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COLONIZATION DEPARTMENT

Quebec, January 21st. 1898.

J. G. SCOTT Esq.

SEC. & MANAGER,

QUEBEC.

Dear Sir,

I enclose herewith my report of the work done on behalf of Colonization since I took charge of this department :

I gave seventeen lectures on Lake St-John, in the United States and Canada in 1897.

From January 1st, to Dec. 31st, 191 delegates went to visit Lake St-John on FREE delegates' passes.

Representing 91 Parishes

32 Counties

6 States

175 Delegates from Canada

16 " " the United States

Since Jan. 1st, till Dec. 31st., we had :

727 New Settlers from Canada

462 " " " United States

83 " " " France

Making a total number of 1272 " "

During the present year we had one farmers' excursion organized by this Company and the Colonization Society of Montreal, and this excursion was indeed very successful, and 183 farmers took advantage of this opportunity to visit the Lake St-John Region.

Among the new settlers are two lots of French and Irish Canadians I have repatriated myself, coming from Michigan and Illinois, the two lots of these settlers comprised 170 in all. Of this number we have sent back about 54 whom we saw could never become useful settlers to the Country.

I have on hand several demands of information from several other parties of French Canadians wishing also to be repatriated, and principally coming from Toledo O., West Bay City, Mich., Chicago, Ill., Manchester, N. H., Oscoda, Mich., and I have also another party from River Moisie on the North Shore ready to come and settle in our region.

I see very effective work could be done in the Western States and my intention is to pass a part of the winter lecturing all over those States.

Hoping you will be satisfied with this report,

I remain, Sir,

Yours very truly.

RENÉ DUPONT,
Colonization Agent.

P. S.—Messrs Smart and Pedley of the Department of the Interior accompanied me in September last in a trip to Lake St-John and saw for themselves the Country into which settlers are going.

STATEMENT of Free Colonization Tickets issued to new settlers during year ending December 31st, 1897. (As per monthly colonization reports form 88).

FROM PARISHES IN CANADA

(IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER)

No. of Parishes	No. of Counties	Names of Parishes	Names of Counties	No. of Settlers
1	1	Armagh	Bellechasse	4
1	1	Baie St-Paul	Charlevoix	7
1	1	Beauport	Quebec *	5
1	1	Berthier	Montmagny	22
1		Buckland	Bellechasse	18
1	1	Château-Richer	Montmorency	23
1	1	Chicoutimi	Chicoutimi	1
1	1	Garneau Jct.	Champlain	6
1	1	Grondines	Portneuf	5
1	1	Laval	Laval	3
1		Laval	Montmorency	11
1	1	Lévis	Lévis	13
1	1	Limoilou	Quebec	11
1	1	Magog	Stanstead	4
1	1	Mille Vaches	Saguenay	11
1	1	Montcalm	Montcalm	5
1	1	Montreal	Montreal	67
1		Murray Bay	Charlevoix	9
1	1	Nicolet	Nicolet	4
1		Notre Dame	Nicolet	19
1		Quebec	Quebec	123
1	1	Riv. du Loup	Témiscouata	6
1	1	Scottstown	Compton	4
1	1	Sherbrooke	Sherbrooke	5
1	1	Sturgeon Falls	Ontario	3
1	1	St Damase	L'Islet	27
1		St Hilarion	Charlevoix	89
1		St Joachim	Montmorency	26
1	1	St Lazare	Vaudreuil	9
1		St Narcisse	Champlain	19
1		St Philémon	Bellechasse	26
1		St Prosper	Champlain	14
1		St Siméon	Charlevoix	7
1		St Tite	Champlain	44
1		St Urbain	Charlevoix	48
1		Ste Agnes	Charlevoix	7
1		Ste Anne de la Pérade	Champlain	2
1	1	Ste Claire	Dorchester	7
1		Ste Famille, I. O.	Montmorency	1
1	1	Windsor	Ontario	12
<u>40</u>	<u>24</u>	Totals.....		<u>727</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Total Number of settlers.....	727
“ “ of Parishes.....	40
“ “ of Counties.....	24

STATEMENT of Free Colonization Tickets issued to new settlers during
year ending December 31st, 1897. (As per monthly statements
form 88).

FROM CITIES IN THE UNITED STATES

(IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER)

No. of Cities	Names of Cities	Names of States	No. of Settlers	No. of States
1	Berlin Falls	New Hampshire	12	1
1	Boston	Massachusetts	7	1
1	Brunswick	Maine	5	1
1	Big Moose	New York	5	1
1	Chicago	Illinois	30	1
1	Concord	New Hampshire	5	
1	Detroit	Michigan	172	1
1	Fitchburg	Massachusetts	8	
1	Glens Falls	New York	4	
1	Groverndale	Connecticut	12	1
1	Indian Orchard	Massachusetts	16	
1	Lowell	Massachusetts	28	
1	Lewiston	Maine	20	
1	Ludlow	Massachusetts	5	
1	Manchester	New Hampshire	52	
1	New Market	New Hampshire	12	
1	New Bedford	Massachusetts	11	
1	Newark	Ohio	5	1
1	New Hartford	Connecticut	13	
1	Mount Clemens	Michigan	6	
1	Paterson	New Jersey	11	1
1	Reedsboro	Massachusetts	6	
1	Rochester	New Hampshire	7	
1	Rochester	New York	10	
<u>24</u>	Totals.....		<u>462</u>	<u>9</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Total No. of Settlers	462
Total No. of Cities	24
Total No. of States	9

Also registered at the Montreal Colonization Office from
France..... 83

RENÉ DUPONT,
Colonization Agent.

STATEMENT of free delegates passes, issued to intending Settlers during
year 1897.

(BY COUNTIES AND STATES IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER)

Names of Counties	No. of Delegates	Names of States	No. of Delegates
Arthabaska	2	Connecticut	1
Bagot	3	Illinois	2
Beauce	11	Massachusetts	3
Bellechasse	19	Maine	5
Bonaventure	3	Michigan	2
Champlain	14	New Hampshire	3
Charlevoix	8		
Chateauguay	1	Total.....	<u>16</u>
Compton	3		
Dorchester	1		
Drummond	3		
Joliette	7		
Kamouraska	12		
L'Assomption	2		
Lévis	8		
L'Islet	9		
Lotbinière	4		
Maskinongé	3		
Mégantic	4		
Montmagny	6		
Montmorency	9		
Montreal	2		
Nicolet	1		
Portneuf	15		
Quebec	8		
Richelieu	2		
Richmond	1		
Saguenay	2		
Sherbrooke	7		
St-Hyacinthe	2		
St-Maurice	2		
Verchères	1		
Total.....	<u>175</u>		

RECAPITULATION

Total No. of Counties	32
Total No. of States	6
Total No. of Delegates from Canada..	175
Total No. of Delegates from U. S....	16
Total No. of Delegates in all	<u>191</u>

RENÉ DUPONT,
Colonization Agent.

