "saved the higher duties" payable under tho old Tariff, and Mr. Cameron does not state that it 'was beyond Mr. Kelly's power to prevent this consequence, which Mr. Kelly in his former "vindication" of himself against this charge (to which he would refer) clearly shews that there was no apparent necessity that Mr . Cameron should mention those circumstinces as a "vindication" of Mr. Kelly, and the statement was dearly made by him as a clarge, and in ignorance of the duties and powers of Collecturs.

Eleventh.-Mr. Kelly confidenily relics on his former vindication of himself against this charge, to which he would refer. It would not be, and was not Mr. Kelly's duty to place in that quarter's account, the amount of the cheque in question, because even if paid on the day it bears date (which it was not) the transaction would belong to the same quarler as that in which it has been placed, and Mr. Kelly is at a loss to imagine how his placing it in the quarter to which it properly belonged, could become a breach of duly or work injusitice to Mr.' Strange.

Tivelfth.-This chargo is also met by Mr. Kelly in his former statement, by a specific explanation and a denial, to which he would refer; he would, however, further add the items of payment made in respect of cach boat, and tho dates as they apperir in Mr. Kelly's looks, and aro credited to the Guvermment as follows:-

The "Britannia."


This sum corresponds wilh Mr. Cameron's account, and Mr. Caneron is inaccurate in saying Mr. Kelly only returned $\mathcal{L} 6$ 11s. 5 Jd .

The "Amcrice."

This Mr. Cameron admits to be correct, and it is difficult to say why he has stated the matter.

As regards the Steamer "Gore," Mr. Kelly appends hereto a letter from Mr. Bethune's Agent, marked $\Lambda$, from which it appens that the sums paid on account of that boat, amount to $£ 17 \mathrm{lds}$. 9 d . which Mr . Kelly for the same period has credited the Government.
1842.-April 5, Recurned by Mr. Manalan, £2 5. 9

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Mr , Cameron's disparaging enquiry, "why Mr. Kolly did not go to the Agents of the Boats and get their statements as he did Hamilton and Wilson's, and "so contradict this important fact!" is fully answered by the letter' of Mr. Bethune's Agent above referred to, which had been obtained by Mr. Kelly long before the date of Mr . Cameron's last Report.

Thirteenth and Fourtcenth.-Mr. Kelly assorts that Mr. Urquhart, Agent for Mr. Ogilvie, has not paid him those Harbour Ducs as staled by Mr. Cameron. Mr. Kelly has writen to Mr. Urquiaitt on this sulject, and will either append or hand in his reply whem received. Tlie sums of which this amount, £6 12s. 9 d . forms a part, have been paid into Mr. Kelly's office by the Criptains or owners of the Vessels, and afterwards' collecled for them by their Agents, Messes. Urqulart and Brown, of which Mr. Caineron inust be well aware, since, in his Report of the ? Sth July, ho slates that "the stenm vessels keep an account them"selves and pay over quarterly to the Custom House, " and" the schooners only pay when sharply looked "after." All sums received by Mr. Kelly for Hitrbuur Dues have been regularly entored in his Books, and afterivirds duly lodged to the credit of the Receiver Cenerál.

Fiflecnth.-Mr. Kelly conisiders this chatrge to be one of the most serious of those which Mr, Cameron

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(K.K.K.) has preferred against him, and he would, therefore, most earnestly request attention to the terms in which it is stated by Mr. Cameron in his Report of the 28 th July, and to tho circumslances whicli he there sets forth to sustain it, and also to the reply and explanation of Mr. Kelly, which amply and fully, refute it and all its accompanying details.

In Mi. Cameron's statement of this charge, he avers that in his examination of Mr. Kelly's Books, he discovered that a sum of $£ 12044 \mathrm{~s}$. 2 d . had been "borrowed," and he enumerates the items which he slated composed this sum, several of which are for Harbour Dues and Licenses; it is therefore most extroorlinary, that Mr. Cameron having almitted the fact of examining those accounts in his former Report, should now state that he only checked off the receipts for Customs, (seo conclusion in Mr. Camerun's Report of 2sth July.). Mr. Cameron having left Mr. Kelly's explanation of and reply to this charge wholly unanswered, and having, in his place in the House of Assembly on the 2nd of December (subsequent to this Report) stated that Mr. Kelly had not been'a defaulter, has, notwithstanding, in this last Report, preferred a further and new charge, that Mr. Kelly, was, on the 1 st of August, $a^{\text {a defaulter in the sum of }}$ £215 14s. 2l. which Mr. Kelly asserts is not sustainable either by the facts or by the state of his accounts. This Mr. Kclly cannot more clearly or more plainly demmstrate than by shewing the stato of his account with the Government on the 31st of July, the day before his dismissal, and then to account for his receipts on the 1st of August, which terminated his official duties.

The Provincial Government in Account Current with W. M. Kelly.

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1843. 

July 17.-To Cash lodged to Credit ot


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Leaving a balance of 6s. 10. in Mr Kelly's favour, without making any charge for Commission on Customs Duties, Harbour Dues or Auction Duties, which wowld leave a further balance of $£ 60$ odd in Mr, Kelly's favourt.

[^52]The Provincial Government in Account Current with
W. M. Kelly,

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Mr: Kelly denies that he was "permitted to de " posit all the Cash received in his own name, to be "transferred to the credit of the Receiver Gencral " from time to time." No such permission or order ever reached him.

On the 16 th May, 1843, a general order was issued to all Collectors which directed that they should doposit weekly (in sone castes monity) all sums receiver, to the credt of the Receiver General." Mr. Kelly has since its recopt invarialy complied with this order Mr Cameron well lnew of its existence, and of Mr. Kelly's compliance with it and therefore that it was impossiblefor Mr, Kelly to balance his pivato aco onts with the puble noniof, and at the sane time male his weoll wodments the credt of the Recoc Gere-
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Mr Kolly having antively pertused Mr. Cameron's Commission, can discover no autionily given to Mr,

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24th March.
Cameron to instituto such a mode of investigation as he has chosen to adopt in rospect to Mr. Kelly's official conduct; but he finds a still greater difficulty in discovering any authority conferred on Mr. Cameron to authorize his intruding his enquiries into Mr. Kelly's private aflairs.

The state of Mr. Kelly's private account with his Bankers is most improperly introduced now, thoulgh previous to Mr. Cameron's having made his two former Reports, and on his arrival in Toronto in the month of June, he (without apprizing Mr. Kelly of his intention) wont to the Upper Canada Bank, and was, in the absence of the Cashier, permitted to examine Mr. Kelly's private account, when he discovered the sum Mr. Kelly had overdrawn, and he adds, "that he has "reason to believe the said balance is still due the Up"per Canada Bank." This insinuation or Mr. Cameron is untrue, and he ought not to have ventured to make it without beter informing himself on the sulject. Mr . Kelly, before he left 'Ioronto, setted his bilince in full with the Upper Canada Bank.

If Mr. Kelly yielded to his own feelings he wrould express limself indiguantly as to the course of conduct adopted, and the nature of the observations made as to Mr. Kelly's official and private character, and also as to Mr. Kelly's private affairs; but Mr. Kelly refrains from doing so, looking forwari, as he does, for that redress condese.endingly promised should be awarded him as soon as he should prove the groundlessucss of the charges preferred against him.

Kingston, 4th March, 1844.

## (Signed,) WM. MOORE KELLY.

## No. 3.

Report of the Deputy Inspector General on Mr. Cameron's Report, and Mr. Kelly's Slatement in reply.
(Copy.)
Inspectior Ceneral's Office, Kingston, 7th May, 1844.

Sir,-I have the honor to acknowledge your reference, by command of His Excellency the Governor General, of the Report of Malcolm Cameron, Esquire, Commissioner appointed to enquire into the state and management of the Customs in Upper Canada, containing certain charges against William Moore Kelly, Esquire, as late Collector of Custums at Toronto, as vell as Mr. Kelly's answers and explanations thereon, together with Mr. Cameron's replies.

I have to express my regret that so much delay has occurred in making this Report, occasioned by the constant and unremitting duties of this office, which were considerably augmented at the very time this reference was made, by the new arrangements for conducting the business of the Receiver General's Department.

1 have now the honor to report for the information of His Excellency, that having fully and maturely considered the several allegations of Mr. Cameron in support of the charges, the explanations of Mr. Kelly, as well as the replies of Mr. Cameron which involve new charges, communication of which it wasconsidered necessary should be given to Mr. Kelly, who furnished further
answers and explanations which are hereunto annexed. Mr. Kelly having for convenience arranged Mr. Cameron's Report into several heads of clarge, numbering them according to the order in which they occur, I proceed to make such observations on each head of charge so distinguished as the result of the enquiry.

First Charge,-"That Mr. Melly had not closed "his accounts (for the quarter ending 5th July, 1843,) "on the 17 th of that month."

To this charge Mr. Kelly pleads, in substance, that the law allows the Collector twenty clear days after the termination of each quarter, to make up and render their accounts to the Office of the Inspector General.This is admitted to be the case; but although such a time is allowed for making up and transmitting the accounts, it is no reason why the Books of the Office, hal there been anything like regularity observed, should not have been closed immediately after the termination of the quarter.

Mr . Cameron asserts that on a previous visit to the Custom House, Mr. Kelly had promised that the accounts would be ready immediately after the 6(h July, as they were then in preparation; white on the 134 of that month the looks and accounts were not clused, which is the circumstance complained of by Mr. Cameron.

Second Charge.-"There was no system of doing "business in Mr. Kelly's Office, and no Bonded Ware"house Book was kept, the only trace of the goods "bonded was by reference to the Bonds."

On the previous part of this charge, "the want of system," it may be observed that it appears the same form of keeping the books continued at the time this charge was made that prevailed in 1842, and noticed in terms of approbation in Mr. Cameron's Report, as printed, at jage 61.

As respects the latter part of the charge, the want of a Bonded Warehonse Buok, Mr. Kelly insists that there was a Bonded Warehouse book kept, which was in use at the time referred to by Mr. Cameron.' A copy of this book, called by Mr. Kelly a Wavelouse Book, is now in the Office of the Inspector General ; it merely contains copies of the manifests furnished by the Masters of Vessels as they arrive, but it does not shew what portion of the effects detailed in the the manifest, are entered for warehousing.

It is most certainly within my knowledge, that on the 23d Junc, 1843, there was no such Book as a Bonded Warehouse Book in use at the Custom House at Toronto, for on that day Mr. Hall, the Collector of Montreal, and myself, being on a tour of duty visiting some of the Ports of Entry to the westward, were at the Custom House at Toronto, when, in answor to the question putby Mr. Hall, "whether a Warehouse Book was in use?" Mr. Kelly stated that there was none. This circumstance is confirmed by the aflidavit of Mr . Roy, the Deputy Collector, appended to Mr. Cameron's reply.

It may, however, be observed, that at the date of Mr. Cameron's Report, the Collectors had not been furnished with any instructions as to the manner of keeping their accounts, nor any form of books indicated to them-each was left to follow any system that best suited them,

Thimd Charge.-"No account was opened in Mr.
"Kelly's books for Harbour Dues, and the entries "wero made in the Blotter "several smallcraft" with " no names, dates or particulars."

The Harbour Dues as well as Tonnage Duties appear to be entered, as regularly as the case would
\$4l2. Atarch. appear to admit, on the Bloter from which the accounts were made up.

It is admitted in Mr. Cameron's Report, page '4, as "printed, that, at Toronto, "it was impossible for the "Collector, with the limited asssistance afforded him, "to prevent the evasion of these dues. The Thaiff re"quires revision; and the other regulations necessary "to ensure their proper collection may be provided "for in the Bill for the general management of the "Revenue."

Fourth Charge.-."There was no account for "monies received for Auction Dues, or Auction Li"cences."

Mr. Kelly asserts that the sums received on these accounts were, on the days of receipt, entered on the Blotter or Day Book, as all other sums recoived, and, at the end of the quarter, posted to separate accomats.

This appears to have been the system in preceding years. As before observed, no particular form of accounts or books were required of the Collectors, each being loft to adopt their own form:

Fiffi Charge.-"The plaister imported by James
"Brown on the 17 th A pril, was not entered, and the "duty thereon was not paid until the 4th July."

Mr. Kelly, in his answer, states that as there was no Warchouse provided by Government for the reception of goods imported, and not entered for the payment of duty, he cites the provision of the Imperial Act 3 \& 4, Will. IV., chap, 59, section 25; allowing a certain time to make entry and land goods, and in default of such entry and landing, they are not to be stored for three inonths, when, if the duty be not then paid, they are to be sold, \&c.

This provision of the Act, it is apprehended, applics to cases where the importers or consignees of the goods are absent, but such is not asserted to be the case by Mr, Kelly.
Undor such a construction of the provisions of the Act; and allowing as was done, in this' case, the inporters to have possession of the goods, in their own store, without the payment of duty, every importer would consider himself entitled to the same indulgence, and thus get a credit of three mondis, at least, for payment of duties, where no credit, it is submitted, was contemplated by the provision of the Act.

Mr. Kelly, as before stated, aflirms that there was no Warehouse provided by Government, in which the articles could be placed until the duty was paid,-this Was not the case, as in April 1843, the time of the importation in question, there was an approved Bonded Warehouse in use at Toronto, in which the articles mighit have been slored and secured at the expense of the Importer, as provided by the Act.
But even in the case of there being no Government Warelouse, there were stores to be had, it is prosumed, in which the articlos in question mighit have been stoted at the expense of the importer, where they might have remained in charge of the Collector, or other Custom House Officer.
This transaction appears to have been extremely ifregularis and not juistified by Mriskelly's explanation. It was, in fact, giving the importer credit for the payment of fluties contrary to law and to the instritetions from the Inspector Gencral's Omice.

Sixth Charge.-"The Salt imported by Charles "Ruberlson on the 20th June, was not entered on the " 17 th July."

This is another instance of gross irregularity, in giving credil for duties to which the importer was not entitled by law, and in direct violation of the instructions from this Department.

In this case it would appear to have been the intention of the Importer, as well as the Collector, to have Bonded the salt unter the provisions of the Provincial Act, had the whole quantity expected, arrived at noarly the sime tine, although in different. vessels, which would haye been contrary to the provisions of the Provincial Act, which allows a credit for duties, on Bond being given, only, on each importution, when the duty on which would amount to $£ 50$ or upsvards.

A portion of the quantity entered only nrrived; the duty on which did not amount to near $£ 50$, yet the importer was' allowed to get possession of 'it, without payment of duly, for nearly a month after its landing.

This, it would appear, was a continuation of an irrerular practice of Collectors, previous to 1842 of allowing merchants possession of the goods imported by them before payment of the duties, which were in many instances collected only townards the end of each quarter, when absolutely required to enable the Collector to make uphis Quarterly Returns.

That previous prictice, it is submittedscould not be pleaded in justification by Mr. Kelly, for when such an irregularity became known to the late Inspector General and mysolf, it was considered our duty to put' A stop in it; and, with that view, a circular was issued from this :Office, 9 th Sept. 1842, addressed to all the Collectors, forbidding them to allow credit for duties, except in cases coming within the provisions of the Proviucial Act $4 \& 5$, Vic. cap. 14, by which the duty on any one importation exceeding 550 might be secured by a Bond heing taken for the mount, payable in six months. That instruction was again noticed in another circular to the Collectors, dated 4th April 1843.
"Seventar Orinage- "Cńelesness and irregula"rity on the part of Mr. Kelly or those acting under "him, in laving in eighty seven instances, of which a "written list", was furnished Mr. Kelly, omitted" to " make proper entrićs."

Mr. Kelly, in answer to this charge, again pleads the time allowed by Law of twenty days to make up bis accounts. First, that if such time had been atIorred him, te wolld have been enabled to discover the omissions in his entries, and corrected them at the close of the ticcount:

This is no jusificication of the gross irregularity in not making the entries in the Books in the order in which each transiction occuited, and justifies the presumptions, that fit least a poition of these items might have been liste to the Revenue had they not been point. ed out by Mr Cameron.
Eighth Charaz-" Having sulfered Messrs, "Numilton"ail Wilsof to remove certain"gools before "entry and payment of dity", upon an undéstatiding "that the amomint of duties was not to be set offagainst "aprivate doht due from Mr. Kelly to Messrs. Him"itton and "Wilson:"
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(K.K.K.) molate a rospectable from, without loss or injury to the Public, \& c.

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This is another instance of Mr. Kelly's irregularity, giving crodit for duties contrary to La w and his instrucfions from this Department, as noticed on the preceding chargo.

Indulgence thus given to who merchant or firm gives a pretence to others to expect the samo, and if withheld is the cause of complaint against the Public servants for acting partially.

As to the part of this charge which imputes to Mr . Kelly that the amount of these dities were to be set off agninst a private debt owing by him to the parties, the evidence is contradictory ; Mr. Roy's affidavit, as well as Mr. Cumeron's statement, appear to be at variance with the affidavits made by Messis. Mamilton and Wilson.

Mr. Roy says " Mr. Hamilton informod him, they,
"Iramilton and Wilson, bad removed tho goods with
"the understanding that Mr. Kelly was to pay the "dutios, with the exception of a ferv pounds, as Mr. "Kelly owed them nearly the nmount,"

Mr. Cameron says "Hamilton told him that £36, "which Mr. Kelly owed them, was to be paid in this "way, i. e. in payment of the duties, to which, Mr. "Cameron alds, he is really to make oath."

Mr. Hamilton's affidavit states that there "was not "s any conversation, direct or indirect, that the privale "account of the Collector should be set off against the "duties."

Mr. Wilson's is to the effect that "there was no " understanding or proposal of the kind he was aware " of."

Ninth charge.-"All the goods received since "the 5th July, were entered on a ferw sheets of paper "sewed together."

The necessity for resorting to a ferw sheets of paper to make the entries, while a now Book was in preparation, appears to be satisfactorily accounted for by Mr. kelly.

Tenth charae--"The goods imported by Doane " on the 30h June, were entered since the 5th July, " also the goods that arrived on the 5th July, and the "goods importel by Burise' and O'Neil, by which the "duties under the old tarif were avoided."

Mr. Kelly culeavours to justify himself on this charge on the same ground as attempled in his answer to the 5 th charge, but, as on the former case, he does not assert that the goods were not landed until the twenty days had ex pired: it is in feiw cases that a yesse! is ictained for such a time, and this is another instance of credit being allowed contrary: to law and to inslructions, and to the prejurlice of the Revenue, the duly being less when paid than it would have been if miil at the time of entry, previous to the operation of the now Act.

Eleventh cinage.m"Certain sums received "fiom Mr, "trange were kept back, or borrowed from " one period to another."

From the explanations given, there dres not appear to be any irregalntity in thistransaction; the money was not received until after the close of the quarter ended 5 th April, and could not consequently be credited in the accounts of that quarter.

Twhefth charge.-" The sums credited to Government by Mr. Kelly for the Steamers Britannia,
Goro and America, do not correspond with the sums entered in Mr. Bethune's Books, as paid for these Steamors."

The answars and explanations to this charge are satisfactory, Mr. Kelly appearing to have accounted for all he received on account of theso Sleamers.

Thimeenph chatge.-Habour Dues weroco!lected in an imperfect manner; and,

Fourteenth cimabe.-Tho sums paid by Rubertson, Ogilvie and Brown, for Harbour and Tonnago Dues on the Sir Francis Bond Hoad were omitted to be credited to Government.

There does not appenr any grounds for these charges. Mr. Cameron admits in his Report, as printed, 41h page, "that it is impossible for the Collector, with the limit" ed assistance nfforded him, to prevent the evasion of " these dues." Vido Remarks on the third charge in this Report.

Fifteenth charge.-S'everal sums ehumemted in Mr. Camerun's Report were nor deposited at tho Bank, to the credit of the Receiver General, but were borrowed.

This charge does not appear to be sustained; Mr. Kelly shows linat his monies were paid to the credit of the Receiver Gencral at the Bank.

In conclusion, I beg leare to state that Mr. Kelly's accounts bave not yet been audited, and cannot finally be so, until sume disputed points between him and Mr. Roy, late his Deputy, are arranged ; but there does not appear to be any defalcation in respect to the amounts of the collections as accounted for.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your obedient humble servant,
JOS. CARY,
Dy, Inspr. Gent.
To the Hon. D. Daly,
Provincial Secretary.

No: 4.

## Letter from Mr. Kelly to the Honorable Dominick Daly.

## (Copy.)

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\text { Kinaston, } 1 \text { st June, } 1844
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Sir,-Under existing circumstances 1 ath ànxious to vindicate my charncter from the imputations laid against me, and upon which I was removed from my office of Collector of Custons at Toronto; and to enable me to do so effectually, I have the honor to request your will be pleased to give me an Official Copy of the Deputy Inspector General's Report on my case.

1 have \&c.
(Signed;)
W. MOORE KELEY

The Fion. D. Daty,
Provincial Secretary.

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Letter from the Ilonorable Dominick Daly to Mr.
Kelly,
(Copy.)

Sccretary's Office, Montreati, 6 th June, 1844.

## W. Moore Kelly, Esq.

Sir,-I have the bonor, by command of the Go. vernor General, to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1 st instant, and to acquaint you in reply, that the Report, of the Deputy Inspector General on your case, being a document prepared by that Officer for the information of the Goverior General, His Excellency would not consider it proper to direct a copy of it to be furnished to you.

I am, however, to state for your information, that while His Excellency regrets that the irregularities committed by you as Collector of Customs at Toronto, were such as to require your removal from Office; it is gratifying to him to find from the Report of the Deputy Inspector General; that alihough your accounts' are not yet settlod, there is not at presont any appearance of defalcation in respect of the amounts collertell, and that several of the imputations against you in the Report of Mr. Cameron, are not confirmed by that of the Depuly Inspector General.

I have \&e.

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\text { (Signed, } \quad \text { D. DALY. }
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## No. 6.

## Lelter from Mr. Kelly to the Honorable Dominiok Daly.

Kingston, 10 th June, 1844.
Str,-1 was honored with your letter of the 6th instant, refusing to furnish me with a copy of the Re-port of the Deputy Inspector General, upon a roview of the charges and imputations made against me by Mr. Camerou, and my refutation of them: In this communication I observe that while the irregularities charged agains me as Collector of Customs at Toronto lequired my removal from Office, that the Report of the Deputy Inspector General freed me from the imputation of being a defaulters and that some of the imputations laid against me by Mr. Cameron, were not confirmed by Mr. Cary:

My great anxiety was, still continues to be, and ever shall be, until I stand fully acquitted, to free ing roputation from the charge that any act of grave irregularity, defalcation, or malfensance, as a Public Officer, was ever committed by'me, and however grateful to

- me His Excellency's partial acquittal from those chargos may be, the extreme rigour of the punishment would leave stlll unrenoved the impression of grave and serious guif, and my anxiety is helghtened by , he reflectidn' that of the pariety of Mr. Cameron's alle-gitiong, Cam rot aiwne chat there remains one the the fallacy of which liave not fully exposer, whilst all of them betiay flie nalicious motires and desighs, that actuated that officef mad bis associates in the conspitacy to villify and defume me therefore most respecfalls urge; and hutubly soliot, to be informed of the specifects of iregulatity wich are yet deemed sufficient to regurie my dismistal; being consciouss
fof my ability to fully and satisfactorily refute those of Mr. Cameron's allegations which may still, by His Excellency, be considored unanswered, with an evi. dence as convincing as I have dono with respect to those on which Mr. Cary has reported they were not sustained.

My restoration to office however gratifying, or appointirent to another office hovever desirable, are considerations trivial indeed, when compared to the paramount one of vindicating my reputation, that was unsullied and unassailed, unil the recent and reckless attempt of Messrs. Hincks and Cameron to traduce it ; to free my character from their aspersions, in the face of 'a community nmongst whom I have lived for the last twelve years, will be a sufficient apology for my soliciting this means of vindication, and I do so with more carnestness from the fact, that I am avare all tho Clerks in that Office, while Mr. Hincks' was Inspector General, were daily engtged in an examination of every entry, paper and manifest in the Office in Toronto, which had been sent for, and examined carofully and closely, with the hope of finding some error, upon which to give a culor to the heartless proceedings which terminated in my dismissal; and notwithstanding this anxiety on the part of my persectutors, I have it verified under the signature of the Deputy Inspector General, that in my accounts involving several thousands of pounds; and extending over the long period from 6il January to 1st August, only one solitary error could bediscovered, amounting to fties. 4d. and that was duly credited in my original Day Book; there can be no stronger evidence than this of the minute correctness with which I kept my accounts, and I did so without being provided withany formis or assistance whatsoever from the bead of the Department.

In $\operatorname{Dr}:$ Ryerson's letter No. 3, I observe the following sentence, and as I llink it applicable to my case would quote it:" "If a man can" be arraigned and com"demned on general charges, and on the evidetice of "his accuser"s assertiou, whal man"s character orliberty, " or even life is safe?" especially when in my case that uccuser stands convicted of fallacy, upon the oathe of disinterested and honest meh; and stands confessed before the community, and by the Government itself, as an incompetent Officer whose imputations are negatived by the Deputy Inspector General;' furthermore, liad reference tothe Despatch of my Lord Glenelgupon the otcasion of the removal of Mr. Ridout by Sir F. B. Hed, stating to be a policy foreign to the Bitio tish Government, to dismiss its se svants without far trial and condemntion. And 1 may now refer to the letter of Mru Sectetary Daly upor a late octasion to Mr Sherif Thomas, in which it appears His Excel lency commanded his Secretary to inform Mr. Thomasis that it never was his principle or practice to censure or disniss any Public strvant, without first ivingilim the fullest opportunity of tefuting the mpuations aganst him. In my case, without being aware of aty clarge, I was summarily dismived dnd I was ffer dismissal, refused even a copy of the charges which had Ueen niade tigainst me, und fltor a tapse of cint I obtained only extracts; and under buoyediptiofes of oonsclous intogitys entertained for the ten monthe phisf, of my entire acquittal being now deniod, the means of vindicatige myself in the cyes of my frends at home and abroad it is nol surprising lishould manifest a resilessness and ar xiety pon the matler:

I therefore most respectorly enrot the His Exel lency would be plensed to drect the 1 should bo put in pissession tho specific charges upbl Which my disinissal fron Office his beengrounded ata that the bangedue bo be Goternmentwotbut on my acount curcent amoutting to $£ 14954$ and

Appendix
(K.K.K.)

24th March
that on contingenciles, which I paid for the proper con-
 over to ine. And requenting yuu du the dhe favar at represent my case in this light to His Excelluncy the Governur General.

I have the hotior to be, Sir,
Your most abedion humble sombut,
WAI, MOOREKELIY.
The Hun. D. Daly,
Provincial Secretary, \&c. \&c, \&c.

No, 7.
Letter from the IKonorable Dominick Daly to Mr. אelly.
$111 / 2$ suly, 1844.

## W. Moore Kelly, Esq.

Sir,-I ain conmanded by the Governor Gencral to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10 if ultimo, solanang to be informed of the specifie ats of irregularty which were deumed sufficient to warrant your remuval from Office, and an to wequaine you in reply, that the fonlowing instances of culpablo irregutarity remain unatlected liy the further investugation which His Eixcellency hes muthorized since your remuval from Office.

First- - Your accounts for the quarter ending 5 (h) July 1843, had not been closed on lise 17 hi of that munth. His Excellency ouserves what jou sty as to the laws allowing twenty clear days after the termination of the quarter, to make up and render your accounts to the Olfice of the Inspector General, but this was no reason why the Books of the Otice, lad they been regularly kept, should not have been chosed innmediately after the termination of the quarter.

Secondly:-Thero was no regular Bonded Warehouse Book kept at your Olfice, lie Book so called by you, meroly containing copies of the manifosts furnished by the masters of the vassels ats they arrived, and nut shewing what purtion of the cllects dectiled in the manifest are entered in the warehousing.

Thirdly.-The plaister imported by Jnmos Broivne on the 17 th April, was not entered, und the duty thereon was not paid until $4 \|_{1} \mathrm{July}$.

His Excellency observes what you state in answer to this charge rolative to there being no Warehouse provided by Goverrmem, bul in April 18:33, the time of the importation, there was an approved Bonded Warehouse in use at 'Tormente, in which the artieles might have been stored and secured, in place of the impurters being allowed to retain poesessiun of the groods in their uwn store without pay inent of duy, thus giving all oulder importers a cham to the same indulgence, and to dbain a credit of at lenst diree mondlis for duties for which the Act permits none.
Fourth.-The same remarks apply to the Salt imported by Chantes Robreptsun on SOH Junc, nad not entered till $17 t_{1}$ July, an instunce of great irregularity in giving credit for duties to which the importerwas not entited by law, and which was in violation of the instructions from tho Inspector Goneral's Department.

Inis Excellency is porfectly awne that irregulumities in tha pracico had formerly oxisted, but hese irregularilies had been ditovered was pointed out by circulars issued lrom the luspector Genemi's Ofice on the 0 ih September, 1842 , by which the Collectors wore expressly forbidden to alluw aredit for dutios, except in special cases alluded to in 4 and 5 Vic. cap. 14. The same instructions vere repeated by tho hispector Genoral on tih April, 1843.

Fiflh-Carelessness and irregularity in laving, in repeated instances, of which a list was furnished to you, neylected to mako proper entries.

His Excelinacy obsorves your stalement in answer, that the law ulluwed you twonty days to muke up yaur accomats; bit ho cannot comsider if is as iny jus. Ificution of tho very great irregularity of which youwero guily in not making ontrus in the Books in the order in which ench trinsation vecurred, thad renders it probabhe inm, ai least, sume portion of ahese items might havo been lost to the Publte Revenue, hadilhey not been discovered by Mr, Cuprem, and poined out to yuu.

Sixlh-Itaving suffered Messrss Hamilton and Wilson to remove certuin goods belore entry or payment of duly.

This is amother instanco of great irregularity and neglect us instructions, in giving credit for duties, notwithstanding your being expressly forbideden to lo so.

Seventh--'The goots impored by Done on Both June were entered sinco 5th July; ind tho groods imponted by Burke and O'Neil, by which the duties uinder the old 'darill were avdided.

His Excellency ubserves your miswer to this charge; but it is not asserted that the grouls were not larged entil the hwenty diys had exprod. His Excellency is advised, that in very fow instances is a vessel detaned fur such a time, and he camot but regard this as another instance of crelit being allowed contrary to las and to instrurtions, and to the prejudice of the Rovenue, the duty secured being less than it would have been if paid at tho lime of "enary.
Without going into further detaits, His Excellency considers that the irregularilies aboye pointod out were such as to reader it impossible, wilth due regard to the public interest, to continue an Olticer. who had been guily of thein, in an Oftice of so much impurtance as That of the Collector of Customs at 'Ioronto, where the greatest exactness and regullarity is indispensably necessary to the public service.

1 am to add, that your accounts and claim for the balance alleged to be due on them, have been referred to the Depuly Inspector Genorn for Report.

I have, \&c.
Ihave, \&c. D. D.

No. 8.

## Letter from Mr. Kelly to the Honorable Dominicla Daly.

 (Copy.)Eingaton;23d Jidy;1844.

$S_{\text {Ir }}$-I ain favored with youn cominunicution of the 11th intaut, by which I am now, for the first time, af ter the lapse of nearly one year, informed, and but par-
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## Appendix

tially, of the specific charges upon which my summary dismissal on the 31st July, 1843, is ovon now hold justified by His Dxcolloncy tho Governor Gonorat,-1 say partinlly, bechuse a roservation, unwholosome to my objoct of parfect justification boforo chis community, and olsowhera, is made in your letter whoro you slate lhat without going into any further details, "His Excolloncy considers the specifie oharges such as rendered it impossibio, with duo rogund to tho public inLerest, to continuo ine in an Qilice of so much limportanco is that of Collector of Toronto, where ihe groatest exactnoss and regularity is indispensably necoassary to the public service;" now, Sir, I request you will be pleaisod to inform me, without any reservation, of every chargo which can aid His Excellency in his determination not to restore me, that I may deal with all at onco, and wipe away those lancied grayo errors, as I did those of peculation, fraud, defalcation, and borrowing of tho public funds, which Mr. Cameron's Reports contained, and which you, sir, on the part of the Government of Cannda, hiave declared unfounded in fact; ' with the further details; whon I am favored with them, I will doul in connexion with the whole subject. With the seven degrees of irregularity specified, I' have now to grapplo; and with the 1st-I beg leave to state, that the quarter ended oth July, Mr. Cameron came to Toronto, according to his own Report, on the 18 th July, and commonced his examination, athough ho states I was sick; and he continued his oxamination of the books, and kept my Clork employed during the whole time, so that if the term of tiventy days that the law allowed could not bo extonded to mo in this instance, Mr. Cumeron's maliciously designed intorference was sure to inferrupt, the making up of the relums; bit he, who having my Books in his possession, and having had reference to them, could deliberately report that those Books had not been rogularly kept, and that overy ontry was not made consecutively as it occurrod, and as the cutios were paid,-but no frosh entry was evor made in these Books except the four items admitted by me as omissions in that quartor, and noticed in Mr. Cameron's Report, page 107; yiz;

which, I repeat, could not have been undiscovered by me, if Mr. Cameron never had been in Office as Com. missioner.

2ndly,-There was no regular Bonded Warehousé Book kept at your office.

The futility of this charge is proven by the fact, that I had an especial Bonded Warehouse Book, besides the general Manifest Book, at the time Mr. Cameron made his Report, which Book romains in the possession of my successor in office, and the copy he gave me is in the Inspector General's Office, and was handed in with the Manifest Book alluded to, and especially pointed out to the Deputy Inspector General. The Bonded Warchouse Book on which so much stress bag been laid, contained only a fesw entries of goods', via Moito real; and I believe two from Quebec, -the onily goods Bonded while I was Collector of Toronto.

The 8d, 4th, and 7th chargos; referable to the invportations of Jatines Brovne, Chas. Robertsom, Chas. Doane, Burlgeand ONeil; are in tho same cafegory, and may be best ansiver d by refer ence to the 25 h Clause Sa and th Wh. IV, which I take the liberty to ent close, cut from the Slatute, viz: "XZY. And be 'it
'" 'surther onacled, that overy limpottor of any goods "shall, whin twenty days alfer the arriyal of tha " impopting slip, make due ontry invincls of such ""goods, and lind the samo; and in dofault of such ""ontry 'ind landing, it shall be laviul for the Officer "" of Her Majesty's Castoms to conyey such groods to ""he King's Warelouse ; ant if the dutios due upon "suoli gouds we not paid within throo months after "such civenly days shall have expired, togethor with " all charges of removal, and waychouso rent, the same "sliall" be sold, and tho produce thereof shall bo applied "first to the payment of freight and charges, next of "duties, and the ovorplus, if nyy, shall bo paid to the "proprlotor of the goods ;" and I presume that under its authority His Excellency will hold me innocent of those three charges, when he finds that I hal no nuthority to interfere, and that tho entries were made within the period prescribed by Law,

The 5 th chayge is the all important one; after fivo days invostigation by Mr, Cameron, nided by iny Deputy, Mr. Roy, he produced elist of Goods entered in my Manifest Bcols, most of them repotted as artived on the 5th of July, the last day of the quarter, mad the first of the now Tariff Upon looking over the list, even carelossly, I discovered he took every entry ho chose; to swoll an amount of charges agrainst me; and upon the same list I mide remarks, forthivilh, that accounted for all the arlicles, oxcept the feve detailded in my roply to the first clarge ; which list, containing 87 items of goods, in his anxioly to swoll charges against me unaccounted for, he says, in his Report of asth'July, he transinittod to Mr. Secretary Harrison as' the best explanation of the matter, havilig my semarks in the margin, and graciously stating that liad been enabled to have the greator part of the entries stated as omissions by his Roport of the 17th July. This set of "Memorandn" Mr. Eth meron was ashamed of, for in his printod Report to Parliament ho roduced then to 24 Items, of which 24 all, but the 4 spocified, were duly entored as I received the dutios on thein. I admit the omissions therofore of
 without the fear of contradiction, that ihey would bive been duly accounted for to the Governmeint, as thigy wero regularly entored in my Manifest Book, (which ? always compared before vouching my accounts; if Mr, Camorons as I alvealy remarked, had reverbeen Commissioner.

The remaining charge, the 6 tb ,-having suffored Messrs: Familton \& Wilson to removo certain goods, before "entiy or payment of duty. The facts are simply these: Messrs, Hamilton \& Wilson came to me inino vermber, 1842, and sherred me'an Invoice of goods in their trade as upholsterers, atd stating that only, 2 casea out of the whole gitatity had drity and that they could not detail the contents of either, the packages; I desired them to thke bibme the goods and make a dis tinet involce, and pay the dities accoflingly; they díd so, and in proper cours bhad the duties returned in my. account, 5th Jatuary 1848, An April, two mote oase arrived, and being similary, circumstanced, I dosited them to do so lizewise and in May the residue ar. rived, ard ldesired tian to mako the gerrort entry, qe:
 do so and finding if yelf disappolited bo tiger notat ing in the spitit of the acominidationt ofeted them,

 they did so, and Eis Excellency wil perceive what a grevous cime wa made of this simptact ato what
 late Commissioner of Ltoquiry.
But orer the soven charge of ireguatif to hayo existed which l biecloary shown to be groundes and chimerical, x respeceflly maintain thet oven in
hat worst view of the subject, I could find a triumplant vindication in Mr. Cameron's Report, page 1, where it will he found that no forms of accounts, no books of any kind, no instriclions on the subject, were ever furnished to me; and to the very day of my dismissal, this want of system of the Department continued, eren under "the haillowed auspices of Mr. Camerm's 19 months continumes of oflice. I beg to sulmit a quothtion of the part alluded to: "The nest subject which "engaged the attention of the undersigned, was the " manner of' kecping the Books, which he foumr as wa"riousas the characters and education of the Collectors;
" no furms of accounts, nor books of any kind, nor in"structions on the sulject, having ever been furnished "them, and many of them never having received any di"rections by which to be guided, but a few remnants " of torn Statutes, handed to them by their predecessors " when they took office.
"In the British Custom House there have been Comp"trollers, and in the American, Nasal Oflicers, with it "prescribed form of books," \&c. In the face of such ndmissions as these is it not a monstoous injustice to summarily dismiss and degrade a public officer fir not having bouks which the Govermment ought to have, but hat not furnished. I have proved that my accounts have heen kept correctly; I refer to pagr? 61 of Mr . Cameron's Report, where it will be found that in the absence of all aid from the Head of the Department, he recommends the system I adopted, a system pursued by anc up to the hour of my dismissal, and a system so simple that an entry of one six-pence could not be lost to tho Government,-and this is illustrated by the small discoverics made by Mr. Cameron.

Haring thus disposed of all the charges against me, I beg furthor to solicit attention to the lact, that Mr. Cameron protracted to a full fortnight his sojourn in Toronto, took into his inquisitorial aid the services of my Deputy, (to whom the selieme for my destruction was no doubl made known, and notwithstainding their united ellurts to conjure forth materials for is accomplishment, notwithstanding my indisposition admitted by himsolf, notwithstanding all the "wrinkles" he discovered, and his enquiries among Mcrchants, Traders, Auctioneers, Forwarders, Mechanies, Steamboat Captains, Pursers, their clerks and servants, not even a solitary discrepancy could be discovered between the amount of duties paid by them into my office, involving upwards of $£ 16,000$, and those regularly accounted for by me to the Government. To this fact $I$ proutlly appeal as the best proof of the correciness with which 1 kept my accounts, as well as the honesty with which I made my returns. But it would appear that cotrectuess, honcsty, and attention to office, were of no consideration to Mr. Cameron in his atrocious design to effect iny ruin, when, after leaving me in the delusive security of innocence, his Report was dated on the $28 t h$ July, from 'Toronto, and Mr. Sceretary 'Harrison's letter amouncing to me my dismissal, was dated from Kingston, 31kt July, (Sunday intervening).

It may have been a subject of concern to provide for' the Qucen's ex-Printer,--the office I held may be worthy bis acceptance, -Mr . Cameron may have had personal feolings to gratify; but I cannot but complain of my being singled out (one of the few Irish Catholics, there boing only 3 hoiding offico in Upper Cinada, and mine the only important one,) to be sacrificed for these
purposes, to the obloquy of the community, and to the (K.K.K.) concomitant feolings of anguish and torment of mind I have suffered since that even,- and this too in manifest violation of Lord Glenelg's despatch to Sir Frs. B. Head, dated 5th April, 1537, in which His Lordship stated that he was not avare of so much as a single instance, in which a public officer had been dismissed as a punishment, and on the ground of misconduct, without the most explicit disclosure to him of the circumstances upon which his removal was grounded, and in violation also of the letter written to Mr. Sheriff Thomas, by order of His Excellency, stating that it never was His Excellency's principle or practice to censure or dismiss any public servant without first giving him the fullest opportunity of refuting the imputations agninst him.

May I then be allowed to hope that justice will ite oven yet done me, 一that if any of Mr..Cameron's cataloguc of crimes are yot unanswered, they will be made known to me ; but if to the satisfaction of His Excellency, I have rebutted them, I look forward to his sense of honor and justice to leave me no longer the victim of accusations I do not fear to designate as false and malicious.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obediont humble servant,
(Signed,) $\quad W_{m}$ MOORE KELLY.
The Honble. D. Daly, Provincial Sccretary, \&c. \&c. \&c.

No. 9.

## Letler from the Honorable Dominick Daly to Mr. Kelly.

(Copy.)

## Secretarx's Office Montreal, $15 / \mathrm{lh}$ August, 1844.

Sir,-1 have the honor, by command of the Governor Gencral, to acknowledge the receipt of your letter. of the $23 d$ inst., requesting a reconsideration of your casc ; and I am lo acquaint you in reply, that His Excellency having alrcady given it the fillest consideration, and having come to the conclusion that there were irregularities in your office which required your dismissal, sees nothing in your present letter to induce him to alter the conclusion at which he has arrived.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
(Signed,)
D. DALY, Secretary.
W. Moore Kelly, Esq.
\&c. \&c. \&c

24th March.

# R ETURN 

To two Addresses from the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Governor General ; the first, dated 16 th January last, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to direct the Board of Works to enquire and report, with as little delay as possible, into the feasibility of giving to the inhabitants of the District of Three Rivers the benefit of an icebridge over the River St. Lawrence, by means of three or more piers to be placed between the Batture a Léonard, near the Parish of St. Pierre les Becquets, and the Bature e a Bigot, near the Parish of Champlain, or in the vicinity of these places; -and the second, dated 21 st January, praying His Excellency to cause an inquiry to be made by the Board of Works, as to the feasibility of procuring, during each winter, to the inhabitants of the City and District of Quebec, the benefit of an ice-bridge between the City of Quebec and the Parish of Point Levy.

By command,

Secretary's Office,
25th March, 1845.
D. DALY,

Secretary.

No. 1.. Lotter from President of the Board of Works to Provincial Secretary, 25th March, 1845.
No. 2. Letter from ditto to Samuel Keefer, Esq., Engincer, Board of Works, 31st January, 1845.

No. 3. Report from Samuel Keefer, Esq., to President of Board of Works, 3rd March, 1845.
No. 4. Letter from Registrar TrinityHouse, Montreal, to President Board of Works, 3rd February, 1845.

No. 5. Letter from Harbour Master, Montrenl, to Wardens of Montreal Trinity House, 28th January, 1845.
No. 6. Lotter from ditto to Registrar and Treasurer of Trinity House, Montreal, 3rd Fobruary,' 1845.

No. 7. Letter from Messrs. Boxer, Young and Alloyn, of Quebec, to Wardens Trinity Housc, Quebec, 4th February, 1845, with Return.

No. 1.
Letter from President of Board of Works to Provincial Secretary.

> Board of Works Orfice, Montreal, 25th' March, 1845 .
The IIon. Provincial Sccretary.
Sin,
Immediately on receiving directions through your "Office, to have an examination made of thic Rivor St. Lawrence below Thrce Rivers, and at Quabec, of Point Levi, with the viovr of ascertaining the practicability and cost of constructing Piers, to promote the formation of an Ice Bridge at each of those places, I furnishod Mr. Keefer, the Engineer. to this Dopartmont, with such instructions as I thought were necossury, and sent him down on the Service; and I have now the honour to forward to you that Gentleman's Report and to state that I fully concur in the conclusions he has oome to.

I am, Sir,
, Your obdt. Soryant," "
HamLon KHLLLY

No. 2.
Copy of a Letter from President of Board of Works to Samuel Keefer, Esq. Engineer, Board of Works.
(Copy.)
Board of Works,
Montreal, 31ṣt Jany. 1845.
Sir,'
I beg leave to put into your hands the accompanying Resolutions of the House of Assembly- one relative to the construction of ${ }^{2}$ Pice for the creation of an Icc Bridge below Three Rivors, at or noar Tslo Bigot, the other for the creation of one betiveen Point Levi and Queboc. You will proceed accordingly to the respective sitcs, at your earlicst conveniouce, (the prosent being a vory diting time whilst the ice is runuing, make such examinations and collect all such information gonerally upon the subject, as will enable you to Report fully on the projects; and if considored feasible, ycu vill satisfy yourself as to the number, dimensions and cost, of tho Pier or Piors, that may be required in each case, their precise positicns, \&c. \&c. In considering these mattors, I take leavo respectfully to impress upon you the necessity for close inquiry and investigation, as to the effect which the construction of sich Works must rasonably be supposed to have upon tho navigation-the probability of the ice being delayed by them inthe spring, and tho dolay in the oponing of the navigation, which would be consequent thercone These, with all other matters, in any way conncoted with the novigation and the carly possing away of the ice, will of course engage your serious attention-for however much the country in tho mimediato vinity of cad Bridge, might bo benefited by having an Ico Bridge formed earyand anually, look unonthe early frocdon of the river fromse ass ofinfinitely too much importance to be barded unless tis fally ascortaned beyond ald doubt, thit the offects of the works proposed, woutd not havor tendency an a degre to detain the ine the the yrer you ire


25th Miarch.
aware, I presume, that carly spring vessels have in some seasons arrived at Quebec before the ice above was gone, and they have been obliged to put back in conscquence.

Upon your arrival at Quebec, you will please to wait on the Trinity Board, and to embrace in your cxamination and Report, any other points to which those gentlemen may wish your attention to be directed.

> I am Sir,
> Your very obdt. Scrvant, Mimilton H. Killaly.
Samcel Keefen, Esq. $\}$ Engineer Board Works. $\}$

No. 3.
Repont from Samuel Keefer, Esquire, to President Board of Works. [3rd March, 1845.]

Boamd of Works,
Montreal, Sl March, 1845. Sin.

In compliance with your instructions, dated 31st January last, relative to the construction of Piers for the ereation of an Ice Bridge below Three Rivers, at on near Isle Bigot, and others for the creation of one between Point Levi and Quebec. I lave visited those places, and made coquirics of porsons living on the spot, most likely to afford correct information on the subject, and have now the honour to submit, for the information of the Board, the result of my encuirics and cxmminations.

First, then, as regards the practicability of forming an lec Bridge regularly every year at cither of the above mentioned places.' I have no doubt that much may be cftected, by artificial means, for the accomplishment of that olject.

The Gentilly Shoal, opposite the Parish of Champlain and below Isle Bigot, whero, according to Capt. Bayficld's Chart, there is not, in many places, more then one foot of water at low water, affords a grod opportunity of aresting the running ice, and of inducing the river to frecze over much carlicr, and with greater regularity than herotofore, by the crection of detached Piers upon it, seven of which judiciously placed. would be sufficient for the purpose, but the efficct may be increased to a nuch greater extont by increasing the number of Piers, which could be done at any time afterwards if thought proper.

In some seasons when the water is low, the ice grounds on this shoal, and then the river is sure to freeze over and form the lee Bridge, which is a sufficient indication of the effect likely to be produced by the Piers.

The Piers or Cribs should be slopod off on the upstream side, the same as those placed by the Board off Point St. Charles, above Montreal, so as not to be injured by the shoving of the iec, and thoy should not be raised much above the winter levol of the St. Lawrence, in order that they may offor no resistance to the ice passing off in spring, but allow it to flow over their summits unimpeded.

It is observed, that the St. Lawrence always risos in spring, before the ice passes off, from six to eight fect over the winter level, but sometimes, in seasons of cxtraordinary floods, it has been known to rise as' nuch as ton or twelve feet over the same level.

The sevon Piers required at this place would cost about $£ 2500$ currency.

At Qucbec, five Piors at loast would be required, and they would hare to be built much larger and stronger than those at Champlain. The proper place for them would be on a line drawn across the lifer from Point Levi to the North Shore, at right anglos to the stroam, and crossing the shoal running out from the Point where the Clurch stands. This line crosses the narromest part of the deep channel, as may bo seen on Capt. Bayficld's Chart, and coincides with the place whero the ico first talsos, in consequence of boing jammed in between the point of the shoal where the jee grounds, and the shect of jee formed in the comparatively still water on the north side.

Byplacing two strong Piers at about the three fathon line of soundings (taken at low water,) one on each side of the channel, with one more on the south side, half way to the shorc, and two on the north side, at about 100 and 200 yards respectively from the first upon the line above referred to, lave no doubt the ice would be induced to take earlier in the winter by three or four weeks, than it will without them, and that an Ice Bridge night be depended upon boing created regularly evory wintor, sooner or later.

In order that the ice in spring may float over the Piers, they should be raised only to the level of the ordinary high spring tides of the winter months, which would be two fect below the flood level of highost spring tides.

## Those five Piers mould cost about $£ 9,400$ currency.

The sceond part of this onquiry, viz:-The effect likely to bo produced upon the opening of the navigation, by the orcetion of such Piers is a question ideserving the most serious consideration, for it cannot fail to impross the mind of cevery person having at licart the general interests of the lrovinee, then no impediment under any circumstanees shoukl be throwni in the way of the Trade and Commerce of the country, and no risk whatever run of retarding the opening of the navigation in spring, however inportant and berioficial to any particular locality: such an oxporiment might prove.

Thic importance of this quostion is heightened by the consideration that the Province is now deeply concorned in the construction of expensive Canals, for facilitating the communication betweon the great inland lakes and the Atlantic, upon the completion of which and from the growing importance of the Trade, the early opening of the river will be looked for with increasing solicitudo year after year.

Improssod with these considerations, I am of opinion that the proposed oxperiment is dangerous and inoxpedient, for the following reasonis:-

## 1st. Taking the case of the proposed operations at

 Quebee.It is to be regretted, for the purpose of thiscenquiry, that no register can be found regularly kept for a given period, of the years in which the river has been frozen over, or the date of its taking tsatid broaking up in the years when it did; but sufficient I believo, is known, and on record; to justify the conclusion arrived at. In the Report to the Trinity Board of Quebce, made by three gentlomen bolonging to that Board, upon thie subject under enquiry, (the accompanying copy of which was very politely

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## (L. L. Li)

furnished me by order of the Board) will be found a table recording the fact of an Ice Bridge having

## 25 th March.

 formed at Qucbec, in seven of the ycars betiveen 1817 and 1844 ; but from all that I can learn, I would suppose that an Ice Bridge as ofton as once evory sccond year. It appears also by this table, that it has boen created as early in winter as the 4th 'of January, and has remained as late as the 8th of May. And again it has formed as late as the 9th of March, and broko up as early as the 12 th of April.Again, taking tho record of the first arrivals from sea, at the Port of Quebec, as given in the Quobec Directory, it may be seen that from 1801 to 1844, thirty-one of the forty-four arrivals occur before the 8th of May, twenty-three before the 3rdof May, and twelve before the 28th of April, the earliest being on the 16th of April and the latest on the 13th of May. In 1843, the Great Britain arrived on the 18th of April, and the Ice Bridgo did not broak up till the 3 rd of May. Her cargo it is, said, was' rorth $£ 100,000$ starling, being bound for Montreal. She expericnced in coniscquonce of the Iec Bridge, a delay of fifteen days. Besidos this, soveral ships which arrived after the Great Britain, were scriously damaged by the ice:

If, then, the proposed Piers have the offect which I anticipate, that is, of inducing the ice to take regularly overy winter, and carlicr on an avorage, than it has done hithorto, is it not reasonablo to supposo that it will be formed thicker and stronger, and consequently romain longer than it otherwiso would? It may be said, and has boon said, that as the water giray's rises in spring bofore it passes off, it will float it orer the tops of the Piens, which are to be built oxprossly for that object; and that, therefore, no delay in the oponing of the nivigation noed be approhended from the regular aninual formation of an Ice Bridge. I think this opinion has been formed without duly appreciating the operations of nature in this instance. Nil paitics concur in stating that the ice in spring breaks ap from above; and that the last barvier is always the lovest $i$ is e.j farthost down the Rivor; the northern direction of the St. Lawrence goes to prove this, and it is commonly said that whon the lake ice gots down (meaning the ice of Lake St. Peter) the navigation is clear. Now if at" Quebec the ice is made thicker and stronger, it will in the same ratio, resist for a longer time, thie impetus of the desconding ice, and cern supposing that it does ride clear of the Piets, still it is bound in about the whareos, and mareover the river being nenly 'a milo broader above than opposite the city, this shect of ice, bcing wedge shaped, connot float out of its place untilit is broken up, cither in whole or in part. I am therefore lod to conclude, that the Piers woutd have the offect of dotaining the ice longer in the river, and so retard the early opening of the narigation.

## 2nd. The proposcd Piers at Cliamplain.

The same process of rensoning which has boon appliod at Queboc, will hold "good hero, so far at least, as regards the effect of the Piers upon the carly opening of the navigation, and it is therefore unno: cossary, to enter upon that part of the 'question'; but here anothes subject of considerable importance presonts itself for's enquiry', viz:- the effect that these Eiers may possibly have uponethe inundations which sometimes occur on the low grounds betweet tho Rivers Batiscan and St: Ann de la Porade arid olsewheve along the St Entrence, which have been known to do so much injury:

I have been informed by an old and rospectable rosident at St. Anne de la Perade, (perhaps the oldest in
the village, that whenever the St. Lawronce froczes over so is to form the Ice Bridge, the inundation is sure to be increased in height and extent, but that when it does' not freeze over, the inhabitants are not apprehonsive of danger or damage from the rise of vater,

It appears that when the ice breaks up in large bodios, and passes off suddouly, it gets jammed in and chokes up the passage in the narrow and crookod parts of the river below; where, getting turned upon edge, or forced under the shect of jee, it becomes a body of amazing thickness, forming what is' commonly called "the Digue," and dams the water back for many leagues in cxtent. This Digue is liable to be formed at threc points on the river, between Three Rivers and Quebec. The first is at Grondines, the sccond tho Platon or Portncuf, and the third at Cap Rouge on the "Saut," as it" is somotimes called, Where thie rivor scarcely exceeds balf a' mile in width. It often happens that after the Digue bas given way at the first, it forms again at tho"seconid or third place.

An Ice Bridge was formed in 1843, and it ras in the spring of the same year that a most extraordinary flood occurred, which swept away all the fonces within two miles of the river below Batiscan, drowned a number of cattle, carried amay a barn and other buildings of less 'importance, and did considcyublo damage to property in the neighbourhood of the village of St. Anne de la Perade; this innundation was caused by a Digue being formed at Grondines by the sudden passing off of the ice; only one other such flood as this is known to have occurred in the recollection of iny informant, and it was thon accompanied by similar cffects.

If it can be clen:ly establishod that the Ice Bridge does exert an influence upon tho inundations, prejudicial to thio interests of the inhabitants occupying those low lands, (and F must confess that there appears sufficient reason to suppose it does', it would bo inflicting an injury of greater or less magnitude uport these inhabitants, to induce "their regular formation cvory ycar, thercby tending to make the inunditions more frequent. Should another such flood occur after the orection of the Picrs, as has been described above, I have no doubt the sufforers would put forward a claim for compensation:

Believing, therefore, that the chrlier and more regular formation of an Ice' Bridge; by artificial means, at either of the places above reforred to, would be productive of greater injury thain bencit, I think the projects ought to be abandoned.

## Respectfully submitted,

by your obedient servant;

> Sanuel Teerer; Enginech Boaid of Works:

Hon. H. H. Mutuiy,
President Board of Works' Montreal.
P. S. It will be seen by referring to the accompanying Reports, that the Trinity Boards of Qucbec and Montroa, both consider that the orection of piers for stopping the ice, would prove liazardous to the navigation, and their opinions are baded loy those of the most experienced seamen, and persons best acquainted with the xiver navigation
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 2ith MInreh.No. 4.
Letren from the Registrar of the Trinity House, Montreal, to President of Board of Works. [3rd February, 1845.]

Trinity Housk, AIontreal, 3rd Feby. 1845. Sin,

I am instructed to inform you, in reply to your communication, dated 31 st ulto., regarding the contemplated crection of Ice Bridgos at certain points on the River St. Lawrence, between Quebee and Montreal, that your instructions, as convoyed to Mr. Kicefer, Engincer of the Board of Works, appiar to be ample aud comprehensive.

At a recent Meeting of the Board, called expressly to diseuss the subject in question, the members were unanimous in opinion, that the hazard of injury to the narigation of the river from the crection of Piers or wharves, to arrest and vetain the iee for the annual formation of what are termed Iec Bridges, was very great, and entirely disproportioned to tho benefit the residents in certain localitics would derive therefrion.

The Harbour Mastor of the Port of Montreal, an expericnced scaman, and possessing great practical acquaintance with the subject, las addressed two communications to the Board regarling it, copies of which I beg to enclose.

And I ami Sir,
Your most obt. Scrvant,
Janiss Holimes,
Registrar, T: IT. M.
The Mon. H. II. Khlaly, ,
Chairman, Board Works.

No. 5.
Levter fiom Harbour Master of Montrial, to Wardens of Trinity House Montreal. [28th January, 1845.

Montieal, 28th January, 1845.
To the Master, Deputy Master and Wardens, of the Montreal Trinity House, se. sc. so.

## Gextlemen,

Having porused the A"ddress from the Legislative Assembly, regarding the "foasibility" of giving' the bencfit of Ice Pridges to thic inlabitants of the District of Three Rivers and Queboc, I would respeetfully subuit the following observations to your consideration.

The formation of an Ice Bridge at Three Rivers would be injurious.

1st. Because the placing of "three or more Piers" " between the Batture a Léonard near the Parish of "St. Pierre les Beequets, and the Batture à Bigot, "ncar the Parish of Champlain or in the vicinity of "these places," would most probably become, in the course of time, a scrious impediment to the navigation of the St. Lawrence, as the channol is very narrow at Batture is Bigot, and the "Picrs", would accumulate sind banls.

2nd. Because the ico romains longer in the Bay of Gentilly and the Batturo à Léonard, than in othor parts of the St. Lawronco, and ronders it dangorous for stcamers descending to Quobec at the opening of the navigation, until it is removed, and the construc-tion of licrs would cause the ice to remain still longer, as it requires spring tidos to float the ice in
the Buy over the shonl outside: now, as steamers have been frequently detained at Threc livers until its removal, they would bo' detained much longer," and would ineur greater danger (provided Piors wore erectel) if they were overtaien by that body of iee in the Richelicu.

I would therefore suggest to the Board, the expes dicncy of opposing such a measure, ass it would only benefit a fow inhabitants of the District of Throo Rivers, at the risk of endangering and impeding the navigation of the river.

I also consider that the formation of a Bridge at Quobec would be injurious:

1st. Because it would cause slips to arrive at that Port much later than they do at present, and would thus render the businoss season shortor than it is; for instance, in 1843 (when the natural Ice Bridgo was formod) the ship Great Britain arrived on tho 18 th April, and I recommended Captain Swinburn to put his slip into Mr. Taylor's wharf, at Point Levi, the only safe and accessible place in the Harbour at that time, for the ship (whose cargo was worth about $£ 100,000$ storling,) and where the vessel was detained about ton days, until the ice broke up so as to enable lier to be talien to the wharves at Quebec.

2nd. Because it would occasion the destruction of shipping and other valuable property, and would often cause ships to be detainod for some time at Crane Island or Grosse Islc. "In 1843, several ships that arrived after the Great Britain, were scriously damaged, and carried down the river, with the loss of anchors and cables, by the moving of tho Ite Bridge.

It will thus be percoived that the benefits arising from the formation of these two Bridges, would bo entirely local and restricted to a feiw, while the injuries likely to be produced, would be extensive, and excrit a prejudicial influence upon the Commorce of Canada.

I have \&c.
W. K. Rayside,

Harbour Master.

## No. 6.

Letrer from Harbour Master of Montreal to the Registrar and Treasurer of the Trinity House of Montreal. [3rd February, 1845.)

## Montreal,

$3 r d$ February, 1843.
To James ILolmes, Esq.
Registrap and Treasurer,
Trinity House, Montreal.
Sin,
In addition to the accompanying Report, 1 also considor it right to state, that the construction of Piers at Three Rivers, would causo the iec to ground and jam, and would, conscquently, flood the low land on the south shore opposite to, and below Three Rivers, which has been known to be the case of late years, at the opening of the navigation.

I am also of opinion that the erection of Piers at Qucbec, would alter the course of the current, and theroby provent the strong current on the Point Levy side from roducing the body of ice on that shore, as from the groat depth of watcr,' and the great degree of heat produced therefrom, the ice disnppears more rapidly from 'that' side than from the opposite side of the river.

I have, \&c.
(Signed,)
W. K. Raystde,

Harbour Master. Quebec, to the Master, Deputy Master and Wardens of the Trinity House, Quebec,--with a Return. [4th Trobruary, 1845.]

Quebec, '4th February, 1845,
To the Master, Deputy-Master, and Wardens, Trinity 'House, Quebec.'
Gentlemen,
The Board having called upon us to report our professional opinion, as to what effect the proposed Ice Bridges would have on the navigation of the River St. Layrrence, should'artificial means bo atopted (by the orection of Piers) to offect that' object, anid having given this subject our' serious consideration"; it being of great importance to the trade of this countty that 'he navigation should bo opened as early as possiblo in the spring, and having examined the Minutes of tho Trinity House, as to the oponing of the nayigation, and other Records as to the fixing of the 'ico, (a copy of which is herowith enclosed)' we find, thint when an Ice Bridge had been formed; the navigation' had beon elosed much later, for it must be observed, that the detention of the ice, even in' one 'tide; adds greatly to its accumulation above Quebee, the ebb tide ruming seven hours and the flood only five, which, in our opinion, would marke it of longer continuance if stopped in" the early part of the winter, and would still lengthen the time for the opening of the navigation, which must always be of the greatest importance, not only to the trade of this's country, but also in naval operations, in the event of hostilities; particularly as' steam-boats would then cross the At-
lantic in a much shorter time, and be early in the lower part of the rivor, ready to move upimmediatcly the ice gave way.
' It is also nocessary to observe, that, by the stoppage of the ice, a large column of back-water is kept uprards, in consoquence of the great thatrs taking place in the largo lakes above, by which much loss and damago to property is frequently occasioned, and the rasults would, of course, be seriously increased by the formation of an leo Bifide "three Rivers.
In illustration of these points, we beg to advert to the scason of 1843, when the "Groat Britain," and thiree other ships, arrivedibetween the 18 th and 22 nd of Aprils,' and the first steam-boat from Montreal; on the-5th of Mry; the bridge having given way on the 3rd; the "Great Britain" being bound to Montreels suffered ar delay of twolve days; and" wass; withith'e three othor ships, in great danger; two of them, when the ico gave way, were driven on shore, and suffered considerable injury, and would, in all probability, have been lost had it beon bad weather. In the same soason, (from the great rise of water above the Io Bridge) great damage was sustained in the neighbourhood of Three Rivers, tho rise of wator not having its original outlot.
We are; therofore, of opinion, under the above circumstances; that artificial moans ought not to be adopted to stop the ice in the winter months.

We have, \&c.'

| (Signed, $) \quad$Edward Boxer, <br> Robear Young, <br> Riohard J. Alleyn |
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A RETURN of the Minutes of the Trinity House at Quebec, as to the opening of the navigation each year, and of the arrival of the first Steamboats from Montreal, from 1817 (the first Ice Bridges on record) to 1844 :-


The Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of John McBean, of Lancaster, in the Eastern District, for remuneration for constructing a Lock at French's Reef, have the honor to Report:-

That they havegiven the subject matter of reference their best attention, and having availed themselves of information derived from various and respectable sources, (which information is appended to their Report) they beg to submit the following, as the result of their inquiries:
The petitioner states, that in the year 1842, having taken into ronsideration the vast accommodation that would be afforded the public at large, by the construction of a Lock at French's Reef, near Coteau du Lac, on the River St. Lawrence, he caused such Look to be erected at an $\epsilon$ xpense of $£ 300$, and he' now prays for such remuneration as your Honorable House may think proper to award him for the same. The principle of a private individual taking upon himself, without the sanction of the highest and competent authority, the project of an improvement on a great highway and navigable river like the St. Lawrence, or indeed in any case, Your Committec have felt, and do feol themselves bound to discoumlenance and repudiate, no matter how praiseworthy, disinterested, or essential to the public interests, such project may be.

Your Commillee are salisfied that the petitioner did actually complete the works mentioned in his petition; but that he projected the same solely for the gool of the public has not been substantiated, his object appearing mainly to have been to raise a sufficiont head of water, and carry the same to a mill crected by him on the banks of the St. Lawrence. That the said works have been of vast importance to those who are engaged in the transport of upward freight, has been beyond all doubt estiblished; ; and expenses to which the owners of Unats ascending were subject before the ctection" of tho works, as well as the delays and mishaps to which they were formorly liable, have been obviated and avoided; but at the same time, it appears to them that the petilioner's own interest induced him, in a great mensure, to improve the navigation by the erection and subsequent extension of the works in question : he could, therefure, in any case, only claim to be paritally indemnified for his oullay. Whatever, howcver, might be the extent of his claim, Your Committee regret that thoy are restrained from recommending any componsation to he made to him, from the mere fact that he was unauthorized to enter upon the undertaking.

All of which is respectfully submitted.
Geo. Macdonell,
Chairman.
26 l March, 1845.

## MINUTES OF EVIDENCE.

## George Macdonelx, Esquire, in the Chait.

Saturday, Sth' March, 1845.
Hamilton H. Killaly, Esquiro, Chairman of the Board of Works, called in ; and examined:-

1. Do youl know how the petitioner came into possession of that portion of the barik or botom on the

River St. Lawrence, (at French's Reef) where the Lock constructed by him is situated?-I do not: 1 consider tho Lock in question, with the piers connected therewith, to be an encroachment on public propertly. I do not consider, however, that it impedes the navigation.
2. Were you acquainted with the navigation of that portion of the river before the Lack was erected. and do you know that boats were unable, from a stiff current, or otherwise, to go up this side of the river, and were obliged to make for an island on the opposite shore, and be towed there?-I had a general know: ledge of such navigation, and of the course by which barges were usually towed up: the usual course was along the main shore ; but in extreme low water, boats were then obliged to be brought over to tho other side.
3. Are you aware that the water in the St." Lawrence has fallen within the last few years? For the last few years the surfice of the St. Lawrence appears to have boen lowering.
4. Do you concelve that power to work the mill in the vicinity of the said Lock, could have been obtained without continuing the dam to the extent it now is?1 do not think they would have had the necessary powcr; in fact, it was proved practically at first, the dam beingearricduponly hallile present distance to near the site of theLock, when it was found they had not obtained sufficient power, and accordingly the dam was extended to the head of the fall. In doing so, it was made across the channel by which the barges were towed; this would very seriously have interfered with the passage of the boats, if not stopping them altogether, but for the Gates or Locks they put in the dam, in the line of the boat-channcl.
5. Have you niny Report on the sulject or the petition before the Committe? ?-Upon a copy of the petition being sent to me in reference, I transmitted it to the local officer, with instructions to examine into, and report fully upon the case, and lis Report I now hand in. (Appendix No. 1.)
6. Do you consider that the navigation is facilitated from the crection of the Lock in question?-I do, to a trining extent.

Tuesday, $111 \mathrm{March}, 1845$.
William Roebuck, Esquire, of Coteau du Lac, called in ; and examined:-
7. Where do you reside, and what is your occupa-tion?-1 reside at Coteru du Lac, and am Salvage Agent for the St. Lawrence, Montreal, and Toronto Marine Insurance Companies.
8. Hare you had any exporience in the navigation of the River St. Lavience, and more especially about that part of it montioned in the petition of John McBean, and relate what you know about the petitioner's Lock?-I have had upwards of twenty years expe-

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(M. M. M.) rience in the navigation of the St. Lawrence, from Coteau du Lac to the Chascades; I knew the spot where the Lock now stands, before Mr. Stevenson's so called improvements; after that, till the Lock was erected; -and have known it since its erection. Mr. Steverison was sent on by the Commissioners named by the Government to improve the St. Lawrence under a grant of the Legislature of Lower Canada; his profussod improvemonts rendered the passage much wurse, inasmuch as boats which were able previously o pass up there with their usual light loads, were obliged afterwards to traverse the rapid current from the main north shore to French's island, a distance of about 18 arpents, there to wait until the horses were ferrich over, then to be hauled up to the end of the island, at the imminent risk of horses, men, and boats; as an example of which, my brother, Henry Roebuck, had four horses dragged in, and lost one span. After arriving at the head, should there be the least west wind, boats were detained there until it fell, from the rapidity of the current being so geeat above the rapid, as to carry them down again, in attempting to re-cross to the main shore, which is necessary, as there was no other channel. Many times I have known boats to bo detained for three or four days.
9. Are you awnare that the waters of the St. Lawronce have so fallen as to make it imperative for boats to have traversed to the island just mentioned?-Had the channel remained on the north shore in the state in which it was left by Mr. Stevenson, the water has fallen so much, that it would in all cases have compelled barges to be towed on the island.
10. Do you consider the present Lock an improvement to the navigation:-I consider it has obviated all the dificulties before enumerated, having no knowledge of any boat being obliged to traverse to the island since its crection, which is between two and three ycars ago. To my knowledge, my brother beforo named,' who does all the towing there, has abandoned all the craft he owned for ferrying his horses to the island for the purpose of towing.
11. Since the erection of this Lock, have all barges passed through it?-Yes, there is no other channel.
12. Has it been of great utility to you, in your ca' pacity as agent for the Insurance Companies:-Undoubtedly; we have used it often, after having rescued boats in the rapids below. Not only is the Lock of great utility, but the pier renders the water quiet, and gives a depth of five or six feet along' it lengthi, where formerty great trouble was experienced by boats grounding.
13. What, in your opinion, was the object of the petitioner in erecting the Pier and Look in question: -As far as I can judge from appearance he must have had two objects in view viz:- that of raising the head of water in his flom, and of benefting the navi gation. To carry up this wall or pier such'a distance, being about $22^{\circ}$ arpents'in length, was a work of too great maghitude for raising the water in his fioom, unless coupled with the benefit that should accrue by placing a Lock there for the public, under the improssion that he would be remunerated for it,
14. What do you consiler to be the cost of the Pier and Lock in guestion? In my opimion, they cost from £ 800 to $£ 1000$.
15. Taking into consideration, as auswer to the 13 th queston predicates, that the projector had a two foldobject in vitu viz - drawing water to, his own mill and be defting he nitgation in view of remuneratiof, what remunerationif any, ought to be nwarde him fom the public purser - stopipsty fom
£ 400 to $£ 500$.
16. Do you conceive that power to work the mill
in the vicinity of the said Lock cbuld have been obtained, without continuing the dam to its present ex-tent;- and do you know that tho proprictor failed in working the mill until he had extonded the dan or pier to its present length?-As a practical millor, which I have been for the last iwenty years, having built, ropaired, and worked them, I confidently affirm that I could place a water-whicel in the situation of the same mills, and would have driven them with more cffect by a shorter pier than they have now, without taking in the upper fall: and that the failure of these mills arose from mal-construction of the whons, and not from want of head at any time. A"s to the second part of this question, I reply, that if he did fail, it was owing to the misconstruction of his wheel, of which ho was advised by myself before he entered into the Lock expenditure, and the upper part of the dam,
17. Of what materials are this Pier and Lock con-structed:-The Pier is constructed of sunken lemlock abutments, filled with stone, planked down in the inside, ard a wall made with carth so as 10 form a good towing path, as much us eight feet wido at top. The Lock is constructed of pine, with oak gates; the whole, with proper attention and care, may at a trifling cxpense last from thirty to forty years.

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\text { Thurstay, 13th, March; } 1845 .
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The Honble. Peter Mc Gill, a Momber of the Legislative Council, called in ; and cxamined:-
18. Is John McBein (the petitioner,) the porson who has a right to claim the remuncration for: making the Lock at Union Mills, if any be awaided?-Yes; the cost of the Lock, with the other works, forms part of the security which I hold for the advances I made to his brother Alexander and himsolf' to complete these works; and as John McBean has individually undertaken to repay me these adrances, and to redeem the property, if he is everable to do'so, I consider him entitled to the repayment of the moncy laid out.
19. Did you alvance the McBeans monoy to build this Lock, on the understanding that they, were to bo repaid for it by Guvernment, or the Forwarders?-1 did not advance them the monicy on the understanding that they were to be repaid by the Government, but's advanced money generally to make the whole of the works there ; and when I questioned them about ma king that Lock, I wis assured that it wrould be of great benefit to the pablic, and that they had no doubt the Government and the Forwarders, would indemnify them for the oullay.
20. Is it in your knowlutge that John McBean Was the lessee, or one of the lessees, in the luase "or deed of sale passed 19 th Octolier, 1841, by Mr. Watier to Alexander McBean? No, I am not awate that he was.
21. Do you consider John MoBean as the proprietor or occupant of the piece of land where the mill and tenements are built?-The property at present, in point of fact belongs to me; liut John McBean is' ent titled to equity of redemption.

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Mr. Alsaander MoBeán called in: and ex. amiferd: $:$ x wo

2e Haye you any interest now, int Look men. tofel in he petition, directy or irdirecty - Nono whatcver
83. Who is the persun that has a right to receive remuneration for it, if any be awarded?-John McSth March. Bean.
21. Were you a parther when that Lock was erected, or were you acing for yourself?-I was a partnor.
25. For what purnose did you extond the canal, mad huild that Lock?-It was for the purpose of mising a further head of water for our own mill. I was recommended by several Forwarders to construct the Lock, and they promised to remuncrate me for the use of it, if it answered the purpose. I then went to Kingston, and callod on Mr. McPherson, who also promised on his part, to pay me something for the use of it, if I did not succeed with Mr. Killaly, the Chairman of the Board of Works, whom ho advised me to call upon. I went to Mr. Killaly, and he told me, that it the Lock, when Ginished, was found to answer the purpense, I should he petid for it ; and he recommended me io make a good jun, of it, as Gorernment were disposed to expend some money in improving the navigrtion on that side the rapits. When the Lock was linished, I again inet with Mr. Killaly, and he said, he understood the Lock answered the purpose exceedingly well, bul that it was not in his power to pay me; anid he advised mo to lay the matter before the Governor in Council, who, he had no doubt, would giveme every satisfaction, as they were then improving the river on that side.
20. At that time, were there any improvements in contemplation, or in progress, on the north side? There were improvements in contemplation, and they were commenced in 1813, after the Lock was finished.
27. Ifas any remuneration ever been made by any party, 10 your knowlerge? - Not a shilling. A great number of Boats passed in the Fall of 1842, and since that time, and I received nothing from them for the use of the Lork.
25. Docs the canal made by you for the purposes of the mill, pass along the line worked, or directed to the worked, ly the Commissioners in 1831 or 1832, for the purpose of improving the navigation?-Yes, th is the very same spot where the Cominissioners directed the work in 1891 and 1832.
29. Do you know whether the St Lawrence has fatlen since the time the Lock was erected?-It was falling until May, 1844, to my knowledge. Since then, I know nothing of it, as I left at that time.
30. Do you thiuk boats could navigate the channel made by Government at French's Reef, if the Lock had unt been there? - Fur a shat time in the Spring thoy might, if not heavily loaded.
81. Had not bonts, before the Lock was made, to havo the greater part of their loads carted past the ra-pids?-Yus.
32. How long do you think the Lock is likely to last ?-If it be properly used, I have do doubt it will last without repair, for ten years; and by renewing that part above water, fiom time to time, it would last a century.
33. Is this Lock as large as that at Coteau du Lac? -Yes, it is 6 inches wider, 2 or 3 feet longer, and aboul 4 inches greater dranght of water.
34. What was the cost of building the Lock, clearing the place, and sinking the Lock in its phace :-We ing the place, and it cost us $£ 300$. The making of theLock jtself, cosl from £ 180 to $£ 200$, and clearing and level-
ling the plare for it and loading it with stone, cost upwards of $£ 100$.
35. What was the cost of the extra lengthening of the dam above the Lock, to enable boats' to get up the rapids? - It cost about $£ 150$, before I left it : there las been a large addition since.
36. Would you have gone to this expense, if it had not been for the oncouragement you received from Mr . Killaly and the Furwarders? I would not.

## Monday, 17 th March, 1845,

Mr, Paul T. Masson, of the Cascades, Forwarder, called in; and examined :-

Answer to Q.2. Yes, I was acquainted with that part of the river before the Lock was built; but it was not the stiffiess of the current, but the shallowness of the waler, that at certain times prevented boats from going up, and they had to go on the ollier side to be towed up.

Answer to Q. 3: It has been lowering within the last few years ; but about 12 years ago it was mach lower than it has been for two or three years.
37. Do you know under what circumstances Mc Bean's Mills were built,-whether the canal now used in connexion with the mill, as a mill-race, was not made, or partly made, at the expense of the Province, in 1831 or 1832, and to what extent; and do you consiter that power to work the mill could have been obtained, without continuing the dam to its present oxtent; and did not the construction of the dam interfere with the navigation, and would it not have obstructed the navigation if the Lock lad not been made ?-I do not know under what circumstances the mill was built; but the canal used for the mill-race is the same as that cut at the expense of the Province, in 1831 or 1832. I do not know" the amount expended theroon by Government, but bolieve it to bave been not less than £400. I do not think that power to have worked the mill could have been obtained without continuing the dam to its present extent; the dam would have interrupted the navigation, 'if the Lock 'had not not been made. I consider that it has been of advantage to Forwarders, and saves the boats the trouble of crossing to French's.island.
38. Had the channel remained on the north shore in the state in. which it was left by Mr. Stevenson, and from the waters having fallen as you have statell, would it have compelled loaded boats to traverse the current, and be turned up on the island side?-Certainly:
39. From your knowledgo of the situation of the navigation' before the erection of the Lock, and since, do you consider the navigation much improved, and i so, has it been felt beneficially by that part of the community using the St. Lawrence as an upward high-way?-1t has, a great deal.
40. Do yo believe, from your own knowledge of the Mills, Lock and Pier, that the two latter were built and projected for the two.fold purposes of giving power to the mills and benefiting the navigation also ?-I can:not answer that question correctly.
41. Do you conceive that Mr. McBean should, as the Proprictor of the Lock and Pior, be recommended for compensation, or part compensation for the same, from the Government?-1 think she shla, on account of the good he has done to the nayigation, enabling boats of 10 tons greater biarthen to ascend the rapids.

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42. How mucl, in your judgment, should he receivo? L200, I hink, would be onough, as he derives a bo26 th March. nefit himself from the work.

## Suturday, 22nd March, 1845.

Mr. Henry Roebuok, of Coteau du Lac, called in; and examined:-
43. What is your occupation ?-I' am a miller, boathauler, and pilot.

Answer to Q. 8. Yes, for the last seventect years, Ihave been engaged in towing boats up tho River SL. Lawrence. I have an intimate and perfect knowledge of that portion of the river where the Lock now stands, both befure and since Mr. Stevenson's improvement, and I consider the work done by Mr. Stevenson as of no avail whaterer.

## Answer to Q. 9. Yes.

Answer to Q. 10. Most decidedly, as it would bo almost impossible in carry on the navigation without it, from the lowness of the water; and boats carrying a heavier cargo than formerly, arc now able to ascend the river with porled safety.

Answer to Q. 11. All the barges have passed 'hrough it, both loaded and light. I think that moro than two hundred barges have passed through the Lock altogethor.
44. What do you think is the saving to cach boat by this improvement?-Boats arc saved 50s. in cartage, and other'expenses.
45. What rate of toll should have been allowed him, had lie boen permitted to charge any?-I think about $\mathcal{L} 1$ a boat, would have been a fair toll.

Answer to Q. 13. The object was two-fold. In une first place it was to raise a sufficient head of water to drive his mill; he then thought, that by the extension of the dam', a greater facility might be afforded to the trade on the river, which was then very great, amounting to between 400 and 600 boats a year, for which reason he was induced to enter into the speculation, ih 1842: In 1843, I was requesied by Mr . Killaly, the Chairman of the Board of Works, through. Messrs. McPherson \& Cranc, and also throughi-John Simpson, Esq., the Member for the County, who received a letter fiom Mr. Killaly on the subjoct, which I sav, to proceed, in councxion with Mr Masson and Mr. Floming', Civil Engineer, along the whole line, from the 'Cascales to the Coteau du"Lac, to examine' the sercral points of dificulty; and to give the aid of our practictil knowicdge to the Civil Engineer, to shew in what maner the navigation might be improved, We did so, and made an estimate, which I now band to the Committec. (App. No. 2.) Mr. Killaly selected certain points from our estimate for improvements, and they were cartied into' effect immediately. II also prosent alist of items. (App. No 3.) The point where the Lock is situated' was not included in our estimate, from the following circumstances: On arriving there; we found it one of the most formidable points, and prow. posed several molinds of improrement, but Mr. Alexander McBoan having agreed with us to extend his dam, and thercby deopen the channel, all necessity for a further outhy of public money censect, and twe accordingly omitted it in our Report ; and he subsequently extended the dam in tho manner so agred upon, which has answored every purpose.
46. What do you suppose to have been the cost of so altering the dam?-I should cstimate it at $£ 100$, for the extension of the dam alonc.
47. This dam having been extended as above stated, according to your suggostion, would it have been ayail able for purposcs of navigation withotit the Lock The Lock was built the previous year: it was not only', uscful, but indispensable, after the extension of the dam.

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No.1. Rejort of Mr, J. B. Mills relative to Mr. McBoan's Lock at Coteau du Lac.
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No. 3. List of the improvements'proposed to be 'effected immediately.

No. 1.-Report of Mr. J. B. Mills relative to Mr. $\therefore$ McBenn's Luck' nt Côteau du Lac.

Cotedu' lu Lac, 24th January, 1845.
Thomas A. Beglit, Esq., Secretary,'sc., \&c.
Sire, - I fave this day visited Mr. McBean's Lock, in accordance with the instructions of the Board, as per your lettor of the 18 th instant, and will now respond to the inquiries of suid letier briefly, and in the order they occur.

1st. The cost, $£ 120$, liberal ostimate.
2nd. Expense of attention-in 1843, £11 15s. 04. In 1844, £0 15s. Oll.
3rd. No. of barges passed-In 1843, 68, in 1844,28.
4h. Period of daration.-Short, possibly two years.
5th. Did boats pay Lockage?-Ther did not.
6ih. The advantage to tradc-Six to is per barge.
The works connected with 'McBeants milling estab. lishment completed in 1842, occupy a portion of the lino of communication triaversed previous to the crection of those works, and at tho time they were stanted, or th prosecution, I am informed that objections were made to them, on account of their interference with the navigation.

Said Lock wats a necessary consequence, and it is acknowledged that the rosult is an imporement. I have not prepared myself to give a skotch of these af fairs; neither have I thought it necessaty to detail the estimate. The Lock is a frail one, and othe which $I$ cannot propose to the Government to pay for or to buy.

Said advanlage or improvement may be consitered: purcly an incidental ono, growing out of circumstances into which the projectors of the milling estriblishment liad voluntarily placed themselves, and the necessity of their repairing the damgge done by their ine trusion upon the oldline of transit.

The improvement, as such, is not ant ditended one; however, if the improvement was of a kindiand character warranting, for a considemble timer; a favourable offect upon the price of transport; then, the puiblic de. riving adrantage therefrom, would snnction a draft upon the public prurse for its existence; but in this case, certain Forwarders only bave and may (for a part of the season") derive advantage; if'so; why not get "remuneration from that quarter, and not charge the pubt lic purse with the cost of t benofit so very partial.'

I shall not take the tosponsibility even or adyising the paying to Mr . McBean any thing by way of compromise or compliment.

I romain, \&c.
J. B. MLLiS:

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$\overbrace{20 \text { th March. }}^{\substack{\text { Appendix } \\ \text { (M. M. })}}$ Nouigation of' the St. Laurrence from the Cascades

Statement of proposed improvements, and estimated cost of the same:-

1. Repairing towing path from Split Rock to Jeffroy's Point, (Pointo aux Chiens,)
2. Repairing towing path and making small bridges abovo Jife froy's Point,
3. A capstan at Mary's Pointy , Cable for tho same,
4. Ropairing towing path \& bridging ravine at Point Lachinette,
B. A capstan at Mill Pitcl, . . . Cable for the same,
5. Making and filling three cribs of 20 feet oach, and removing somo large boulders betweon the tro lower bridges upper side of Mill Point, (vide addendum at end,)
6. Repairing and making additions to the tro lower bridges, . .
7. Making about 200 fect of crib and 150 foct of fender, filling the same, and removing boulders in long rapids near saw mill,
8. Continuing present crib about 70 fect at the lower, and 80 foct at the upper end, at the "Rigolet," near the Ccdars,
9. Making 80 lincal fect of fonder at Pointe Roussomne, abovo Long Bay, .
10. Making 80 lincal feet of fender at head of old cut for a comal, Ceclars,
11. Making a towing path across a morass above Pointe a Biron, .

Carried forward, . . $£$

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13. Making squaro fender, 100 s , and improving towing path, 50s. at Watior's Point
14. Improving towing path from Pointo au Diable to Mrs. Taylox's,
15. Making rock excavation and removing somo boulders at and abovo the IIorsc-Sloc Point, .
16. Repairing 433 foct (lincal) of Mr, Rocbuck's lower bridge, near McBean's Mill,
17. Repairing towing path, on swamny ground, at Giroux's Point,
18. Addendum, Making three additional cribs, and connecting the wholo with largo timbers, .

No. 3.
List of Improvements proposed to bo effected imme-diately:-

1. Reparing towing path from Split Rock to Jeffrey's Point, (Pointe aux Chiens,)
2. Ropairing towing path and making small bridge abovo Jeffroy's Point,
3. Capstan and cablo at Mary's Point,
4. Capstan and cable at Mill Pitch,
5. Repairing and making additions to the two lower bridges, . .
6. Making 80 feet of fonder on Pointe Roussonne, above Long Bay,
7. Making 80 feet of fender at the head of the old cut for a canal, Cclars, . . . . . . . .
8. Repairing 433 foct (lincal) of Mr. Roebuck's lower bridge, noar McBcan's Mill, . . :
(M. M. M.)


Special Committee on Petition of Wilinm Morrison, and others, of the Township of Brandon, in the County of Berthier ; presented to the House, 26th March, 1845.

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, <br> Commitree Room, 24th March, 1845. 

The Special Committee to, which was reforred the Potition of W. Morrison, and othors, of the Township of Brandon, in the County of Berthier, praying that they may bo onabled to obtain titles to cortain lands in that Township, occupied by them, and originally suryoyed and marliod out by Government, but whichare now claimed by the Seignior of Do Lanaudiere : la vo thehonor to Reportanumber of documents from which the nature of the case will appear. The claims of the Seigniors of the DeLanaudière appenr to have rested, up to tho time they were confirmod by an Order in Council in the year 1825, only upon the terms of the original deod of concossion of the Augmentation of Carufol, which are as follows:"Two leagues or thercabouts in front, to com" monce at tho extremity of Fief Carufol, upon "tho depth which is to bo founcl' as far as the "Lake Maskinonge, the said Lake boing comprised "in the whole extent with tho Isles, Islands' and "Shoals, (Isles, Islets et Battures), which shall bo "found thercin." Notwithstanding the interpretation. given by the Otders in Council above mentioned, your Committee camnot see in the terms of that grant, any other intention, but that tho dopth should extond as far as a cortain Lako; so as to compriso that Lake. Thare is found on the ancient Mans a Lake traced, ansivering to the above description, 'and comprised within the lateral lines of the grant: this Lake was called the Liesscr Lake Maskinonge. To' suppose that another Lake, much to the westward,' and six miles, at loast, wost of those lateral lines, and in rear of the Seigniory of Berthier, the roar of another Soigniory called Du Sablé, intervening with a front of scyeral miles,-would roquire stronger grounds than the teims of that gront, "particularly as the whole of the tract in rear of DaSable, and an ar. bitrary extent round the larger Lake, are meant also to be included in the concession. In fact there' wore no data whatevor to procoed upon, in the surveys, ' which preceded and followed the orders in Council, as to the extent of land round that Lake, which has lueen annexed to the Seigniory of Do Law naudider. It must also be remarked, that although the Orders in Council give only six chains around the Lake from the decpest bays, the official survey has set apart a large tract, included within perpondicular lincs, so as to comprise the gieatest part of the lands then occupied by the Petitioners, and upon Which thicy and their familios continue to reside. That Lake, in the rear of Berthier, was called the Grand Lako, or larger Lake Maskinonge; the probability that the other Lake first mentioned above, ras also called Take Maskinonge, is deduced, not morely from the plain torms of the grant, but also from the fact that its present name, Lake Mandeville, comes from the name of man wholited there in solitude for many years, and died there in-about the yoar 1793 or 1800 . The supposition that the grediter

Lako was meant, is, besides, contrary to the laws which rogulated the course of the lines of Seigniories, and could not be allowed, except on precise and explicit torms in the grant." It must be remarked, also, that in suits at law, instituted by Mr. Pothier, as Seignior, and as pretending to have legal posses sion, henlleged only the terms of his grant, as if the Lake, where the Petitioners woto sottled had been in the roar of the Seigniory of Carufal. Your Committeo have procured a full transcript of the proceedings in those cases, for tho furtlier investigation of the matter, and they beg to report the same, though they do not think it necessary that it should, at present, be printed, in the Journals of your Honourable House, The suits wore instituted at the Court' of Three Rivers, which could have had jurisdiction, if the place where the Petitioners were sottled had been about the" lesser Lake. "The larger Lake where they actually reside is incontrovortibly admitted to bo and to have ever been, in the District of Moutreal. The Sheriff's title, conveying the Seigniory of De Lannudiere to Samuel Gerard, Esquire, dated 3rd November '1842, contained no other description but that of the original grant, and yet the new posscasor has pretended to have 'a right to the extent of land in question, 'under the Orders in Council.

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#### Abstract

Tho Potitionors, or their ancostors, settlod thero in 1814, bolicving, as wns roally tho case, that thoy were on the limeds of the Crown, which they could obtain by purchaso, or from freo grants, as U, E. Joyalists : nnd it appars from the ovidence of Mr. Bou. chotto, Doputy Surveyor Goneral, that somo loontion tickets had beon issuud for lands in the 'lownship of Brandon, but those aro not tho linds inlabiterl and improved by them, and were not of my valuo. It appears from tho cyidenco of Mr . John Hiblort, that other location tickots for some of the yory samo lots now hald by the Petitioners, were given originally to thom, but that, having sent them to Queboc to obitin thoir Patents, they rocoivod only the exehange lochtion tickets, of which they had no need. Those trimsactions have nut been tinced by Mr. Bouchetto, in the present Surveyor Goneral's office.


Tho Petitionors havo sufferod groat hardships fiom the numorous law suits institutod agninst thion by the Seignior, both before ho bad the Orders in Council, and sinco, while at tho same timo thoy havo been unable to procture doeds of commission uniler any teriure, or on any torms whatover, thoy having repeatedy applicel for the sano to Mr. Pothier; without being able to loan whether ho claimed, or protonded to own tho land in Soigniory or in froc and common soccage, except by tho law suits in which the possos. sion was allogod. Thoy havo improvod the jand as their only moms of support, but from tho continued insecurity of thin tonure, thoy hinyo not beca ablo to improvo to that oxtent, which would have mado them comfortable; they lave oven boen exposed to heavy law suits on account of fishing in the lake for thair own subsistence. Thair well known possession of the land, by actual settlement, was totally disrogaided, when possession was given to Mr. Pothies by the Orders in Council.

The prosent propriutor, Mr. Samuol Gerard, declares himself' umblo, at present, on account of some particular transactions, and of logal difficultics, to give them. Deads of legal Concession. In fact, the does not know tho facts of the caso, except that he is Scignior of Do Lanaudiere.

The limits taken possession of by the Seignior, were oxcluded in the surveys made since, from the Township of Brandon, of which they ought to liave formed a part.

Your Committeo have great doults whether the Orders in Council, professing only to be meroly explanatory and unaccompanied by any lioynl Patent or grant, conuli confor any title or incrense of tille upon the Scignions of Maskinorge, affecting thoso lands, but they fully agree in bolieving that the original grant may still bo discussed in courts of law, as the only foundation of the Seignior's right; they ar'e also of opinion that it is tho duty of Mer Majesty's Governmint, for the prolection of that numerous population, consisting of above 300 families, to investigate the matter fully, and in ease they come to the conclusion that tho Seignior has a full title, but one Which was surreptitiously or erroneously obtained, to annul the pretended title in question; and in case the title is not found to be valid at law, to instituto proceedings in Itcr Majesty's Courtis, to bo re-iastated in the property, so as to be able to do justice to the Petitioners.

But as the Petitioners are willing to take Deeds of Concession from tho Seignior, on the usual terms, prying rent in tho mennime, only from the timo of such
deeds boing gruntod, on account of thoir doods lave. ing beon rofassel to thom hithorto, and of thoir in. socuro possossion, thero' would be in this, an consy moans of settling the mattor to the sartisfiction of ay partios, could thoy be onabled to oltain deods from the Solgnion. Your Coiumittoe expross a hopo that Logislativo onactuents will at an owly poriod declare as to the right of the poople to obtain doeds of con* cossion froin the Soignior, ins is snifoly provided in tho anciont laws of tho country, and ns to tho torms of such concessions under thoso days, tho Potitioners would be comprisod in a genoril measuro of that kind. Mr. Gorurd having no tillo of possossion whatover, oxcopt it bo ms Scignior, but as such a monsuro might bo dolayod, and as tho Potitionors and othor rosidonts of tho tract in question, would continuo in the monatime to bo exposed to the same hindships and disibilities; a specialliave, mecting thoir case, should bo introducod and passed. In tho inemutime, it would bo tho daty of tho Govornmont not to consont to any transaction or proceeding which might impair their right to obtain titles, and also, ns tho prosont Suignior doclares himsolf unablo at prosont, to give suel, titlos, it would also bo thio duty, and incontrovertably in tho poyer of tho Governmont, to
grant such titlos in licu of lim ; although tho Crown grant such titlos in licu of lim; although tho Crown lus not, probably, sinco the cession of the country, exorcised that power, which is ono of tho benoficial fentures of the ancient systom of settling public
lands. lands.

Tho whole nevertholess, humbly submitted,

## D. Mi Armstrong, Chairman.

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<br>Monday, 3d Febriuary, 1845.

Resolved, Thant tho Petition of W, Morpison, and others, of tho Township of Brandon, in the County of Borthier, bo roferred to a Solect Committoe, com-
posed of posed of

Mr. Armstrona,<br>Hon. Mri, ATrorney Generil Smith,<br>Hon: Mr. Momin,<br>Mr. Caustrie, and<br>Mr. Duncop,

to oxamine the contents theroff, and to report thereon with all convoniont spood, with powor to send for persous, papors and records.

Attest,
W. B. Livdsiy,
Cleple Assembly.

# MINUTES OF EVIDENCE. 

Commitrere Room,<br>Tuesday, 11th February, 1845.

In Comunittec on tho annexiod ordor of reference:
PMESENT:
Hon. Mr. Atry. Genl. Smith;
Mir. Cimisisin;
Mir. Dunlop;
Mir. Arastitrong; and
Ilow. Mr. Morin.
Mr. Arass nona, in the Chair.
Read the ordor of roference.
Read the Petition.

## John Hibebrt called in and examinod.

1. How long havo you been settled and owned land in Brandon? Albout thirty-two years.
2. When you and others took possession of those lands, wero you not informed that they were Crown Lands? We wrete told they were Crown Lands, and all those who went to settle there, (themselves or their fathers, ) paid a guinen to Mr. Antrobus, who acted as $\Omega$ leader of Toynship, to obtwin from the Govornment, Crovn Lands; but that gentleman having made arrangements for hinsslf only, we thought weo Ladt the best right to thess lands, and, at any yate, entitlod
to pro-emption.
3. Had Mr. Lanaididere, or Mr, Pothior, previous to the setlement of what ho has styled Moskinonge, oxercised in any respect tho dight of property? No-
ver to our lenowledgec nor yer to our knowledge, nor was there any settlement whatever when we toolk possession.
4. In rhat year did Mr, Pothier sue the inhiabltante of Lake Brandon, and where did he: so sue them? About the yoar 1816 and 88 :77; the inbabi. tants (fiye only in numbori, ) Woro sued at the Gourt of Three Rivers, District of Three Rivorgo Mr Po-
thion rotainod every lawyen in Thiroo Rivers, oxoept ono young man; ; ind M : Attoming Gonorn' Ogdan doclaroct to me, mad to all the othere (to my know lodge that he would not have accepted aretainer from Mr. Totlier, had ho kiown the foull injustice of form
Pothior's protonsions.
5. Is this the only caso in whioh you havo boen sued in the District of Throo Riyors? Yos, aldhourgh Mr. Potlior: and his Agont have often threatoned to continue to prosocuto us in that Distriot:
6. Was not Mr. Pothier tho only person who everr tried to make it uppenr that Lake Brandon was in the Distriot of Throe Rivers? Yos, ho is the only person.
7. How many milos are you, and all those whom Mr. Pothier sued at Three livors, above the District lino of Throo Rivens, and consequently in the District of Montronl? About fivo or six miles nbovo tilo District line of Tluroe Rivers, and in the District of Montroal, and situated imrrediately around Lalke Branton.
8. Havo you yoursolf askol for Deeds of Concession from Mr:Pothier, or hiave you offiered to buy thoso Lands as bolonging to the Crown? Yos, wo haves and
we have soughtin in every way to obtrain titles from we have songlat in every way to obtrian titles from Mr. Pothior and tho Govornment, by paying the price of
Crown Lands.
9. Did you assigst Mr. Bouchette to placo a boundary stono, dividing the Township of Brandon and tho lands in your of Dudsryoll and De Lanaudiere? Yos,, assisted $M$, Bouchetto to place the bounddary
stone in question.
10. Did you also assist Mr. Sullivan, ti sworn slurveyor, employcd by Mr. Pothier, after you had assisted Mi: Bouchetto to place tho boundary stope, to romovo that samo boundary stono; if so, state wheng the said boundary stono was removed to, and where it now is? Yes, I was employed by Mr. Sulivany a sworn Surveyor, omployod by Mr. Pothier, to fomove the boundary, stone which had been put down by Mr. Bouchotte a and this, was $a$ sliort time after, and the' stono is still in a barn at Lalke Brandone
11. Did you obtain loontion' tickots from the Go-
vernment for a part of the very land Mr. Pothior io iov
claims in rintue of an Order in Council ; and wer gnot
those location ticlkets obtanined long before Mr. Pothiei
obtained those lands? Yes; several location tiokets
$\begin{aligned} & \text { Were obtainod from the Governoment, for mysilf and } \\ & \text { brothers; long lofore niny grant was made to Mr: }\end{aligned}$
$\begin{aligned} & \text { brothers ij ling berore a m } \\ & \text { Pothior by ho Council. }\end{aligned}$
12. Wero you not induced to send doivn your Iocation tiokets to Quebec, from representations mado to you by Mr. Bouchette, the Suryyyor-Goneral, with a promiso to havo Patents; - and what was the conisoquence Fe Ware our location tickets to Mr. Boinchette, because he pronised to give us Patents for our lands, as dosiginated in the location tickets ; but instend of granting us Pitents for these lands, we were locatod in ay totully different place; and in such anisuri: favourable location that perisons will not tate titio lands for a gift:
13. Was thiore not ani otd main by the name of Mandeville, who lived and died at the tale thich if in rear of Lanaudderro and Du Sable Seignibries, and have you not haurd it; epegetedly stated, that the lake was known as Petit La Maskinonge bix from for circumbtaice of Matiderile faring deed and hatoxig buried at that late, it was evor fifter called Lalk Mandevile ? Yos, Have seenitlay anpot wiorode was
buried, and it is well known, that previous to the residonce or porogrination of old Mandeville at the lake in question, and which now bears his name, it was known and called Petit Lac Maskinongé. Mandeville, and many others, made a trade by catching fish called Maskinongé, in that lake. Mandevillo died about the year 1810.
14. Are thore any Isles and Islets in the lake which is now called Mandevillo, situated in rear of Lanaudiere Scigniory and Lake Brandon? Lako Mandeville contains Des Isles et Islets, whereas Lake Brandon, which is a much larger Lake, is one uninterrupted shect of water ; there is not even a batture in it. Mandevillo, known formerly as Petit Lac, is in rear of Lanaudière Scigniory, whereas Brandon is several miles from it,-that is to say, the Scigniory Lanaudiere is directly north-west from the St. Lawrence, and Lake Brandon is south-west of Lanaudièrc.

Mr. Dunn called and examined.
The several questions that were submitted to Mr. Hibbert, (with the exception of 11 and 12,) having been presented to the witacss, he agreod to the same answers.

Mr. Dignin, called and examined.
15. In your capacity of Land Surveyor, do you know any thing of the Township of Brandon? I assisted MIr. Smith, Land Surveyor, in surveying a portion of the Townslip, in 1823.
16. How is the Townslip of Brandon situated? The Tomnship of Brandon is situated in rear of the Scigniory of Borthicr, and is formed or bounded by a prolongation of the lateral lines of this Scigniory, with the exception of a tract around the lake, where the Petitioncrs reside,-which tract, together with the lake, is claimed by the proprictors of the Seigniory of Lanaudiero.
17. Do not the lateral lines of this Township include thio Lake on the banks of which the Petitioners live? Answored by reply to last question.
18. Have you any knowlelge of the Seigniory of lanaudière? I have been employed surveying at various times by tho censitaires and settlers in this Scigniory.
19. Are you aware of the existence of any lake in rear of and in the direction of this Scigniory? Yos; there is a considerable lake in rear of the Scigniory of Lanaudière; known at prosent as Lake Mandeville. thave laid off scveral lots, or farms of land, on the banks of this lake, and can produce a skotech of it.
20. Have you any knowlelge of the line which divides the District of Montreal from that of Three Rivers? Yes; I have had occasion to retrace this line for a distance of threo leagues, where it forms the north-castern boundary of the Scigniory of Dusable. 1 have also been shewn it in the ncighbourhood of Lako Mandeville.
21. On which side of the lake, moderniy callod Lake Mandeville, does the District line pass? It passes on the upper or south-western side of Lake Mandeville.
22. Have not the lateral lines of all the Soignior-
iss betreen the Island of Montreal and the City of Quebec, one uniform course? Yes; those on the northern bank of the St. Lawronce should all run duc north-west.
23. Do you not think that any portion of the Township of Brandon being annexed to the Seigniory of Lanaudiere isin contradiction of the law that governs the ercetion of the Seigniories alrendy alluded to? Yos; it is my opinion, that it would be at variance with the arret ou reglement of 1676.
24. Is not the lake callod Mandeville precisoly sitiuated so as to embrace the description of the Lake Maskinongé, mentioned in the said grant of 1750 ? It is my opinion, that Lake Mandeville would answer to the designation of the limits of the Seigniory of Lanaudière, - the only discrepancy would be in the name.
25. From your knowledge of the locality and the matter gencrally, aro you not aware that a man of the name of Mandeville lived and died at that lake, long after the grant, hercinbefore stated, was made? I have frequently heard that it derived its present name from the circumstance of a man of tho name of Mandeville being in the hablit of fishing for maskinonge in it.

Josmph Bouchette, Esq., Doputy Surveyor-Gencral, called and cxamined.
26. Is there not an old arrett ox ordinance in existence, which directs in what course all the Scigniorial lines on both banks of the St. Lairrence, between Quebee and Montreal, should be run? Yes; according to an arrêt or règlement du Conseil Supérieur de Québec, bearing date 26th May, 1676, Art. 28, the course of the lateral lines of Seigniories on the banks of the River' St. Lawrence, is therein directed to run due north-west and south-cast.
27. 'Do you not consider the' annexation' of the Lake Brandon, (where the Petitioners live,) to the Scigniory of Lanaudierre, is totally at variance with the arevet already alluded to'? I consider that the annexation of a lake, called, on the map of the Province, (compiled in the year 1793) Lake Maskinongé, situate about three miles wost of the south-wost lateral line of the Seigniory of De Lanaudière, and lying within the bounds of the Township of Brandon, is a departure from the title of that Seigniory, and the arrêt or règlement above cited, as the broadth inrear of thatSeiguiory docs not correspond with the breadth in front, as should lic between the parallel course of its latoral outlines or boundarics drawn from the front.
28. Do you think that if the existence of the Lake Mandeville, described by Mr. Dignan, had been known to the Governor and Council, that the grant of a portion of the Township of Brandon would have been marle to the Hon. T. Pothier, in 1825? It' is very probable that a very particular cinquiry of the extent and charaeter ot the lake called Mandeville rould hive been effected.
29. In annexing a portion of the Township of Brandon to the Seigniory of Lanaudière, does it not necessary ensue, that a large tract of Crown Lands in the rear of the Seigniory of Du: Sable is also alded to the Seigniory of De Lanaudiere? "This tract of land has been claimed by the Seignior of De Lanaudiere, and, in some measure, appears to have been admitted; in authorising tho survey of the northeast line

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of Biandon, and boundaries being planted at the point A. and H. in the accompanying sketch; but it does not ensue that the tract of land above referred to, doos belong to the Seigniory of Do Lanaudière.
30. Ts Lake Manderille on your map? Fes; as taken from Mr. Dignan's skotch.
31. Would not this lake correspond with. tho description of Lake Maskinongé, mentioned in the grant of 1750 , to Lanaudière? In so far as it appears to bo within the lateral lines of the Seigniory drawn from the boundarics in front, in the rear of Carufel, and: that it contains islands, as mentioned in the Deods of Concession,
32. Do you not think that the suppression of tho" existence of what was designated formerly Lake Maskinongé, and now called Mandevillo, on the maps, was designedly done by the proprictors, to mislead the: Council? I cannot say.
33. Have you not understood that Mr. Pothior ob tained the grant in 1825, of a certain portion of the Township of Brandon, because the Council were led to believe that Lake Brandon was the lake contemplated in the grant made by the French Government in 1750, to Mr. De Lanaudière? I have always understood that the Scignior of De Lanaudiere obtained that grant upon reprosentations made by him, that the lake in the Township of Brandon, now. within the Seigniory of De Lanaudiere; was the true Lake Maskinongé.
34. From your knowledge of the conflicting claims of partios, and especially, from a belief that several partics lay claim to Crown Lands, without any title or colour of titlo, would it not be advisable to have a complete survey of the Seigniorics of 'Du Sable and De Lanaudiere, to establish the limitations of the Crown Lands? I conceive that a survey to establish in due form of law, the boundary of these Seigniorics, in conformity to the titles thereof with the adjacent Crown Lands; would be highly necessary.
35. Has there been any survey of De Lanaudière, and of that part wost of the lateral boundary in particular, to which Govornmont has been a party? There has beon a survey of that part of the Seigniory of De Lanaudière, west of the lateral boundary thereof, establishing the lines of division between the said Seigniory and the Township of Brandon, performed by me in the year 1825 , pursuant to instructions from the Surveyor-Gerieral's Office, issued under the authority of Government, and according to which survey the Township has been erected by Letters Patent.
36. What was the title or order under which Mr. Pothier obtained the land aforesnid? Agreeably to the Orders in Council, dated 9th and 29th August, 1828.
37. Can you trace in the records of the SurveyorGeneral's Office, any mention of location tickets have ing been issucd, ass mentioned in Mr. Hibbert's evidence? Not having any knowledge of Mr. Hibbert's evidence, I am unable to trace the location tirkets which appear theroin to have been alluded to.:

Sanuet Gerard Dsq called and examined.
38. Are you, or do you consider yourself the proprictor of that tract of laid which lies to the north of the Seigniory of Du Sable and Bertier, and encir cling the lake called by some, Lake Maskinonge,
and by others, Grand Lake, or Lake Brandon? I am in possession of the said tract of land; as forming part of the Seigniory of Maskinongé.
39. Is the said tract of land held by you in Seigniory, or in free, anducommon'socage? In Seigniory.
40. Have you ever given Deeds of Concession, or otherwise disposed, in favor of tenants, of any part of that tract of land? Not any part of, it, as I am not the confirmed proprjetor, it depending: on conditions which have not yet been complied with; therefore, $I$ have not been able to make any grants.
41. Do you consider that those conditions will be adjusted within a given time, so as to settle the matter finally? I believe that matter will be finally arringed within twelve months.

APPENDIX TO FOREGOING REPORT:,

No. I:
Extruot of a Report made by a Committee of the: whole Council,' dated 31st March, 1825, Approved by His Excellency, the Lieutenant-Governor.

The Committee having taken into consideration the reference respecting the Township of Brandon, and the joint opinion of the late Attorney-General (Mr. Uniacke, , and the Advocate-General, and perceiving therefrom, that Mr. Pothior has added ten years possession of the lands which immediately, surround the Lake Maskinonge, and are described on the diagram of Brandon by the lines E. F. G. H. to the long posscssion of the family of De Lanaudière, are humbly of opinion,

That boundaries ought to be fixed on the above mentioned lines E. F. G. H., and that the fiof Maskinongé should, under all the existing circumstances, be forever divided by the said lines from the Townslip of Brandon.

Certified.
(Signed,) Gtorge H:Ryland.
True Copy.
Thomas Parke,
Sürveyor-General.'
Surveyoh-Geineral's Office,
Montreal, 24th March, 1845. \}

No. 2,
Extract of a Report nade by a Comittee of the" whole Council, daited $9 t h$ August, 1825, and approved by His Excellenivy the Licutenant-Gover:nor, relative to the Boindary line between the Townsh of Braindon and the Seigniory of De. Lanaudiere:

The Comittechang taken into consideration the reforence of For Excollehey apo the SurveyorGenerals ietter of tie 18 thoult ast, and the Hon Mr Pothers letter to him of the 3 th Juy, ore af: a los sto discorer the cause fo the difficulty which has occurred in ruining tap division lines botwen the

Seigniory of De Lanaudiere and the Tornship of Brandon, in the manner recommended by the Report of Council of the 31st March last. But to explain more distinctly (if possible) the recommendation contained in that Report, the Committee annox to this Report the diagram of the Township of Brandon, as returned by the Surveyor-Gencral, and referred to by the Committee, by which it will appear, that, the line G. H. is rectangular to the line A. H. The line G. E. a line parallel to the line A. I. protracted to E. and the line F. E. a line parallel to the line G. H.; and they humbly recommend that these several lines should be so run, including the line A. H.

Cortified,

> (Signed,) II. W. Ryland.
(True Copy.)
Thomas Parke,
Surveyor-General.
Surveyor-General's Office,
Montreal, 24th March, 1845.

No. 3.
Letrens from the Commissioner of Crown Lands to Mi. Gauthier, and others.
(Copy.)
Chown Lands Office,
Quebec, 6th November, 1835.
To L. J. Gauthier, Esq.
Sir,
His Excellency having had laid before him your Petition relating to certain lands claimed by the Hon. T. Pothier, as proprictor of the Scigniory of Maskinongé, but which you state to be in your occupation.

I am directed by His Excellency to acquaint you, that answers appear to have been addressed to you, at various times, in reply to similar enquiries on your behalf; at the same time, His Excellency, being desirous of affording you all the protection which your just clains may deserve, has commanded me to furnish you with a plan of the Lake Maskinongé and of the outline boundary of the lands of the Crown in the Township of Brandon, which, it is hoped, will enable you to ascortain the position of your respective lots.'
(Signed,
(Copy.)
Crown Lands Office, Quebec, $22 n d$ December, 1838.

To L. J. Gautimer, Wm. Monrison, and W. Hope, Esquires, Brandon.

Gentlemen,
In reply to your letter, alluding to one addressed to you by Mr. Chief Sccietary Buller, relating to your Petition, laying claim to certain lands in Brandon, I am to acquaint you, that no communication on the subject has been mado to this Department. As your letter alludes to a Proclamationissued
by His Excellency the Earl of Durham, I do not sce, under the information now in your possossion, how it can apply to your case, the land you claim, appearing under the Surveyor-Gcueral's Proces Verbal, to be vested in Mr. Pothier : and as far as I have been able to understand your object, it can only be carriod out by obtaining from the Government some revisal of thic Procès Verbal, and Orderin Councilnow in existerico, and under which Mr. Pothicr holds.
(Signed,)
(Copy.)
Crown Lands Office,
Quebec, $22 n d$ May, 1830.
To L. J. Gauthier, Esq. \}
To: of Brandon,
Sir,
His Excellency the Governor-General having referred to the Commissioners of Crown Lands your letter of the 7th instant, with a Petition from several inhabitants in the Township of Brandon, complaining that they had, without obtaining any satisfactory answer, addressed Lord Aylmer, Lord Gosford, and Lord Durham, and setting forth the great injustice done to the Petitioners, by suffering Mr. Pothier to retain the possession of the Lake now callod Maskinongé (but which they state to be Grand Lake,) as well as a certain portion of land around the lake, in his riglit of Scignior of Lanaudière or Maskinongé, both of which, the Petitioners state, should be part of the Township of Brandon, and to the latter of which they lay claim ; the Commissioners were at the saine time commanded to enquire fully into the circumstances, and they have since been dirccted to acquaint the Potitioners, through you, with the result of the information obtained, as an answer to your and their appplication, and it is as follows, viz:-That Mr. De Lanaudicre, in his right of Seignior of Lanaudière or Maskinongé, as far back as 1803, laid claim to the lake in question, whether the same be called Lake Maskinongé or Grand Lake, together with about half a mile of the land on two sides of it,' and the whole of the space on the S. W. side, down to the rear line of Berthier ; and that he supportod his claim by a plan which he brought under the consideration of the Government,' at the time he made his application.

That the Surveyor-Goneral, when called upon to report on the subject, objected to the extent of territory' to which Mr. DoLanaudière laid claim. That this chaim was rencwed by Mr. Pothier after he bocime the proprietor of Maskinonge, and that the whole matter was sulmitted to the Law Officers of the Crown for their opinion; that in consequence of the joint opinion of the then Attorney-General (Mr. Uniacke) and the Advocate-Gencral, the Executive Council, by an "approved Order in Council of" 31 st March, 1825, confirmed by a further Ordor in Council of 29th May, 1825, directed the Surveyor-Gencral to admeasure and lay off for the Seigniory of Lanandière or Maskinonge, the lake in question, with six clains of land around it from the doepest bry, and that such survey was porformod, and duly returned into the Officc of the Surveyor-Gencral, on the 25th October, 1825, confirming Mr. Pothicr in the possesssion of the lake and of six chains of land around it, from the deopost bay.

That rather moro than a yoar aftorwards, viz. 8th January, 1827, the Township of Brandon was crected under Letters' Patent, and the lines 'were run in con-
formity with the Orders in Council of March and August, 1825, so as to exclude from the Township the
whole of the lake, and the six chains of land around it.
That the Lake, whether called Maskinonge or Grand Lake, to which the Petitioners allude, consequently never formed part of the Township of Brandon, the claim of the Scignior haring been admitted, and the Return of Survey of 26 th October, 1825, placing that and six chains of land around it, within the Scigniory, having been approved of by the Crown, before the Township of Brandon had a legal existonce; it also appears, on examining the present Petition, with the Return of Survey, or Procès Verbal, of 26th Ootober, 1825, that two of the Petitioners, Wm. Dunn and Joln Hibbert, had been employed as chain-bearers, and subscribed the Procès Verbal as mitnosses.

## (Signed,)

(Truc Copies.)
(Signed,) T. Bouthiller.

## C. L. O. Montreal, <br> March 23, 1845.

No. 4.
Extract from remaiks on references. [16th May, 1839.]

A Petition from Wm. Morrison, and others, of the "Township of Brandon,' complaining, that they had, without obtaining any satisfactory answer, addressed Lord Aylmer, Lord Gosford, and Lord Durham, and setting forth the groat injustice done to the Petitioners by sufforing Mr. Pothier to retain the possession of the lake now called Maskinonge, (but which they state to be Grand Lake, as woll as a certain portion of land around the lake, in his right of Scignior of Lanaudière or Maskinongé, but which the Petitioners state should be part of the Township of Brandon, and to part of which they lay claim.

## Answer:

Previous to entering upon the merits of the Potition, it may be proper to state, that from recollections, the Surveyor-General believes Mr. Lanaudière's claim to this lake and land around it," to have been before the Government, since 1803; at that time Mr. Lanaudière, as Scignior' of Lanaudière or' Maskinongé, not only claimed the lake, about half a milc on two sides of it, and the whole of the space on S. E. down to the rear line of Berthier, and this claim he supported by filing an exparte survey, made under his directions by Mr. Ecuyer ; this survoy comprising, as the Sur-veyor-General conccived, many thousand acres more than his reading of Mr. Lannadière's titles entitlod him to was formally objected to, and brought before the Government, and on that objection the whole of the subsequent proceedings bofore Council were founded, which didnot terminate until 1825, when the positive ard definite Order of the Council was acted on by the Surveyor-General.

With referenco to the petition the parties hove becn made acquanto with ali the crecumstances at tending Mr. Pothier's posscssion, and they were furnished with a dingramof the suryey and thoy certain ly are not satisfactory to them as far as then pretensoons are concerned, and a precis of the procedings connected with tho claim of Mr. Pothier, the present Seignior of Lanaudiere or Moskinongé now given His Excelloncy for information It appears by the

Reports of Council of 31st March and 29th August, 1825, the former founded on the joint Report of the then Attorney-Goneral and Advocate-General, and the latter admitting a profession on the part of Mr. Pothier of ten ycars, that lis claim as Seignior of Lanaudiere or Maskinonge to the Lake Maskinongè, was admitted; and under those Reports, instructions issued for the Surveyor-General to lay off for the Soignior of Maskinonge, the lake, with a tract around it of six chains from the deepest bay, and that the survey was completed $\mathrm{hy} \mathbf{M r}$. Joseph Bouchette', Deputy Surveyor-General, and returned into the Surveyor-General's Offico on the 26th Octobor, 1825.

The Township of Brandon was not officially erected until-8th January, 1827, more than one year subsequent to the survey which confirmed the possession of the lake and the allotment of six chains around it to the Scignior of Maskinonge ; the land, therefore, immediatcly around the lake, to which the parties lay claim, never did at any tine form part of the Tornship of Brandon.

It is evident, from the wording of the Memorial, that the Pctitioners are under the improssion, that, unless some undue influence had been used, and to thoir prejudico, the lateral lines of Brandon would have been parallel, and not so rum as to exclude the lake and the portions of land around it, and it is on this point that the Petitionors must be undeccived; the right of possossion, as it respects that lake and the six chains of land around it, was confirmed to Mr. Pothicr, on his right of Seignior of Maskinonge, befor the Township of Brandon had a logal existence, and it was not unadvisedly so confirmed, for his Petition, and that of the Scignior from whon he acquired, had been for years bofore the Government, and the first Report of the Executive Council, although founded on the joint opinion of the Attorney-General, (Mr. Uniacke) and the Adrocate Goneral, was in fact reconsidered, confirmed, and finally and formally acted upon. On examining the presont Petition and the Return of Survey of 26th October, 18\%5, two of the Potitioners, William Dunn and John Hibbert, appear to have' been employed as chain-bearers, and to have subscribed as witnesses to the Procès Verbal.

No. 5.
Letter from Commissioner of Crown Laids, tians. mitting a Report from Survejor-General.
[21st October,' 1842.]
(Copy.)

> Crown Lands Department, Kingston, 21 st October, 1842.

Sir,
Having referred to the Surveyor General, the petition of W. Morrison, and others, praying enquiry into the claim of the Hon. T. Pothicr, to Grand Lake, together with the opinion of the Hon: the Attorney General, which accompanied it, I have now the honor to transmit the information furnished by the Surveyor Gencral, and to return the Petition and the Attorney Generil's opinion.

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Surveyor-General's Ofhice,'
26th March. Kingston, 19 th October, 1842.

Having examined the documents and entrios of record in this office, relating to the division linos and boundaries botween the Township of Brandon and the Fief of Maskinonge, belonging to the IIon. 'T. Pothier, I have the honour most respectfully, to roport, for the information of Mis Excellency the Governor Gencral, that the lines of limitation and division, between the Townslip of Brandon and the said. Fief of Maskinongé or De Lanaudièru, bolonging to the Hon. Toussaint Pothier, were actually drawn in the field and bounded in duc form of law at the respective angles, E. F. G. II. A., as described on the annexed diagram, under instructions from this office, to Josoph Bouchette, Esj!, sworn Land Sarveyor, bearing date the 18 th April, 1825, issuod under the authority of a letter from Mr. Assistant Secretary Montizambert, dated the 8 th of April, conveying Ilis Excellency the Licutenant Governor's commands, to carry into effect the approved Report of Council, dated 21st March, 1825, respectiog tlic. fixing of tha boundary lines between the lief of Maskinonge and the Township of Brandon, and that, in conformity to the said Report of Survey, bearing date 26th of October, 1825, the description for the crection of the said Township was prepared in pursuance of the Warrant of Survey dated in 1805, and reported to His Excellency in June, 1826, whereupon the Township of Brandon was crected by. Letteris Patent, dated 8th January, 1827.

By these Letters Patent, part of the said Township of Brandon is bounded on the north-west by the line H. G., bearing magnetically south $54^{\circ} 50$ east, drawn at the perpendicular distance of twonty French arpents, from the most south-castern point of Lake Maskinongé, (called by the Potitioncrs Grand Lake, on the north-cast by a line G. F., bearing north $35^{\circ}$ 10 west, drawn at six chains from tho most southwesterly point of tho said Lake, and on the southcast by a linc E.F., bearing north $54^{\circ} 50$ enst, at six chains from the north-westernmost point of said Lake Maskinongé, the said lines being permanently established and marked by hown stone boundarics se-parating the said Township of Brandon from the said Fiof of Maskinongé or De Lanaudière.

From further information obtained in this office, it would appear that several of the Petitionors are sottlers around the borders of the above mentioned Lake Maskinongé, within the hereinabove described boundaries of tho Scigniory of De Lanaudierc, belonging to the Hon. Mr. Pothier.

## All which is nevertheless

most respectfully submitted,

## Thomas Pinke,

Surveyor-General.

No. 6.
Copy of Pertition from Inhabitants of Township of Brandon to Governor-General.
[22nd October, 1842.]
(Copy.)
To His Excellency the Right Honourable Sir Charles Bagot, G. C. B., fer \&on \&o:

The Petition of the undersigned Inhabitants of the Township of Brandon, in the Jistrict of Montreal,

## Most Respectrully Shewetif,

That as early as the year 1814, your Potitioncrs, chicfly descendants of American Loyalists, omigrated from the Parish of Maskinonge, in the Disthict of Three Rivers, to the Township of Brandon, in the District of Montroal, and formed a settlemont around a lake known by the name of Grand Lac, situated in that Township.

That Your Petitioners, not many yoars after such settlement was made, werc greatly surprised to find that the Honourable Mr. Pothier, Scignior of Lanaudière, claimed the lands upon which they were thus settled, as part of his Seigniory, and instituted legal procecdings of "a harassing cliaracter against some of them. These proceedings, however, although entailing ruinons expenses upon your Petitioners, lod to no definite result as respects the right of property.

That Your Petitioners have at various times made repeated applications to scveral of Your Excellency's Predecossors, for the purpose of obtaining titles to the lands upon which they are thus settled, but that, in consequence of the crroncous information and the incorrect surveys laid before the Govermment, such applications havo hithorto had an unsuccossful result.

Aware, however, as Your Excellency's Petitioners are, that the protensions of the Scignior of Lanaudièr'o, are not sustained by his title, and belicving as they do, that Government has boen led. into crror from want of correct information, they are impelled by a sense of duty to themseives and their familios, and in full reliance upon Your Excellency's justice, to make anothor appeal to Hor Majesty's Government, and to lay this, their humble Pectition, bofore Your Excollency.

Your Petitioners liumbly conceive that the extont and boundarics of the Scigniory of Lanaudiere, can be best ascertained by referring to the original grant, which bears clate 1st March, 1750, and they therefore respectfully pray leave to extract from it the following description: "Two leagues or thicrabouts in front, to conmenec at the extremily of Ficf Carufol, upon the depth which is to be found as far as the Lake Maskinonge, the said Lake being conprised in. its whole extent with the islos, islands and shoals, (isles, islets et battures,) which shall be found therein."

Your Petitioners would respectfully aver, that the lake thus intended to bo included within the Seigniory of Lanaudiere, is not the lake to which the name of Lake Maskinongé has been rceenlly given, but anothor lake of smaller dimensions, latterly known as Lake Mandeville-that this lattor lake (the real Lake Maskinongé; although' entirely omitted in Mr. Bouchotte's map,) is about four miles in circurnfercice, and contains soveral islauds and shoals, corresponding exactly with the lake namod in the above description; it is morcover situated within a parallclogram formed by an extonsion of the lateral lines of the Scigniory, upon a bredth of two leagues in rear of lief Carufol, to a depth of between three and four leagues, the usual form of Scigniories.

That the Grand Lake which is about nine or ten. miles in circumferenco, docs not correspond with the one above mentioned; ; inasmuch as it does not contain a single island or slioal, and it is so situated that it cannot possibly be included within a parallelogram formed by lines drawn upon a breadth of two leaguce in rear of Tiof Carufel.

That, on the contrary, it lies entiroly within the Township of Brandon, in rear of the Seiguiory of

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26th March.
(N.N.N.) Berthier, and betircen that Townslip and tho Soigniory of Lanaudière, there is a space of unconceded Crown Lands, upwards of a longuo in, broidth, in roar of the Ficf Du Sable.
That in order to comprise the Grand Lac within the Sceigniory of Lanaudiere, it became necessary to abandon the lateral line pointed out by the terms of the grant as extending in rear of Fief Carufel, and to draw a line at right angles with it in rear of Fief Du Sable, across the said space of Crown Lands, and thence a cortain distance into the Township of Brandon, which would have the offect not only of giving an irregular and unusual figure to the Seigniory, but of transferring to it a large tract of land never contemplated by the original grant. For the better understanding of the title in question, and the purport of this Poctition, your Petitioniers. would raspectfuly refcr to Mr. Bouchette's Topographical Map, published in 1815, whereupon the pretensions of Mr: De Lanaudierc are roprosented by tho letters A. B. C:D. E. F. G. H. I. J. K. L., and also to a small diagram accompanying this Potition.
That any coloing of plausibility to which thisse protonsions of the Seigniors of Lannudiere may be conisiderod to lay clain, is manifestly derived from an ignorance on the part. of Her Myjusty's Government of the oxistence of the real Lake Maskinongé, and from a suyposition, through the erroneous information conveyed to them, that the larger lake in the Towniship of Brandon, was the one contemplated by the grant of the Scigniory of Lanaudière.
It must, thicrefore, lave been in consequence of this crroncous information that Mr. Pothicr succeceddd; in the ycur 1825, as your Petitioners have been informicd, in oltatining tivo Ordors in Council, directing the Surveyor Gencrial to almeasure and lay of for the Scignior of Lanaudière, the large lake in question, with six chains round it from the deepest bry. The Council evidently assumed, in making these Orders, that the Scigniory of Lanaudière adjoined the Townslip of Brandon, and did not seom at all aware thatin order to carry the Orders into execution, that is, in order to reach the lake in quostion, it was nccossary to quit the Seigniory of Lanaudière, and to advance in a westerly direction, at rightit angles with the lateral line of that Seigniory, over tho unconceded lands of the Crown, a distance of from four to six miles in rear of Fiof Du Sablo. The Council have made no Order: wath respect to this space of uncon-1 coded lands, and yet tho Scigniory of Lanaudiere claims it in conjunction, with the lake and the lands surrounding it,"as part of his Soigniory.
Your Petitioners would respectfully represont; that an error on tho part of the Council can neither confre a title upon the Soignior nor prejudice the rights of your Petitioners, - that the Council never intended to makke a neiv grant, but to confirm (as they suppossed) an old onc. When, therefore; it becomes apparent, that the original grant never contemplated the lhke in Brandon, as supposed by the Council, their Orders hecone unavailable; to the 'Scignior in whose favour they were made.
The To wnslip of Brandon whas laid out nendylyidf a century ago by Mri Lasx;' of tho Surveyor-Genorals Departmont, 'including within its fimits the Grand Lac in question; the survey, therefores of Mr. Bouchette, in 1827 , made in obedience to the aboye Orders in Council, wherchy that lako was transforred to the Scigniory of Lannuldeitec, (although that Seigniory is at a distance of from four to six miles from the lake, "was but'a continuation of the crico into which the Cotucil whas Iod, as atbove statod, and cannot alter the rightes of the parties as ostabished by the original' yraint.
Your Petitionoriss aire desions of abstaning from: all observations of of porssonar tendency', and of confind ing themsel les to a mee statenent of facts, but they cannot holp obscrying that, in Mre Bouchotte; motys,
published in 1815 and 1831, the real Lake Maskinonge is entirely omitted, while, in the works accompanying the maps, he gives a favorable colour to Mr. Pothicr's claims.

That your Petitionors are especially impelled to address your Excellency at the present time, and rospectfully to pray for the interference of Her Majesty's Government, inasmuch as it appears that the Seigniory of Lanaudière is advertised for sale by the Sheriff of the District of Three Riyers, on the third day of November next; should, therefore, the description of the Seigniory given by the said Sheriff in his advertisement, be considered to compriso the large lake in Brandon, with the extensive addition of territory above described, and should no opposition be made to the sale, the difficulties which the Government would have to encounter in recovering so large and valuable a tract of Crown Lands, and your Petitioncrs in obtaining that justice to which thoy conceivo themsclves entitled, would be greatly increased.
That your Petitioners aro loyal and faithful subjects of Her Majesty, most of thom desconded from thoso, who, as a proof of their loyalty, 'abandoned their all, and fled for protection to the remaining dominions of Hor Majesty on this continent. That all they now pray for, is a title for those lands, which, by their ins dustry, they have redeomed from the wilderness and reduced to a state of cultivation; noy will they $d_{0}$ more than slightly glance at the hardskips which they have been made to endure;-discountenanced by Her Majesty's Government, to which their poverty and obscurity almost debarred them access, and deprived them of the means of making their case effectually known; oppressed and harrassed by a powerful and wealthy neighbour, who, while he claimed their lands as a part of his Seigniory, refused at the same time to receive them as censitaires. Repelled thus on every side, your Petitioners, while industriously cultivating their lands, supporting their familios, and performing all the dutics of loyal subjccts, have been denied all right of citizenship,-all participation in the clective franchise,-and, whether they "prosented themselves at the hustings or in $a$ Court of Justice, were considered as' intruders, and little better than outlaws from society.
Wherefore, your Pctitionors humbly pray, that your Excellency will be graciously ploasod to take their iforosaid case into your consideration, and to direct that the necessary stops be taken to maintnin and presicrvo the right of the Crown to the lands upon which they are settled. And upon ascertaining the truth of your Petitioners', allegations, to maintain thom in possession, and grant them titles to the same in free and common socenge.
And Your Excelloncy's Petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever'pray.

Tounship of Brandon, October 10, 1844

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Appendix
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26th DIarch.
Extracts from Record and Map, in Surveyor General's Office.
The tract laid down under the name of Autaya, between Dautray and Berthier, is referred to in the anciont Recorls at differont times, under the different names, Autaya, Comporté and D'Orrillior.
It is remarkable that, according to the records of the grants immediatoly on the banks of the Rivor St. Lawrence, the rectangular distance between the lino which scparates Autaya from Dautré, and that which scparates Chichot from Maskinongé, should be two leagues and a quarter, notwithstanding which the grant to Mr. L'Etage, in the rear, which is oxprossly said to be bounded by the prolongation of those lines, is called in the Records "Trois lieues, si telle quantité se trouve." As the grant to Mr. L'Etage comprohends whatever breadth there shall be between those lines, this remark would not have been necessary, had it not happened that a boundary mark was found in the ficld by Mr. McCarthy, at the point A., on the bank of the River St. Lawronce, which answors to none of the grants. If this boundary at A. should bave been placed for the boundary between Dautré and Autaya, La Noraye or Dautré would bo short of their measure by more than a mile, and the grants between Dautre and Maskinongé, would bo upwards of a mile more than their measure. So great an error in so short a distance is scarcely imaginable, and it would thercfore seem more likely that this boundary at A. might have been placed for the boundary of some purchase or family partition. For this reason the grants are laid down according to the records, without regarding the said boundary at A., but, to shew that the matter is not clear the lines are dotted. It would be much better that the back boundary line of the grant to Pierre L'Etage; should consist of one straight line, comprohending the dosired quantity of land, rathor than be bounded by zig-zag lines; this obscrvation holds equally in all cases, unless there should be sales or othicr subdivisions that might render such zig-zag lines nocessary.

It appears from a Survey of Lake Maskinongé, taken in 1793, by Mr. James Rankin, Deputy Surveyor, at the instance of Mr. De Lanaudiere, that he (Mr. Rankin,) found a line at N. O. run and marked in the woods, which he understood to be a part of a line that had been run for the back boundary of the Scigniory of Berthier. If such line should actually have been run for the back boundary of Berthier, cither the depth of Berthier must have been taken much greater than the grants give, or else the depth of Carufel, on which Mr. Rankin's survey commenced; nust be much short of what the grant mentions.

The grant to Mr. De Carufel extends " depuis celle qui a eté ci-devant concédé au Sieur le Gardeni, jusqu'au premier sault de la dite Rivière Maskinongé, ce qui tient deux lieues ou environ do front sur pareille profondeur:" and the depth is accordingly so laid down on this map, but the Sault referred to in the grant, is not yot known in the Surveyor Genoral's Office, on which account the back line is dotted.
The twoleagues given for the breadth of this grant runs in upon the Fief St. Jean, which was granted to the Ursulines in the part G. F. V. C., but the grant of the Ursulines being the oldest, must of course take first.
The grant of augmentation to the Ursulines, behind the depth of their former grant, runs in upon Carufel in the space C. V. G. P., but here Mr. De Carufel's grant has the priority.
Again, the grant to Mr: Lauaudiere, behind tho depth of Carufcl, runs in upon the above mentioned grant of augmentation to the Ursulines, in the space L. 'G.'S. J. 'Here again the Ursulines' grant has tho priority.

This grant to Mr. De Lanaudicre, in the rear of Carufol, has the extent of depth "qui se trouvera jusqu'au Lac appelé le lac Maskinonge, le dit Lac compris dans toute son étendue, avec les isles, islets to bave been supposed at that time, that the Lako Maskinonge lay somewhore between the parallols S . E. and H. M., and Mr. De Lanaudière conceives that the words of his grant are strong enough to give him that vacant land rome the lake, although out of those parallels. It would seem advisable, thorofore, for thic Surveyor Gencral's Office to avoid comprehending those lands in any Return of Survey, until the opinion of His Majesty's law' officors shall have been takion, respecting Mr. De Lanaudière's grant.

Mr. Rankin appears to have included the space pg. si. in his survey of Mr. Lanaudière's tract, but this is considered to be wrong, unless Mr. Do Lanaudière' shall have oltained it by purchaso or agrecment, that space being comprehended in the prion grant to the Ursulines.

In running the line of G. L. Mr. Rankin crossed a line at T. which had been run by Mr. Gaudot, Doputy Surveyor, for the south-casterly line of the Township of Huntorstown: but according to Mr. Gaudet's acesant, this line proceeded from the westerly corner of Dumontier. From theso circumstances, it follows either that tho depth of Dumontier has been talken much greater than the grant mentions, or else that the depth of Carufcl is much less than the two lengues mentioned in tiat grant; which of the two may in reality be the caso, can be determined only by na actual admensurcmont on the field, and by so much as the dopth of Carufel shall fall short of tivo leagues, by so much, the Lake Maskinongć, as also the line N. O., which Mr. Rankin found behind the Scigniory of Berthier, will lay to the southeast of where they are dotted on this map; this should thereforo be corrected on a new map as soon as the truth shall become ascortaincd.
Remark No. 2.-Grants between the Seigniory De Tonnancour at Point du Lac and Three Rivers, and the country in the rear on the westerly side of the River St. Maurice. The records appertaining to this part of tho country were found so defective as not to be capable of delinention without further information than could be gathored from those records considered by themsolves. These delinoations were therefore taken from a map of that noighbourhood, bolonging to Mr. Coffin of Threo Rivers, who says that it is a copy of the map by which the proscnt proprictors regulate themselves in regard to the limits of their property. These limits in some instances, differ from those of the grants that have beon found on the records, but this may porhaps have arisen from tlie neighbours having made purchases, the one from the other, and annexed those purchases to their former possessions. The space marked A. contains the Town and Banlicu of Three Rivors. The space marked D. the Common. The spaco marked C. is a tract, which, according to Mr. Coffin's map, was obtained by tho Jesuits, on the 9th of June, 1650, in exchange for something else. There is on the Records (Ex-Secy. No. 257,) a grant made to tho Jesuits on the 26th Fobruary, 1637; in the neigh bourhood of Three Rivers, which had its dependence on a certain wall of masonry which was then standing, but which is not known in the Surveyor General's Office. The small tract between the space marked C. and the Fief of Viewport, is mentioned in Mr . Coffin's Map, by the name of Marets, but which has not heen found on the Records.

True copy of the Record in this office.

## Thomas Parke, <br> Surveyor General.

Surveyor General's Office,
Montreal, 22nd Maroh, 1845. $\}$

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Zownishop of Brandon.

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The Select Conmittee to which was referred the Petition of Donald Cameron, of the Township of Thorah, in the Home District, for the appointment of a Commission to investigate alleged injustice towards the Pelitioner and othors, with regard to their Lands, by the Executive Council of Upper Canada, together with the Report of the Select Committee of the Commons of Upper Canada on a former/Petition of Mr. Cameron to the House of Assembly of that Province,-have the honor to Report :-

That Your Committe have examined the proceedings had on the subject matier of the Petitioncr's complaint before Committees of the House of Assembly of Upper Canada.

That they find that those proceedings extend through the Scssions of 1836, 1836-7, and 1830. That the Committec of 1836, reported that Mr. Smalley, whom the Government had sent as a Commissioner to cxamine and report on the condition of Mr. Cameron's Sctulers, and whose Report was in terms unfavorable to that gentleman, haid in fact rejortod a greater number of lots vacant than, according to Mr. Cameron's scledule, had been given to him for setlement; and that but for the then state of public: alfairs they would have reported aul Address calling on the Lieutenant Governior to appoint a Commission for the purposes of justice.

Your Committee find that the Commitite of 1836.7 reported an Address, recommending that the complaints of the Petitioner and his friends should be examined by a Commission to be appointed much in the manner now desired by the Petitioner; but no further proceedings appoar to bave been taken in the case that Session.

That the Committee of $1889^{\circ}$ reported their full concurrence in the Report of the Committee of 1836.7 and upon thoir Report, an Aldress was moyed for, introduced, read a second timo, and committed to a Committee of the whole House, which Committee, however, rose without reporting.

The Petitioner complains of sorious loss, both to himsolf and his friends, by the course taken by the Executive Government of Upper Canada; but it apm pears to Your Committee, that before any Parliamentary action can be satisfactorily had upon the subject, the matter must be brought regularly under the consideration of the Provincial Government, in order to an examination into the case by them.

The whole nevertheless humbly submitied.

## ROBT. BALDWIN, Chairman.

March 27th, 1845.

## Docompratary Evidencl laid before the Committee by the Chairman.

Thoran, $12 t h$ February, 1839.
We, the undersigned, came to the Townships of Thorah and Eldon upwards of ten years ago, as Donald Cameron, Esquire's, followers; and we firmly bolieve that there were upwards of seven hundred porsons of the above D. Cameron's followers 'eame to Thorah and Eldon in less than three years after he and
his followers received their grant in the above. Townships.' We further believe that he, the said Cameron, in. less than three years from thic above, time, raised the value of that in Thorah and Eldon "and the neighbouring. Townships to be worth upwards of twenty times what it was when he got his grant.' The said. Cameron and his followers opened upwards of one hundred miles of roads in about twenty months after they got their grani, to and through the above Townships. We further state, through his main influence, and very great exertions, if Mr. Cameron had not been injured by the Council, that the above Townships would be worth by this time more than treble what they are at prosent. The said Council commenced to ruin Mr. Cameron since' the latter part of the year 1829. It appears to us by their proceedings and false statements, and Orders in Council, they were fully determined to injure him to the greatest extent. We further know that Cameron suffered great losses through the misstatements and decrees of the Council, as well as his great suffierings in body and mind through the same Council. We further beg leave to remark that we cannot find, and belicve it is not to be found, on the records of this Province, any person that has given such valuable service to Her Majesty's subjects, at different timos, through his own means and personal exertions, as the above Mr. Cameron has done for the last 'twenty years,-the annals of the Province, with other documents, will prove it in such a powerfulmanner that it cannot be repelled by the said Council, notwilhstanding the unjust acts they have put in force against him and followers for the last nine years. We dohereby certify the above to be correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

The undersigned sworn before me this 13th day of February, 1839 .
(Signed,) ALEXANDER M‘EWEN. ALEXANDER CAMPBELL..
(Signed) Mathew Cowan, J. P.

We, the undersigned, Inhabitants of the Township of Brock, are well acquainted with Donald Cameron, Esquire, of Thorah, for the last twolve years past; do solemnly swear, to the best of our knowledge and belief, the above signed certificate by the Inhabitants of Thorah, is in all its bearings most correct and truc.

The undersigned persons' swom before me this 14h day of February, $1 \$ 30$.
(Signed,) MICHAEL CORGAN, JOHN SHELL, W.-F. MAYBEE, TOBIAS MAYBEE, PATRLICK SHELL, GODTREY MAYBEE.
(Signed, Mathetw Cowan, J. P.

We, the undersigned, Inhabitants of the Townships of Thoral, Eldon, Ceorgina and Brock, in the Home District, firmly believe that the ahove signed certificates by the Inhabitants of Thorah and Brock, are most correct and truc in all their bearings.

## Signed by

# CHARLES M‘PHERSON,' and 38 o thers. 

Thorah, 29th March, 1832.
This is to certify that we the undersigned came from Liverponl last fall in the ship Forverin, and at the sume time Donald Cameron, Esquire, of Thorah, came passenger in said Ship: We fell short of provisions, and if it was not for the exertions of said Donald Cat merom, in his persererance and good conduct, prevailed on the Captain to put ashore at St. Pierre, a French Island, for provisions, we would actually have starved to death for want of wood and water; and that at the risk of his life, as well as his assistance in provisions and money to some of the passengers on bonard the said ship, the above Cameron has done through humanity, as we never saw him before mecting him at Liverpoul.

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Eldon, 18th Seplember, 1841.
This is to certify that I, Duncan Cameron, came to Thorah, in the month of May, 1826, at the same time that Donald Cameron, Esquire, came to setle Therah and Eldon; and 1 can recollect that some of the party which accompanied Mr. Cameron as followers, repeatedly expressed that if they by any means could abandon Thorah, they would not renain twenty-four hours for both Townships to themselves,-this being the way that Thorah and Eldon was valued when I came to them.

## (Signed, DUNCAN CAMERON.

Fenelon, 27th July, 1839.
This is to cortify that I brought my goods, horses and cart, in the jear 1820, from Whitby to Thorah, on the principal part of the road opened by Donald C'anerun, Esquire, of Thorah.
(Signed,) ANGUS M•LARIN.

Thorah, 16 th March, 1840.
This is to certify that I used to charge from Two pounds to Four pounds currency, for carrying passengers from Thorah to the Holland Landing, in the years 1830 and 1831.
(Signed, EWIN KENNEDY.

13th July, 1840.
This is to certify that 1 , with cight others of my relations, came duwn from the Hulland Landing to Thoral, in the year 1830, in Mr. D. Cameron's boats, for which he charged nothing for our passage.


Toronio, $17 t i k$ January, 1840.
I certify that the price for furnishing a beat and four hands was, for the conreyance of a passenger to Thoreh from the IIolland Landing, ton years ago, $\mathfrak{£ 3}$ or \&\& curroncy.
(Signed,) E. BEMAN.

Barmie, 106 March, 1841.
This is to certify that I was brought down from the Holland Landing, and my father's family, eight in number, in the year 1830, in Donald Cameron's boat, free of all expenses, as we told him that we had no means to carry us down to Thorah.
(Signed, JOHN HARXLEY.
Witness-(Signed,) R. M'Donald.

## To the Hon. Robert Baldwin.

I could send to you many other proofs, but I believo thatt hose documents, with what is on the records of the Hutise in the Sessions of the years 1836 and 7 , will be the means to shew the Members of your House enough to grant me and my followers and settlers a fair trial in this case.
D. C.

# REP 0 RT. 

The Select Commitee to which was referred the Petition of J. H. Maitland and J. C. Becket, of the Canada Sunday School Union, praying that measures be adopted to establish a cheap and uniform rate of Postage, and various other Documents, Petitions, and matters connected with the Post Office Department,-haye the honor to Report :-

That by the pressing calls of other Committes, and by the late period of the Session, your Committee have been prevented from entering into the consideration of the subject committed to them, with the full attention which its importance demanded.

They have, however, obtained some important evidence from the Deputy Post-Master General, and from Christopher Dunkin, Esquire, Secretary to the late Commission of Enquiry into the Post-Ollice Department, chiefly with reference to any change in the rate of internal postage, and to some control being exercised over this Deparment by the Provincial Government, which evidence is hereunto annexed.

Your Committec naturally directed their attontion to the Ronort of the Pust-Olfice, Commission, supposed to have been made to the Executive during the Government of Lord Sydenham, as containing the result of very extended enquirics, and conveying the opinions of three Officors, whose thoughts and habour had been during many months directed to that sulject; and they havo been desirous of possessing themselves of a copy of this Report. In this desire, however, they have not been able to succoed, - He only copy which they have ascertained to exist in the Province, and that an unautheuticated one, being in the possession of the Deputy Post-Master General, who doos not feel authorized to give communication of it without instructions so to do; at the sune time that he expressed his ontire willingness to give it up when so instructed.

Your Coinmittice haturally supposing that the original Report must be in the possession of the Home Government, and deeming it highly desirable that its suggestions should be made available, they are respectfully of opinion, that it would be expedient for the Legislative Assenbly to present an humble Address to His Excellen'cy tho Governor General, praying that be would, be pleased to use his endeavour to procure and communicate to your Honorable House a copy of the said Report.

Your Committec have further had under their consideration, the question of a unifurm and reduced rate of Postage. They are of opinion that such an amonded system would be of very great benefit to the public at large, and might cventually be made to afford an increased revenue, as well as greatly extended accommodation; they are, however, disposed to question the expediency, under the circumstances of the Post-Office Revenuc, the surplus of which is but trifling, amouncing only to about $£ 8000$ per arinum, of any other than a gradual approach to a reduced system of Postage, which though found to be eminently successful in Great Britain, as ibere adopted in its full extent, may possibly have depended for its success in the first inslance upon the resource of a very large surplus Revenue; and they, therefore, hesitate to recommend at this moment, any praticular course, ' in a question involving very great difliculty, and requiring very detailed en-actments if carriod out.

Connected further with this branch of their enquiry, as well.as with other proposals for improvement in the

Department, your Committee hare entered into the consideration of tho question of some sort of "control boing conferred upon the Provincial Goverument over the Provincial Post-Office, but on account of the late period of the Session and its approaching termination, they have not been able to form any conclusive opinion upon this point'; but they respectfully recommend that it should form a subject for enquiry at an ensuing Session of the Legislature.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted.

> ED. HALE, Chairman.

28h March, 1845.

## MINUTES OF EVIDENCE

Edmard Hale, Esquire, in the Chair.
Wednesalay, 191h February, 1845.
Thomas Allen Slayner, Esquire, Deputy PostMastor General, called in; and examined :-

1. Have you in your possession a copy of the Report made by the late Commissioners of Enquiry, relative to the Post-Olfice Department; and if so, can you lay it before the Committec?- I have no official or authenticated copy of the Report made by the Commissioners of Enquiry.
2. Have you any objection to communicate to the Cominittee the copy of the Report admitted to be in your possession; and if so, state, your objection?-I do not feel myself at liberty to communicate to the Committec the copy of the Report alluded to, without the sanction of His Lordship the Post-Master Goneral, and I respectfully trust, that baving in view the peculiar circunstances in which the Committee must see I am placed, they will not insist upon my departing from the view I have takon of my duty in this matter.
3. What are the grounds upon which you do not feel at liberty to communicate the Report in question, without the sanction to which you have referred?-I think that the communication of the Report in question should be looked for at the hands' of Government, if to be made at all ; and that it would consequently be wrong in me to intorpose any action of mine in such a case.
4. Is the Post-Master General aware of your being in possession of a copy of the said Report, and have you been instructed to regard it as a confidential docu-ment?- I have not advised the Post-Master General that I am now in possession of a copy of the Report, although it may be so understood by His Lordship, since I communicated a copy to the Departrient in London: I have consequently not been listructed by the Post-Master General to regard the document in a confidential light.
5. Is the authority delegated to you for the management of the Department sufficient to enable you to provide for the cflicient diseharge of the duties thereuf; and if not, will you inform the Conmittee what further authority is iequired?-II appears to me that the Post-Master General is the only person in the PostOffice who is in a position to pronounce upon this guestion. I would respoctinlly acmind the Committec that I am but a subordintate officer, sulject to the orders of the Pust-Master General in all matters pertaining to the managenent of the Department,
6. Are you of opinion that a cheaper and more uniform rate of internal Postage than now prevails, could he heneficially estiblished, and what reduced rates, and what system, would you recommend for that parpuse? --The Returtis which I have furnished, by command of the Committeo, will shew that, in the year ended 5th July last, there was a surphus Revenue of only $£ 8,748.19 \mathrm{~s} .1 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$, including the Packot Postage. It is evident, therefore, that upon so small a surplus, it would be impracticable, without sone provision to meet the contiugency, to roduce the Postage rates materially, for that there would be a falling offit first, through the adoption of any considerable reduction of the rates, there can exist no doubt. I am much at a loss what to say as regards the later parti of the question, sinco, as I have already observed, very litue in the way of reducing the rates at all could be ventured upon in the present state of the funds of the Departmen. I may observe, however, that there is at present no rate bolow $4 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$. currency, which covers a distance of 60 miles, and that this operates to discourage correspondence between adjacent towns and settloments, as the higher rates do between towns and places more widely sepmrated. The amount of correspondence passing by the post between towns less than thirty miles apart in vory trifling. I think a very low rate would be found advantagoous for distancos not excceding thirly miles, say dil. currency. As regards the main question of reduction, I conceive that a moderate uniform rate, for distances over thirty miles, would produce excellent results; or perhaps two rates, that is, one rate for distances over thirty and not exceeding two hundrod iniles, and another rate for all distances exceeding two hundred miles.
7. Are you of opinion that a reduced rate of internal Postage would lead eventually to an incrense of Revenue, at the same lime that it would tend to the convenience of the pullic?-l am of opinion that a reduced rate of intand Postage would, by encouraging correspondence, eventually lead to an increase of Revenue, and that it would lend to the convenience and benefit of the public. The rates are generally complained of as being ton high, and this, no doubl, provokes in a material degree the illicit conveyance of leiters throughout the country, which it is notorious is carried on to a great extent.
8. Doss the present scale of allowances to PostMasters in country Parishos and Townships form such a remuneration as to lead to the efficient performance of the duty?-The complaints are general of the PostMasters in country Parishos and 'Jowuships, that thoir remuneration is insullicient, more especially where no compensation in liou of the franking privilege exists. I cunnot say dhat the diuties have not boen performed, but great difleulty is experienced of lite in enfiorcing the performance of then at many of the offices, through the dissatisfaction of the Post-Mastors with cheir alluwances; and resignations are very frequent.
9. Is any difliculty experienced by you in finding persons competent and willing to undertake the office of Posi-Mastor in the country Paristios and Town-
ships?-The nomination to Post-Mastershins being now vosted in the Governor General, it is no longer my duty to find persons to 'take charge of the Post-Officos.'
10. Are you avare that any country Parishes or Townships have lost benefits which they had previously enjoyed in Post-office accommodation, in consequence of any recent changes?-In consequence of the withdrawal of the franking privilege, I have been obliged to close several offices, from the inability of the Governor Cenemal to find substitutes for the retiring PostMasters; some few of them, after being closed for some time, were afterwarls recommissioned, individuals having been found willing to take charge of them; oflers still remain closed. I can furnish a Return of those cases, if the Committec require it.
11. What change in that respect would you recommend :-I think the Pos-Masters should be better paid.
12. Are you of opinion that any changes are required in the Establishment or scale of allowances of the PostOfire in the Province to increase its officiency, or to lad to econony ; and do you contemphate making any recommendation upon these points?-I beg to observe that I have in part replice to this question, in my answer to question 8. Changes coutd no doubt be made advantageously, and are, in fact, constant subjects of Departmental consideration; but for the reason alluded to in my reply to question 5 , I do not feel mysolf in a position to state my own views, as the latter part of this question seems to require mo to do.
13. Can you slate the amount of Postage received from the Military and Naval Authorities within the Province for the last threc or four years?-I will lay before the Cominittec such a statement as is here roquired.
14. What is the expense of the Atlantic Packet Service to the Post-Office for the same periods?-I do not know what is the expense of the Atlantic Packet Scrvice, except by hearsay.
15. What is the amount of Packet Postage recrived in the Province during the same time?-It would be a difficult rescarch, and consume a grood deal of time to ascertain the amount of Packet Postage received in the Province during the several years alluded to, for no distinct account of that Postage has beon attempied to be kept until very recently; but if the Committoe requires it, I will set about it. I had, however, for my own satisfaction, some short time since, ascertained the amount of this Postege for the year ended the 5th of July last, and I beg to lay the information beffre the Committee : the anount, as nearly as it can bo ascertained, for I do not vouch for its loeing minutely accurate, is, for the year alluded to, $£ 5127$ currency.

The following answer to the 13 h question was subsequertly received from Mr. Stayner:-With reference to the information called for in the question numbered 13, the Deputy Postmaster Ceneral has the honor to lay before the Committee a Return of the Postnge collected from the Military Departments for the four yours ending, respectively, the 5 th October 1841, 1842,1843 , and 1844. The materials for this Statement were at hand, anil the account is consequantly ronilered without delay; if required for any later poriod, it will be necessary to send to the distant Military Stations for some of the information. No soparate account is ever rendered to the Deputy Postmaster Gencral, of the Postage of the Naval Depart. ments, but it must be very inconsiderable.

Abstract of Military Dapartmental Postages collecter in Canada in four yoars ending, respectively, the bth Octwer 1841-2-3 and 4:

T. A. Stayner, D. P. M. Gen.

## 204 February, 1845.

Note.-The requisition upon which this Return is furnishied, mentions Military and Naval Postage. I have no means of ascertaining" tho Naval Postage; as, no account of it has been rendered to me; but' the ' amount is very inconsiderable.
T. A. S.

Thursday, 2"th March, 1845.
Christopher Dunkin, Esquire, called in ; and ex-amined:-

1. Were you Secretary to the Post Office Commission which was formed during Lord Sydenham's Administration of the Government?-I was.
2. Are you in possession of any copy of the Report made by the said Cummission; and if so, will you produce it to the Committec ?-T am not in possession of any such copy; the office copy which I considered it my duty to keep when tho original was sent to England, having passed out of my hands shortly after the artival of the prescut Governor General, by His Excellency's order, and not having been since returned to me.
3. Are you aware that there exist any documents or returns connected will Post Olice details, upon which the Reprort of the Commission is based; and if so, where are they deposited?-So much of the correspondence, returns, and other paiers of the Commission as was thought to be of any, pubicic interest was embodied in the Appendix to the Report. This Appendix was printed, for the sake of convenience, by direction of Lord Sylenham; as it was too bulky to admit of sereral copies being taken in manuseript, as would otherwisc have been necossary, $A$ fow copies were sent homo with the Report, and a few mote were furnished to the Deputy Post Master General for use in his Department, as (after the fire which destroyed his office at Qucbec) hey emborlied nearly all the information he had left on many points connected with it. The remainder of the impression, with the exception of a copy furnished to each of the Commissioners; is still in my hands.
4. Can you lay the same before the Committee Without permission to that effect from the Government, I do not understand myself to be at liberty to part with any of the papers in my keeping as' Secretary to the late Post Office Commission; , but if the Committee wish it, I shall be happy to apply for such permission.
5. Docs your acquaintance with Post Office details enable you to form any opinion as to the expediency and practicability of establishing a teduced and uniform rate of postage within the Province, with a due regatid to the interests of the public as well as of the revenue?-I have no doubt of the necessity of an extensive change being made in this respect. The present ratos are in overy respoct most objectionable. There are far too many of them. The lowest charge is for distances not exceeding 60 miles, a second for
distances betweon 60 and 100; and every additionil 100 miles of distance canses a' further increase As the distances, within this Province, range heyond 1300 miles, there are thus 15 or more rates for Canadian letters only. Within'British North America; the maximum distances range beyond sixteen and oven seventeen hundred miles. The amounts aro also inconvenient in the last degree. Having origimally been enacted in sterling money, their conversion into currency renders necessary a constant recourse to fractions of the penny. The lowest rate is $4 \frac{1}{2} d$; the next 7 d ; then $9 d$; then $11 \frac{1}{2} d$; then $1 \mathrm{~s} .1 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$; and so on. The uscless difficulties which such rates must cause, are too obvious to need to be more than alluded to.: They are also far too high. A letter may pass from any part of Cabada to any part of Great Britain for 1 s .4 d , currency, whereas if only sent' to Halifax in Nova Scotia, the same letter might cost 3 s . 4 d ; so that the senter would in such case save money by mailing it for England, and having it there remailed for Halifix. No leter cimpass through the Post Office for the shortest distance, for less than $4 \frac{1}{2}$ d., a rate so high as contircly to cut off correspondence between noighbouring offices. By the new Pust Olice Law of the United States, a letter may pass to any distance for ten' conis, or 6d. per currency, and for 'any distance' not exceeding' 300 miles, for' late that sum. 'The reform here callod for in these respects is, in iny opinion, the establishment of, a very few rates, not exceeding two or three, or at the uimost four, for amounts' in currency, easy of calculation, and far below those at present in furce, more especially as regards the longest and shortest distances. I doubt whether a singlo rate would be found to answer. An elaborato calculation made by the Depuly Postmaster General for the yoar 1839-40, and laid before the Post Office Commission, showed that the average cost incurred by the Department on each single letter passing through the office (Halifax Packet letters excluded) was a little over 5d. currency. I should think it almost' as likely to have increased since, from the adoption of more costly modes of mail conveyance, as to have diminished from the greater number of the letters mailed. In Great Britain it was ascertained, before adopting the penny-rate, that the actual cost on each single letter was but a fraction of the penny to be charged.' A uniform rate here, which should be fixed upon the same rule, would satisfy no one; inasmuch as for short"distances it would be prohibitory of correspondence. There arc obvious reasons for the adoption of the new rule of the United States as the future rule for these Provinces; and I consider that on the whole it would bo droidedly the best-rule to follow. It is not expected that it will there at first yield a rovenue equal to the warits of the Department ; and certainly it could not be expected to do so here. But if this change be thought too great, the principle on which it proceeds ought at least to be adopted. For short distances, say under 50 miles, a rate not to exceed 3d. currency; on a letter under the half ounce, should be established; ' indeed it may well be doubted whether 2 d . would not before long give as much revenue as 3 d . would. For distances between 50 and 100 miles, the rato, should not exceed 6d. currency;' and would perhaps hardly yield less revenue after a few years at 4d. thin at 6d. And'for distances beyond, it should not exceed 9d. and might perhap's safoly be made 6d. Should these higher rates of 3d. 6d. and 9d. be adopted, a rate of 2d. for shorter distances, say under ' 30 miles, 'should form part of the scheme. I would not be understood to say that I think either of these latter scales would at first yield a revenue equal to the "wants of the Department. For some years there would probinbly be a deficit; and from one hardly more or less than from the other. But I do not doubt that the revenue would soon recover itself; and" in the meantime, for the sake of the immense advantages to be derived from
the change, I cannot think there would he any difficulty in providing by Parliamentary vote for the deficit,supposing always, of course, the administration of the Department in other matters, such as tho establishment. of new routes and effices, the choice of Post Onice sites and of Postmasters, and the enforcement of its rules generally, to be calculated to meet the reasonable wishes of the public.-1 should add, that in exprossing the above opinion as to the probable results of these scales of trites, I take it for granted that the postage on oflicial correspondence, Civil and Military, is to continue to be paid as heretofore. Even with ihe present rates there would be a deficit, I behieve, were either the Civil or tho Military Departments allowed to mako use of the Post Ollice without paying for it. In a new country like this, it is impositule to sustain an adequate Post Onice estalilishment by charges on private correspondence only. Tho public tevenue must contribute to the support of the Department, at the very least in the ratio of the service rendered Government' in the transmission of its correspondence.
6. Are you of opinion that the change of rates which you suggest, should be sought by Legislative enactment ? - The Lords of the Treasury have by law full power to reduce rates of postage, and it appears to me that it would lie far better that any experiment of reduction should be made by their Warrant thar by express cnaciment to that effect. Indeed, I cannol think that any Provincial Legislation whatever could be conveniently undertaken if reference to the Post. Office Department; since it is most important that its regulations should everywhere bear the same general character, as regards rates of postage, tho liberty to pay on the sending or on the receipt of letters, the punctual and convenient exchange of the mails for and from other Provinces ind the Mother Country, and the mode of kecping and balancing their respective accounts. If Provincial Acts were allowed to regulate the Post Office Departments of the several Provinces of British: Anerica, the confusion of rates and rules would soon become intolerable; as it is not to he supposed that scveral different Lecrislatures would agree to all the dotails of any one plan. One scale of rates, one system for the interchange of the mails, and ono rute for the keeping of the Post Office accounts, stould be established fir the whole of these Provinces. The Imperial authority alone can enforco this uniformity; but cannot do sit, if hampered by Provincial Lavs regulatting Provincial Post Ollice establishments.
7. Do you carry this argurnent to the extent of considering the Post Office as an exclusively Imperial Department, and one which therofore should not bo placed under Provincial control ?-1 mean only that the rates of postage and the general regulations of the Department should emmate, for the sake of unifurmity, from the Imperial authority. In local matters, such as the erection of new offices, the determining in what manner, how often, by what roules, and at what price, the mail should le carried within each Province, (except in so far as the reasonatily rapid transmission of the mails for and from the mother country and other Provinces may be in question, the choice and remunerattion of Postinasters, the disposil to be made of any surplus l'ost Office revenue fairly accruing within the Province, or (which is the contingency to be rather looked forward to) the determining how far Pust Office accommodation shall lie suffered to outrun the means of the Department and become a charge on the revenue of the Province, - in all these and other like natters it seems to me that tho Post Office Department in cach Provitice may and should be left to the control of the Government of the Province; a course which would fully ensure that accommodation of the details of the system to the wishes and wants of the people of each Province, which is essential to its satisfictory working.-At prosent, these local details (except onIv in si far as the appointment of Posimasters is in
question) are understood to be mater of regulation in London, where no one can have the kind of informa" tion which is requisite in order to their being satisfactorily ordered. And the necessary consequence is, that as they are often not settled as people hore would wish, and are never sottled as promptly as the people require, thi Department becomes unpopular, and logislation is called for by many, as the only sufficient remedy for what are considered its abuses: Wero the Provincial Government, however, understood to be responsible for the conduct, as respects these details, of the Post Olfice Department, it would soon have to place it ou' such a footing as public opinion might require. There could in that case be no doubt ts to the readiness of the Provincial Parliament to make good any deficit in the revenue of tho Department which might have heci caused by the adoption of a lower scale of rates, or of a mure liberal system of Post Office accommodation, in compliance with the public wish.
8. Do you consider that any material alyantage has resulted from the recent change which has vested the appointment of Postmasters in the Provincial Government ?-I do not think this change has been productive of any advantage. The mere right of naming Postmasters cannot cnable the Provincial Government to exercise that authority in the affitirs of the Department which it ought to possess. If the sites of the several Post Offices, the rate of the Postmister's remuncration when appointed, and the question of censuring or romoving Postmaslers whose condluet may not give satisfaction, are to be reserved as matters of decision for the puthorities of the Pist Office in London, the same authurities might as well keep to thomselves, the naming of the Postmasters also. Not one Postmaster in ten receives such an amount of emolument as to make the office desirable on that account. It is generally hard to find Postmasters; and as long as the control of the Provincial Government shall remain, as it is understood to be, limited to this one att, it must often be impossible.
9. Are the Postmasters, in your cipinion, sufliciently remuncrated? Every body, I believe, is perfectly satisfied that they are not. Thic great majority receive a more nothing from the per centage allowed them. While they had the franking privilege, persons could aliways be found who were willing to serve for the sake of it. But the case is now quite different. The individual Postmasters who formerly enjoyed this right, and valied it at more than one pound a-year, are allowed a fixed compensatson for its loss, (which, however, bears no relation to the amount of their duties or other remuneration,) but their successors and all Postmasters at new offices are required to sorve for the per centage only. The greatest difficulty is consequently found in obtaining Postmasters for the small offices; and many hive been closed in consequence.-It is a necessary inference from this state of things that the control of the Department over its Postmasters must be very imperfeet, and that it comot enforce from them that punctunlity and efficiency which the service requires, and which under a better system might easily be enforced.
10. What change in this respect would you suggest? -I am not prepared to suggest the particulars of a new rule as to the remuneration of Postmasters. There are grave objections to the franking privilege : but it may in spite of them be found necessery to restore it. Before doing so, however, I would try the effect of raising the per centage, and promptly assigning a moderate fixed compensation to all Postmasters whose duties are more than commonly ardunus. Few of them have such compensution now. ; but no Postmaster should be required to do night duty, or oher oxtra labour, without some special recompense for it. No details ol this sort, however, Imust repeat, can ever we regulated satisfactorily from London. If it is incant to lave them properly arranged at all, they must lie left for decision in the Province.

28th Maroh.

## RETURN

To an Adpress of the House of Assembly, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to order the proper Officer to lay before them, an Account in detail of all monies expended under the Authority of the Board of Works, in and upon the Coboura Harbour ; and, also, the Orders in Council and other Authority, under which the Expenditure took place; and, also, to inform them if any Survey was made by or under Authority of the Board of Works, to connect that Harbour with the Plank or Macadamized Road, now being made between Port Hope and the Rice Lake, and why such Survey was made; and if the same proved practicable, why such connecting Road was not constructed.

No. 1. Copy of Minute of Council, dated 3rd March, 1843.
No. 2. Copy of Report of Board of Works on which the above Report of Council was framed.
No. 3. Memorial of Inhabitants of Peterborough, alluder to in Board of Works Report.
No. 4. Report of Council on same subject, dated 23rd March, 1844, on a letter from Messrs. Boswell and Perry.
No. 5. Copy of Messrs. Boswell and Perry's Letter.
No. 6. Report of the Board of Works alluded to in the above Report of Council of the 23rd March, 1844.
No. 7. Copy of a Report of Council, datet 5th June, 1844, on same subject.
No. 8. Letter from Chairman of Board of Works, dated 8th May, 1844, on which the above Report of Council was framed.

## Documents relating to the complotion of Cobourg Harbour.

No. 9. Extract from the Minutes of the Cobourg Harbour Company.
No. 10. Assignment of Cobuurg Harbour to the Board of Works upon certain Trusts.
No. 11. Letter from the Inspector General to the President of the Board of Works.
No. 12. Letter of Directors of Cobourg Harbour to Mr. N. H. Baird.
Ne. 13. Report of Mr. N. H. Baitrd.
No. 14. Memorandum respecting Cobourg Harbour.
No. 15. Statement of Expenditure on Cobourg Harbour.

## No. 1.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Executive Council, dated 171h February, 1843, and confirmed by His Excelloncy the Governor General in Council, on the 3 rid March, 1843, on the subject of a selection of a line of Road between Rice Lake and Lake Ontario.

The Committee of the Executive Council have carefully considered the accompanying Report of the Board of Works on the subject of the selection of a line of Road between Rice Lake and Lake Ontario,-which Report sets forth the relative advantages and disadvantages of three proposed routes, -one terminating at Port Hope, one at Cobourg; and one intermediate between these towns, and the reasons which induced the Board to recommend the adoption of the line of road last above mentioned.

The Committee are of opinion that the main object to be kept in view in the choice of the line of road in question, is the affording to the back country the benefit of communicating with a Harbour on Lake Ontario by the shortest route which can be opened at the least expense. The line terminating at Port Hope appears to possess these advantages, and the Committee are of opinion that neither the outlay of public money on the Cobourg FIarbour, or the local frontier interests, should be allowed to outweigh these advantages in the choice of the line of communication with the Lake.

It is true that in a country fully populated, and with large towns and ample markets already existing, it may be for the interest even of the interior country to communicate with an established and superior market by the longer, rather than with an inforior one by, by shorter route; but the Committee, looking upon the country in the rear as well as on the frontier, in the
present insinnce, as in a state of rapied inprovomont, thoy fee bound to look to future and permanent bonefits to arise from the road rather than to present and temporary convenience.

The Committee would, herefiro, be led, ns, well upon the Report of the Board of Works as by perasal of the evidence taken by a Commitice of the Legislalative Assembly during the last session, to prefer the route terminating at Port Llope, even if the arguments in favor of Cobourg, arising firm its presontconilition, were stronger than those mbancent; and they accordingly respectfully recommend that the Board of Works be instructed to emstruct the road on the Port Fope line in preference to that ending at Cobourg, or the intermediate one suggested by the Board of Works.

## No. 2.

Copy of the Report of the Board of Works.
(Copy.).
Board of Works,
7 th November, 18.t2.
Sir, - 1 have the honor to enclose you a Memorial from the Inlabitants of Peterbore', and that District, praying for the immediato jrocereding with the works of the Road leading from Lake Ontario to Rice Lake.

The works at Whitlas and Crooks' Locks, by which an inland warigation of between foity and lifly milos will ho offected, have progressed in a most satisfactory mamer this senton. The masony at the former place being finistied; and that at the latter lowing nearly so, the entire navigation will he opened early next spring', but no benefit from it can, as the Momorialisis state, be derived until the Road leading from the lead of Rice Lidie is constricted.

A rast deal of local feoling and interest having been manifosted regrading the lucation of this lino of road, the Board have harl every line spoken of or suggested by the different parties examined, and no pains or expense have been spared to sift the question thoroughly.

The result of those Survoys generally, appears to the Board to prove that the shortest and most direct line of road to connect the extensive and highly improvable back country about Peterboro' and to the north, and north-west of Rice Lake, with a port on Lake Ontario, would lead in Port Hope: that mone of the present lines of travelled road, or allowanres fur roads, are throughout avalable for the proposed communication, owing to sundry batural obstacles. That in consequence of the instructions given by the Board to the Engineer for his guidance, viz.-"Having forwarled your Re"ports, \&c. upon the above matters, you will proceed "to explore and determino the best route for a line of "plank road from or near the western end of Rice
"Lake to Lake Ontario, as upon the improvement
" of the water and other communications of that section " of country, this road will, in all probability, be"come a portage of considerable importance. Every "possible curtailment of clistance, and the avoiding of "ascents and descents, as far as can be, is adyisable; " and the line should be laid out so as not to admit of "any alteration for the better leereafter, and in such a
"manner as will meet the general, without reference "to local or individual, interests. The probability of "the extension of this road northward, hereafter, by "Poterboro", is also to be kept in view in the selection "or the line;"-and subsequently, "upon a careful "consideration of your Report on the line of the Rice
"Lake Road, and the documonts connected therewith,
" The Board do not consider that they are' yot sullicient-
"
"Iy in possession of tho matter to como'to a ilecision 204 Maroh.
"thorcon; they, therefore, wish you, without loss' of
"time, to oxamine again the line called the Boundary
"Line in' the Report, the present line of travelled rond
" frum Bletcher's to Rico Lako, "or any other better " lino which may be found west or it."

The Engineer's atterition was chiofly given to threo lines,--une to Port Flope by the prosent travolled line, with nocessary deriatious; one to Port' Hoje by a middle line, to the present frontroad, and thence along it to Port Ilope; and the third, by the middle line to tho front road as lofore mentioned, and along the same to Cuboarg.


The Ilunomblo Cnuncil will jerceive that the foregoing afforded but little data of an engineering or practical nature upon which the route could be determined, and, after much consideration, being led to believe that tho intermediate line wooke, under all circumstances, bo most likely to moet tho viows of tho majonity of the back settlers, inasmuch as it would alfurd them the choice of Coboury of Purt Hope markets, and laking also into consideration the large public oullay of money upon the Harbour at Cohnerig, the interest of which is securtel as the first charge on the revenue of the Harbour, the Board had decided upon adopting the intermediate line, and the work would accordingly havo, by this time, been considerably advanced, but for the intruluction of the sulbject before the House of Assembly during the last Sossion. The evidenec taken before tho Committec appointed to inquire into the matter, it is presumed is now printed, and can be laid before the Council.

There being, as before shated, no decided engineering or practical reason (with which alone it is considered the Department have to do) to govern the selection of the line, the Board do not feel themselves authorizod to procoed with the work, without having the expressed decision of the Council thereon.

It is most important that a conclusion be promptly come to, as very little more delay will retard the completion of the work another year.

I have the honor to be, Si , Your obedient servant,
(Signed,) HAMILTON H. KILLALY.
The Gonble. R. B. Sulinvan,
President, Executive Council.

No. 3.
Momorial of the Inhabitants of Peterboro'.
To the Honorable H. II. Killaly, M. P. P., President of the Board of Works.

Sir,-We, the undersigned, Inhubitants of Peterhoro' and its vicinity, beg respectfully to represent our earnest desire that steps should be taken to advance the progress of the plank road between the Rice Lake and Lake Ontario. We have viewed with great satisfaction the impartial and wise selection made by the Board of Works fir the ternination of the road
at a point, as near as practicable, midway between Cobourg and Port Hope. At the same timio, we cannot rofrain from exprossing our duep regret that the local interest of the inhelbitapts of the front should so long have been permilted to interrupt the progess of a work so highly essential to tha prosperity nad convenience of this portion of the country, and for which it was particularly intonded, and also as a continuation of, the trouto formed by ho waters of the river Otonaboe and Rice Lake, the improvements on which are now fast draving to a close; and will be totally useless' until the connecting dink, by the plank romet, is completed.

Wo sincorely hopo that tho Report made by a Committee of the Honorable the Ilotuse of Assembly', and which Report was not, and we are of opinion never can be, concurted in by the Honurable Enouse,' may' not be permitted to rotaril a work so highty important and immodiately' necessiry, and wo confidently roly upon instructions being given tor the prosecution of the work without delay.

We can assure you the opinions heroin expressod aro those enternancel ly a large partion of the inlabitants of this section of the cotuntry.

> Signed by W.S. CONGER, sheriff, and 13 others.

Petorburo', 20h October, 1SI2.

## No. 4.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Executive Conncil, duted the 20 in March, 1843 , and approved by His Exrelloncy the Covernur General in Council on'the 23d of the same month, on a letter from Messts. Bonwell and Perry, on the subject of a branch of the Rice Like Plank Road to Cobourg.

The Committec of the Executive Council having reference to the Minuto of Council of the 3d March instant, in which it wais decided that the road to be opened between Tiake Ontario and Rice Salke, in the Newcastle District, should be upon the shortest practicable route from the wostern cind of the Rice Lake to tha noarest port on Lake Onturio, have considered a Report of the Board of Works stating that the revenues to be derived on the road would be materially incceased by the construction of a branch of the said road, which would open the communication to $\mathrm{Co}-$ bourg ; and further representing, that of the appropriation made by Parliamont for the Newcastle District, oul of the Englishloan, there will, after the construction of the line of road 'agreed upon, remain a sufficient sum to complete the communication with Cobourg, and reconmending that tenders should be advertized for the construction of the roal agireed upon, as well is of the branch to Cobourg, -are respectfully of opinion that the Report of the Board of Works be approved of, on the distinct understanding that the branch road will not be undertaken, unless it shall clearly" appear, from the temlers receivod and accepted, that a sufficient sum will remain of the appropriatinn to complete both rodds, and that no public money will be applied for the said roals other than the sim already apprupriated by Parliament.

The Committee are further of opinion that, to avoid misunderstaniting on this sulject, Mr. Sectetary Harrison should be instructed to inform the gentlemen who have applied for the branch road, of the contingency upon which the construction of tbe satne will depend.

## No.'.5.

Copy of Mossrs. Boswoll and Pory's Lalter to the 2oth Muroh. Honorallo S., B. Harison.

Kingston, '13th March, 1843.
Sir,-We havo just socis a copy of a Minuto of Council, by which wo regrot to perceivo that the de. cision the Boatd of Works had como to in reference to the Rica Lako and Lake Onarto Plank Road, has theonsot aside, and a recommondution made, that "the Boaril of Wouks be instructed to construct the road on the Porl Hope line." The offect of this would be to deprive Cobourg altugether of that fuir opporlunity to compete for the trado of the back country which they have hithorto ntways enjoyed, by tho road leading direct from the road of tho Rice Lako to Cobourg. We do not believe thit this was the intention of the Exccutive Govermment, and wo beg you will have the goodness to call the attention of the: Honorable Execulive Conuncil to tho subject, with a yiow to some modification of the line of rond,

We have never asked for any oxclusive privilege, arid havo always been most willing that Port Hope shouk enjoy, equally with Cobourg, all the trade its sittation justly commands. The intermediate line of rond adoptod by the Board of Works was not suggested by thio Inlialsitants of Cobourg, who would always have preferred, what we conceived would be far most advanlageotis for the general intereste,,- a branch to both places.

This plan we hope can yet bo adopted, and we have no doubt it would give general satisfaction.

We have the honor to be,
Your very obedient servants,

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\text { (signed,) } \quad \text { G. M. BOSWELE: }
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The Hon. S. B. Marrison.

No. 6.
(Copy.)
Report of the Board of Works on the Road from Rice Lake to Lake Ontario.

The adoption of the shortest practicable route from the west end of the Rice Lake to the Town limits of Port Hope having been decided on by the Honorable the Executivo Council as most likely to promote the general interests of the public, and of the back town. slips; and further, having been led to believe by the representations of the merchants andothers of the Town of Cobourg; that the construction of an offbranch to the limits of that Town would tend materially to in. crease the rovenue to be derived from this communication', they consented to the making of this branch road, provided it was olearly ascertained that the amount appropriated for the improvemonts in this section of tlie country (he Newcastle District,) would be sufficient to cover the cost of this branch.

The Board dirtcted that the accompanying approximating Estimate of the suims expended and yet requirct for the completion of these improvements, from which it appears that there will be a balance sufficient to execute tho Cobourg branch, should be submitted to the Council, and they consider the most advisable course will bo, to advertize for the formation of and materials for both the main road and its branch, and upali the

Ampenilix fully and definitely aseertaimad, th inimy tho ressult hus foru Council mad know dier final dexidim.
(Signed,) hamliton il killadx.

## Board of Works, 20th Murch, 18,43.

Approximating Estimate fur the Cunstruction of the soyeral Works in tho Noweaste District.

| Scugog River, ...........d | \& 1,20) |
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| Scugng Road, ........... | - 7,500 |
| Crooks' Rapilis,.......... | .. 1,100 |
| Whitlas' Rapids, | . 650 |
| Chisiulm's Rapids, ..... | 5,500 |
| Port Hope Roadt,........ | .. 11,000 |
| Various Stides,... | 10,000 |
|  | £ 36,050 |
| Expended, ........... | 12,000 |
|  | £ 45,950 |

Alnount of appropriation in currency, $\mathfrak{£ 5 5 , 5 5 5}$
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(Signed,) MAMHLTON H. KILLALX.
164h March, 1843.

## No. 7.

Conpy of a Report of a Committeo of the Exccutive Council, dated 1st June, 1844, and ennfirmed by His Excelloncy the Guvernor General in Council, on the 5 th of the sume month.

On a Lecter from theChairman of the Bonct of Works, dated 8th Nay, 1844, siating, that shoukd the constructime of the brianch Road from Cobrurg to the Rice Lake be sanctioned, hie would recommend that it be proviled that it be udertaken for a sum notexceeding $£ 5000$ currency.

If the Committee rightly understand the Report of the Clairman of the Board of Works, there remains of the appropriation for this line of communication, in money unexpended, and repayments of certain anvances, a sum very nearly sufifient ti cover the expense of this line of rund, which also appears to have breen sanctioned by Order in Council of the 23rd March, 1813. Considering this previous sanction by Your Excellency; that there is but a sinall deficiency of the Legislative appropriation, and that the Chairman of the Board of Works, on full consideration of all the objections which have been urged, recommends the work, the Cummittee are of opinion that lhe requisite authority may be given by Your Excellency.

## No. 8.

Leteer of the Chairman of the Boand of Werss, to the Provinclal Suerelary.
(Copy.)

> Board or Works, Kingston, sth Mry, 1b44

Sin,-w have the honor to ncknowledge the recoipt of Mr, B:wwell's leter, and the wher docoments connected, wilh the Rico Lako Road; and I beg loave to repurt herem an follows:

The :ippropintion of $\pm 50,000$ for "improving' the "inland ivaters of the Neweastle District, the con"struction of" slides, locks, mind certain rouls, leating "thercto," was bused upon an cstimute Curnished" by ine, by order of the late. Lord Sydendian, and not on the docament marked $A$, ns supposed by Mr. Boswoll. This docment I hat mo kowledge of whatever, had never saty it umtid within the last fay on two. I notice this, imasmuch as it is reforred to by Mr: Boswedh, as shewing that two Roads from Rico Lake were in contomplation, which was not the case. Thero are oblier intacenacies in Mr: Buswedis letter which howerer do nol require observation.

Upon receiving authority to proceed with tho works, the Board directed a survey to bo made by their loent Eugineer, part of whose inslructionswerc: "You will "then proceed to explore and detormine thio hast route"fura a tine of plank rond fromion near the Westera ond "of" Rice Lake, to Lake Ontario, as upon the improve"raent of" the waterer ant ather commmications of that "seation of Country, this rome will, in all prohabi" lity beemene a partige of considerable inportanes. "Every possille curtailment of distance, and the avoid"ing of ascenis and desennts, as fir ha can be, is desi"rable; and the line should be laid our so as not to at"mit of any alleration'for the beter hereafter, and in "such a manner as will hest med the general, with" " out reference to local or individual, interests.
"The probubility of the extension hercafter of this "road morthward hy Petertoro', is also kept in yiew in "the selection of "the line."

After a great doal of examination and caroful consio deration, that officer furnished a Report, May und Estinato of the line, which under all the circumstances he was led to bolieve the lest for the genoral interests of that section. This was called thie "middle line," as it juined the main road bertween Colbourg and Port Hope, thereby albording to the pienple of the hack country, the opuim of either market.

The Board upon due deliberation adopted that line, and were thout to proceed with it, when local interests were aroused and opposition made to it, and it became the sulhect of investigation before a Committee of the lloure of Asscmbly. The Cominittec reporterl, but no action was taken by the House in the matter ; and subsequently, on its being pressed upon the altention of the Governor and Executive, the Orter of Council of 3rd March, 1843, (a copy of which is horewith transmitterl) was mate; and again upon a Report from this Department, a further Order in Council of the 23rd of the same month (also sent) was mado.

By the former, it was decided that the road should lead from Rice Lake to Port Hope, nnd by the latter, that the making a branch road from it to Cobourg, was authovized" "on the distinct understanding thit the "tranch roud will not be undertaken, unless it shall "clearly appear from the tenders received and accepted,
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"4ma sulfatom sum will reman or a ho appormath, "fo comptato both ronds, tude that no puble monoy will
 "propithtal lig Phullamont:"

By un mproximating estimate then mude, It appanad that hare would be left a butance of die apprapriafion, sumident to mako his brateh roul, and necordingly tenters wore udvertized for the consintuction or he, and duly, recolved; but as he balance above referrod to, in the motuntine, was mueh reduced, and a strong' prolost aginins, the making of the road at " all hinving been sent la by Captain Willinas, I conisidered it ad:visuble to tet the mutur lio ovor until the meeting of Paylinmen; but, in taking ihis course, I had not miticipated the dolay which has occurred, 'Tho fuel also, of my having no colloagues, made me also more disinclined to press the sulbject on tho notice of the Executive. As it is now, lowovor, hrought, up through anuther whand, I have no hesimtion in recording my individuat opinim in' fives of tho consituction if this work. It is true Captain Williams, and olhors soldy interested in and about Port Hope, are strongly oppessod to itbut on the othor hamb, as alarge portion of the prortice of' the buyk comitry, of' which chis roud is the vuther, has hitherto been brought to Cobourg; and us I learn from the lest information I havo hom able to collect, will continue to bo brought there, I am strongly inchined to think that the", "ovenne from it will bo found to pay tho interest; but at tho same time, If foll it my ruty to state that many individuals residing in that section ol' country arce of opinion that the revenue from this diagonal bratich to Cobourg would not may the intorm oss, and that the same amount of expenifiture upon the main road from tho town of Cobourg to Port Hope, woufd be much more remunerative.

Certain chaims against the late Commissioners have been, by ordor ol Council, paid of from time to time, through this. Department, and charged pro. tem. against the uppropriation: the amount of this sum, when repaid, logether with the small balance which may remain, will cover, of nearly so, the cost of the branch; Cor the justice of making which, the circumstances connected with the Cobourg Habour Accounts, in my mind, pland very strongly.

C'ortaiil private individuals lade expended their own fuads in making Chis Harbour to a certain extent, and upon its being Bocessary for the Government to aflord aid towards its fimal completion, this aid was allowed to be a first charge on the entire work, and the full interest on tho Government loan to be prid before the private holders recoive any thing.

I look upon it therefore that the shareholders who have so tied heriselves up, would, have groat and just cause to complain that the making this road from the extreme back country to the Harbaur of Port Hope, exclusively; was, at the public cost, cutting of the very trade heretofore enjoyed at Cobourg, and upon which they calculated when they entered into the engagements respectirg the Harbour Luan.

Under atl the circumstances, therefore, should His Exccilency in Council be pleased to snnction the construction of the branch Road, I would recommend that it be provided that it be undertaken for a sum not excoeding $£ 5000$ currency.

## $I$ have the honor to $\mathrm{be}, \mathrm{Sir}$, <br> Your very olicdient scrvant,

## (Signed,) HAMLTON H. KILLALY.

The Honble, D. Daix,
Provincial Secretary.

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"Rasoluch,-That ho lintorost on" whimover sum of
 " "ilvauced to thi Cobong' dilubou" Compapy, or ex"poritod on tho Harbour by Govermment, be paid out "of tho recaips of the Compuny minuily, beforo any "dividend be dectarod to the stiocdpotlers of the profits "of tha Company, ant hat tho philuelpal so nulvanced "or uxpondad bo secured to the Guvermiont upon the "Hurbou"."

1 st June.
"Resolued, - That an'application bo forlhwith mude "in tho Guvermment fin" inn exiension of tho time fer "the payment of" the prosent Jume to the Cobourg Hin" bour Company of One housad pounts curvoncy, "now orer due"; and that The Govemment he requested "In take it into cansideration in comnection" whla the "inplicalion fin a further Lasin to the Compmy:
"Rusolored,-That Thomns Rittson, Rsquire, be "requisiond wemmaturicato the forgoing Resblutions "to the President of the Buard of Works."

True extract.
(Signed) W. H. KITTSON, Secretury:

## No. 10.

Assignment of Cobourg Marbour to the Board of Works upon certain Trusts.
(Copy.)
Thrs Indenture made this eightocnth day of Ausist, in the your of Our Loris one thousand eight hunded and forly-two, Delween tho President, Dlrectors, ant Company of the Cobourg Harbour, of the one part, and the Board of Works, of the other part:-Wherems the said President, Directors, and Company of the Cubourg Horbour are indelteil to the Provincial Government for a certain sum of money advanced to them; and whereas it will' greally contluce to the safety and convenience of sleamboats anil other vessels navigating Lake Ontario, that the Wharvos mid finibour at Cobourg shonld be speedily completed in a substantial manner ; and whereas the said Board of Works bave, in pursuance of the powers entrusted to them by a certain Act of the Provincial Legisliture, passed in the fifh yoar of the reign of Queen Victoria, entitled," An "Act to appropriate certain sums of money for" public: " improvements in this Province; and for other purposes "therein mentioned"" "letermined upon completing the said Flathour, provided the sole control therouf shall be given to the said Board of Works, and the Tulls and Dues of the said Flarbour slitll be appropiriated to pay the interost of the said delt due to lhe Province, anid of the sum or sums. which it may be neces ary from time to time to advance for the completion and repairs thereof: And whereas the said President, Directors, and Company of the Cobourg Farbour have agreen to assign the staid Harbour, and all the privileges thercto belonging, to the Board of Works, for the considerations, purposes, and conditions heroinbefore mentioned: Now these mresents wilness, thit for the purpose of seciring the completion of the silid Harbour, and for and in consideration of the sum of five shillings of lav-

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 President, Directors and Company of the Cidtoung
 means of the tolls of the said liantour, or by any other means whaterer, pay to the Gernmon of the Pros vince all such sum and sums of money as lave been advaneod, of which may hereafier be advanced, in comb pleting ar improving the saill Harleure, then there Promsents ind evory mater ambl dithg herein contained shat rease and ho ultery null and voil an though these Prosents had nover been entered into, any thingherein contained to the contrary thereol in anywise notwillhslanding. In witness whereuf, hes suid parties io these Presents have hereunto affixed ilheir Corporate Seals, the day and year first heruinbetire written.

> W. BOULTON, President, [L.S.] Cobourg Flabour Company.

Sealed and delivered
in the presence of,
R. H. Timoon.
S. E. Mackechnie.

No. 11.
Letter from the Inspector General to the Prosident of the Buard of Works. (Cops.)

## Ingipetor Genfraz's Office, <br> Kingston, $19 t h$ August, 1842.

$\mathrm{Str}_{3}-\mathrm{I}$ have oxamined the documents subinited to mie relative to the Cobourg ITarbour Comphany. It appars that two loins were maile to that Company by fine Gowernment, one for $£ 3000$, and the oilher for
※1000, hoth of whel arbe cherged agumst it in tho linoks of this ultice, will arrours of hiterust deas on tho Boll Junu has, of SLDL1 3s: Bd. Total Li52ll 3s. 3d. To secure this sum, it womad ho muse thaspabla that tho whole wom aliond ho assunded by Goperament


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 which the Cumpmy nlone is respunsilhile only $\mathbf{L 1 3 3 1}$ los. Ild, Nowi you will wherve in the Statement of tho Compmay, haia they only estimate the amatal in(erves it Licio, so that they hinvo no litemion of paying the hage ammen fin which Mr. Boullou is resuonsible. It is right that you should fully understand that the Guremment is mily interesterl to the simall anount which I have manem, imal it will be deserving of consideration wheller, wider the rincumstances, the punctiant paymont of the entime annemt of interest due to the Giuvernimem slanald but he suesured.

I have the homen to le, sir,
Your mus oberdient servaint,
( Wighedl $^{\text {) }}$
F. IINCKS
Insipector General.

Homber The Provilenin
of the Buard of Winks.
P.S. It will of course be evident from the froguing romanks, thut allhough the interess of the Government in the Wurk is not sur great as you may have supposed, the sempily is materially increased ; mad I do not apmom heend that there can be the lasast thouth that tho Touls will be armply sulficient to meed the interest of the sum nocessaly to complete the Wirk:
(Signed, ) F. HINCKS,
Inspector General
20th Augus, 18.12.

No: 12.
Copy of a Letter of Directors of Cobourg Harbour to Mr. N. H. Bairch.

Cosoung, 17 th June, 1843.
To N. H. Bamm, Esy,
Off: Boart of Works, Cobourg.

Sir,-Wc, the undersigned Members of the Bonrd of Directurs of the Coloourg Harbour, are of opinion that the old $T$ on the enstern side of the enstern pier, ought to be built up and finished in the same mamer as the other parts of the Wharf have been dene, and we heroly request that you will take steps to complete the same ascortingly.
(Signed,)
EBENEZER PERAY, D. BETHUNE, T. SCOTT,
J. II. BOULTON, Pres.

No. 13.
Copy ol' Report of Mr, N. IL Baird.

Eneinaire Oryich, $10 t h$ Junc, 1843.

Sin,-I lad it nocessary to apprizo you, that in consuguenco of the dilapidited stato of' the constorm hor'hern joty, the whato of the superstrueture tumbled to pieces on Mr. Russell romuring thut of tho mains pior, and 1 had given him urders to proceed in striet necordanco with dao sjecelicalion, viz: "not to robuild the ens"cern joty, not being included in the arrungurnent widt "Mr: Russell."

The Directors houring the courso I had tecided on pursuing, addrossod me the necompanying leltor, on which I'deciled on allowing Mir, Russell to procoed.

It is very clenr nog of two courses must have beon ailupterl, eithor'tio tital removal' or the rebuilding of the projection, and as tho fommer woult cost nearly as much as tha latior, I have no, toubt the Boarl will agree to the arrangrnent,--Estimate $\mathcal{L} 120$.

I may also montion that the portion of the enst pier from the nothem julty to the 92 feot breach, has, on removal of the superstructure, turned ont in at much worse state than 1 conld have any iden, and has yery much astonished the Diroetors themselvos.

On removing the upper logs of erib work, those unFor, to the depth of 3,4 , mil 5 feer, sjutug up, baving nuither bolls nuse treenails to hold them, Such a miserable piece of work was probably nevor put together, and in the same cribs the stones are, in somo instunces, suren feet from tho surface of the waler; this is independent of the 92 feot brench referred to in Estimate,

The wholo of the enst pier has been taken down to below water level, in some' instances to 5 or 0 leot, and is now in progress of rubuilding. The west pien is in progross of filling in wilh stones, and comploting the planking. The whole is now covered so as to allow a freo passage to and from the stemmers which now call there. In course of next moailh, I hope to report the complotion of this vork, with the excoption of the additional cribs to the break-wator; which will require time to settle.

I have this day mate an oxperiment of the comparative weight of coarse shingle from the beach and *hore, aud find the shingle preciscly the same as lime.
stono; landestono (of which the Contractor is goting abundance) I horvier than olther,

From tho closenoss of tha joints of the now work of tho enstan proe buing copable of retaining the shinglo, I have resolved to put courso shingle in from: a Woot above witer lovel, for threo foot in loight, and lop off with a layor of laind-stone phicked dosoly in as the quatity of stone will'bo mitorifly exceaded, a mil tortal saving will bo made in tho adoption, mide equally soryo in the enst pier the purpiose intended.

> I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,
(Signed, ) N. H, BARRD.
Thomas A; Bealy, Eqquito;
Secretary lBoard of Works,
KIngston.

## No. 14.

Memorandum respecting the completion of the Cybourg IIarbour.

The Coboury Harbour Company having memorinled the Executive Covernment to untertake the completion of that'Harbour, che subject was discussed at several meetings of the Council, and it was finally determined that it should be undertaken, upon the coridition that the intorest of the monies proviously adivaticet by the Govermment, together with the interest of those required to complote the work, should form a first chargo upon the reverues of the Port; an instrument to that effect having been prephred by the Crown Officer, was approved of and perfecfed, It became necesinty to proceed with the works ns quickly as possible, as from the very dilapidated and insocure state they were in, a considorable breach had been made through the principal pier, and thero was danger to appretiend the total lestruction of the works should another gale occur while they remained in that state; as will appear on roference to tha Report of the Engineer in chargo, herewith tramsmitted.

## THOMAS A. BEGLY <br> Secretary Board of Works.

Board of Works,
Montreal, 29 th March, 1845.

## No. 15.

(Q.Q.Q.)

29th March.

Statement of Outlay upon Cobourg Harbour, made for the extension of the East and West Piers, Jetties, construction of Light-House, repair of old works, \&c. \&c., under the direction of the Board of Works.


The details, vouchers, \&c. of the entire of the foregoing, are in the Inspector General's Office.
THOS. A. BEGLY,
Secretary Board of Works.

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Appendix（R．R．R．）
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Appendix
（R．R．R．）
GENERAL STATEMENT and RETURN of Baptisms，\＆c．－（Continued．）

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|  | Lotbiniere，$\quad .$. | 91 | 5. | 27 | 42 | 38 | 66 |  |  |  |
|  | Ste．Croix，．．． | 4 | $6{ }^{6}$ | 19 | ， | 28 | ${ }_{9}^{6}$ | 470 |  |  |
|  | St．Anlume，$\quad .$. | 16 | 17 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 28 |  |  |  |
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|  | St．Anselme，${ }^{\text {a }}$ ．．．$\ldots$ | 73 | 68 | 18 | 20 | 2.1 | 97 |  |  |  |
|  | St．Jean Chrisostòme， | 75 | 56 | 20 | 27 | 19 | 85 |  |  |  |
|  | St．Isillore，＇．． | 49 | 43 | 8 | 15 | 10 | 67 |  |  |  |
|  | Ste．Marie，．．．．．．．．． | 194 | 184 | 63 | 53 | 65 | 260 |  |  |  |
|  | St．Joseph | 82 | 81 | 27 | 20 | 17. | 126 |  |  |  |
|  | St．François，．．．．．．．．． | 62 | 82 | 20 | 21 | 12 | 111 |  |  |  |
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|  | Framptur， | 26 | 26 | 6 | 10 | 10 | 32 |  |  |  |
|  | Ste．Margucrite de Jolict，．．． | 17 | 62 | 7 | 2 | 18. | 69 |  |  |  |
|  | Beaumont，．．．．．．．．． | 21 | 26 | 6. | 15 |  | 25 |  |  |  |
|  | St．Chiurles，．．．．．．．．． | 47 | 39 | 26 | 17 | 20. | 49 |  |  |  |
|  | St．Gerrais，$\quad . .6$ | 153 | 130 | 43 | 41 | 37 | 195 |  |  |  |
|  | St．Michel，$\quad .$. | 50 | 48 | 21 |  | 24 | 42 31 | ${ }^{415}$ |  |  |
|  |  | 20 | 20 | 8 | 5 | － 9 | 26 |  |  |  |
|  | St．Franguis，Riviere du Sud，．．． | 41 | 36 | 14 | 17 | 13 | 47. |  |  |  |
|  | St．Pierre，Riviere du Sud，．．． | 26 | 32 | 6 | 8 | 5 | 45 |  |  |  |
|  | St．Thomas，．．．．．． | 86 | 91 | 30 | 46 | 17 | 114 |  |  |  |
|  | Cap St．Mnace，＇．．． | 59 | 56 | 14 | 30 | 18 | 67 |  |  |  |
|  | selu aux Grues， | 88 | ${ }_{5}^{85}$ | 29 | 31 | 38 | 74 |  |  |  |
|  | St，，Jean Port Joly，$\quad \ldots$ | 91 | 75 | 38 |  | 28 | 92 |  |  |  |
|  | St．Roch，．．．．．． | 60 | 65 | 21 | 24 | 16 | 85 | ） |  |  |
| 動 | Ste．Anne，＇．．．＇．．．．．． | 73 | 82 | 34 | 30 | 29 | 96 |  |  |  |
|  | St．Denis，$\quad \cdots \quad . .$. | 36 | 54. | 11 | 11 | 12 | 67 |  |  |  |
|  | Rivitre Ouelle，．．． | 58 | ${ }^{63}$ | 24 | 35 | 31 |  | ＞ 478 |  |  |
|  | Kimmourakk，．．．．．． | 58 | 55 | 31 | 42 | 25 | 66 <br> $9+$ |  |  |  |
|  | $\left(\begin{array}{llll} \text { St. Panchal, } & \ldots & \ldots & . . . \\ \text { St. Andrt, } & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots \end{array}\right.$ | 76 | 72 | 20 | ${ }_{24}^{33}$ | 21 | 100 | J |  |  |
|  | Kikoma，．．．．．．．．． | 81 | 75 | 33 |  |  | 89 |  |  |  |
|  | St．Parrice，Riviere du Loup， | 67 | 87 | 33 | 26 | 26 | 102 |  |  |  |
|  | St．Pitrick，（Prolestant，－．． | ， | 5 | 1 |  |  | 7 |  |  |  |
|  |  | 57 | 67 | 25 | 27 | 20 | 74 | 629 |  |  |
|  | Rimouski，．．．．．． | 81 | 78 | 32 | 31 | 25 | 103 |  |  |  |
|  | Maitime，$\quad . .$. | 25 | 25 | 10 | 10 | 2 | 38 |  |  |  |
|  |  | 2987 | 2885 | 1013 | ［11．4］ | 960 | 3758 | 3758 |  |  |

IECAITIURATION ：
Total Baptisms on the North side of the St．Lawrence－Males，$\quad .$.


GENERAL STATEMENT and RETURN of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials, in the
District of Quebec, for the year 1844.




GENERAL STATEMENT of the Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials, made in the District of Montreal, during the year 1843.


Appendix (R. R. R.)
A. 1844-5.

Appendix
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GENERAL STATEMENT of Baptisms, \&c.-(Continued.)
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RECAPITULATION of the above STATEMENT for the year 1843.


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(R.R.R.) SUPPLEMENTARY RETURN of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials for the years 1840,


PROVINCE OF CANADA, DISTRICT OF MONTREAL.

| county andi district. |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{\|c} \text { Areain Square } \\ \text { Milcs. } \end{array}$ | Births. | Marriages. | Deaths. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| County of Montreal, ... | $\cdots$ | Nine Parishef, ... | ... |  | 3568 | 757 | 2363 |
| County of Vaudreuil, ... | ... | Seyen Parishes, ... | ... |  | 712 | 107 | 324 |
| County of Terrebonne, | ... | Fleven Parishes,... | ... |  | 1118 | 178 | 616 |
| County of Lcinster, ... | $\ldots$ | Twelve Parishes, | ... |  | 1219 | 222 | 646 |
| County of Berthicr, ... | ... | Twelve Parishes, | ... |  | 1472 | 281 | 596 |
| County of Richelieu, ... | $\cdots$ | Five Parishes, ... | ... |  | 780 | 137 | 354 |
| County of St. Myacinhe, | ... | Twelve Parishes, | ... |  | 1278 | 176 | 556 |
| County of Rouville, ... | ... | Seven Parishes, '... | $\cdots$ |  | 995 | 164 | 455 |
| County of Verchicres, ... | ... | Six Parishes, ... | ... |  | 639 | 116 | 290 |
| County of Cliambly, ... | ... | Five Parisheg, ... | ... |  | 950 | 160 | 417 |
| County of Huntingdon, | ... | 'Thirtcen Parishes, | . 2 |  | 1754 | 300 | 632 |
| County of Beauharnois, | ... | Thisteen Parisles, | $\cdots$ |  | 1290 | 170 | 454 |
| County of Stansteal, ... | ... | Four Parishes, ... | ... |  | 46 | 35 | 17 |
| County of Missisquoi, ... | ... | Six Parishes, | ... |  | 732 | 94 | 124 |
| County of Shefford, ... | ... | Two Parishos, ... | ... |  | 169 | 36 | 14 |
| County of Two Mountains, | ... | Eight Parishes, ... | ... |  | 752 | 138 | 404 |
| County of Ottawa, ... | ... | Five Parislics, ... | -. |  | 286 | 71 | 41 |
|  |  |  |  |  | 17760 | 3142 | 8303 |

Montreal, during the yoar 1844 .

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Appendix (R. R. R.)
A. 1844-5.



GENERAL STATEMENT of Baptisms, \&c.-(Continued.)


RECAPITULATION of the above Statement for 1844:


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## Appendix (R. R. R.)

## A. 1844-5.

## Appendix

(R.R.R.) SUPPLEMENTARY STATEMENT of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, for the years 1841, 1842 and 1843, taken from the Registers deposited in the Prothonotary's Office, since the last Return for the year 1843.


MONK, COFFIN \& PAPINEAU,
Prothonolary.

## Prothonotaris's Office,

Montreal, Sth March, 1845.


Phothonotary's Ofince,
Montreal, 81h March, 1845.
MONK, COFFIN \& PAPINEAU, Prothonotary.

GENERAL STATEMENT and RETURN of the Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the District of Three Rivers, for the year 1843.


Thite Rivers, 15th February, 1844.
W. C. TH. COFRIN,

District of Gaspé，for the year 1842.


BEBEE \＆WILKIE， P．P．C．

New Carlisle， 1 th October， 1843.
general statement and RETURN of Baptisms，Marriages and Burials in the
County of Bonaventure，in the District of Gaspe，for the year $1 \mathbf{1 S} 13$ ．


WILKIE \＆TREMBLAY， P．Q．B．
New Carlisle，31st December， 1844.

GENERAL STATEMENT and RETURN of Baptisms，Marriages and Burials in the County of Gaspe，for the year 1843.

| couxries． | pamshes，smoniohtes，townsmirs avb carles． | Baptisms． |  | 涊 | nurials． |  |  | Total per Counties． <br> Increase of Population． | asmarks． |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | 总 |  |  | 总 <br> 总 <br> 品 |  |  |  |
| Gasper．．．．．．．． | Peré，\＆c．Catholie Mission， Gaspé Basin，\＆c．Protestant Mission，．．． | $\begin{aligned} & 99 \\ & 16 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 103 \\ 15 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 20 \\ & 13 \end{aligned}$ | 57 3 | $46$ | $\begin{aligned} & 99 \\ & 27 \end{aligned}$ |  | ，． |
|  | Total，．．．．．．．．．il | 115 | 118 | 39 | 60 | 47 | 126 | 126 |  |

of Bonaventure，in the District of Gaspe，for the year 1844．

| countri | PARISIIES，GEIGNIORIES，TOIVNSIIPS on cities． | AnPTISms． |  |  | HURTAMs． |  |  | Incrense of Population． | MFMARK8． | 1 <br> 1 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 突 |  |  | $\stackrel{\text { 足 }}{\text { 霜 }}$ | 奋 |  |  |  |  |
| Monavhnturli．． | Ristigouche；Roman Catholic， | 21 | 18 | 6 | 4 | 2 | － 33 |  |  |  |
|  | Carleton，do． | 60 | 40 | 19 | 13 | 11 | 76 | ＇ 1 |  |  |
|  | New Richmond，do．．．．． | 22 | 11 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 26 | ＂${ }^{\text {a }}$ |  |  |
|  | Now Richumond，Protestant，．．．．．． | 4 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 6 |  |  |  |
|  | Iromaventare，Roman Cutholic，．．． | 20 | 13 | 22 | 7 | 2 | 24 |  |  |  |
|  | Cox，Sci．Protestant，．．．＇．．．．．．＇ | 2. | 30 | 12 | 5 | 3 | 46 |  |  |  |
|  | Paspeblac，Koman Catholic，．．．．．，．． | 34 | 16 | 10 | 5 | 3 | 42 |  | ＂ |  |
|  | Total，．．．$\quad$. | 185 | 130 | 71 | 37 | 25 | 253 | 253 |  |  |

WILKIE \＆TREMBLAY， P．Q．B．
New Carlisle，lst April， 1845.

GENERALSTATEME VT andRETURN of Baptisms，Marriages and Burials in the County of Gaspe，for the year 1844.

| goustt． | partshes，geionionies，townshir＇s and cities． | nartisms． |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 总 } \\ & \text { 粷 } \\ & \text { 曾 } \\ & \text { y } \end{aligned}$ | nuriats． |  |  | Total per Counties． <br> Increase of Population | REMARKS． |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\frac{\dot{0}}{\frac{0}{2 g}}$ |  |  | 突 | 呪总 |  |  |  |
| Gaspre，，．．．．．．．． | Percé，\＆sc．Catholic Mission，．．． <br> Percé，\＆c．Protestaut Episcopal Con－ gregntion，$. . . \quad . .{ }^{\prime}$ ．．．$\left.. . . \quad . ..\right\}$ <br> Gaspé Masin，\＆c．Protestant Mission，．．． | ＇96 | 1101 | 42 | 27 | 23 | 147 |  | The Rev．Mr．Short， Pastor of that Congre－ gntion，han omitted toGlo Ms Register，ac． cording to luw． |
|  |  | $\cdots$ | ．．． | $\cdots$ | ．${ }^{\text {c，}}$ | ．．． | $\cdots$ | ．．． |  |
|  |  | 15 |  | 6 | 2 | 1 | 25 |  |  |
|  | Totnl， | 111 | 114 | 48 | 29 | 24 | 172 | 172 |  |
| Perce＇，21st February，1845，$\quad$ WIIME \＆TREMBLAY， |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

The Smedet Commpter to which was referred the Petition of Jobn Reid and Robert Shepherd, of the City of Montreal, praying payment of monies alleged to be still due to them as Contractors on the St. lawrence Canal, and various other Petilions of a similar hature, have agreed to the following Report:-

Your Committee have examined the chains of Messrs. Reidand Shepherd, and find that they were Contractors on the $\mathrm{S}_{\mathrm{t}}$. Lawrence Canal during its construction; that they finished the work undertaken by them, hut in the settlement for that work they were obliged to dissent from the view taken of it by the resident Engineer: the $y$ uppealed from your to year to the Commissioners appointed to carry out that work, and rould get no satisfactory arrangomen, butil the monh of Felruary, 1843, when it was agreed to lease thes differences to the award of the Ilomorable the Prosident of the Board of Works, and the Honorable Mr. Justice Jones, who was Chairman of the Commissioners during the time Reid and Shepherd were complding their condracts, With his arrangement Reid and shepherd were perfectly satisfied, but, wllhough Mr. Jones wasatall limes ready to enter upor the referonce, Mr. Killaly could not get time (owing, your Committee take for granted, to pressure of husiness, ) to take upon himsolf his share of the said reforence; nnd although the said Reid and Shepherd, from time to time, urged upon the Commissioners the "necessity of supplying the phece of Mr. Killaly, no step was taken to that effect.

Your Committe have examined a number of witnesses, and feel that the investigation was one that required the cridence to be taken under oath, which would have lieen the ease if the reference had been carried oul, and a more satisfictory result might have been obtained.

Your Committee, afier a most patient investigation, have come to the conclusion that there remains still due to Messris. Reid and Shepherr, by the said Commissioners, for work done upon the said Canal, the sumn of One thousambeight humdred and sevenly-nine pounds, seven shillings and nime-pence, at least, which your Committer would recommend to be paid to them, together with interest from the 1st January, 1839.

All which is neverthaless humbly submitted.

## GEO, SHERWOOD,

Chairman.
$26 h_{1}$ Narch, 1845.

## MINUTES OF RYIDENCE.

George sinerwodn, Esquirc, in the Chair.
Salurday, 25th Junitary, 1845.
Mr. William Miller cilled in; and being interropated, nuswered:-Was cmplored by Reid and Shepherd in August 1835, as Book-keeper :and Cashier; as Contractors they 'were obliged to furnish cernent for the works, sulbject to the approval of the Engineer; they furnished samples of this matering, which were apiroved of by Mr. Mills, the Engineer; when that
coment, to a large quintity, was furnished, it was con-demned;-it lay by for a year or more, and nferwards was approved of and ordered to be used: the Contrictors, after it was condemned, made every exertion to procure such of that material as might be approved of In conserfuence of the delay owing to the condemnattion of the cement, the Contractors met with much loss, inasmuch as maty of their men, foremen and mechanics, inchulting mysulf, werer endered idle, - 1 think the time was ubout a year; thase Contractors had four toams of their own, and at times two hired ones; their own shaterent will show the exact time they were idle. The gross amomo of luss, as appears in that statement, is the same as that faken from the looks at the lime, but the itoms 1 camont now call to any recollection. Their teams, three ritarks, three foremen, and some halourers ind masons were partially employerl during the idllo time. The cost of the coment was 1 dollar, 01 cents, per barrel; the quantity furnished was about 8000 barrels.

Peter Shuver, Esquiro, called in; and boing interm rogated, answered:-1 an a Commissiuner on the St. Lawrence Canal, and have been since its commencement in 1834. Samples of coment from Syracuse were furnished to Mr. Mills, the Engineer, by Messrs. Reid and Shepherd, which wero approved of by the Engineer, and triod under the notice of the Commissioners at the time. These Cuntractors procured cement said to be of the same quality. Mr. Mills thought the cement furnished was not the same as the samples, and therofore condenined it; this same cement wals afterwards approved of ly Mr. Mills, and used in the works. I am aware that Reid and Shephert suffered loss in consequence of the delay occasioned by the condemation of the cement, by their men and others in their cmploy being idlic. Whic Contractors were idle themselves, and continally complaining. Other Cour tractors (llardy \& Co.) were in the same position as Reid and Shepherd; preferred a chim to the Commissioners for lossess amomiting to $\mathbf{2 1 , 7 0 0}$, and were at lowed $£ 500$; they had but one Lotk, and Reit and Shepherd had two, conseguently the establishment of the latter was much larger. The Commissioners had the puwer to pay damages. I thought that the claimants (Roid and Shejleril) had a right to be paid, but a majority of the Commissioners present disagreed will me. Towards the later ond, the Commissioners agreed 10 learo the chaim to arbiration. It reguired four of the Commissioners to ajprove of the claim. Hurly \& Co's claim was exacily similar Wessrs. Reid and Shepherd complained of not having justice done them in the measurement of Section 17. The Commission. ars agreed that Mr. Floming, Civil Engineer, slould le employed to remensuro that part of the Section complained of. It was also agreed, that if the Dingineer had heri correct, the Contraciors should pay Mr. Fleming; if not, that the Commissioners should do so.

Mr. Peter M'Kay called in ; and being interrogeted, answered:-f was a Contractor on the St. Lawrence Ganal for Lock No. 4. I know that Reid and Slicpherd could have got Hull cement for Gs. 8d, per
(S. S. S.) barrel; they wore obliged to give 8s. 1d. for the Syracuse cement, aud the burre of the Hull cement contained 50 lbs. mure, but Mr. Phillpotts proferred the Hult cement. Lock No. 3 was changed about a mile from whero it was intended when the Contract was taken, - that mile was so much firther from the quarry, The additional expense this chango put the Contractors to was, I'think, $\mathbf{2} 350$. I had a similar chaim, and was allowed rising of $£ 300$; but my Lock was not renoved so far as Reid and Shepheril's.-I think tho claim of $£ 100$ not too much for sunken broastwork under Lock No, 3, over nid above what was allowed by the Commissioners, that is to say, for boing obliged to use extra cement for 160 yards, at 12s. 6 d . ipar yard.

Mr. Andretu Elliolt called in; and being interro-- gated, answered: - 1 was foreman to Reid and Shepherd whon they were Contractors for Locks on the St. Lawrence Cunat; there, was a dispute between them and tho Engineer us to the quantity allowed for embankment at Lock No. 2. All the carth that was laid between the lock-pit and the river, except 125 yards, was replaced aguinst the walls of the Locks; but I' think dart jart of that embuakment was tuken to. Section 17. I am cortain that all that was excavated out of that lock-pit was either used in embankment for the Lock, or taken to Section 17.

Mr. Hawrison callod in; and being interrogated, ansivered :-With reference to Section F. Messrs. Reid and Shepherd perforined certain embaukment for which I think they ought to be allowed fifty per cont,' over the cuntract price, for tll embankment over 350 feet. al would not have done the work for the anount of their claim ( $£ 350$.) I think it a very moderate clain, it being fer extra sloping of banks, removing of mounds; constructing of a pier across the bay, and embanking behind the pier. The causo of the oxtra sloping, I think, was an error in the Survey. I think that sume arrangement was entered into between the Fingineer and Istan Reid, clerk to Reid und Sheplierd, relative to the slopes. I think that the valuo of the work in excarating those stopes was five dollars per rumning yard.

## Monlay, 27th January, 1845.

Mr. Pcter Ficming, Civil Lengineer, called in; and being interrogated, answered:- The principal part of my testimony is contaned in my Report lierewith subinitted, (Seo Arpenuix No. 1.) I was employed by Messrs. Carr \& Co. to examine the cmbankment in Section No 3 , under the supposition that they had been allowed too lithe by the Engineers. I took moasures, and found that a number of errors lad been made by the Engineers. I made sections at the different places where the errors were, and reported the same to Messrs. Carr \& Co. I understood from report that the differonce had been setlled liy the Commissioners without another Survey. In the Report handed in, i haveinot embraced the aleeration in the line of the Canal which was made afterwards. This calculation does not cmibrace stone laid on lie outside of die embankment to. surport it; the stones tiken from the excavation were pliced on the outside of the barik : I refer to Section 17. 1 made expertiments ly dropiig dry earth into Hox es under water and found that it Dost 25 per cent: I unders ood that I wen to masure the work with the knowddgo of ether Che Commissiunots or the Eugneers. I Id not ascertain tie compression of the or:ginal tevifrom actual measurment and beg rolerence to my Revort"

## Thursday, 30lh January, 1845.

Apluendix
(S.S.S.)

Mr. John Shepherd culled in; and boing interrogated, answyered :-1 am a master buidher imed mason, and was foreman to Messrs. Rejd and Shepherd during the construction of Locks Nos. 2 and 3, on the St. Lawrence Cunal.
Q. What do you know about the wing walls?There was an extension of the sing whlls; the walls were thinner, but tho work was quite as oxpensive; the oxtension was beyond the Contruct, and ordered by the Engincer.
Q. Do you think that they could have afforded to construct those wing walls for the Coniract price for the Look, and paid dhemsolves i-I should think not. If the walls had been decper, they could have afturded to have done it at "less price. The coping of "the wing' walls, and the ficing, were more out of proportion to the rubble work Gan it was in the original Lock.
Q. Was you avare that the Contractors cut the little brace above the lift of Luck:-Yes.
Q. Was it covered with coping in the same manner as the rest of the Lock ?-It was.

Mr. Peter M'Kay again calledin; and, being interroguted, answered:-I am a mason. The testimony of John Shepherd, which has just been read to me, is correct. At one time there was an arrangement with the Elngineer, Colonel Phillpots, for a higher price of 2s. 6 l for sonding the Contracturs a second time to the quarrics.

The Hon. James Morris, Esquire, a Member of the Legislative Council, called in, " and being interrogated, answored:-I am a Commissioner on the St. Lavrence Canal. A claim was preferred by Messrs. Reid and Shopherd in, I think, 1838, before the Commissioners, tind a majority of them decided that their claim had been setuled, with the exception of $£ 180$, which was tondered and refused; but it was, and still is, my impression, that they had higher claims than that amount. I was in " minority of tivo. My argument in fayor ut paying them more was, that Hardy was allowell $\$ 500$, and Reid and Shepherd were allowed nothing, and that a Lock whs removed for which they were not ullowed, while others were. I think that they also preferred other claims in addition. Subsequenily, at a meeting held at Kingston, the Commissioners agroed to lenve the matler to arbituation.

Peler Shaver, Esquire, "ngain called in ; nud being interrogated, unswered:-The testimonies of the Hon. Jaines Murris, and of John Shepliert and Petor M'Kny, which have just been read to me, are correct. I was present on the wing walls with the Engincer, and Mr . Longley, one of the Commissioners, for the purpose of examining the work'; and 1 believe there is a Resolution in the Books of the Commission, instructing the Engineer to pay the full value of the work' (the Contract price) as contracted for on the main budy of the Lock No. 2.

Mr. William Miller ugain called in; and being intorrogated, answered:-I nm aware that all the cut stone fir the boidy of the Locks was quarried, and delivered at the Locks, bofore the orders for the extension or the wings were given. After tho plaths for the extension of the wings were delivered to Reid anid Shep. hard, I dreve out a statemont to the foreman for the goting out lie cut stone, and lie returned to the quirry and go them oute Afer the stone for bo boily of the Lock was quatied the shanies wero puted down, and the men taken avay; and whenthene order for

Apmulis
S. S. S.) the extemsion of the wing was given, it was an extra expense to opon another quarrs, the old oun being lall of water, I think that 2s, 6 di extra, for genimg out the stone for the extensim of the wing walls, was a reisomble charge for opening " quary, building honsas, burksmith's shou, Ec.

## Truesday, 4th February, 1845.

Mr. Peler Fleming again appeared, and handed in ta tho Cormittee, a "Compantive view, shewing the "quantity of excavation and embankinem on melisti"fion, nid the excess of the embinkinent ly the sign "+, and "the comtrary by the sign - ," correcting a provions one forming part of the Report submitted on the 2yth January last. (Sce Aprendix No. 2.)

Mr. Andrew Elliolt called in ; and boing interrowated, ansivered:-I was foreman to Messrs. Reid and Shepherd, and conducted the work contructed for by them ori Section No. 12. I think the item of enbankment, as charged by the Engineer, to bo incorrect, and that the actual number of yarils was nearly doublo that eredited the Contractors by the Engincers. I calculate that two horses' with carts will remove 30 yards pur day. Thero wero 797 days work perfinmed by two carts tud horses, equal to 1594 days work for cart and borse at lis yards per day. I havo been engaged for a number of yoars on Camals, and I think that the above calcumtion is a low one. The price of embankment was 1 s .3 d . per yard. In any opinion, Section No. 12 was a favoratle job, and the horses and carts amployed wero of the best description: I never snw men work butter on a line of Camal. Thero was an ulteration made in the embankment, the stakes being removed and the base mado bronder. The embankinent was measured by Messrs. Samuel Keefer and Wells; 1 wis present at the measurement, and thought they appeared to take sufficient pains and troublo in the measuring of the work. Ithink, however, that Messrs. Reid and Shepherd could not be correctly informed of the measurement of the work until the completion of the job. The embankment was measured from tine to timo, or once a month: I was not aware that the result of the monthly measurements was generally made known to the Contractors.' Reid and Shepherd did exira work, viz:-one surfuce drain, some small stone drains, and removing some banks that were built too high by Mr. Truax. I consider that that Section was thio best job on the whole line of the Canal, and would not have hesitated to have given a considerable sum in advance for the contract. From my calculation, I make the nmount of work of the item of embinkment 23,910 yards, but by the estimate made ly the Engineers, I find only about 12,800 yards allowed. I was on Scefion 17, and was aware that at several times portions of the embankment had slid off into the river. What I saw measured by the Engineers was embankment. 1, think it would have been mote correet to have measured whire the earth was excavatect, that the embankment builf 'under water.

## Friday, 7th February, 1845.

J. B. Mills, Enguire, a Civil Fnginedr, called in; and being interregated, answered:-With respect to claims for work on Locks Nos. 2 and 3, my explanntion will be found in tho Letter cuntained in my Report under date, Cornwall, 26ih May, 1836, in which the
mament is regulated for thio difforence hetwoon the original lanks ind those mado sulasequenty. There wisu piling madho furnishod ly Reid and Shepherd, (cost L25) which thoy Nould rocoive piy, for, if it dues not eppen in the final estimutes.

## Tucsiday, 18ih Fubruary, 1845.

Alexander M'Lean, Espuire, of Cornwail, called' in; and being interrognted, auswered:-I know lncks Nos. 2 and 3, on the St, Lativronce Canal, and beliove that the stone of which the same are composed wore takon from Camoron'sand Cullop's quartios: Cameron's gunary is distant about four miles from Cornwall, and Cuter's beitween six aud seron miles. I think that Mr. Crawford drew the stone for Lacks Nos. 5 and 6 , from Mr. Cameron's quarry. The distance that Reid and Shepherd had to draw lheir stone to Look No. 2, was awo mad' a haif miles firther than that of Mr. Crawford to Locks Nos, 5 and 6. 'llie distance of Jock No. 3 from Cameron's quarry is one mile farther than Locks Nos. 5 and 6.

Mr. William Tennant called in; nud being interrugated, nuswered : -1 am a mastor mason by trade, and was a Government Overseer under the Conmissioners on Loeks Nos, 2 mid 3 of the St. Lawrence Canal. I think that the wing walls were more expensive in building than the Locks themselves, there being the same front of cut stone and coping, and tho backing heing muelh less. When the lacking in such a job as that is reduced lrom the originat plat, it is alvays oxpected (und it is riglit that it shonlit be so) that an incerase of prico will be allowed. Thave been allowed an increaso under similar circumstances.

Mr. Peter McKay again calted in; and being interrogated, answered:-Mesers. Reid nud Slepherd obtained the slones for the wings of Lacks Nos. © and 3, from Cumeron's quarry, in consequence of Cuther's quarry being at that lime full of water.

George Crawford, Esquire, called in; and bcing interrogated, answered:-Claim No. 1 had been referred to me formerly as an arlitrator, and I nwarded to Messrs. Reid and Shepherel a cortinin sum. I know that the cement used in Locks Nos. 2 and 3, as well as in all the other Locks on the Cmanl, proved bad; and that the cement from Setima was at first condemned, and afterwards allowed to be used. I consider that if the Engineer had jorsisted in condomuing the cement, ho wnuld have been justified in so doing. I know that an arbitration was held between Reid and Shepherd and the Contractors for the delivery of the cement referred to, when damages to nearly the sum of $£ 300$ were allowed to the former on account of detantion and loss of time ; I cannot say up to what particular time, or whether they were allowed whint was right for a season. I canuot say that tho arbileators allowed for detention from the date of condemnation and date of approval. I im aware that J. Hardy \& Co., who were the Contractors far Lock No. 1, were allowed the sum of 8500 , but I cainot sny what for. A change was made in the original plan of Lock No. 2, by which it was estimated that a dillerenco of 1000 yards would be mate in the backing; und an ngreement was entered into beitween the Contractor and the Engineor, that 17s. 6d per yard, shoult be allowed. It is my impression that a subsequent monsurement proved that there was not a diffarence of 1000 yatids: what was stated as the real difference was allowed to him, which was something less than 883 yards, and thought a liberal allowance. In reforonce to the masonry in the exten-
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tonslon of the wing walls in Locks Nos, 2 nnd 8,1 had " clain of the samo description as Reid and Shopherd. An esitmate of the yalue of the masonry was made by Colonel Phillpots: Reid and Shepherd wero paid aycording to that estimate: I also was paid. I made a valuation, in connection with Colonel Phillpotes; of tho amount that ought to be pnid, but this was aftervards rojected, and 1 receivod payment according to Culonel Phillpolls' own ostimate. I considered myself' ontitled to more, but nequiescod in the amount; as tho Comnissiuners liad beeri very liberal to the Contractors on tho Cunul. The difference bet ween the ostimato mado by Colonel Phillpotts and myself, und that on which : was aftorwards paid, was E70, on oither one or two Lucks,-doos not recollect which. I am awaro that extra expense is incurrod by returning to the same quarry, or by opening a new ono ; such expense was incurred by all the Contractors on the Cunal. Ireturned to the same quarry, paid dhis oxirn expense, and made no chaim for it. My contract price for Lucks wils 81 s , per yard, but 1 do not recollect what I wos ullowed extra for wing walls of Lock No. 6 . 1 was illowed twothirds of the 1000 yards extra for Look No. 5 , which was only Lwo thirds finished. The bot tom of No. 5 was thick like the rest. I roceived for the stono to completo the Lock, ?s. per fout, ineluding coping : I finistled that Lock and ihe Guard Lock, subsutiuently, under a contract with ilie Board of Works, tuken from the roport of Culoricl Phillpouts. I think the extrome length of the Lock was 300 feot; thio coping was fuir feet wide, gnd fourteen inches thick: $I$ was quite willing to complete my conitract at the contract price. Mr. Keefer was in clarge of the yorks from Section No. 12 to the head of the Long Sault. I was present int in setlloment between the Paymastor of the Comimissioners and one of the parties, either Mr. Heid or Mr. Sheplerd.

## Thursday, sth Februiry, 1845.

Thomas A. Begh, Esquire, Secretary to the Bourd of Works, callod in; and being interrogated, answered - - Cannot produce the fimal estimates on the Conitracts of Messis. Reid \& Shephlerd with the Commissiuniers of the St. Laivrence Canal withoul authority from His Excellency the Governor General. Thi books of the Commissioners now in possession of the Board of "Works have been otice of twice befora the Cummittee, and wero produced by me : I Hought thoso buoks contained the finill estipates.
$S_{1}$ B, Mills, Esquire, Civil Enginoer, aguin called inf nidueing inter rogited, answered-With reference to lie cement on which Rud \& Shepherd elaim dainages, from the knowledge I now possess, I consider it was bad, It was used on the Canal, and whas proved to bo so. 1 objected to il at frrst, but it was aftervards used by the authorily of others: 1 consiter that the delay which took place in consenuence of the tinie lost in trying the cemelc does ubt ontinle them to any oflaim. I lef the Catial in Juls 1836. The samo coment Wus affercarids apiroved of by Colonel Phillipotis und Judge Wright There was nechange in the positiontor Lod No: 3 . By reason of tiisctiange 1 consider that Reid \& Shepherd sustainel very trifing oxpenso; $i$
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slidas, ought to bo allowed by the Commissioners, , I I condemned the coment idelivered in 1885 : I do not use ceinont without testing it. 1 porson qualified, and who has had experienco in testing, could pot be n judgo of cemont ht first sight, without an experiment: think that cement lail didown forsix months, and found to bo gool, ouglit to bo a pretty good criletion to go by. I think 1 saw somo cement which appeared to tio good in the Spring of 1836, taken from Lock No 2. An allowntee was mado to Mr, Wilkinson. I nillowed Mr. Anderton for detention; pach claim however is nocessarily govornod by circumstancos, I think tinat in the estimate of oxcavation of Look No. $e$, all the oarth must be accounted for, excent that allowage for shrinkage. I think that Jock No, " 3 "was romovod from one quarter to three quarters of a mile. Their lumber came by the river, ind their return loases would have to be townd as mush more tis the differonice bo. tween the two sites of Locks; 1 belibve that a certhin sum was allowed Mr: MoKay for 'a change of Lock.

Friday, 28th February, 1845.

J. B. Mills, Esquire, aggin celled in ; and being in. tertorated; answered:-I inn not prepared to say what the differonce is in the numbar of yards of masonry bo. tiveon the original plan of the Locks and the one on which they are nov built if the work in the wing walls is of the saine kind, 1 see no roason why Reid \& Shopherd should not be illowed the contract price. " think that the cut stonc and coping in Locks Nos. 2 and 3, wero delivered at the Lock sitess, In cases where extra work is done, for, which the contractors pay, the difrcence should bo nlloved to thom, and vice versa. I beliove that in the sprifig, the water ruso to a very considerablo beight at Woods Creek, at the Section No. B; but I do not recollect diat, from that cause, Reid \& Sllephiord lost any lamber: I think it possible that the Lock pits might Jave been filled with ice; but I tlink it unlikely that there was stich an aco. cumulation of it as to inteffere with the twork. The sum of eqis, was ordered to be paid to Roid \& Shop: herd by the Coinmissiongrs, which onght to have appeared in the finith soflement: When drasving a line of Canal, the plan generally ndopted is to put down stakes 100 foet tupart; or less, wis the case may be ; eross sections ate generally takon at these points, und the embibik metets und oxcayations are calculdated from these cross sections,-Llie calculation of the swork is also bused on thim: : the work done on the St. Laypence Cantal Lias Been calculaited in this manner, Estimpites of vork done are oily siripposel to approximate to the true anount. We inteñd that the final estimate shall be coirect,

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May, as I believe it did. I recollect perfectly well that at the arbitation, the hoss of time of clerks and teams for a winter, and remomal to and from the quarry, were considered. Itany luss was sustaned by Reid \& Shepherd by which they have a claim upon the Cummissioners, it must havo been much less than f12050: for that amome, I rouhd huild a Luck. In reference to the chaim for lay ling sunken breast at look No. 3, I consider that the extra cement used could not exceed 100 barrels. Mr. Reid acknowledges that the Commissioners nllowed them something on the extra cement: the cement was worth Ss. 1d. per barrel.' In reference to chains on Locks Nos. 2 and 3, the difference between the quantity and the 1000 yards, is allowed, 1 therefore do not consider this claim to he well fiounded: provided that the measurement is correct, and that they were allowed their Lock contract price for the rubble measurement. I was similarly siluated with regard to my Locks, and a similar deduction took place. I consider that they should lave heen paid their claim lior masnnry, in the extension of the wing walls, on Locks Nus. 2 and 3 , at the same mate as the rest of the Lock:. I ronsider that the charge for the expense of getting out stone her the extension of the wing walls is much tos high, but I think that somelhine should be allowed: the sum of $£ 50$ ought to be a liberal allowance. If they were allowed their Lock contract price, with the addition of the thirty per cent. they would lie well paid, without the extra dharge for geiting oul the stone. It is my opinion, when, by a mis,tille of the Engineer, the sult-contractor is overpail, that the Contractor himself should not ba the luser, and that such amount should not be deducted from his estimate: 1 am aware of a sinilar case in which a Contactor was paid.

## Wednesday, 5lh March, 1845.

Samual Feefer, Esquire, Civil Enginecr, called in; Fand being interrogated, answered:-I consider the claim Nu. 8, on Scction 17, of Reid \& Shepherd, without foundation. I touk the original levels on which the calculation is based, and I an sure they are correct. I was Assistant Enginecr on the Canal under the Commissioners, and laid out the principal part of the work; during the progress however, of this part of the work, it was not under my supervision. My loroher aind I had charge of the work under Colonel Phillports; if any mistake has arisen, il musi have been made either by iny brother or hy myself, who were the Assistant Engineers. I have understood that the line of Camal oal Section 17, was altered, which would nocesserily require an alteration in the calculations; and they were allered. The data on which the calculations of the quamities are founded, ate the cross sections. I do not consider that by the alteration the Contractors were injured. In roference to claim on Section 12, the work was exccuted under my directions. Before the Coalractors, Mosss. Reid \& Shepherd, Commenced work, I carefully took the levels upon this Section as it then stoud, the former Contractor having failed. The quantities embraced in the estimate I made from calculations fuanded on those levels, after the work was completed, and I fully believe that all the measurements and calculations are correct; and is Reid \& Shepherd have receired the amount of the estimate I consider them praid in full. 1 consider that Reid \& Shepherd liave assumed a wrong basis for the foundation of their chaim No. 13 ; and that the Report of Benjaniń Wright, referred to by them, dated 2nd August, 1837, is not a proper document for the Contrictors to found a claim upon, because the quantitics lhere in given were mërely the result of rough calculations made out, for the in' furmation of the Board, of the progress of the work.' If the Contractors dispute my measurements, I woulathe
glad that they produce me their ineasurements, and I will be most happy to go into an investigation with them. Data of measurement could not be hat at the present time, except from the papers belonging to the Commissioners. I do not remember whether Section 12, was completed in 1837.

## Fridoy, Thl March, 1845.

Mr. McDonald, Civil Enginecr, called in; and Leing interıngated, answered:-The excavation of Lock pit amounted to 15,080 yards; a portion ol this was removed to Section 17, another portion was used for puddling, another for embankment by men employed ly the Goverument, and some portion, without removal, remains where it was placed as embankment. Colonel Phillpotts then decided that it was better to have the embankment made by contiact, and Reid \& Sliepherd were emploged to make it. I was ordered to take letels to ascertain the quantity of work which would be done by them; and aftor they had dune, I found it to be 5011 yards. This work was done under contract apart from the furst contract. Mr. Reid was present when the measurement took place, I know that there were five trenches dug, about six feet deep and four feet wide; these trenches were dug by days' work, and were about eighty feet long, - the earth taken out of them was phaced either in the cmbankment or in the purdling. I know that a great deal of excavation was used in cmbankment without a second remoral. I think that the quantity that was removed in Section 17, and that which remained as embankment without removal, comprised all hat was oxapated from the Lock pit, beyond what, was used as pudde and ombanked hy our own men. I recollect the digging for the dry wall. In regard to Scetion 17, Colonel Phillpotts' Report is correct; he founded it principally upon my measurements: I' was confident at the time that they were correct, and I think so still. With respect to the wing walls on Locks Nos. 2 and 3, I think that Reid \& Shepherd are entitled to the same amount as they received for the Lock, if not more, and that depends upon the proportion which the rubble work bears towards the cut stone. I think that, as a general rule, when a mistake is made by an Engineer, and a large sum actually paid a Sub-contractor (recognized by Commissioners, the Contractor, upon the mistake being discovered, should not be compelled to repay the amount so paid: the Commissioners should be accountable for the mistakes of the Fingineers. In thic matter of the amount paid Bowron, it arose in consequence of the Chief and Assistant Engineers having instructed me, previous to their leaving the work, to roturn the amount of embankment made to a certain station pointed out by them, where an alteration has been made in the line of the Canal, as if no alteration had taken place; but it was actually found that, after measurement, the bank on the now line did not amount to the quantity which would have licen in the cinbankment harl the line not been changed,-by this the Contractors were oberpaid. This was was some time before Bowron gave up work', and in the spiring or forepart of the summer of 1837, 1 made a re-survey of the Section, and then discovered the missake, and that Bowron had been overpdid a sum of moncy, I believe nbout $£ 500$. Of this circumstance I informed Messts. Reidse Bowron, as sion as the measurement took place. 'Bowron continted at the work for some time afterwards. It was my impression that that sum was deducted from the eestimates of that Secetion, conthetel fin by Reid \& Sliepherdtand subslet to Bowron: Mr. Peter Fleming made the survey in the fill subseguent "1"am rint persohallyavare thatany money Was paids to Reid \& Shepherd totching this matere:

## Saturduy, 8th March, 1845.

Samuel Keefer, Esquire, again called in ; and being interrogated, submitted the following statement :-
(Copy.) No. 4. For removal of Lock No. 3, £350.
Sec Colonel Phillpotts' Report, 25h May, 1898; (p. 254) adopted by Coinmissioners. Quotes Mr. Mills, who says that the Lock was moved the breadth of Mr. Smill's farm ( $\frac{1}{4}$ mile,) which increased the hauling of the face stones lint much, but diminished that of the backing and timber to the same extent, besides the advantage of a much better landing for the Jatter materials. I think the change of site would not have affected tenders originally. I think the claiminaidmissable: (Signed, S. S. K.

No. 5. For cement in sunken breast, 160 cubic yards, 12s. 6ct.— $£ 100$.

See Colonel Phillpots' Report, 20th June, 1839, (page 301) "considers the claim most unreasonable." The masonry was of the same class as the backitig of the Lock, requirod in cut slone, and was passed for at the contract price, with thirly per cent adder. But as an exira quantily of cement wis used, probalily 40 barrels, he allows that number at 8 s. 1d. per barrel, $£ 163 \mathrm{~s}$. 4 d . and recommends that amount being paich, The Commissioners ordered that 8 s . 1d. per bartol, on $71 \frac{1}{9}$ barrels be allowed. I do not know why the latter sum was not allowed. In the eslimates for Locks 2 and 3 , there are 20 d barrels allowed allogether, at 8 s -- f 8 4s. Od.: but in my opinion his is a sufficient allowance. (Signed, ) S. $K$.

No. 7. Extension of wing walls, Jocks 2 and 3, $1944 \frac{1}{2}$ yards at 4s. 42 d .- C 425 7s. 2 d.

Sce. Col. Phillpots' Report, 2nd July, 1839, at longth. Every yurd in the extension of the Wings has been paid for at the conlvact price, with thirly yer cent added, as may be seen on reference to the cstimates; but whon the cut stone in the extension cxceeds or falls short of the proportion due to the boty of die Lock, 35 . per square foot of fuce, which is cquivilent to 12s per cubic yard, his heen added or deducted, as the case refuired. Ithink this is all the contractors are entited io, because it is the full value of the work. (Signed,) S.K.

The las remark expluins the deduction of $297 \frac{3}{4}$ chbic yatds at 12s.- $\mathbf{E 1 7 8}$. 13 s . Od. In regard to the claim of $£ 243$ 1s. 3d. being 2s. 6d. per cubic yard, on 19445 yards of masonry, for exira expense in getting outsimaterials, see Col. Phillpotts' Report, 25il' May, 1838. He states that the Contractors had to go to the guarry to get stones to complete their Lock according to the original plan, and therefore were not obliged solely by the extra work in the wings to do so.

No. 12. Scotion F.-E350. For extra work in for"ming pier, removing mounds, and for extra carting

I never heard of this clain before; it appears to be: recenty set forth, for I always considered the Contractors were quite satisfied with their finals estimate. Théfyad a person employedupar tho work who took Good chre that I should not orget the items of extra

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the slope, extra sloping or dressing of banks, and for carrying stones to soction No. 2. I am confident the Contractors are paid in full for all they have done.

(Signed,

## S. KEEFER.

## Montreal, 7th March, 1845.

Mr. Keefer then said :-In reference to chaim No. 7, I beg to explain further that the contractors received upon the body of the Lock their contract price, and 30 per centadded; besides a cortain sum for compensation, in consequence of the Lock having fallen short in measurement of the 5000 yards, which it is said the original Lock would measure, "which amounts to from 3 s. 6d. to 4 s. per cubic yard, upon the actual measurement of the prescntmain body of the Lock,-the aggregate of the whole being from 40s. 10d. 10 41s. 4d. per cubic rard. The latter addilion of 3 s . 6 d . to 4 s . per cubic yard, (as I understand the estimites) had not veen allowed on the extension of the wings, and my opinion is that it ought not, for, without it, the Contrictors have received 37s. 4d. por cubic yard, as being the Engianer's value of the work at the time. In fact, aill the masonry done in the Province since that time, of the snme, or even or a supario class, has been done at a ess price,-in no case oxceeding 32s. Gd, but generally averaging 30 s. for masonry litd in cement of the cifiss alluded to.


St. Lafrence Canal, Lock No. 2 . 24th October, 1837:

Messrs. Reid \& Shepherd, Before I could examine Section 17, of the St. Lawrence Canal, regarding the quantity of work done poon it by you as Contractors, or by your Sub-contraclor, ${ }^{2}$ I found it would be necessary to be provided with certain plans and sections relative thereto; all which were readily obiained, in consequence of your application at the Canal Office; at least the liberty was granted for myself to take copies of those I deemed necessary to begin my investigations, and which consisted of a plan of the line now cxecuted within Section 17, and also the transverse levels or Sections of the same, taken previously to any work lieing done here:

These plans liaving evory mark and appearance of accuracy and minuteness;' I was attentive to make the copies of them equally so.

It being in first and necessary step to compare the actual measured length of the Section in question, ivith the stated length by the plan, I was mach disappointed in this operation to find the latter cxhibited abput onte liundred and forty feet less than the actuak reasurement; also, in comparing the distances expressed, the multipliers of the respective Sections, I found the sum of then', which should have made the trie length, loss by fifly feet, and this difforence being wanting in the multiplier of the Section, Sitestion Nott 454," showed an error on same of 5379.51 cubic yardsAhus, in altempting tomerfy the dimensions of the Plan and Section which Thadropied with considerabe labourard atention, fouidy to be quito use essyas a true guta to enable me tot froced inturin ing any estimata of the Section refercd tot
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which the data of calcultition would te the same; to which I agreel, and attended the Canal Surveyors in their operations, and from them noted each oliservation, as reported at the instant, from which I have been enabled to compltete the sectional dimensiuns of the embankment as it now stauds-fior these were taken upon Sectional lines, parallel between themselves, and through points of the central line of (Canal assumed by them is true for the old Sectionswherely those new levels being thus conijnined to the olld, alforded the elements for the calculation of both exchyation and embankment. From this data, 1 have carefully calculated buth the excavation and embankment so based, entircly as those Engineers had assumed and marked out by measurement ; the result of which calculation I give as follows:

> Content of the excasated prism of the Cr-
> ual within Section 17,
> Content of embankment within the same
> Section,.................................... $\}$
> 98.240 c. yards.

The above results of embunkment and cxcavation differ somewhat from the same of the Canal engineers, which difference secms to have arisen chicfly from their adopting the distance upon a curved line instead of a straight line, allhough the latter was marked out by them, as I understood, for mutual calculation; the other I had not in iny possession, and for reasons hereafter to be stated, I would not lave admitted; which induces me to adopt the above as a correct result, as fur as calculation warrants; on the other hand, I do not cunsider that the quantity due to embankment, as abovo stated, is all that is due to its construction, or even what is absolutely now cortained in it,

This alleged diminution, or that which should be alluwed over the result of this measurement, a part of this allowance would arise from the consolidation, or shrinlzage, of the part from excavation; and another from the consequent compression of the surface upon which the embankment rests, or sinkage; a third from the action' of the river, rains, \&c. or wastage; and at fourth, from a want of sufficient dimensions given to ascortain the true quantity at present contained in the embankment.

With regard to the first of the above-mentioned alJowances or diminution of embankment, - namely shinkage, is well known to all practical persons to be a common consequence while forming an embankment; but this consolidation takes place in a greater or less degree in different suils; and, respecting the degree of consolidation which would be due to the excavation which has partly constructed his embankment, I am of opinion that 10 per cent. is an equitable allowance for shrinkage on heaty work, such as this is.

Next, sinkoge, or that due to the compression of surface upon which a leavy embankment rests, depends also upon the hardness or sultness and depth of soil linable to be altered by pressure. The situation of the cm taarkment in question, deserves particular attention in this respect, as a considerable purt of it, and the deepest, is built over a battom, either on the margin or within the bed of the St. Lawrener, and this wholfy consisting of a suft alluvial soil.

To ascertain the actual compression of this part, has been an ohject to you of much expense under my inspection, by opening shafts and pits into the embunkment. On several of these 1 found consideratbe difference, which would be due to the compression of surface; but as they were chiefly within the former bed of the river, and the points upon which they wore taken might not exactly coirespond to the former points of level, with which they should be compared, it became
a matter of some uncertainty as to the exact differences, which, united to the difficulty arising from the frequent rains to keep those pits open for the shortest time, prevented me from making a regular mode of estimation of this allowance; indeed, an examination by shafts or pits is both a difficult and expensive operation, which to be complete would require them to be on each side of the embankment, lesides in the middle.

Nevertheless, the effect of compression will always, on a soft bottom, become a very considerable item composing a heavy embankment; and when not provided for in tho first levels, a proper allowance becomes due, as ascertainable under the circumstances of the case when the work is completed. For this object I have calculated the extent of surface within the bed of the river covered by the embankment, which I find to be about 19,511 square yards; upon which extent, I am of opinion, that four inches depth for compression of surface would be a very moderate allowance; and which depth, I am persuaded, would be found much less than the actual compression, could this be found conveniently and without an extraordinary expense. Upon the remainder of bottom, covered by the embankment without the bed of the river; containing 16,055 square yards, I would only, reckon one inch in depth, which is no more than allowance for decomposition of the loose and fibrous sod or turf, and other vegetable matter on the surface, bolow which, the levels were not likely to have been tiken. Thus, the whole allowance for sinkage will only be about 2 io inches in the whole extent coyered by embankment.

We now corne to take into consideration the eflects of the river $S t$. Lawrence, upon the part of this embankment which has been exposed to its action; also loss from the ice and rains, which have together caused many slips, both great and small throughout; but more especially when the embankment is placed in deep water, and the operations of them, as causes of wastage, are going on at this moment in no small degree; and evident to all, they have made considerable inroads upon the embankment treated of, and the total wastage of which cannot now be ascertained from any actual measnrement; but, when we take into account the time, since 1834, which this cmbankment has been exposed to the above-mentioned diminishing causes of its bulk, it would be contrary to all observition and experience not to conclude that a considerable portion of the embankment must be allowed for, under the head of wastage, the amount of which 1 would adjudge, three thousand cubic yards, and this quantity, if resolved to have been lost from the facos of the embankment presenting to the river, and being only within the water, would only amount to $\frac{10}{10}$ cubic yards to each square yard of surface so exposed. A quantity, which, in all probability, is much below the actual quantity now dispersed beyond our estimation; or, in other form, this would be about 6 inches decp upon same faces, an extent of 19 . 000 square yards surface.

The last defalcation for which I think allowance upon the embankment should be made, is for that arising from a want of sufficient dimensions, by which the full content of the embankment would be found.

In this respect, I find the result from calculation as aboye stated defective, inasmuch as the Sections have not been made of sufficient number to afford a full rem sull, especially at that part where embankment and water are the deepest; but also, which are wanting throughout all the part within the bed of the river. It is ovident and well known, that all results from calculation of solid excavation are only approximation, but such may be more or less'approximate by arrangement of, or by number of dimensions. It is clear in tho

Appendix
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 sults above slated, 1 have taken the intermediate and actual depths and shewn them by annoxed draught on margin, on which the red wash shews the quantity lost on the longitudinal Section, and which evidently must point a great part lost under the embankirent. It is clear, had these Sections been taken at half the distance, or fifty feet instead of one hundred, as they almost uniformly are here, without regard to form of surface, the calculation from these auditionnal Sections would have given a much greater result on the embankinent is well as excavation, for the same defectiveness in number of Section diminishes both. This appears from the latter having been formed by two great convex surfaces, and the other one concave, and thereby; oither not admitting that compensation which might happen upon a more varicd surffice and be sufficiently near for general estimate; but as in this case arises very different for one Section, in which the errors happen to be all upon one side; and I am convinced from the configuration of the led on which the embankment now stands,"as shown by the few Sections taken upon it, 'that many smaller or larger concavity of bottom has been entitrely omitted, or which cóuld not - come within calculation' from the want of more or double the number of Sections. "Such omission; in my opinion; is a very culpable neglect or inadidertency regarding the interests of those pers ons who hazard their labour and property upon the süpposed intelligence and accuracy of engineers: It must appenr that there is little or no dála by which the quantity due to the
manner of parallel sections, as generally practised, that the calculations include only, within straight lines between them, and consequently on convex surfaces, on which the sections are much apart, there will be, belween every two, a spherical segment excluded by such measurement, and the same in a concave surface, in this below, and of the other above. In applying this by example, we stall at once see the deficiency in point of dimensions of the embankment.

I take for this example, and illustration of defective application, the sections, Nos. 457, 458, and 459, at the deepest part of the embankmentand river; here the depths of water

No. 457, No. ABS, №. 453, are 5-90, 16-, 5-50. It is evident by these depths, that a considerable hollow or concavity is formed between 457 and 459, but on which no intermediate depths have been taken to show its contour at bottom, but by which the calculation is limited to find only what part of the $\mathrm{em}-$ bankment is above the straight lines joining the three points, without in. cluding all that may be below these straight lines. below these straight ines.

The following is a statement which would arise from
the allowancos being added to the result, from measure-
The following is a statement which would arise from
the allowances being added to the result, from measurement as estimated above:-

## Cubic Yarden

Content of Embankment according to the measurement made by Canal Engineers,.........
Shrintage on 98,240 c. yds. Excavation, at 10 \# cent.
140.741

Sinkage on 19,511 sq. yards of surface within the River, covered by Embankment, at 4 inches depth,.. $\qquad$
Sinkage on 16,055 sq. yards of surface under Ein-
bankment out of river, at 1 inch depth,....
Sinkage on 16,055 sq. yards of surface under Ein-
bankment out of river, at 1 inch depth,.... Allowance for Wastage, from Sept: 1834, consider-
ed to be equal to 6 inches depth on 19,000 sq. vards, the cxtent of the faces of the Bank within the river,
Allowance for defective measurement, as explained in above report,................................. 3.000

The next object of estimation on my part, is the guantity of excavation which bas been carried above 350 feet. To make this estimation perfeclly intelligible, as a matler of accurate calculation, T have annexed a comparalive statement or table, by which the quantity of embankment under or above excavation is seen on cach Section by inspection; and also what part of the excavation has Veen carried over 350 feet. The distance of 350 feet, howeyer by this, is only reckoned parallel to the axis of Canal, and therefore not in cluding any for the breadit of Canal; and consequently, less thin the true distance caried, and somewhat unfavorable to the contractor:

I have already observed, that the latier, as well as all other methods of correct principle for calculating solid measure, become in application upon all irregular figures as will arise from variable surface, to give merely approximations of estimate; but tho result may be made to approximate more or less to the true content as the same in number of dimensions; but the other, or by relating the cross sections perpendicularly to a curved line, produces a series of solid figures, the measurement or given dimensions of which are inapplicable to find a correct result, as neither affording a mean measure nor compensation in the calculation, and therefore quite inadmissible as an approximating rule, and in which a multiplicity of dimension would notamend; but as this is a subject of a very clementary consideration in Geometry, further remark is unnecessary. . . . .

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It must appear that the excess of excaration at the several points, supposes that the embankment opposite had been wholly made from the excavation, as the excess expressed is over what would have done this ; but this has not been altogether the case; for at the upper extremity 6096 yds. is acknuwledged to have beenemployed from Lock Pit, No. 2, to nake part of this embankment, according to the original or curved line, on
account of soil wanting in excavation; but since the moving of line more northerly the excavation, as appears, now affiorded an excess, even on supposing as by table that it ouly had supplied the embankinent, consequently this 6096 yards, or rather its equivalent of excavation, must also have been removed over 350 feet, and therefore to be added to the other.

Comparative Yiew,--Shewing the quantity of Excavation and Embanking on each Station, and the excess of the Embanking by the sign + , and the contrary by the sign -.

|  |  |  |  |  | Quantity put limbniknont, making equal excess of Excayation above embankment carried over 350 feet. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4451 | 1613 | 422 | - 1191 | 1191 |  |
| 446 | 4458 | 3059 | -1399 | ) 804 |  |
| 447 | 5238 | 5824 | $\begin{array}{r}\text { + } 594 \\ \hline 525 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |  |  |
| currect for | Curasura. | $4{ }^{4} 80$ | + 485 | \} 40 | $+6096$ |
| 449 | 6908 | 5499 | - 1409 | 1409 |  |
| 450 | 708.4 | 5532 | - 1552 | 15.52 |  |
| 451 | 764.4 | 4597 | - 3047 -3910 | 3047 |  |
| 459 | 7649 | 3739 | -3910 |  |  |
| 453 | 6438 4684 | 5074 | - 1364 <br> +2777 <br> 1 |  |  |
| 450 | 2521 | 10115 | + 7594 |  |  |
| 456 | 1951 | 9385 | +7434 |  |  |
| 457 | 1045 | 11509 | +10464 |  |  |
| 458 459 | none. <br> 665 <br>  | 15006 12814 | +15006 +12149 |  |  |
| 460 | 762 | 11967 | +11205 |  |  |
| 461 | 2364 | 7660 | + 5296 |  |  |
| 462 | 3342 | 3613 | + 271 |  |  |
| 463 | 5139 | 1495 | - 3644 |  |  |
| 464 46.5 | 5932 574 54 | 1305 1300 | - 4627 | 2695 4447 |  |
| 466 | 4513 | 1541 | - 2972 | 2972 |  |
| 467 | 2888 | 1965 | - 923 |  |  |
| 468 469 | 2183 899 | $\underline{1165}$ | [ 20 | $\int^{687}$ |  |
|  | 98940 | 140741 |  | 18844 | , - . |
| To which add 6096 |  |  |  | 6096 |  |
| Cotal carried over 350 feet is |  |  |  | 24740 | Cubic yards |

As requested by you, I shall now put together the above results into the form of Estimate, and according to the prices, with other additional quantities given me at the Canal office.


It may be proper to observe regarding the above statement, that there is not included any measurement or allowance for that which has been put upon top and face of' embankment as an excess for the subsiding of it, nor for any additional height whatever, which may be upon it beyond the proper timensions as shewn by the Sections, nor is there any allowance of deduction for any part not completed to the same dimensions with the plans copied at Canal office. One of them appeared as made purposely to shew the dimensions of the extra cutting upon north side of Canal, which was taken to completo the cmbankment. On examining this plain, I found it entircly exceptional to this purpose, or for ascertaining the content of excavation, from the fow Sectional lines upon it, these being too few, notonly in respect of surface, but also insulficient for the how rizontal figure ; and consequently, I would regard any calculation derived from this plan as much dofective in quantity, besides the want of dimensions of the additional excavation which has since been made on both extremitios of the plan. Further, any comparative view of the entire excavation, and entire embankment, respecting their content as respectively, result from dimensions of Sections and Plan above-mentioned, I would

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(S.S.S.) hold as leading to a false conclusion, inasmuch as this would be below the truth, and for the reasons I now and 2 th March. have heretofore explained.

Along with this Report you will receive an estimate presumed to be calculated at the same time asmy own, (signed by Geo. Reefer, Asst. Engineer, 19th October, 18377, and of the final statement of work done; but in this estimate, I believe, excepting 8 per cent upon the excavation, there is no farther allowance whatever made.

In large works such as the St. Lawrence Canal there
will happen many unforeseen circumstances and omis- (S.S.S.) sons even under the most experienced in direction, which all may require a fair and considerate arrange- 26 th March. mont between parties interested; such as compression of bottom, and wastage, within the bed of a river such as the St. Lawrence, or soft alluvial soil, on which embankments are constructed; and not less should be neglected in such arrangements, the want of sufficient dimensions requisite to give a true result in the quantty of the labourers' work.

PETER FLEMING, Civil Engineer.

APPENDIX No. 2.
Comparative View, -Shewing the quantity of Excavation and Embankment on each Station, and the excess of the Embankment by the sign + , and the contrary by the sign - .


PETER FLEMING.
Montreal, 30th January, 1845.


Imports and Exports at the Port of Str. John's, for the year 1843.

| description. |  |  |  |  |  | quantity. |  |  | value in sterling. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| IMPORTS. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | £ | s. | D. |
| Apples, ... ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | $\cdot$ | $7115 \frac{1}{2}$ | bushels, ... |  | 376 | 3 | 10 |
| Apples dried, ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | 2103 | pounds, ... | . | 14 | 1 | 4 |
| Apples dried, ... | ... | ... |  | ... | $\ldots$ | 18 | bushels, ... | $\ldots$ | 3 | 6 | 10 |
| Apple sauce, ... | . |  |  |  | $\cdots$ | 36 | gallons, ... | .. | 2 | 4 | 7 |
| Ashes, ... ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | 1391 | barrels, ... | . | 475 | 16 | 3 |
| Arrowroot, ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 23 | kegs, ... | .. | 53 | 15 | 10 |
| Beef, salted, ... | ... | ... |  | ... | ... | 10 | pounds, ... |  | 0 | 3 | ${ }^{6}$ |
| Books and Papers, | ... | ... |  |  | ... | 388 | boxcs, .. | . | 2362 | 5 | 9 |
| Beef, fresb, ... | ... | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | '... | 4080 | pounds, ... | - | 18 | 16 | 2 |
| Butter, ... ... | ... | ... | $\cdots$ | ... | ... | 1476412 | do. ... | . | 218 | 19 | 11 |
| Buckwheat, ... | ... | ... |  | ... | $\cdots$ | $450^{\circ}$ | bushels, ... | .. | 34 | 14 | 11 |
| Buck wheat Flour, | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | ... | 2252 | pounds, ... | . | 8 | 4 | 6 |
| Bricks, ... ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 33845 | No. ... | . | 18 | 1 | 11 |
| Brandy, ... ... |  |  | ... | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | $4{ }^{4}$ | gallons, ... | ... | 1 | 12 | 8 |
| Beans, ... ... | ... |  | ... | ... | ... | $2 \frac{1}{2}$ | bushels, ... | .. | 0 | 5 | 8 |
| Bottles, $\ldots$. .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | $110^{\frac{1}{12}}$ | dozens, ... | .. | 5 | 15 | 9 |
| Beef, salted, ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | $35^{\circ}$ | barrcls, | $\ldots$ | 41 | 6 | 2 |
| Bird Secd, ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 27 | barrels, ... | ... | 39 | 12 | 7 |
| Burr Blocks, ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | $\cdots$ | 750 | No. |  | 145 | 15 | 2 |
| Boats, ... ... | ... | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | ... | ... | 1 | No. | $\ldots$ | 16 | 8 | 9 |
| Basswood Plank, | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | picess, | .. | 0 | 3 | 8 |
| Buffalo Robes, ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | 3708 |  |  | 1612 | 2 | 9 |
| Cheese, ... ... |  | ... | ... | ... | ... | 107272 | pounds, . | ... | 799 | 4 | 1 |
| Cattle, ... ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | $\cdots$ | 1879 | head, - | ... | 5586 | 3 | 1 |
| Clocks and Watches, | $\ldots$ | ... | $\cdots$ | ... | $\cdots$ | 450 | boxes, .. | $\cdots$ | 923 | 9 | 9 |
| Cider, ... ... | $\ldots$ | ... | .. | ... | ... | $402 \frac{1}{2}$ | barrels, | ... | 90 | 2 | 11 |
| Codfish, fresh, ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | $\cdots$ | 84100 | pounds, ... | ... | 160 | 10 | 6 |
| Carriages, ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 33 | No. ... | ... | 236 | 3 | 9 |
| Corn, Indian, ... | $\cdots$ | ... | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 352 | bushels, ... | ... | 38 | 7 | 9 |
| Corn Meal, ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 223 | do. ... | . | 48 | 8 | 8 |
| Corn Meall, ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | $4 \frac{1}{3}$ | barrels, ... | ... | 2 | 3 | 7 |
| Corn Brooms, ... | ... | ... | ... | . | . $\cdot$ | 2056\% | dozens, | ... | ${ }_{103}^{526}$ | 0 14 | 11 |
| Cotton Wool, Cotton Goods, | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 21 1169 | balce, boxes, | $\cdots$ | 103 3233 | $\begin{array}{r}14 \\ 3 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 11 |
| Cotton Goods, ... Corks, | .... | .... | .... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 1169 29 | boxes, $\quad .$. | . | 3233 131 | 3 5 | $\stackrel{6}{7}$ |
| Coffee, grcen, ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 70209 | pounds, | ... | 1038 | 16 | 4 |
| Coffee, ronsted, ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 268780 | do. | ... | 4172 | 13 | 3 |
| Candles, Tallow, | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 32 | boxes, | ... | 32 | 16 | 1 |
| Candles, Lard, ... | ... | ... | $\cdots$ | ... | .. | 74 | do. | . | 67 | 5 | 5 |
| Candles, Wax, ... | ... | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | 75 | do. | - | 80 | 19 | 1 |
| Candles, Sperm, | ... | ... | ... |  |  | 1019 | do. |  | 1492 | 11 | 9 |
| Cocon, ... ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | $\cdots$ | 649 | pounds, | $\ldots$ | 21 | ${ }_{1}^{2}$ | 10 |
| Calf Skins, Raw, | ... | ... | ... | $\cdots$ | ... | 534 | ${ }^{\text {No. }}$, |  | 44 | 13.3 | 8 |
| Crackers, ... | ... | ... | ... |  | ... | $1 \frac{1}{2}$ | barrels, ... | .. | 1 | 14 | 5 |
| Candy, ... ... | ... | ... | ... | $\ldots$ |  | 20 | boxes, | .. | 17 | 4 | 9 |
| Coal, ... ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 16 | tons, | .. | 9 | 17 | 3 |
| Cordage, ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. |  | balcs, | .. | 9 | 1 | 4 |
| Cordiuls, ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | gallons, | . |  | 13 | 0 |
| Clover Seed, ... | ..- | ... | ... | ... | $\ldots$ |  | barrels, | .. | 38 | 12 | 0 |
| Chocolate, ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | 2 | boxes, | $\cdot \cdot$ | 2 | 6 | 2 |
| Cement, ... ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | 225 | barrels, | , | 46 |  | 8 |
| Drugs, ... ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | . | 389 | boxes, | .. | 1678 | 13 | 0 |
| Dye Woods, ... | ... | . | ... | ... | .. | 373 | barrels, | $\cdot$ | 142 | 12 | 1 |
| Dates, ... ... | ... | $\cdots$ | '* | $\ldots$ | . | 12 | frails, | $\therefore$ | 11. | 1 | 3 |
| Essences, ... | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | . | 3 | boxes, ... | $\cdot$ | 15 | 1 | 8 |
| Flour, Whent, ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |  | 728 | barrels, ... | $\cdots$ | 644 | 8 | 8 |
| Furniture, ${ }^{\text {a }}$.. | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | $\cdots$ | 66 | lots, ... | . $\cdot$ | 562 | 19. | 8 |
| Fancy Goods, ... | ... | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ |  | 1589 | packages, |  | 4225 | 4 | 5 |
| Furs and Skins, | ... | ... | ... |  |  |  | boxes, |  | 4 | 18 | 8 |
| Fruit, Fresh, ... | ... | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | .. |  | 2389 | do. |  | 1014 | 12 | 1 |
| Figs, ... ... | ... | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ |  |  | 1 | keg, |  | 5 | 16 | 1 |
| Tigs, | ... | ... | $\cdots$ | ... |  | 7 | tierces, |  | 38 | 9 | 0 |
|  |  |  |  | ried | oard | $\cdots$ | ... |  | 32748 | 9 | 5 |





W. MACRAE,<br>Collector.

Custom House, St. Johns, 5th January, 1844.
PORT OF ST. JOHNS.

Whilam Macrae, Esquire, Collector.

RETURN exhibiting the aggregate numbers, quantities and valucs of the various articles IMPORTED at the Port of St. Jokns, during the year ended 5th day of January, 1845, and shewing the amount of Duties collected thereon.

| Atriches importmb. |  |  |  |  | Number or quanity. | Valuo at the place of limportation. Currency. |  |  | Amount of Duties. Currency. |  |  | mfandrs. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 7 |  |  |  |  |
| Athes, ... [hesm and 1lans, | ... | $\cdots$ | .... | burrels, cwt. | 382 36.2 .20 | 103 67 | $\begin{aligned} & 4 \\ & 9 \end{aligned}$ | 7 4 | 9 17 | $\begin{array}{r} 9 \\ 17 \end{array}$ | 0 1 |  |
|  | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | cwt. ... clu. ... | 36.2 .20 9.0 .7 | 67 6 | 10 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 1 |  |
| Beef, Sulted, ... | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | do. ... | 1.3 .4 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 10 |  |
| Bibcuit of leread, | ... | $\ldots$ | ... |  |  | 24.4 | 0 | 3 | 12 | 4 | 0 |  |
| Books and Papers, | ... | ... | $\because$ | ... |  | 3236 | 10 | 6 | 879 | 7 | 11 |  |
| Boots and Shoes, | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | pairs, | 3862 | 704 | 3 | 2 | 81 | 6 | 5 |  |
| Buck Wheat, ... | ...' | ... | $\ldots$ | guriters, | 7 | 0 | 8 | 9 | 0 | 3 | 3 |  |
| Butter, $\quad .$. | ... |  | ... | cwl. ... | 2.8.0 | 6 | 11 | 0 | 1 | 13 | 6 |  |
| Calves, under one y | car old | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 2 |  |
| Candles, Sperm, | ... | ... | ... | lbs. ... | 431092 | 3051 | 5 | 6 | 606 | 7 | 8 |  |
| Candlers, 'Tallow, | ... | ... | ... | do. ... | 38319 | 61.1 | 10 | 4 | 70 | 18 | 11 |  |
| Carriages, ... | ... | ... | ... | No. ... | 54 | 671 | 18 | 0 | 67 | 17 | 1 |  |
| Catile, over 4 yemrs, |  | ... | ... | din. ... | 260 | 1706 | 10 | 0 | 316 | 6 | 8 |  |
| Catte, muder if year |  | ... | ... | dib. ... | 271 | 1065 | 1.0 | 0 | 164 | 17 | 2 |  |
| Clieesc, ... | ... | ... | ... | cwt. ... | 226.3.17 | 224 | 2 | 1 | 103 | 10 | 7 |  |
| Cider, ... ... | ... | ... | ... | gallons, | 14416 | 125 | 0 | 11 | 10 | 14 | 10 |  |
| Couls, ... ... | ... | ... | ... | tolls, $\ldots$ | 110 | 15 | 13 | 6 | 1 | 6 | 9 |  |
| Cocon, ... | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | cwt. ... | 19.0.8 | 55 | 9 | 7 | 3 | 18 | 7 |  |
| Cotter, (ireen, | ... | ... | ... | do... | 472.3 .24 | 768 | 17 | 0 | 680 | 18 | ${ }^{8}$ |  |
| Coffer, Croumd, | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | do. ... | 12.2 .0 | 29 | 7 | 0 | 32 | 3 | 10 |  |
| Coffer, lloasten, | ... | ... | ... | do. $\ldots$ | 2221.0 .22 | 4362 | 2 | 7 | 893 | 14 | 5 |  |
| Coin, ... ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | - $\quad$.. | 68819 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| Cordage, $\quad .$. | ... | $\ldots$ | ..' | cwt. ... | 38.35 .14 | 142 | 7 | 2 | 16 | 8 | 8 |  |
| Corks,... ... | ... | ... | ..' | gross, | 11434 | 627 | 11. | 9 | 72 | 9 | 0 |  |
| Comn Bronms, | .. | ... | ... | dozen, | 3889 | 1285 | 11 | ${ }_{18}^{8}$ | 103 | 16 | ${ }^{6}$ |  |
| Clocks and Watches |  | $\ldots$ | ... | $\cdots$ | .. ... | 2322 3322 | 10 | 11 | 269 | - | 11 |  |
| Cotton Manufacture |  | $\ldots$ | ... | $\cdots$ |  | 3322 | 8 <br> 3 | $?$ | 38i\% | 13 | 7 |  |
| Cotion Wool, | ... | ... | ... | $\cdots$ | ... | 1008 | 3 | 1 | 02 | 13 | 2 |  |
| Drugs, ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | .. ... | 2069 | 14 | 3 | 138 | 9 | 7 |  |
| Dye Wrod, ... | ... | ... | ... | . ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | $\cdots$ | 24\% | 1 | 2 | 20 | 18 | 9 |  |
| Pathenware,... | . ${ }^{\prime}$ | $\ldots$ | ... |  |  | 24 | 18 | 7 | 2 | 2 | 7 |  |
| Fenthors, ... | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | lbs. ... | $20+0$ | 104 | 5 | 0 | 8 | 18 | 2 |  |
| Fish, Fresh, ... | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | ewt. ... | 317.2 .19 | 89 | 12 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| Fish, Silted, ... | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | do.... | 305.0.26 | 229 | 2 | 11 | 48 | 1 | 8 |  |
| Fish, lickled.... | ... |  | ... | barrels, | 3 | 5 | 7 | 6 | 0 | 14 | 7 |  |
| Flour, Wheat, | ... | $\cdots$ |  | do: ... | 747 | 773 | 10 | 0 | 90 | 17 | 8 |  |
| Fruit, Presh, ... | ... |  |  | ... |  | 3016 | 0 | 8 | 150 | 10 | 6 |  |
| Fruit, l'reserrect, | .. |  | $\ldots$ | .. |  | 1124 | 10 | 0 | 96 | 1 | 10 |  |
| Furs athl Skins, | ... | ... | ... | $\cdots$ |  | 3773 | 0 | 9 | 322 | 9 | 1 |  |
| Furniture, ... | ... | ... | ... | lots, ... | ..7 40 | 522 | 16 | 8 | 44 | 19 | 0 |  |
| Glass, $\ldots$.... | ... | ... | ... |  |  | 4985 | 10 | 1 | 976 | 19 | 8 |  |
| Gums and Rosins, | ... | ... | ... | barrels, | ${ }^{\text {... } 20}$ | 28 | 6 | $8^{\prime}$ | 1 | 8 | 10 |  |
| Garden Soeds, | ... | ... | ... | , |  | 248 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| Hardware, ... | ... | ... | ... |  |  | 0888 | 17 | 7 | 1143 | 15 | 3 |  |
| Mats, ... ... | ... | ... | ... | No. ... | 879 | 433 | 11 | 10 | 50 | 1 | 3 |  |
| licmp, ... | ... | ... | ... | Ibs. ... | 120530 | 1525 | 0 | 5 | 76 | 5 | 4 |  |
| Hides, Raw. ... | ... | ... | ... | No. ... | 39713 | 15040 | 11 | 1 | 777 | 0 | 6 |  |
| Toner,.. | ... | ... | ... | 16s. ... | 4075 | 45 | 2 | 7 | 8 | 17 | 3 |  |
| llonery - .. | ... | ... | ... | gallons, | 977 | 89 | 17 | 8 | 7 | 13 | 7 |  |
| Horses, ... | ... | ... | ... | No. ... | 45 | 80.4 | 10 | 0 | 82 | 2 | 6 |  |
| Hops, $\ldots$. ... | ... | ... | ... | lbs. .. | 13228 | 252 | 18 | 2 | 211 | 0 | 10 |  |
| India Kubber Mana | thetur |  | ... |  |  | 36 F 6 | 8 | 6 | 315 | 0 | 3 |  |
| fink, ... ...' | ... | ... | ... | . |  | 109 | 18 | 2 | 9 | 7 | 0 |  |
| Jambr, ... | ... | ... | ... | No. ... | 1 | 0 | 7 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 3 |  |
| laml, ... ... | .. | ... | ... | cent. ... | 10.1.11 | 37 | 2 | 1 | 8 | 10 | 11 |  |
| lasather, ... | ... | ... | ... | sides, | 108754 | 25953 | $3 \cdot$ | 6 | 2217 | 18 | 10 |  |
| Lenher Mamatactur |  | ... | ... | ... |  | 1120 | 17 | 0 | 130 | 1 | 11 |  |
| Linem ditto |  | ... | ... |  |  | 86 | 9 | 9 | 4 | 4 | 6 |  |
| Lumber and Wood, |  | ... | ... | feet, ... | 181420 | 2073 | 8 | 9 | 103 | 13 | 5 |  |
| Maize or Indian Coome |  | ... | ... | quarters, | 3 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 10 |  |
| Marble, , . | ... | ... | ... | feet, ... | 713 | 172 | 19 | 4 | 14 | 16 | 1 | ' |
| Meal, $\ldots$, ... | ... | ... | ... | lbs. ... | 10984 | . 46 | 10 | 6 | 6 | 16 | 4 |  |
| Meat, Fresh, ... | ... | ... | ... | cwt. ... | 22.1.14 | - 19 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 11 |  |
| Medicilies, ... | ... | .. | ... |  |  | 900 | 12 | 11 | 81 | 8 | 11 |  |
| Molasfor, ... | ... | ... | ... | cowt. ... | 91.0.6 | 06 | 10 | 2 | 24 | 18. | 8 |  |
| Musical Instrument |  | ... | ... |  |  | 269 | 10 | 1 | 23 | 1 | 1 |  |
| Oakum, ... | ... | ... | ... | cwt. ... | 184,2.27 | 173 | 19 | 5 | 20 | 1 | 9 |  |
| Ofsters, ... | ... | ... | ... | barrels, | giso | 569 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| Orsters, $\quad .$. | ... | ... | ... | kegs , | $90 \frac{1}{4}$ | $45^{\prime}$ | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| Oh, rish, ... | ... | ... | . ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | pallonis, | 23977 d | 2428 | 0 | 0 | 364 | 4 | 11 |  |
| Oil, other kinds, | ... | ... | ... | quillons, | 15050 | 1015 | ${ }_{2}^{2}$ | 8 | 161 | 13 | 1 |  |
| Oil, Olive, ... | ...' | ... | ... | baskets, | 201. | 207 | 18 | - 0 | 17 | 15 | 3 |  |
| Oit, Pam, ... | ... | ... |  | casks, | 60 | 812 | 6 | 9 | 40 | 12 | 3 |  |
| Paper Manufactures |  | ... | ... |  | ... ... | 1469 | 2 | 9 | 169 | 16 | 1 |  |
|  |  | Carri | for | rd, ... |  | 183193 | 19 | 1 | 12312 | 7 | $8{ }^{\prime \prime}$ |  |

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Custom Horsen, St. Jomes,
$21 s t$ January, 1845 .
(TT.T.T.) ACCOUNT of GOODS EXPORTED at the Port of St. Johys, for the year ended 5th

| artiches maported. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Quantity Exported. | maur in curmexcy. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | To the | Uniter | States. |  |  |  |  | d | s. | ${ }^{1}$. |
| Ashing, ... ... | $\cdots$ | ... | ... | ... | ..' | buntrels,... | $\cdots$ | 993 | 4035 | 0 | 0 |
| Branay, .... | .... | $\ldots$ | .... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | alo. ... | $\cdots$ | 27 | 3 | 4 | 0 |
| Bulls, ${ }^{\text {c,.., }}$... | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | .... | ... | Nuly | $\cdots$ | 1 | 205 | 0 | 0 |
| Butter, | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | keegs, ... | $\ldots$ | 77 | 169 | 8 | 0 |
| Custurum, ... | ... | .'. | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | lhat ... |  | 115 | 29 | 10 | 0 |
| Clover sed, ... | ... | .'. | ... | ... | ... | lumblels, | $\cdots$ | 8 | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| Curringes, | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | N\%. ... | $\cdots$ | 13 | 395 | 0 | 0 |
| Figes, ${ }^{\text {co. }}$ | ... | ... | ... | $\cdots$ | ... | nuyen, ... | $\cdots$ | 11552 | 149 | 0 | 0 |
| Flax Seel, | ... | ... | ... | . | ... | buthicls, | $\cdots$ | 21738 | 5554 | 2 | 6 |
| Furniture, | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | lots, | $\cdots$ | 1 | 100 | 0 | 0 |
| Gisle, white, ... | ... | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ invrelt, | $\cdots$ | 10 | 10 | 10 | 0 |
| Gruss Scol, ... | .... | .... | .... | .... | $\ldots$ | Cavks, ... | $\cdots$ | 3 16 | 2 | 10 | 0 |
| lowses, ... | ... | .... | .... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | No. | $\cdots$ | 418 | 5069 | 16 10 | 0 |
| Iny Sced, | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | bustucts, | $\cdots$ | 261 | . 65 | ${ }^{5}$ | 0 |
| Ilerringe, | ... | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | barrels, | ... | '3 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Ileplos, ... | ... | . $\cdot$ | ... | ... | ... | halhes. ...' | $\cdots$ | 36 | 65 | 0 | 0 |
| Tron, scrap, | ... | ... | ... | ... | $\cdots$ | libls. ... | ... | 300 \& $46 \frac{1}{4}$ tons, | 805 | 0 | 0 |
| Irun, lurs, | ... | ... | ... | ... | $\cdots$. | tolls, ... | ... | 44 | 84 | 0 | 0 |
| Iron, pig, | ... | ... | .. | ... | ., | (b) ... | ... | 158 | 853 | 15 | 0 |
| fron, sheet, | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1,oxes, ... |  | 687 | 667 | 11 | 3 |
| Jront hoop, | ... | ... | $\cdots$ | ... | ... | brils, ... | ... | 40 | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| Machinery, Onts, are | ... | ...' | ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | lots, ${ }_{\text {lols }}$ bushels, | $\cdots$ | 125 | 15 | 0 | 0 |
| Pine lays, $\quad .$. | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | : | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | Wushels, | $\cdots$ | 125 20000 | 6 | 5 | 0 |
| Tine Plank, ... | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | .... | pieces, ... |  | 100395 | 4687 | 10 | 0 |
| Pine Plank, ... | . | .... | $\ldots$ | .... | ...'. | feet, ... | $\cdots$ | 105351 55361 | 3594 1118 | 18 | $\stackrel{0}{5}$ |
| Tine Bontu, ... | ... | ... | . | ... | ... | pieces, ... | $\cdots$ | 5614 | 1138 | 188. | 0 |
| Pine Clapbourta, | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | do. ... | $\ldots$ | 257293 | 363 | , | 0 |
| line Timber, ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | feet, ... | $\cdots$ | 28000 | 210 | 0 | 0 |
| Tigrs, ... ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | No. ... |  | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Magr, ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | bules, ... | $\cdots$ | 380 | 661 | 1 | 2 |
| Salmon, | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | , burels,... | $\cdots$ | 48 | 104 | 5 | 0 |
| Stituon, | $\ldots$ | ..' | ... | ."' | '. | tierces,... | $\cdots$ | 14 | 64 | 12 | 6 |
| Sumion Trout, | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | ... | ... | ... | burrels, ... | $\ldots$ | 12 | 30 | 0 | 0 |
| Sinlt, $\ldots$... | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | ... | bushicls, | .. | 10410 | 583 | 8 | 6 |
| Solin Ash, | $\ldots$ | ..' | ... | ... | ... | caskr, ... | $\cdots$ | 2 | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| Spring Water, | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | boxes, | ... | 220 | 30 | 10 | 0 |
| Socks, woollen, | ... | ... | ... | ... | $\cdots$ | dozen, ... | $\cdots$ | $90 \frac{1}{2}$ | 16 | 0 | 0 |
| Sheep, ... • ... | $\ldots$ | ... | ... | ... | ... | No. ... | ... | 15 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Whase, ${ }^{\text {mear }}$ Skins, $\cdot \ldots$ | $\ldots$ | ... ... | $\ldots$ | .... | ... | hores, ... lises lin | $\cdots$ | 3 536 | $1{ }^{5}$ | 8 | 0 |
| ISeir 12. | . | ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |  |  | 530 24 | 195 8 8 | ${ }^{16}$ | 0 |
| Cut Do. | ... | ... | $\cdots$ | ... | ... | slo. | $\cdots$ | 58 | 8 6 | 0 <br> 3 | ${ }_{6}$ |
| leer Do. | ... | ... | ... | . | ... | flo.... | $\ldots$ | 2 | ${ }_{0}$ | 3 6 | 3 |
| Fisher Do. | ... | $\cdots$ | ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | do. ... | .... | 78 | 14 | 10 | 3 |
| Fox, Reer, Do. | ... | ... | ... | ... | $\cdots$ | do. ... | ... | 707 | 193 | 1 | 3 |
| Jrox, Cross, Skins, | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | do. ... | ... | 47 | 17 | 10 | 0 |
| Lymx Do, | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | in. ... | ... | 327 | 81 | 15 | 0 |
| Tantis Dos | $\ldots$ | ..' | $\cdots$ | ... | ... | do. ... | ... | 3 | 1 | 2 | 6 |
| Murtin Do. | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | ... | ... | ato. ... | $\cdots$ | 2298 | 561 | 7 | 6 |
| Mink ${ }_{\text {Moser }}$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | flo, ... | $\cdots$ | 8918 | 132 | 13 | 8 |
| Oterr Do. | ... | .. | $\cdots$ | ... | $\cdots$ | do. | $\cdots$ | 124 | 24 | 16 | 0 |
| Ratream Do. | ... | $\cdots$ | , | ... | ... |  | ... | 124 32 | 69 | 12 | 6 |
| Rabhit Do. | ... | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | . | ... |  | $\ldots$ | 09 | ${ }_{0}$ | 18 | 1 |
| Wolf Do. | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | ... | . | do. $\quad .$. | $\ldots$ | 6 | 0 | 15 | 0 |
| Merchandize ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | . | $\ldots$ | pulued at | 2598 | 7 | 4 |
| Specie, ... | ... | ... | $\cdots$ | .'. | $\ldots$ |  |  |  | 34760 117250 | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | 11 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\pm$ | 152010 | 2 | 11 |

W. MACRAE,

Collectior.
Custom Ilou:se, St, Tomsa,
21st January, 1845.


[^0]:    (at) Should a Rond to Matanne be opened, this Bridge will be doubly useful, as it is essontial to both Roads.

[^1]:    * Those articles are charged the shme as Merchandize, and Emigrants Luggago has usually been exempted. On Coal und 'Plaster 2s. Cd. per tonlth place of the usual rate of 4s.' 2d., and on Building Stones 2s. 6d. per Co.d is levied.

[^2]:    * This amount is calcolated from the quantity of Timber which can bo prepared, by the number of men now in the Woods.

[^3]:    J. STEWART,

    Commissioner.

[^4]:    Tanity House, Quebec, 29th January, 1845.

[^5]:    "Thecourtaftor having tiend theparties by their Coustel, atd exambed tlie records exhibits evidence and adinasions of the gate parties and having mat turely deliberated theroon, condiceing that the Plaintiffe as natural subjecte of Fis Majesty; born in

[^6]:    Inspector General＇s Office，Montreal， 1845.
    W．B．ROBINSON，Inspector General．

[^7]:    25. By runting the line of road in reat peoples houses, or through the farms, has it not been the means of destroying lands in the highest state of cultivation, "besides being a constant damage" - It his been a condiderable damage to every fan on the
[^8]:    Crown Lands Office,
    Montreal, 1st March, 1845.

[^9]:    Crown Lands Department,
    Montreal, 3xd Marck, 1845.

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[^11]:[^12]:    
    

[^13]:[^14]:    The Revenue of the City of Montreal for the year ending 20th April, 1844, was Twenty-four thousand five

[^15]:    Note-The foregoing amount of Engineering and Superintending expenses is at the rate of $3_{1}{ }^{1}$ per cent on the

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[^22]:    i, "Forasmuch;" it is there said, "as most of our Colo." " nies do border upon the Indians, and peace is not to be
    "expected without the due observance and preserva-
    " tion of justice to' them, you are in Our name to com-
    " inand all the Governors that they at no time give any
    "just provocation to any of the said Indians that are at
    "peace with us," \&c."
    With respect to Indians who desired to place themselves under British protection, the instructions were that they should berreceived; and that the Governors "do by all ways seek fairly to oblige them and that they
    "do employ some' persons, to learn'the languages of them,
    "and that they do not only, carefully protect and defend

[^23]:    * Marleian MSS. British Muscum;

[^24]:    * English Generals.

[^25]:    *" Father, theso prosents ance wo are taght to call thom by that name, are not in fict presents. They are a sacied debticontracted by the Goveramont, under he promiso made by the Kings of Trince to our forefathers, to indennify them for the lands they had given un, confimed by the Kings of England since the cessing of the couniry; and, up to this thre, punctually paid and acquited."
    

[^26]:    
    
    
    

[^27]:    "I consider this tho proper oppronity for bringing "under your notice soine of the opinions which I bave "formed with rospect to the policy which has hidher(o "been parsied towards the native tribes living the the "British lerritorios in Nurth America, as vell as a "p pint out those alterations' in the system, which 1 "consider it will be proper to adopt for the future.

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    #### Abstract

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[^33]:    $\qquad$

[^34]:    * This is the extent, according to the Report of the Sirrveyor General, in the Report' of the' Indian Department made in 1837 ; the extent of this Reserve and the Islands, is stated to armount togother. to 28,250 acres.

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[^37]:    .

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[^43]:    $\qquad$

[^44]:    ＊In an agreement＇executed between the Guvernment and Cap－ tain J．Brant，in 1798，the Orhquara（Auchquagia）is mentioned us onte of the Fivo ATatious，nind the Oncida is omitted．

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    #### Abstract

    

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[^47]:    -The whole of this apocch and tho answers of sevoral Tribus; to. gother with aln address to the same Tribos; from Chiof Aisnnee, in.
    

[^48]:    Under theif methodist missionary, who is the only

[^49]:    *Cheek drawn by Thos. G. Ridout, Cashier Bank U. C., on A. Stevens, Esquire, Cashier, Goro Bank, Hamilton, dated 8th Noyr., 1837, No. 5508 , for $£ 918$ 98. 2d. currency-*

[^50]:    $d$.

    64 Christinn Lewis，her＋mark．
    G $\quad$ ．Martin．
    9
    10 Catharine Hill，her＋mark．
    $5 \frac{1}{2}$ J．Martin．
    $2 \frac{1}{2}$ ITannah Claus，her＋mark．
    4 Magdalen Chrpenter，her + mark
    ${ }^{2}$ George Martin，his + mark．
    Martin．
    man，his mark
    3 J．Martin．
    2 Hestor IIIl，his＋mark

    102 Oneida Joscph，his＋mark．
    11 Lawrence $D_{\text {avis，}}$ his + mark．
    $11 \frac{3}{4}$ Hanmah Newhouse，her＋mark．
    4 John Iill，his＋mark．
    相
    0 Lawrence Thomas，his＋mark．
    6 Henry Brant．
    or bither rroman，her＋mark
    11\％Marguret Eless，her＋mark．
    her，Martin．
    13：5，Martin．
    ag Lizabrth Lottridge，her＋mark．
    ${ }_{6}^{1}$ Iisthar Martin，her＋mark．
    $4 \frac{1}{2}$ Lawrence Davis，his + mark．
    $6 \frac{1}{2}$ Daniel Spinger．his + mark．
    4 Lawrence Davids，his＋mark．
    dsmac Lewis，his t mark．
    4 J．Martin．
    $2 \frac{1}{2}$ Isace Locke，his＋mark
    it Mzabeth Ball，her＋mark．
    $10 \frac{1}{2}$ Esther Martin，her + mark．
    $10_{2}^{2}$ Mary Minncle＇，her＋mark．
    9 ．Tohn George，his t mark．
    41 ＇J．Martin．
    1 Esther Hill，her＋mark．
    21 Toseph Marting，his＋mark．
    －Mary Johnson，her＋mark．
    7 \％．J．Martin．
    $10_{2}$ ． acob Johnson，junior，his＋mark．
    Martin．
    73．William Johnson；his $X$ mark．
    $10 \frac{1}{2}$ Susannah Davids，her＋mark．
    91 Deborah Will，her＋maik
    11 ．T．Martin．
    3 John Green，his to mark．
    Prince Van Phtter，his＋mark．
    40. Martin．

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[^51]:    Fery respectully Sir,
    I remain yours,
    ALEXANDER HAMILTON.

[^52]:    In lhe afternoon of the follow why (1st August Mr. Kelly teceival a letter informing bim of his dismissil; he had during that day received in cash; $£^{150} 16 \mathrm{~s}$ 5d, and a Bond for $£ 100$; on the 5 h August, auction sales of goods, which harlpeen seized by Mre Kelly, were effectar The proption othe proceds hereof pabile to Mr Ketly he acertined
     vernment stands thiss:

[^53]:[^54]:    
    

[^55]:    The pretensions of Mr. De Lanaudière, to whose rights Mry Pothier afterwards succeeded, appear to have originated aloot the beginining of the present century, and they both had to support them bofore the Orders in Council, on the eaparte surveys made by themselves. It is ovidont, also, that oven at the time of the Orders in Council. the existence of the lessor Lake, or of any Lake in roar of Carufels thas totally lost sight of, and such lalke, the existence' of which is now ascortained by actual surveys, was either omitted or suppressed in the platis and maps of the time, although the exparte surveys above alluded to, wore doubtless the authority to which the compilors of those maps and plans nust have had recourse. The Governmont from whom the Orders in Council proceeded, Were evidently in the same errors and were deceived into confirming the pretënsions of the Saigniors of De Lanaidiere, ard believing that they were obliged to give some lake to Mr. Pothter, they gave him the greator lake to the westiold, totally urconnected with the Seigniory, as is before mentioned and on the ground of the Orders in Council then issued Mr. Pothier assumed to be in possession; as Seigilon, not only of the teritory around that lale, crrcumscribed by paiticular lines as willbe seen on the plan nttacliod to this Report bit als of the large intervening extent of ground in rear of Da Sable, and he hias besides, under those Orders in Council, atd surreys, the whole of the lesser lake which is in rear of his Seignory, and which was tho

