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from

## THE EARL OF DURHAM,

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# COMMISSION. 

VICTORIA, by the Grice or God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland Queen, Defender of the Faith.

## To Artrur Buller, Greeting:-

Whereas it is highly expedient that an inquiry should be made into the means of education enjoyed by Our subjects in Our Province of Lower Canada, and inta the amount, nature and application of the produce of any estates or funds which may have been set apart for, or may be applicable to, purposes of education; and whether the same have been employed in the most beneficial manner for the said purposes: And whereas it is also highiy expedient and desirable, that such a system of education should be established as may most conduce to the diffusion of knowledge, religion and virtue : Know. ye, therefore, that We, reposing great trust in your zeal, ablility and discretion, have nominated, constituted and appointed, and by these presents do nominate, constitute and appoint you, the said Arthur Buller, to proceed with the utmost despatch to inquire into and investigate the past and present modes of disposing of the produce of any estates or funds set apart for or applicable to purposes of education in the said Province of Lower Canada, and into the present means of education enjoyed by, or within reach of, Our subjects in the said Province : ${ }^{\circ}$ And Our further will and pleasure is, that you, after due examination of the premises, do and shall, as soon as conveniently may be, report to Us, under your hand and seal, what you shall find touching or concerning the premises, upon such inquiry as aforesaid; and also that you shall suggest such alteration, modification and extension of the system of education at present prevailing in Our said Próvince, or such other management of any estates or funds applicable to such purposes bf.education, as may in your judgment appear likely to promote the objects aforesaid; and for the better discovery of the truth in the premises, We do by these presents give and grant to you full power and authority to call before you such persons as you may deem necessary, and to inquire of the premises, and every part thereof, by all other lawful ways and means whatsoover: And We do also give and grant to you full power and authority to cause all persons having in their custody any records, orders, regulations, books, papers or other writinge relating to, or in anywise connected with, the premises, to bring and produce the same before you; and for your assistance in the due execution of this Our Commission, We do hereby authorize you to nominate and appoint such person or persons as you shall think fit to be Assistant Commissioner or Assistant Commissioners for the purposes aforesaid, or any of them, and to delegate to him or them such and so many of tha powers herenbefore vested in you as may seem, expedient: And Our will is, and We do hereby durect and ordain, that the person or persons so nominated by you shall possess and exprcise any powers and authorities so as aforesaid delegated to him or them, in as full and ample a manner as the same are possessed, and may be exercised by you under the authority of these preseats : And $W_{e}$-do hereby further authorize and empower you, at your discretion, to appoint such person as Secretary to this Our Commis* sion as to you shall seem proper.

In testimony whereof, We have caused these Our Letters to be made pateñt, and the Great Seal of our said Province of Lower Canada to be hëreunto affixed.

Witness, Our right trusty and right well-beloved John George Earl of Darham, Viscount Lambton, \&ce. \&cc., Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honourable Military Order of the Bath, one of Our Most Honourable Privy Council, and Governor-general, Vice-admiral and Captain-general of all Our Provinces within and adjacent to the Continent of North America, \&c. \&c. \&c. \&c.

At Our Castle of St. Lewis, in Our City of Quebec, in Our said Province of Lower Canada, the 4th day of July, in the year of our Lord 1838, and in the second year of Our reign,
D. Daly, Secretary of thê' Province.


## British North America.

## Appendix (D.)

# REPORT of the Commbsionel of Inquiry into the State of Edicatron in Lower Canada. 

My Lora,
Quebec, November 15, 1838.
In the instructions given in 1835 by Lord Glenels to the Canadian Commissioners; Kis Lordship, after pointing out the importance and the diffculty of their inquiry into the stafe of education, concludes by observing,-"This is a task, the due performance of which requirem so intimate an acquaintance witli the character and wants of the "people, thiat I doubt whether, within the time of your residence in Canada, it will be possible for you to be completely prepared to form a deliberative conclusion over a question thus comprefierisive."
If apy doabt could be entertained of the sufficiency for such a parpose of the period which(was then contemplated by his Lordship, but small results can reaisonably be expected fromethe labonrs of the commission with which I had the hornour of being charged, when it is borite in mind that they only commenced on the 1st of August, and closed in the early part'of itie following November, and that the difficalties, which were anticicipated in the case of the Canadian. Commissioners, had been greatly aggravated by the political events which intervened between the two periods. Had I been aware that my time and opportanities were to be so abridged, I should have entered upon the various considerations involved in this extensive inquiry separately, and in the order suggested by their importance and connexion; therelly enabling myself to report information, which, if extending only over part of the subject, would still have been complete as far as it went, and would to that extent have furnished materials for immediate legislation. But anticipating no interruption; imagining that the whole inquiry lay before me,-2nd finding it so divided as to admit of the simultaneous. labour of a variety of different pafties, I thought I should best economize my time by putting each of such, parties in posgession, as early as possible, of the nature of the information which I sought from them, fnd thus enabling every part of the inquiry to be in progress at the same time. Thedoing this, however, in a convenient form, and the previous necessity of making myself master of each point, were works of so much labour, that, by the time 1 was called ufon to relinquish my task, I found that, though every thing was set in trun, nothing had been completed.
I have nevertheless succeeded in eliciting some information. It is no doubt too scenty to deserve the form and name of a report, and unfortunately its authenticity, even to the small extent that it goes, stands unăttested by the forrinal endence of any wituesses, bocause, although I was fri dally communication with the leading anthorities on this subject, in Quebec, 1 abstamed from comrnitting their answers to paper till I should be in a position to question them upon all the points to which their information extended.
The subject of Canadian education naturally divides itself under two general heads: the state in which it has been in former times, and now is, and that to whech it is proposed to raise it hereafter.
To the Catholic Church Canada is indebted for all its carly scholastic endowments; indeed, with the exception of M.Gill's college, for all that at present exist. The ample estates and active benevolence of the Jesuts, of the seminaries of Montreal and Quebec; and of various nunneries and their missions, were devoted to the education of the people. It is umpossible to pay too high a tribute to the merits of this most exemplary Church. Its existence has ever been beneficially felt, and its career has been marked throughout by the posst faithful discharge of its sucred duties, and the most undeviating allegiance to the British Crown.
The Jesuits' estates, however, soon ceased to be available to the beneficent objects of their grantors. The British Government, on the dissolution of that order, entered into possession; and, not content with diverting their proceeds from their original destination, unfortanately adopted the mode of appropriation the most obnoxious posasible to that part of the population for whose beneft they were first granted, and who were the most clamorous for their reatitution.

Appendix (D.)

The first proposal of the Government was to present them to Lord Amherst, by way of compensation for his military services in the reduction of Canada. This it at longth abandoned; not, however, until after a long struggle, and after the grant had been actually made out in favour of his Lordship. Nor were the French Canadians alone in their complaints. At the first session of the newly-constituted legislature, in $179^{2}$, a petition, signed wholly or in greater part by the inhabitants of British origin, was presented to the House of Assefnbly from the city and county of Quebec, aetting forth the original destination of the Jesuits' estates, and showing, that, owing to their diversion, the province was utterly without the means of education. An address to his Majesty Geo. MI., upon this petition, was unanimously ndopted by the Assembly and transmitted to England, but, no answer was received till upon the presentation of a similar address on the following year, the Governor informed them, that, in consequence of the previous one, the claims of the province had been considered by his Majesty in Council, and that the result of that consideration had been an order to tuke possession of these estates for the Crown. He concluded by suggesting, that possibly any'further applications on the subject might be inconsistent with the accustomed respect of the Honae of Assembly for the decision of his Majesty on matrers conmected - with his prerogative.

Accordingly, the subject was dropped for the moment. Howe甲er, as it was resumed almost annually from that period to the final surrender of the estates to the Provincial Legislature, in 1832 , it will be more convenient to dispose at once of this part of the question by presenting certan facts reported by a committee of the House of Assembly in that last-mentioned year, in which the grievances, as far as relates to the misappropriation of this fund, are brought together, and, it would seem, fully substantiated.

It appears that, from the year 1800 to 1831 , the gross receipts in respect of the estates amounted to $49,000 l$.: of this $8,650 l$. odd were expended in their management; $622 l$. in pensions; for unknown services (which in fact comprised an allowance to the then Attorneygeneral for his expenses in going to Englaud to defend himself against the impeachment of the House of Assembly), 1,7igl.; law expenses connected with M'Gill's college, a Proteatant institution, 7801 ; the maintenance of a Protestant chaplain (authorized in as despatch of Sir George Murray, dated ad June 1828, 984 l.; building Protestant ofiurches, 9,793l. There appears certainly an item of 12,3892 . for the support of three schools; but it should be remarked that these were all what the Catholics looked upon as purely Protestant establishments, and were by them avoided as such. The English Goyernment might maintain that in these appropriations it merely exercised the right which it undeuiably possessed of doing what it liked with its own; but it cannot be matter of surprise that the Catholics of Canada should have felt discontented, when they saw the great Catholic legacy of their forefathers thus converted into a fund for the establishment of a rival Church. At length, after years of incessant struggling, Lord Goderich announced, in his despatch of the 7 th July 2831, the determination of the Crown to resign to the Colonial Legislature, for the purposes of education exclusively, the Jesuits' estates (with the exception of the barracks; and even these on condition of others being built, and the then existing balance in respect of themr: His Eordship then goes on to mention, that two sums, the one of $7,154 \%$. odd, and the other of $1 ; 200$. odd, had lately been recovered from the estate of Mr. John Caldwell, and directs that both shall be placed at the disposal of the Legialature, the former for general purposes, and the latter, with reference to principles previously noticed, for purposes of education exclusively. The reason of this distinction is rather curious: it appears that the two sums were recovered from different estates: on the former the Goverument had claims on the ground of Mr. J. Caldwell's default as receiver-general. These claims, however, were posterior to those of several private individuals, and therefore were of no value. The prior claim of all was that of "the Jesuits' estntes," to which, for a debt incurred as their treasurer, both properties had been mortgaged by Mr. J. Caldwell's father. The Crown accordingly effected the recovery by availing itself of ${ }^{-1 i t s}$ capacity of proprietor of the Jesuits' estates, to sue Mr. J. Caldwell, as heir-at-law to his father, for this debt. As regards the smaller property, it never having come into Mr. J. Caldwell's hands, and not being, therefore, liable for his default as receiver-general, the claim' of "the Jesuits' estates" to the s,200l. recovered out of it was unopposed. However, there is really no distinction between these two-claims of the Jesuits' estates: both were equally good: the-only difference is, that against the one there were no pretensions to set up at all, and, against the other, none that had the alightes show of legal weight, both being founded on the same original debt.
Reverting to Lord Goderich's despatch, it must not be forgotten that the larger sum of 7,154l. was directed by his Lordship to be placed at the disposal of the legislature for general purposes.

A committee of the House of Assembly, by their report, dated 7th February 1832, after finding, among other things, that both the above sums mentioned in Lord Goderich's despatch were then in the liands of the receiver-general, conclude by recommending that they shall both be carried to the account of the Jesuits' estates, \&cc. \&c.

Accordingly, in pursuance of this report, and embodying every one of its recommendstions, is passed the 2 Will. 4, c. 41, whereby it is enacted, "That all the monies arising out of the Jesuits' estates then in or that' might thereafter come into the bands of the receiver-general, should be placed in a separate chestangand should be applied to the purposes of education exclusively." Now, it is clear that both sums in question did arise out of the Jesuits' estates, and that both were then in the hands of the receiver-general.
: Besides (waiving the benefit of all this argument) Lord Goderich, having left the larger cum to the disposal of the legishature for general purposes, the legislature selected, of their own free choice, as is clear from the above report of, their committee, those of education; and surely they come under the head of general purposes.

Neveriheless, in the fice of thus Act, concurred in by both Houser, and assented to by. the Governor, and as authentic a law as ever law was, in the following September, the appropriation which appears tà have been contemplated by Lord Goderich was actually enforced by order of Colonel Cruigntite then Civil Secretary, and the 7,154l. transferred to the general fund of the province. The other injunction of the Act, as to keeping the future bulances of these estates in a. separate cheat, has begn no better observed. They have been invariably mixed with the other public revenue, a separate account only being kept to show their amount.
By this account it appears that the balance on the 10 oth October 1838 had accumulated to $13,4361.4$ s. $6 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{~d}$. If to this is to be added, as it unquestionably ought, the 7,154 l. currency, or $6,439 l .5 s .10 / d$ sterling, the whole fund applicable to education, in.respect oft-the desuits' estates, will monnt to $19,875 l, 10 s .4 d$, stelling.

As regards the condition annexed to the surrender of the Jesuits' barracks, Ifear it is not capable of fulfilment. I communicated with the military authorities on the subject, and was informed that the Crown was in possession of no land within the walls, where barracks must be, sufficient for their site; and of course it would be bad economy in the province, with a view to getting back the lost property, to incur, first of all, the expense of purchasing land in the town already built upon, pulling down the buildings, and then erecting new barracks, and afterwards that of pulling down the old ones and raising more profitable buildings on their site. The most equitable arrangement, I should submit, would be for the Crown to come forward now and pay the proper market price for what it bas so long withheld.

A full description of these estates will be found, in a tabular form, in the, Appendix to this Report, (Letter A.), as also a minute criticism of their past management, and suggestions for their future improvement. This has been the undivided labour of Mr. Dunkia, the secietary to the commisson, to whose unremitting exertions in this and other departments of the iuquiry, not only during the continuance, but for some months subsequent to the expiration of the commission, 1 am indebted, for much of the information 1 am able to supply.

Io take up the order of events where it was broken off, the hopes of the friends of education in the province, which had been grievously disappointed by the Governor's recommendation in 1800 to abstain from any further complaints,", were fully revived by his announcing, in his speech of the following year, the benevolent intentions of the Imperial Government. "With great satisfaction I have, to inform you, that his Majesty, from his paternal regard for the welfare and prosperity of his subjects of this colony, has been graciously pleased to give directions for the establishing of a competent number of free schoots, for the instruction of their children in the first rudiments of useful learning, and in the English tongue, and also, as occasion may require, for foundations of a more entarged and comprehensive nature; and his Majesty has been further pleased to signify his royal intention, that a suitable proportion of the lands of the Crown should be set apart, and the revenue thereof applied to such purposes."

The $41^{\circ}$ Geo. 3, c. 17 , an Act' founded on these promises, and intituled, "An Act for the establishment of Free Schools and the advancement of Learning in the Province," was immediately passed. It will be found abstracted in Appendix, (Letter B.), No. 1. The tullowing are its principal provisions.

The Governor is empowered to erect a corporation, to be called "The Royal Institution for the advancement of Learnng," with all necessary powers for holding land in mortmain, \&ce, to be composed of trustees to be appointed by the Governor. To this corporation the entire management of all schools and institutions of royal foundation in the province, as well as the admmiatration of all estates and property which may be appropriated to the asid schools, is committed. The sanction of the Governor is required to all rules and statates which may be made for the schools by the trustees, and for the government of tha masters and scholars. He may establish one or more free schools in each parish or townstup, us he may see fit, upon the application of the inhabitants, or a majority of them, to that effect, and he appoints the masters, and orders their salaries, after the conveyance of the achool-house to the trustees, which is to be dove immediately upon their completion; the expense of the erection of the houses to be equally apportioned among the inhabitants.
In. 1803 the promised granta of land, by which the contemplated schools were to be supported, never having been made, the Executive Councll recommended to the Governor that 16 townahips of the waste lands of the Crown should be appropriated for this purpose. In answer to this recommendation, the province received the same year an assurance that 20,000 acres should be granted to each of the cities of Quebec and Montreal for the support of a semitrary, and that inmediate steps should be taken in the matter. These steps, however, never were taken, the grants of land never made, and the Act of 1801 remained a deall letter.

Complaints of this bad faith have never ceased. In answer to one of them, as late as 1831, Lord Goderich, after admitting that giants of land had been promised by the Crown, adds, "that of coarse such promises are binding and must be carried into effect, unless there are circumstances, of which he was not then apprized, which might have cancelled the
obligation conitracted in 1801 , or which may bave, rendered the fulfilment of it at that time impracticable."

Hawever, this admisaion was follawed by no better reaults, Up to this moment the ondy Acts of the British Government, in respect of Canadian instryction, have been the wholemale geizure, and the partial restoration, of the Jesuits' estates. At length the House of Ansembly determined to take up this question, and passed a Bill, which, however, was thrown out by the Legislative Council. Its principal features are the same as those which diatinguish the Elementary Schopl Acts that subsequently came into operation, and to whith I shall shortly cak your Excellency's morepparticular attention. Two, of its' provisions, namely; those cantained in the 31 th section, are worthy of notice. They both relate to the master; one requiring that, mong other qualifications, he shall bring a certificate of loyalty, and the other fixing his salary at 60 l . This latter particular I advert to, because it shows whit far jutaternotions weie efitertanied in those days of the competent provigion for a teacher, than appeais to hove beep the case in later timess, An abstract of this Bill will be found in Appendix (B.) Na. R.

In 1818, anqther Bill was passed by the Assembly. This, after reciting the necessity of ekementary schools, and the advantage of subjecting them to local control, veats the trusteeship of those created under its provisions in a corporation, consisting of the rector, curaté or priest, \&o., with the four churchwardens last appoitited, of the Qharch of England or the Roman Catholic Church, the seigneur primitif and senior justice of the peace, who were' to report annually to the inhabitants. A sam of 200 /. was to be granted from the provincial treasury to the trustees of every parish or township in which a house had been built and opened, sufficient for the residence of a master, and the instraction of 30 children. The school was to receive no further support from the legislature, but was entitled to one-fourth of the yearly revenues of the fabrique, watil its yearly inoome from othersources should amount 10100 l ; and the master was to be paid by fees from the children, never, however, at a tate exceeding $5^{5}$, per month from each. This Bill, (see Appendix (3.) No. 3,) after some amendments by the council wbich were concurred in, was reserved for the Royal Assent, since which it, was never heard of. A similar fate attended two similar Bilh the two folllowing years.

Up to this period the corporation contemplated by the 41 Geo. " 3 , having never been erected, letters patent were issued for that purpose in October 1818. The Protestant Bishop of Quebec, was named the principal of the institution, and sertain other trustees from time to time appointed to act whth him.
Great stress has been laid upon the two following rules, which are among the frst they mades as' indicative of the tiberal spirit in which they'entered on their'duties: "That every schaol should be placed under the immediate inspection of the clergy of the religion professed by; the inhabitants of the apot, and that, where they' might be of different persuasions, the clergy of each church should have the superintendence of the children-of their respective communities," "That a regular superintendence, of the schools was assigned to visitors named by the corporation (one or more to be the minister'or ministers of the parish or townslip), who were to report to them every six months the number and progress of the scholara, the conduct of the masters, and generally on the state of the schools."

The institution entered opon the management of all the thes existing tchools supported by Goverment, and continued from year to year, but very alowly; to augment their number. This remained the sole legislative provision for education up t $\delta$ the year 1824. It will be perhaps better again to break in upon the regular course of events, and parsue the history of the' Royal Institution to its end, disencumbening it from the other systeme which were for some years comexistent with it, and hy which it waw finally absorbed. That it failed entirely is adonited on all. hands, and there is no digagreement as, to the impaediate cause of failure, namely, its unpopularity with the French Canadians and the Catholic Church. This anpopularity was lounded on the exclusively British and Protestant character by which, it was asserted, its organization and manageméat were distiaguished. A commintec of the House of Assembly, apponated in 1824 to inguire into its operation, reported, among other things, that, cut of its 20 trustees, only five, and ouly 22 out of its 81 school visitors, were Canadians. In spite of the apparent liberality of the rules, thia constitution of the authorities, by whom they were to be carried, into effect, inspired sych jealousies, and so offended the religious and national antipathies of the Canadians, that they withdrew their confidence from the institution, and raxely applied for schoola under its direction. ' And, indeed, this was a natural enough result. Suppose the proportions of the members of the corporation and of the visitors, as regardg their national origin, had been reversed, and that the Cathulic bishop, had, been placed at its head, what would have been the popalarity of such an institution with the Protestanteand the British?
In the townships the syatem naturally worked better, and the demand for schoole wat propartionately great.
lu.132y an attempt was made to divide the board of the institution into two commithees, composed of an equal number of members, and possessing equal privileges; the new one to be entirely Catholic, under the presidency of the Catholic bishop, and to haye the exclusive management of all Cathplic schouls. After the two partiek had with some dufficuly been brought to acquiesce in this acrangement, it was discovered that thene were some legal impediments in the way of carrying it into effect, and a Bill for the repeal of auch parts of the 41 , George 3, as interposed these inpediments, was auggested by

Sir Jamen Kempt nind brought into the Assembly, but soon ufter dropt. An abstract of this Bill is given, Appendix B. No. 5 .
It appears, from'succeesive reports of gommittees, that the number of schools under the Royal Institution, "after a cerrain time, dimpuished rather than increased. In $18 a 7$ they, pmounted to 82, of which 64 were Protestant; and only 18 Catholic. In 1832 there were. but 72 , in which there were only five Oanadian masters; and in 1834 the whole number. was reduced to 63 . The lapt application for a new school to the institution was in 1828.
This dectine is easily to be accounted fot, by the greater popilarity of the school kyatem which came into operation in 1 Rag, and of those which succeeded it. A sum, warying usually from $1,800 \mathrm{l}$. to $2,000 \mathrm{l}$, was annually voted to the truatees of the corporation for the support of their schools up to 1832, when it was reduced' to $1,2652^{2}$.' Since this latter period the Royal Institution fell into the general elementary school system, and its schonls were supparted and managed in the mane manner as those thereby created, with the exception that the corporacion was stin permitted to exercise the powers in other casea intruated to trustees elected by the localities.
The corporation has now no other function than the trusteship of M-Gill's college, which establishment will be noticed hereafter.
I have shown that, from the moment the 'Royal Institution came into operation, syttematic attempts were annually made by the House of Assembly to substitute some otfer more popular management.

In addition to the Bills, with this view, of 1818,1819 and 18200 , whioh, after being passed by both Hoases of the Pyovincial Eegislature, were feft unnoticed by the Home Gavernment, two others, brought up in 1821 and $18 \times 3$, were thrown out by the Legislatise Council.
At this period a committee, reporting upon the then lamentable state of edacation in the proviace, represent that in many parishes not more than five or six indıviduals can write, and that, generally, not above one-fourth of the entire population can read, and one-tenth, write, nad that very imperfectly.

Actlength, in 1824, the Assembly so far uucceeded as to carry through'n Bill, which became the 4 Geo. 4, $\mathbf{0 . 3 1}$, and is commonly known by the vame of the "Mabrique Act."-- By this the fabriquea, or local corporations, established in each Roman Canholic, parish, by which the temporalities of the parish church are administered, are authorized to establish one or more, schools in each parish of the province according to its population, and to have the sole management of them.

They are further authorized to purchase and hold property to a certain aurount, real-and personul, for the asupport of these schools, and, until such property is acquired, may apply to that purpose one-fourth of their revenue. This Act will be found abstracted, Appentix, (Letter B.) No. 4, But it can hardly be said to have ever come into operation. In. some parishes the fabriques were. 100 " yoor, and in' most, I have been assured, the existence of the Act was unknowa. Like that ealablished under the Royal Institution, the fabrique school-system became ataorbedin those of a more general anul popular character, which were shortly ffer establialied. The first of these, which forms a remarkable epoch in the history for Canadian education, was established by the 9 Geo. 4, c. 46. It will be observed that all the imbortive attempts made from 1818 up to this period, as well as the Act of 1824 , had alone in view the wants of the French Canadians, which were virtually unitanched by the Royal Institntion, and which undeniably called for urgent relief. It is true, , hat, as regards the receipt, at starting, of a certain sum of public money, the Protestant seflements were put on the same footing as the Catholic; but reliance, for the subsequent suppors of the schools was placed first of all upon the fabriques, a fund which only existed in Catholic parishes, and eventually on charitable endowments, which wete only to be expected from the greater wealth and zeal of the Catbolic Church.

Imperfect as the provisions of these Bills were for the erection of any'thing approaching a sound and general system of edacation, no fault can be found with the spirit in which they were devised by the Assembly. It appears to have been one of fuirnesa and sincerity, and liable to none of the imputations which attach to aimilar proceedings of that bady in later times.
By the Act of 1829 the establishment and sole management of achfols in their respective parishes and townships was' confided to five trustees, elected by the resident landholders eligible to pote at elections. These trustees were empowered to hold property belonging to the school, and to receive benefactions. Half the expense of erectrog school-houses, if not above $5^{\circ} \mathrm{L}$, , is to be advanced from the public chest on the certificate of the trustees.
A salary of zo $l$, is to be given to every master teaching 20 pupila, and a further allow- $\rightarrow$ ance of 10 s. a head for poor children, provided their number does not exceed 50 , nor fall short of 20. The trustees were required to report annually to the legistature.-[See Abstract, Appendix (B. 6.)]
Under this Act, which was to be in force for three years, there was no provision for visitatorial inspection.
The trustees, who in very few instances, could write themselves, as is proved by the almost invariable use of marks instead of signatares in their remarns, had the power of appointing and removing the masters; in short, the entire control of the schools. It is true that they were required to make annual returns to the legislature ; but then nothing was more easy, and, 1 have been informed by many persons, nothing warmore common; than for them to make false returns.

In many schoola, where there were not 20 scholarí Bonal fide ' taught gratis (thie number requisite before the gratuity of $\mathbf{y}$ s. a head was. to be granted), I was assured that it was a , very uagal device of the master to nak of his neighbours, of of another school, "the luan of 'a sufficient number of children to satisfy, this candition. Indeed, where children were scarce parents were known talend themselpeg, to , this good-humoured arrangement.' The truitees, when they knew all this, generally connived at it willingly enough, becnuse they generally wished well to the master, who way of their, own, appointment, and bécabte the gratuity did not, come out of their' pockeis, biut, on the contrary, was pretty, sưfe to find 'its' way into them, the master being very frequenuly in their debty and, as they well knew, having no other meais of paying them.
In Im 1830 and 1831, two other Acta, were passed, 8 lighty amending aind explaining the provisions of that of 1829...By the latter, the Governor was empowered to appoint 19 visifors, who with the members of the House of Assembly resident in the country, and the resident rector or curate of the parisil, were to divide the country into school districts, yisit the schools annually, and report their state to the legislature, with any recommendations they might be disposed to make.
Schools rose rapidly under the Act of $\mathbf{1 8 2 9 \text { . In that y'ear } 4 8 \text { houses were built, under its }}$ provisions, and $351^{\prime}$ schools received the Government állowance. In 1830, 60 more houises were 中uill, and the number of elementary schools increased to 899 . In 18:29, the whole cost of education to the province was $13,785 \mathrm{l}, 16 \mathrm{~s} .3$ d., including, in addition to the expenses of the elementary schools, '2,x15l, 10 s. for the $8_{4}$ under'the Royal Institution, and $5,250 \%$. 3 s. for special grants. In 1830 , the gross amount under these same heads , was incereased to 26,019 l., and in 1831 , the whole, pumber of elementary schools' Was 1,216, and the whole cost of education 32,470 l.

It is time here to explain the meaning of these special grants, The-general educational Acta which have been noticed were meant to embrace only the elementary schols in the, rural districiss. Many of those, originally established by voluutary ássociations in the thrée towns of Montreal, Quebec, and Three Rivers, as well as sundry superior academies and colleges, dispersed over various parts of the province, were the subjects of - separate annual appropriatious, The first of these was in 1883 , when 2001 , was granted :to, a schopl in Quebec under the management of the Education Society in that town. In , the following year there was only this same grant. In 1825 , a like sum was also given to the British \&nd Capadian school at Montreal. Every subsequent jear fresh institutions received similar aid, and the grants under this head haye been shown, in 1830 , to have increased to 5,250 l. 33.
In In 1831 a the House of Assembly appointed a standing committee of 11 members , (fiva to hera quorum), to report from time to time on all subjects connected with education. The Act of 1829 haviog iexpired in May 1832, the 2.Will 4,, , 0 26, was passed for the continuance of the system for twa more years. Before noticing the peculiar provisiona by which this Act is distinguished from its, predecessors, it will be proper to advert to the reasons given for, such distinction by the Education Committee. In 1831, they report, " that they cannot but regret that they bave had evidence that in several instancea too much dependence has bnen placed on legislative aids, antu in some cases, to a degree -Which seems to have had the effect of relaxing the exertions which were formerly made. Your committee caunat too strongly impress, upon the House the mischiefs which would resulf from such $a$ dependence, and placing the public money in the hands of societies or individuals practically hable to ne sufficient responsibility, or regular or strict accountability, unless they at the same time have to apply a considerable portion of their own money along with that of the public."

The saune committee, remonstrating against large legislative grants, dwells on- " the abuses and corruption which uniformly attend the lavish expenditure of public money. Edacation itself suffers in the estimation of the public; false ideas are spread abroad anong the people, that education-is rather an object which concerus the community than ihemselves individually, and it is undervalued, white in 'reality it is become nearly as needful in, the present state of things in this province as religious inatruction, or intruction in the means of gaining an honest livelihood, for which it is the bounden duty of every head of a family to provide to the utmost of his power. To draw the nooney fromuthe people by taxes, to 6 e restored to them for these purposes, after undergoing all the diminution of the expenses of collection, management and waste, would sopra jm" paverish them without effecting the object in view."
In 1832 the Committee report, that the increasing applications for public money render certain regulations necessary, and as warning to the public that less reliance than theretofore musi be placed in aids from the general funds, and more from the lucalities immediately interested $;$ and that, for these reasona, it is desirable, $18 t$, to grant no new allowances, except on the most urgent grounds, but father to diminish those alroady granted; 2nd,' to confine aids for elementary instruction in the towns, as unuch as possible, to one elementary school connected in some degree with one of each of the principal religious denomińalions, where all the poorer classes may have easy admassion. It goes on "to regret that the applications during that 3ession were nearly as numerous and great in amonnt as in the previous one. The cxtraordinary efforts which were made by the legisfature under the unlortunate state of things which had so long retarded education in the province, and in a prosperous state of the public funds, have widely spread abroad the idea that the expeuses of the education of youth were to be defiayed put of the public
revenue', and the abuses consequent thereon have, no doubt, in some instances, 'made those who profited by them over-anxidus for their continuance. :The present state of the publio funds, however, will force a return tó more correct notion' 'and practice.', Your commitree cannot concelve chat it will ever'be' expedient to draw mondey from the industry of the pegple, by an expensive process," to be returned to them in greatly diminished ampunt, for objects for which they can upply it more' eertainly; more equitably, and with greater economy y, under 'their' ówn ithmediate cơnirol."
In thid report the cominittee remark, that the proportion of children attending school in Lower Canada is one in ta; ; Whereas, th the neikhbouring state of New York, it is one in
 as laid out by the visitors appointed the preceding year.
To' a schiool in each of these districts, and also to a separate girls' school in that "district in every Roman Catholic parish' in which the church was situated, an allowance was given of 201. per annum, provided that no more thaí 2s. per month was demanded from each scholar, and that 20 scholqurs, from 5 'to 15 years of age, had been in regular'stendance for $190^{\prime}$ days in the year. Ten shillings'were to be distributed yearly, as prize-moncy, tmong the best scholars in each school, by, the first resident'member' for the county, on the return ; otherwise by'the non'-reaident one.' The management of the schiools was intrusted to trustees, as in the Act', of $18{ }^{18}{ }^{\prime}$.' 'The teacher, before appointment, mast produce a dertificate, signed by the minister of the most numerous religious denomination in the parish, according to the latest census,' and by one justice of the peace, and the militia officer of highest grade in the parish', or by two others; that he is' known as of good character, and that he has been examined by them, and found capable of teaching reading, writing and arithmetic, in the language of the majority of the inhabitants. He might be removed, either op the representation of a majority of the county visitors, or, after hearing, by. the 'rustees, on the complaínt of three electors. A'public examination was to be held yearly, and three at least of the visitors' were to manke an inspection of the school, which they were to certify, as directed by a schedule annexed to the 'Act. No more 'than 10 free scholars were to be admitted to any one school, and then only when their parentt had another child at school, for whom they paid. The visitors were to be the legislative councillors 'resident in the county; 'iss' members in the House of Assembly, whether resident or not; the senior acting justide of the peace, "the militia officer' of highest rank,' and the minister of the most numerous religious denomination. 'These visitors' in addition to the duties before mentioned, were to determine all questions relating to districtipg and building housen, \&cc., and they alone were to have their expenses paid.

The schools of the Royal Institution were embraced in this Act.
The other most remarkable alterations introduced by it consisted in the additional powers which it vested in the members of the House of A'ssembly. They were to have the distribution of the 10s.' prize-money; indeed the whole powets of visitation may be said to have icentred 'in them, because their political importance generally enabled them to'do as they chose with those of their co-visitors who resided in the parish, and because the menbers of the Legislative Councll were few in number, and rarely, fulfilled the condition 'of 'residence in the county. Complaints were frequently made of the improper application of the prize-moncy entrusted fur distribation to the M ${ }^{\prime}$ P. $\mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{s}_{\text {. }}}$

A writer of no small merit, in an article addressed to the "Populaire," Canadian nêwspaper, gnd signed, L, P. R. Instituteur, remarks: "Sur ce sujet je puis dire a la honte de ceux a qui il appartient, que bien des écoles ont elé privés de cette gratification. Moiméme, je nee suis obligé d'ecriré à un représentant du'comte de Berthier pour lui mander, "s'it avait envoye l'argent qui était destiné à recompenser les enfans des écoles; gu'il y avait deux semestres que les visiteurs de notre parosse n'avaient rien donne pour cet obbet.". Il me fit réponse qu'il avait done d'argent a un'des principaux de la paroisse; où je tenais l'école ; que si ce dernier ne l'nvait pas distribué, il y nvait mauvaise foi de la part ce cet individu. Alors je dis a l'un'de mess sindics d'aller trouver lindividu en question, et dé lui démander les récompences des enfans ; qu’aveć ce peu d'árgent les enfans se pourraiint acheter des livres, du papier, et d'autres choses necessaires peur l'école. " En y nllant il regut à peu pres la reponse suivante: "Je garde dit le visiteur cet argent pour payer les frais d'annotices, les lettres non affranchies, et l'acte d'election des sindics.". Combien d'aütres abus que je mientionneruis, si le tems me le permettait, et combien d'autres encore se sont passes inapperçus. S'il y a eu des visiteurs si pey delicats jusqu'au point d'enfriendre les lois eux-mememes, il ne faut pus s'éronner,' s'il y ait eu des sindics qui se soient rendu encore plus coupables, pour des sommes beapcoup plus considérables, par exemple dans la construclion des maisons d'écoles. Je fas tépoin lorsqu'un sindic dans le comit de St. Hyacinthe reçut une verte legon de Mr. Roc dé St. Ours, dans le courant d'AoAt' 1832 , pour avoir retira, 50 l. du' gouverament pour la bâtisse 'd'une maisour, dont voici à'peu pres l'histoire. 'Le térrain suru lequel la maison était bâtie avait été donné en pur douit la fabrique de la paroisse. Le seigńeur du lieu avait fait don de tout le bois, en oatre 14 al 15 habitans avaient donné chacun trois à quatres piastres à part des corvés, de manitere que la maison fut édifiée sans avoir couté 15 piastres. Le sindic qui s'ingerait de cela, fit estimer le terrain et la maison à $100 \%$ pour retirer 50 l ., comme il. etait dit dans lace d'éducation. 11 les retira en effet, et la maison est toujours resté imparfaite. M. de St. 'Ours fut tellement surpris de voir cette maison, quil dit qu'elle n'tait bonne quà loger
les' poules. Quand il sut en outre que le gouvernemeut auait done les poules. Quand il sut en outpe que le gouvernement avait donne 50 l., cest pour te coup que le pauvrí sindic se fii tuncer,' et quili en reğut sur les quatre faces. Le curé de la paroisse, voyant le máitre et la maitresse si mal loges leur donna onze piastres pour faire cloisons. Il parait à̀ present que le propriétaire du terrain s'en eat emparé. Voilà

Appandix (D.) un exemple qui fait voir que l'argent a été dissipé on mal emplayt; car avec gol. toutes personnes peuvent faire une bonne maikon, bien parnchevée en dedans et en dohors, lorsque les materiaux sont sur la place gratuitenent. S'il y avait une perquisition sur toates les maigons quise sont baties, sous lea dispositions de l'acte, il est certain qu'ou y verrait avec. surprise plasieurs cents louis de dissipés et perdus pour la province mais qui ont grossi Ia' bourse de certains tartuffes avides dargènt."

Complaints were also very frequently made that the provision, which. required the master's certificate to be signed by the county members, before hisallowance could be drawn, gave them a power over'him, which was too often propitiated by acts of politiced subm eerviency. I frequently heard these charges made, nud in no few inatances attempted to he aubstantiated by facts. Though it is necessary in Canada to be very suspicious of stater ments advanced by political parties in disparagement of their adversaries, or in vindication of themselves, no one who is conversant, with the fury of Canadian partizanship can belp recognixing in the provisions of this Act temptations to abuse sufficient, under such circumstances, to overcome the scruples of belligerent legislators.

The 3 Will. 4; c.4, made some alterations in the school districts, as laid out in the previous year, and reduced their whole number to 1,294. It also contained a very judicious provision for granting 4l. extra to every master who should teach both languages.

The Education Committee in their report in 1884 still complain of the extrayagance of the school granta, and express a hope "that the time is not far distant, when the whole counatry will be persuaded that it is much better to trust to themselves for the discharge of the duty of affording ugeful instruction to their offspring, rather than depend upon legislative appropriations." The 4. Will. 4, c. 9 . continued the Act of $183^{2}$ to May 1836. By this the school districts were again increased in seven counties, and the visitora were empowered to grant iol. extra, to the beat master in every, county, namely, the one who had the largent and bent conducted schaol; provided that in addition to the ordinary course of elementary inatruction he also taught geometry, French or English, grammar, and book-keeping.

In 1895 the House of Assembly having come to the resolution of not proceeding to busiw" ness, no Education Bill was passed. In the gession 1835-6 special grants were made amounting to nearly 12,000l., being, in point of fact, the allowance for ihe previous as well as the current year. The reports of the Education Committee chis yeur are much in the same strain' as those before referred to. They state, "that the liberality of the legislature, far from having atimulated the efforts of the members of the institutions connected with education; appeafs on the contrary to have paralyzed them." They go on to represent the unreasonablo demands made by the inhabitants in many places for new school districti.' "These applican tions," they say, "do not, generally speaking, come from places which appear by their population to be entitled to a greater number than that now allowed them; but, on the contrary, from places where the proportion of the number of school districts is four tiusey greater than some others. 'The single fact that a school district is asked for a place in which there are only three families, will be sufficient to satisfy your honourable House of the necessity of examining applications of this nature with the most scrupulous attention. Your committee have come to the determination to recommend, that for the futare the number of school districts in ezch county be regulated by its population." It appears from these reports that the cost of education in the three preceding years had been as follows :--4 In $1833,22,154 \mathrm{l}$; in $1834,24,643 \mathrm{l}$.; in $1835,25,8101$. In the liast year there were 1,202 schoola and 38,377 children in attendance, of whom 14,048 were gratuitously instructed, and 24 a3 9 paid, or professed to pay, at the rate prescribed hy law. The committee, alten commenting upon the aniversal incompetency of schoolmasters, \&c., conclude by recounmending two Bills; the one for the establishanent of Normal schools, and the other for the continuance of the general elementary system. The first of these becane law, ( 6 Will. 4, c. 1y,-See Abstract, Appendix, (B. 12.)

It provided for the establishment and support, for five years, of two Normal schools, one at Quebec and the other at Montreal, to be under the management of a comarittee of 10 persons in each city; esch committee was allowed 400 L ., to enable it to procure professors, and purchase books and apparatus; 6001 ; per annum, for five years, for salariea for such professors, and 350l. per annum, for a like period, for the contingent expeuses of the achools. A further yearly sum of 120\%. was granted to each, for three years, for the maintenance and tuition of five or more poor schootmasters desirous of completing themselves in the art of teaching : and a like sum was granted, for the like period, to the Ursuline Numa of Queben and Three Rivers, and the Sœurs de La Congregation de. Notre Dame at Montreal, for the maintenance and ruition of five poor young lemales willing to devote themselves to teaching. The schools were to be open only to persons above 14 , who would give good securty that they would accept employment for five years after leaving the Xormal school in some superior or elementary insututions in the province, under penalty of refunding to the cowmitlees all the expenses of their tuition, \&cc. F and to schwolmasters seeking to perfect themselves in the art of tenching. A course of studies was prescribed, such as is adopted at similar establishments in Europe, and was to extend over a petiod of three years. A pupil, afier having obbainedi a certificate of fitgess, \&e. was entitled to prefurence in employment'at schools receiviag legiglative assistance. Thie five years were to begin to \$un from the date of the establishmeat of the schwols in the respective cities., Buth cotamitteen immediately united in sending to Europe, for the purpose of' procuring profensors and books, \&cc, the Rev. Mr. Holmes, of the seminary of Quebec; a gentleman of great wowh and talents. He brought back with lum two professors for the Montreal branch, who immediately opened their school, and came into the receipt of thetr marics, They
had I believe as many at one time as three pupils, Uut have none at all at the present moment. No'attempt has yet'been 'hade to' organize the school at Quebec. 'Mr. Holmes brought back with him some very valuable upparatus and a large colleotion of books, which are now incharge of the comunitee, The reason of the failure of this act is obvious. The other Bill, which was passed by the House of Assembly at the sime time, having been rejected by the Council; the whole syatem of elementary education fell to the ground, and persons could hurdly be found willing to throw away three years at these normal schools, and pledge themselves to'be ready to teach for Give more, when there were no schools in existence for them to teach in, und really a very poor prospect of andy ever being established. At the same 'time the Act had great merits;'it sought to remedy, and by provisions, very suitable as fate as they went, one of the greatest vices in the existing system. It, nevertheless, was of coutse the subject of bitter attack in a provinefonhere the merits of measures are no security against attack.

The Bill of 1836 , which, as $I$ have just said, was fhrow ont by the Cuncil, proposed to zalse the number of school districts to $1,65^{8}$, and to grant far greater powers as regarded the management of schools to nembers of the House of Assembly; The only other novel features in it are, isr, the establishment of a superior or model school, in every parish or township, where the population, according to the last censua, exceeded 500 souns, to the master of which an allowance was to be made of $50 l$. per aninum, upon the majority of the heads of families, at a meeting duly called, having voted a further sum of not leas than'20l., $s 0$ as to raise his salary to 70\%. He was required, in addition to reading, writing and arithmetic, to teach the grammar of the language of the majority of the inhabitants, and the elements of mensuration and geography, particularly that of North America. sdly, the provision by which it empowered; though it did not compel, the uajority of the inhabitanta to tax the district for further support of its schools. The grounds on, which the Council rejected this Bill are so fully and so nbly stated in their report, that I cannot do better than give their own words. Atter reviewing the provisions made for education in past, years by the legislature, and pointing out their numerous faults as emphatically and oftentimes. admitted in the reports of the other House, they proceed:-", Your committee, beg leave. to state, 'that, notwithatanding the foregoing repuris of the special commituee of the House of Asisembly on education, concurred in by that honourable Hause, the, number of school distriets is by this Bill considerably augmented, and the public expenditure for this object, which has already reached the' amount of $150,000 \%$, is very greatly increased, as nearly 40,000 . will be required annually, for four years eñaing, to cover the appropriations specitied thetein. Your committee, while expressing their concurrence in the propriety of assiating education in its progress, at the same time, fully coincide with the general; tenor of the reports above'alluded to, that its support by the penple themselves would be , more effectual in its results than under the present syatem of davish expenditure, whichyeveh forto desirable an end, will wlimately lead to apathy and indifference.
"That the syatem of management proposed to be continued, and in some points extepded by this Bill, must lead to consequences which your committee cannot but regard as productive of evil. The direction and superintendence of the sums appropriated by this Bill are intrusted, in effect, to the county members of the House of Assembly, This power your committee consider to be an object' of extreme importance for good or for evil, as the persons in whose hands it is placed may be influenced, on the one hand, by a pure sense of duty, or, on the other, by the opinion or feeling of party, or by other improper motives: Your committee think it necessary to point out the powers contained in this Bill, upon which they found their apprehensions that some abuses may result from its operation:
"First. The certificate of the trustees, by means of which the schoolmaster is to be prid, is to be transmitted to the county member. Second. The certificate of the qualificatiun of masters of the superior schools, by means of which they receive therr salaries, is to be transunitted likewise to him. Third. The county member is to make the pay-lisk of the connty schools and masters, by means of which the masteis' salaries are to be paid by the receiver-general. Fourth. All alyerations in the school districfs are subject to the approval of the county members, or may in some cases, as provided by this, Bill, be made, by them of their own authority. Fifth. Large sums of money are to be intrusted to them for distribution, as rewards of excellence to scholars. Sixth. The county member is to demand. recover and receive all sums of money remaining unpaid from furmer appropriations, for sums for prizes, and for this purpose may require the assistance of the law, officers of the Crown. Seventh.'The elections of trustees of schools, by heads of families, are to be transmitted to the county member. Eighth. They are not required to support by vouchers (their account of monies intrusted to them, as are other persons. Ninth. They, are among the number of school visitors. Tenth. Finally, these powers of the county members shall, in case of a dissolution of Parliament, continue to be yested in them until their successors shall be elected, zny law to the contrary notwithstanding.
" Your committee' believe, that your honourable House will see in these provisions sufficient grounds for the : apprehension they have expressed, that abuses may result from the operation of the measure. From the experience of past ages, as well as from. the appropriations made by this Bill, your committee apprehend that liberality may at last degenerate into prodigality, and the object sought for be as far from attainment as befores Under' these circumstances, your, committee suggest the propriety of suspending all further appropriations until some general effective system of education can be judiciously planned, and carefully executed, whereby the proviacial revenue will be relieved from so 303.

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heavy an annual demand upon it; and the people be influenced to take a moredecided interest in the prosperity of institutions for the education wof themselves and children. Independently of these general considerations affecting the merits of the measure, 兴our commitite conceive that atiere are others growing aut of the particular circumstances of 'the finances of the province which demand their serious' attention. They think it neoessary to bring to recolledtion a resolution passed by your honotarable House on the Gth of March'last, : That it was not expedient to concur, during the present'session of the Provincial Rarliament; in appropriation ofmonies to'a greater extent than'will leave in the public chest a sum equal to the discharge of the sum of $30 ; 519 \mathrm{l} .4 \mathrm{4} .2 \mathrm{ad}$; advanced and paid out of the funds of the United Kingdom, by; his Majeaty's order, for the 'support of the government, and the, ndministration of justice therein, and to other reervants of the Crown and individuals as thereín mentioned; for which sums no appropriation or provision has hitherto been made.

- "That as your honourable House has already concurred in Acts for the appropriation of nearly 12,000 . for the encouragement of education in this province, that as no. Act providing for the sam of money mentioned in the preceding resolution has hitherto been sent up by the 'House of Assembly for the concurrence of this honourable House, 'and as your committee conceive that the strite of the provincial revenue (due 'regard being had to the payment of the sums above mentioned which remain unprovided for) will not warrant the increased appropriation, your committee urge upon your honotarable Honse the propriety of proceeding, no further with the Bill intituled, 8 ."

It is imposible not to recognize the rruth of the greater part of these objections urged by the Coyncil. Although the Bill contained some new propisions of a very valuable character; yet all the radicalifaults of the old system were teft untouched by it, and' nome, namely, those pointed out by the Council, so aggravated, that the cause of education in the province has, I am convinced, gained much more thanit has lost by the rejection of the Bill and the consequent breaking up of the whole system.

Since this period some few masters continued their schools, in the double hope of a new Act being shortly passed, or of being supported by the voluntary contributions of the inthabitants; bat both thesehopes were soon disappointed; and the schools, with very fewsexceptions, shut up. Thrown thus on the wide world without resources, gad in'a lime of such excitement, the rebel standard attracted some to a cause which ended in their destruction or expatriation ; others have succeeded in getting into new occupations, but wery few lare to be found still adhering to the old.

The schools, however, in the three towns of Quebec, Montreal and Three Aivera, and the academies and colleges, which had been the subjects of special grants, comtinued in operation and'received the usual assistance under an Act passed by Sir John Colborne and his Special Council in the spring of $183^{8}$.

I will now conclude my observation on the past, by taking a general' retrospect of the different attempts at elementary educntion made by the legislature, and pointing ont the causes which ted to their failure.
The immediate cause of the failure of the schools under the Royal Institution was the unceasiag hostility of the Catholic Church and the French Canadians, on the ground that they were essentially British and Protestant. The absence of every species of popular control distinguished this system from those subsequently adopted by the Assembly. "In other fespects it had the same miserable imperfections.

The Fabrique Act can hardly be said ever ta have fairly come into operation, and only deserves notice as pointing ont a fund in every Catholic parish, by which, in the opinion of the French Canadians themselves, education can alwaya be more or less assisted. The system patched up at different times by the Assembly, into what was called the elementary school system, was not merely a vicious and imperfect one, but cof late years, especially, pernicious in the extreme. It is obvious that it was mainly recommended to that boily by its vast utility as a political machine.

The ammal distribution of such large sums of money, and the exercise in other respects of'such extensive patronage, were of course convenient to members; but to the school systems such an arraingement was pregnant with mischief.

How startled we should be in England at a proposition to vest similar powers in our House of Commons! It would be regarded as almost equivalent to granting the existing members their seats duting pleasure.

That the temptations to abuse thus offered were, not very strenuously resisted by the House of Assembly in Lower Canada is more than insinuated by what is called-the Britush party. By them the schoomaster in the Catholic parishes is represented as invar riably the most active and acoredited organ of the disaftected; and I have been assured by many witnesses that the "Minerve," an exciting and seditious paper, was in frequent use in the schools as a class-book. This latter assertion is, it may be hopea, unfounded. But, with regard to the former, I have reason to believe that it is to a certain extent too trae Certain ir is, at any rate, that the qualification of loyalty, required of a master in the more peaceable days of the Bill of 3814 , was never insisted upon in later bills. Another gweat cvil, to which thes system was subjected by its connexion with politics, was its want of permanency. Every nlternate year it was liable to expire altogether, or undergo modifications, which, as regarded those embarked in it, in many cases amounted to expiration. The House of Assembly knew well the power which they derived from their common habit of tempo rary legislation. It was no slight hold to posiess in the country, this, of continuing, or at any given time.withbolding, its tole means of education. It is true that it would be almost
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impossible to make a system permanent which was to be supported entirely by legislative grants, because the finances of a country like Canada could not always afford such large expenditure. Indeed, the expenditure was not fixed, but was liable to be increased to an indefinite amount. 'This, however, instead of being an argament in favour of temporary legislation, should be one among many others for seeking out some never-failing saurce of maintenance by which education should be rendered independent of the wants or caprices of the legislature. No man of character or industrious habits could be induced to abandon other more certain occupations to embrace that of schoolmaster, when he was only certain of two years' employment.

Another very pregnant evil, common to all such systems, was the miserable character of the inspection to which they were subject. The trustees who had the choice of the master, und virtually the entire management of the school, it has been already shown, could themselves rarely write. Their principal relations with him were those of debtor and creditor, or of fellow-partizuns in politics. If it were ever necessary to deceive the visitors, nothing more easy. The daily journals of attendance, which latterly the master was obliged to keen, were easily falsified to suit che injunctions of the law, and nobody able or willing to detect the falschood. The day on which the visitors made their inspection the number of children was complete, and every thing appeared correct. The great desideratum of the master's political usefulness being once proved, the visitors were good-humouredly blind to trifling deficiencies in morals or capacity. L. P. R. Instituteur, whom I have before quoted, speaking of these abuses, says,-"Il y a eu des sindics qui ne se sont pas fnit scrupules de prendre l'argent des maîtres pour payer les frais de leurs elections; ces messieurs avaient les honueurs, et les pauvres maitres'd'écoles payaient pour. Enfin, il y a eu des $\begin{gathered}\text { visiteurs qui ont fait avoir la paye à des personnes qui n'avaient pas eu d'écoliers }\end{gathered}$ pendant un hiver. J'en connais une, qui reçut iol. du gouvernement malgrée le rapport de ses sindics, qui déposerent qu'elle n'avnit pas eu plus de sept à huit écoliers durant le semestre, quoique le bill disposât, que personne ne recevrait. 'allocation sans qu'il eat, de bonne foi, instruit 20 pupilles $\ddagger$ cette personne reçut les. 10 l . parce qu'elle était dans la manche du curé de la paroisse."

But the most fertile source of failure was in the indifferent qualifications "and characters "of the masters. I believe it may be fairly said, that a schoolmaster's was the worst trade in the country, and that nobody would embark in it who was qualified by character and uhderstanding for any other. "A common farm servant," says the Rev. Mr. Alexander, of Leeds, in his evidence before a committee of the House of Assembly, in 1836; "is allowed 15 l per annum for wages, and, in addition, washing, board and lodging. A schoolmaster rarely gets more than $20 l$. per annum, and none of the above-mentioned extras." It is true that an additional payment of 2 s . per month from each scholar was contemplated by the legislature, but the poor master rarely got it; parents either refused the payment altogether, or offered a tithe of it, and, if he declined, had recourse to the easy alternative of removing their children from his school; and it would not do for him to break with too many children in this way, because he was obliged to have 20 regular pupils to entitle him to the Government allowance. Accordingly, the master was frequently. on the brink of starvation, and always dependent on the good will of his parishioners. L. P. R. Instituteury says again," Le pen de respect qu'on a pour les maitres vient aussi en partie de ce qu'ils sunt obligés de tendre la main aux habitans, pour avoir de quoi subsister à crédit. Les habitans shabituent à les entendre supplier, ì demander; ils viennent, enfin, ì les rebuter et à les regarder comme des êres dépourvus de toutes ressources pour vivre, ou, pour le dire en termes plus claires, comme des pnuvres' nécessiteux, car avec nos habitans ceux des gens instruits qui n'ont pas de terre en partage ne sont guère régardés d'eux."

Nor was the master's incompetency the whole evil ; even when he was capable and willing, there was no provision for supplying the children witli books. Parents objected strongly to the expense ; there was no other quarter to look to, and, consequently, many children went to schools without books.

The indifference of parents was at once the cause and the effect of some of these evils. Here indeed was action and reaction. As long as they refused to contribute to the support of schools, so long the schools were without competent masters, and the childrea without a proper provision of books. And, again, while the schools were in such a deplorable state, the parents did not see much advantage in supporting them, but thought their children might be much more profitably employed at home. The fatal notion fully possessed them that it was the duty of the legislature to supply them with the means of education, and that they were confarring a favour in ascepting such means.

Such, then, have been the attempts at education hitherto made in Lower Canada; and can it excite wonder that this combination of imperfections and vices should have produced no good result ?- that education should have languished under systems, where the masters were illiterate and needy; the supervision careless and dishonest ; ihe school-houses unfit for occupation, and ill-supplied with fuel ; the children unprovided with books; and parents uttenly indifferent to an institution of which they could not apprecinte the importance, and the trouble and cost of which, at all events, they deemed the province of the legislature?

I trust that I have not done injustice to the House of Assembly in this review of their labours. It is extremely difficult to apportion to them their proper share of praise and blame: Much of each thay undeniably deserved. In the Bills of 1814-18, \&c., up to 1831 , their main struggle was to subject the school system to popular control. This principle surely merits well to be an important element in every system of education, and if, on
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Appendix (D.) these occanions, such control was left altogether uncheoked by the executive, it was; perhaps, hecause the executive had no great claims upor the confidence of the Asiembly. The standing committee of the House laboured diliyently and in good faith. They received evidence on all points. They did not shrink from the inveatigation of nlleged abuses, nor, in many instances, from the application of the proper remedies:. They saw the evils arising out of the incompetency of masters, and the necessity of providing something higher than mere elementary education, and they suggested the wholesome expedients of notmal and model schools. They saw the fraudulent operation of the provision which required a minimum attendance of 20 free scholars before the Government allowance'of 10 at a head could be touched; and they did away with it, aubstituting a fixed munthly payment They saw again the avarice' of the people evade this remedial proviaions and they' saw clearly how to enforceit, but they had not the courage. They knew that their semi-annual: expressions of regret would be of no avail; that appeals to good feelings were utterly. thrown away, and that nothing would do, short of compelling the inhabitanis to contributea direct, and not scanty, proportion iowards the expenses' of the system. They saw 'all this; but they did not dare to propose so unpopular a measure.

In short, the moment they found that their educational provisions could be turned to political account, from that moment those provisions were framed with aview to promote party rather than education. This was their essential fault; this it was that pervaded and contaminated the whole system, 'and paralysed all the good that was otherwise in it. This it was that mainly contributed to reduce the province to the deplorable gtate in which it is at present found. Were a stranger to travel through it, unacquainted with its history, or any part of the voluminous details which I have barely sketched to your Excellency; were he to converse every where with the poorer class of its inhabitanth, 1 am confident that he would return with the impression that no attempt had ever been made in it towards the eatablishment of any elementary system of education; but, 3 to fone wha has studied its history, and waded through the mass of laws concerning education, 'it is at first inexplicable how so many attempts can have been made without producing some sort of result. Go where you will, nevertheless, you will scarcely find a trace of edfucation among the peasantry. While the achool-system was in force, there was a very, nadequate provision of houses, and, of those that once had existence, some are now in complete ruins, and others the subject of fierce litigation among the neighbouring finhabitants. The sight of these ruins or the tale of these disputes is all that remains to' the present of the past.

I consulted several lawyers as to their' experience in this matter, and they invariably. told the same story. They agreed that there is hardly ever a prisoner or a/witneas, or a petty juryman who knows how to write; indeed, I have scen noticed in a Montreal paper a presentment by a grand jury, in which six out of the 13 signatures were/marks. I consulted one of the heads of the militia department, and he told.me, with a play: on the word, that the officers under him were generally very experienced marksmen., I saw several petitions from parishes, praying for the erection of small-cause coytrs ; I hardly ever sasw more than the petitioners' crosses to them; and it should be borne in mind that these petitions must be signed by at least 100 heads of families in the parish. It may be said that all these jurors and militia officers and petitioners' are of necespity grown-up men, and that few could have reaped the benefit of the schools which were only established to any extent in 1829, at which time they were beyond the age of admission. I made, however, particular inquiries on, all sides as to whether the rising genefation were, better, in structed, but rarely was any distinction made in their favour. In/ the very few country places which I visited, I made a point of asking all the children I/ met whether they could write ; the great majority could not write at all, and of those who said they could, most, I fourd, on presaing, to admit that they could only write their naures. This description will not seem justified by the analysis of the schools ander the Roman Catholic clergy of the diocese of Quebec, furnished by M. Cazeau, the bishop's secretary, and which will be found in the Appendix, (Letter C.) I feel bound in justice to give his statement, but, although I am not qualified positively to contradict any part of it, I cannot help expressing an opinion, formed "after much conversation respecting the district, that if a strict inguiry were made as to how many old or young in it could write, or cast up sums, or speak English well enough for ordinary purposes, the number, apparently so respectable on his list; would be reduced to a very small fraction.
Withal, this is a people eminently qualified to reap advantage from education; they are shrewd and intelligent, very moral, most amiable in their domestic relations, and most graceful in their manners ; but they lack all enterprise; they have no notion of improvement, and no desire for it. Their wants are few and ieasily satisfied. They have not advanced one step in civilization beyond the old Bretons who first set foot on the banks of the St. Lawrence, and they are quite content to be stationary. Their utter ignorance of the theory and improved practice of agriculture is painfully witnessed in their cultivation of the rich banks of that noble river. 1f, isstead of learning nt their schools to make crosses with pens, they had been taught the most approved principles of clearing, draining, \&c., in a word, of farming; instead of starving catile and minute subdivisions of ill-culitvated plots, no disadvantages of climate would have prevented our seemg by this time thriving gardens, productive crops and healthy herds.
But I huve hitherto been only apeaking of the male population. The difference in the character of the two sexes is remarkable. The women are really the men of Lower Canada. They are the active, busiling, business portion of the habitans; "and this results from the
much better education which they get, gratuitously, or at a very cheap rate, at the numnem - ries which are dispersed over the province:

But I do not profess to give any thing like the accurate statistics of the present state of education. To arrive at these required' more labour and time than any other branch of the inquiry. I had, however, made the attempt; and bad sent to every parish and township a series of questions arranged in ar tabular form, and so comprehensive, as, if properly answered, to enable me to give the minuteat details as to the quantity and character of education now existing, and the local means of which use might be made in building up a new system. The preparation of these tables, blank forms of which will be found in the Appendix, (Letter D.), and the finding out the individuals in each locality most qualified to give information, took muchin time and were attended, the lattet task in particular, with mach trouble: By the time I left Quebec, hardly any returns had been sent in; but post after post brought letters from persons whose assistance I had asked in filling up the tables, declining to act with certain other persons with whom I had proposed to assaciate them for that purpose; some, on the ground that such persons were bad characters, or that
 A Protestant clergyman wrate to me, indignantly refusing his aid, because his name had been pur after that of the Roman Catholic priest, in the list of persons whom I had requested to co-operate in making' a return. The greater part of the Roman Catholic clergy in the dioceae of Montreal, who took any notice whatever of my circular, gave answer, that they could consent to receive no communications on such a subject that did not come through their bishop. The bishop himself intimated to me, that the education of the Catholic population was the business of their Church, and one with, which the Government had ho right to interfere. From the bishop. of Quebec and his coadjutor and from all the clergy in that diocese with whom I came in contact, I invariably received the most considerate and friendly attention to importunities which it was pecessary not sparingly to address to them.
From the moment it becume generally understood that your Lordship's government was coming.to•a speedy close, a marked difference was observable in the willingness of many to supply information. Some, perhaps, thought that the whole inquiry would from that moment fall to the ground; but a greater number, I am persuaded, that there was no longer any authority to enforce their attention to its unpopular demands.
The greater part of the information required in my circular being indispensable before any future system of education can be brought into operation, the office of the commission at Quebec is kept open, and a competent gentleman appointed for the express purnose of collecting, digesting; and reporting upon the returns. . Since my departure from Oanada, 1 have received letters from him, stating that the answers come in very slowly; that there is a great disinclination on the part of some to take any trouble in the matter, and a determination on that of olhers to throw every impediment in the way of the inquiry. His experience strongly confirms my own, that no reliance is to be placed on the zeal or honesty of the localities, and that whatever is to be done, must be done by commissioners themselves visiting every spot, and in person setting their new system on foot. The only accurate details I am able to furnish, and I venture to call them accurate, not from my . own knowledge, but from my complete confidence in the gentleman who collected them, relate to the city and suburbs of Quebec. It was a work of no small labour, as he had no althentic guide in his search, and was literally obliged to hunt out schools in every street and alley within that large circle, and as be made the most minute inquiries respecting each. : These details are in my jossession; they are hardly worth-interting in this report or in the Appendix, but are ready to be handed over, at a moment's notice, to any authorities that may hereafter bave a use for them.

The following are the most important facts that chey present:-
There are in Quebec 22 boys ${ }^{\prime}$ and 23 girls' schools, among which latrer are not however included those of the Ursuline and Sceurs de la Congrégation, \&cc. nunneries.

The total number of boys in regular attendance is 1,222 , of whylm 581 are English and 641 French Canadians, The total number of girls is 977 , of whom 365 are English and 612 French. Accordingly, the gross number of scholars in reyular attendance is 2,199; of this number only 548 can read and write well enough for ordinary purposes, and only 490 learn both languages, 46 English children learning French, and 444 Frènch learning English. The whole yearly cost of these schools, arising from subscription, public grants and pupils' fees, is about 4,400 l. Many of the masters and mistresses are utterly incompetent ; and it is obvious, that, under a judioious system, twice this number of children might be brought together at half the cost, in aiquarter of the number of schools, and receive an education incaloulably superior

With regard to the means of higher education, persons of British origin have hardly any, while , ahose of French origin have them in too great abundance. It is impossible for an English gentleman to give' his son a finished education in the province. If he wishes hinr to be instructed in the higher branches of mathematics, natural and moral philosophy, \&c., he must either send him to Europe or the United States, or avall himself of the more imperfect opportunities afforded in the Catholic establishments of the colony. Political and religious animosities render them 'very 'averse to the latter alternative. Some fear what they consider the contamination of republican principles in the States, and all shrink from the expense and separation attending education in Europe. Under these circumstances, they cherish with great fondness the hope of seeing the establishment of a colonial university, on a broad and comprehensive scale. The better class of tradesmen,

Appendix (ip.) and the lower grade of merchants, are also without the opportunities of a good commercial education. It is true that there are some private, establighments of the requisite: description; but neither as regards, numberror quadity, ane they, adequate to the neceasity.

I, will now, explain, what is, intended by che foo, great, obundance of means of supertor. education elujoyed by, the Fronch Capadians, They have the two, large seminaries of Quebec and Montreal; the former giving instruction, to about 350 pupila yearly, and the latter (from which I haye received no retura) to probably. about the same number, and also: the colleges of Nicolet, Clambly, "Berthiers, St Anne de la, Pocatieros, St Hyacinthe and "IIAssomption, which, perhaps, batween them cantain about w,000 pupils, These are" under the sole direction of the Catholic clergys by whose benevolence, they wete originally. endowed $_{n_{2}}$ Many of the pupils are children of common hiabitans. They receive a vasuly superior education to the rest of the population, but, after their course of studies is comm pleted, what. is their lot? There are no public institutions, in the province where their zalents can be turned, to account. The learned professions are oyerstocked, and many bring back to the humble home of their fathern a disappointed and discontented spirit; too proud to sitak to manual labour, and without, the oppoptunity of xiaing higher.

With the exception of the seminary of Quebec, I cannat, speak from-my own. knowledge of the, character of these colleges. I had inteaded to make a personal inapection of them, and had, made preparations to commence myjourney; on the very morning the intelligence arrived from England which rendered it necessary for your Excellency to relinquish the government of the colony. From those in the above enumeration marked with an asterisk I have received returns. These, I have also in my passesaion, and at the disposal of the Government. The seminary of Quebec is an admingbly-conducted; establishment; the zeal of its members uncemitting, aud, their arrangements in every way most judicious. Mr. Holmes, who is at present at the head of the department of tuition, furnished me. with a minute account of inshistory managenent;anderesources. This establishment bas never freceived assistance from the public chest, but has kept up a constant-atruggle to make its own resources meet its daily increasing expenditure. Phis, however, will, not, long be possible, In a petition, which the seminary presented to your, Excellency, they complain that lands in. France belonging to them, and yielding an annual revenue of g6ol; sterling; had been confiscated at the French Revolution; and, that, owing to sundry, misunder: standings between their agent and the comunissioners appointed to examine the claims of British, subjects so situated, no compensation had ever, been granted to them. The petition concluded with a prayer, that, if there was, no, further hope from that, quarter, they might be permitted under letters patent to acquire and hold in, mortmain lands of equal value to those of which they were thus despoiled, subject, however, to the most specific declaration that might, ba required; that, they were held in trust for purposes of education alone.

Similar attempts have been made by, several other colleges, andsome with success. ABill to give generally a corporate capacity to all provincial instututions for education was passed by both Houses in 1834, but the royal sanction refused, on grounds very, clearly stated by Lord Aberdeen, the then Colonial Secretary. In, the course; of this statement his Lordship observes, "that he is not disposed to attach any real importance to the unlimiterl pawer which this Bill would confer of holding in mortmain rent-charges of any amount for the objects of the proposed corporations. With the changes which time has introduced in the state of society and public opinion throughout Christendom, have passed away the greater part, if not all, of the solid reasons by' which our nacestors, were induced to contend against the immoderate growth of ecclesiastical and collegiate foundations; and maxims which might be just, and useful in the densely-peopled states of Europe; possessing territories of comparatively narrov' cxtent, would be altogether deluaive if transferred to the continent of North America," His Lordship concludes by saying, "notwithstanding these objections, his Majesty caunot so far overlook, the importance of the great object to the advancement of which the measure is directed, as to adopt any decision unfavourable to it. His Majesty earnestly trusts that a further Bill will "be passed by the two Houses to obviate the difficulties I have pointed out, and in that event his Majesty's assent. will be given with the highest possible satisfaction to the present, as well as to any guch supplemental, enactment."
If any danger can reasonally be apprehended from the unlimited power to hold real estate, it would be very easy to prescribe a limit. The Canadians have great faith in the good"effects of a general incorporation of educational institutions, as, is witnessed by all the Bills from 1818 to 1824 , wherein reliance for the eventual maintenance of sohools was placed entirely on the charity, which was. invited by such sale and encouraging provisions.

As regards the academies and colleges, of which I have been speaking, it is confidently asserted that, if a geneıal Incorporation Act were passed, the, greater part, if notall ofthem, would before long be in a condition to be independent of legislative aid.
The only Protestant endowment in the province is that of M'Gill's college. The history, of this institution, the original bequest, the protracted litigation, nad, at length, the final decigion, are matters as familiac to persona in this country acquainted with Canadian affairs as in Canada itself, The college is not yet open; indeed, the building not yet erecied. Its annual income, derivable from houses in Montreal, and money at interest, 1s aboun 644 l. It is obvious that this endowment alone is insufficient for the purposes of a university, to which, rank it is the wish of many to elevate this college; and it is doubtful whether the trustees of the Royal Institution, under whose direction it was
placed by 'the will of the testator, 'would acquiesce in the terms on which legislative assistance ought herenifter to be'granted.

I abrain from giving in this 'flice, which might appear the most approprinte for'it, the views generally entertaltsed ads to the proper means and end of education toy the most influential parties in the provituce, namely, the French and English laity, and the Protestant and Catholiceelergy. I think they will be found better illustrated by theie contrast or accordance with the principles I 'ain now 'rbotit' to submit to your Excellency, as, in my opinion; affording the beat foundation for a future scheme of national eductation.

I oannot, however, dismiss this 'part of the subject without' remarking, that, though the picture of the present, as I have, not unfaithfully, drawn it, is gloomy, and in miuch 'unpromising, it has still its bright side. The very circumstances of the complete destruction of past systems, and the utter absence of any at the present time, are matters of great good fortune and congratulation, for now a clear field lies open for the future. Infinitely greater difficulties would have been in the way, if the claims of acting teachers were to be first considered, or if a school-system were still in force, interwoven with thie affections or interests af'any large portion of the 'people'; but, as it is, there are no individuals to compensate, no old machinery forced upon our use; and on the site of the old ruins is ample unencumbered room for the eredtion of aneet and durable edifice.

The great parent evil of Lower Canada is the hostile divisidn of races. Every act-of modem legislation bears the faithful impress of this hereditary deformity, and has imparted it with riggravàtednintensity to every institution or interest with which it has had to deal. Hence the imperfections and one-sidedness of all such institutions. In private life, the intense hatred of the two races does not often show itself in violent collisions, but rather in a rigid non-intercourse. From the moment they are born to the hour that they die, they are, to all intents and purposes; twh separate nations. But, until these divisions are healed arid the people united, until Canada is nationalized and Anglified, it is idle for England to be devising schemes for her improvement. In this great work of nationalization, education is at once the most convenient and powerful instrument. It is a hopeless task to attempt to reconcile the existing genergation of antagonists. Their whole life has been one of civil warfare. But, for those that, are yet unbort, a more auspicions future may be prepared.

In Candada, the child of Prench extraction is brought' up out of the sight and hearing of the child of British parents. They never meet under the same roof; they are sent to separate schools; and they are told that the reason of this separation is, that the children of the rival school are heretics; or belong to another nation. They have no common hopes or fears, or pleasures or dangers-none of those kindly associations so easily born out of the fomiliarities of comradeship, and so faithfully retained throughout the vicissitudes of life. In'short, upon entering into the world, they find no tie to bind them together, and all things around them inviting to thatred and hostlity. But how different would be their feelings towards each other, were they brought up at the same schools; were they to play together, and receive the same punishment? They would then form friendships which woutd soften, if not altogether subdue, the rivalries of afterlife. A scheme by which the children of these antagonist ruces should be brought together, were it only for purposes of play, would be preferable to one by which they received a good education apart; but one, by which both union and instraction were assured to them, would be the first and most important step towards the regeneration of Canada.

The first difficulty in the way of such a scheme is, to divest it altogether of political and sectarian tendencies. There must be no room for politicians to turn it to selfish purposes.

Thesystem'must be permanent, and not liable to be disturbed by party dishonesty or caprice. No schoolmaster should vote at elections and any interference oll his part in politics at any time should be punishable with removal, just as is the case in England with persons holding certain offices under the Crown. It should be made, moreover, impossible to make masterships, as heretofore, the reward to incompetent persons of past' political obsequionsness, by refusing that office to any one who has not a certificate from a normal school, or some similar establishment. Such precautions, enforced by an honest and vigilant superwision, would, I have no doubt, rid a new system of the abuse which was perhaps the most fatalamong the many in the past.
$\therefore$ Another difficulty consists in the solution of these two questions: Is any religious instruction to be given in the future national schools? and, if so, how is it to be so given as to he acceptable alike to Catholic and Protestant? I'hroughout the United States, it is met by permittiag no instruction of this description in the public schools beyond the reading every day, by the master, of a chapter in the Bible, and that without comment. The circumstances, however, of the two countries are different in some important respects. In the States, especially-in those of New England, communications are more easy; the population more dense, and almost every sect in every locality provided with its religious teacher, and consequently with the means of obtaiming religious mstruction, independently of the school. In Canada, the minority in a parish or township have rarely any one to look to for it, except the schoolmaster; nor, indeed, can' the majority place much reliance elsewhere, because the people are so scattered, and the distances so great, that the minister can only bestow that attention on few, which all require. Recognizing, therefore, as every Christian must, the indispensable necessity of providing some means of religious instruction for children; and seeing the difficulty of finding them elsewhere than in the schools, it remains for me to thow whether they can be introduced there, without at the same time offering violence to the reasonable jealousies of either creed.

Appendix (D.) There are surely some pointe, and those neither few nor trifling, on which all Christians agree The historical purts of the old Teatament, the Psalma, the.Gospels, and various -passages throughout the sacred volume, instilliag the principles of Christian morality, rare acceptable alike to Catholisa and. Protestants. Such parts are eminently adapted for children. The dogmatical parts, such, as one religion would not trust anothen to interpret, are eminently ill-adapted for them; therefore, it is precisely those parts of the Scriptures; conceming which, in every way, all religious denominations agree, that are best suited for the instruction of children. ' Is there any difficulty, then, in collating these parts, or are they insufficient for the object in view? If the book of Bible-extracts adopted in the national schools of Ireland be objected to, on the ground of injudicious aelection, let delegates from each persuasion of Christians in. Canada meet and agree upon some othér seled. tion, in which the same principle shall be observed, namely, that of excludingrall controversial points, and in which such grammaticall, philological or historical explanations as are deemed requisite shall be arranged at the end of each chapter, and form the limit to which the muster's comments shall extend:

If some parts of the Bible are more important than others, they will be found in such extracts. In short, all that is therein should be read over, and over, again, marked and digested before a child travels beyond. . It may safely be asserted that much more of the Scriptures may be so selected than ever will be read at elementary schools, and that the selection, made as it would be under the superintendence, of able and discarning men, would be far better than could be expected from the diseretion of the ordinary rup of village school-masters. Under every system that has been, or ever will be, the Bible hás been and will always bé, in point of fact, read in extracts. The only difference is, that in some the exiractis have been carefully made and separately bound together, and in others made at random and' read from a volume which contained a great deal else, which was not read. .:

By this arrangement, provision would be made for religious instruction to a certain extent, in which all might purticipate. However, I see no difficulty in affurding different denominations the opportunities of still further and more exclusive religious iarstruction, which they might enjoy without offending of interfering with each other. The book of extracts, I propose to be the only religious book used in school-hours, unless the board of delegates, to which I have referred, shall be ready to agree upon others of a similarly liberal character. . Out of school-hours, that is to say, the first thing in the morning or the last in the evening, any minister or any body authorized in that behalf by the minister and the parents of the children, ahould be at liberty to teach them the catechism, or any thing else that might be deenued necessary. If confidence to such an extent can be placed by the majority in the master (for I think it should be considered a rule that, as generally as possible, she master should be of the religion of the majority), he can give them this extre religious instruction at either of those times, and the-minority will understand that.they are not. to come till it is over, or to go away before it begina. Where, however; it is given by the master, an extra allowance should be made to him. In Catholic paristres the fabrique can without difficulty supply this trifling sum, and in the townships it mast be raised by subscription.

Again, the time which is not fixed upon for this parpose by the majority may be devoted to the extra religious instruction of the minority, if any person can be found to. supply it. . By this arrangement, the majority lose nothing, and the minority are guaranteed something that they would not otherwise get. Every child will have the means of religious, instruction, of a sound and unimpeachable character, up to a cortain puint; and The children of, the majority will, continue to have precisely the same opportunity of receiving any further religious instruction, which they have hitherto been in the habit of eajoying, with this single exception, that it must be given either late or early in, she day, and not, as heretofore, perhaps, in the middle of achool-hours.

I'mere is nothing in this which takes the religious instruction of youth out of the bands of the clergy., It, on the contrary, canfirms it to them. The religion, which it teache in school-hours, is such as they have already approved of, and all beyond is left entirely to their direction.
These views I pul forward, much in the same language', in letters to the Catholic bishop of Quebec; and some of the principal members of the English and Scotch church... The answers. I received were any thing, but encouraging. The piahop, who spoke as the mild representative of the feelings of his clergy, seemed to find no fault with the proposal respecting the extracts, but, directed his chief feara and hostility against the principle which I laid down as the great foundation of my system, namely the importance of bringing the two religions and races together in common schools. He saw in advantage in such, a uuion- (how few Canadians do, or will 'own that they do!-mand he clung with fondness to a scheme, which, together with the bishops of Montreal and Sidyme, and in the name of, the Catholic Church, he had developed in a petition to your Lordship for the establishment of exclusively Catholic schools for the children of that persuasion.

He also feared the powers, which, in the system of which I drew him a sketch, I proposed to give to the superintendent or chief officer of education. He assumed that ihis functiopary would never be a Catholic, and that he would invariably turn his influence against the Cutholic Church. But, in the first place, I cannot see the justice of the assumption; and, secondly, whatever his religion may be, and indeed however illiberal his propensities, I conceive that my aystem would be moguarded against the possibility of this species of abute," as to render the attempt much more dangerous to hímself than to the, religion which he sought to injure.

The hostility of some leading members of the Protestant Church, was founded upont the principle which has become so painfally familiar of late years in these educational controversies. It is expressed in the 7 th of a series of resolutions adopted at a meeting of some members of that body, a ahort time after my departure from Quebec, "That we feel. it our duty candidly to avow the conviction, that, on the part of a Protestant Goverament, no system of education whatever should be termed a national one which is'not based on'the great Protestant principle of theie unvestricted use of the Holy Scriptures;" in other wordi, upoin the most unational principle of exclusion of nine-tenths of the population. The recpgnaition of this principle would he barren of any useful consequences to the Protestant Cfiurch, and it would be a declaration of war against the Catholic' Charch, whose ninistery have been the only men of station among the French Canadians who never forfeited theirfidelity to the mother country.

But why introduce the discuision of this principle into a school-system? I am for the unrestricted use of the Scriptures,-my Catholic neighbour is against it; but w'e are both agreed that, practically, in schools their use mast be restricted; and therefore it would really seem very foolish of either of us'to forego the advantages of education merely'for the sake of auserting a principle which is not in the alightest degree affected by our assertion of it on such an occasion.
I am far from proposing to abandon this principle. In the pulpit, or by the family frer side, I would maintain its truth; but I conceive that its assertion, as proposed by the petitioners, would be attended with no practical advantage, but, on the contrary, with the great practical evil of for ever alienating the affections of the majority of our colonists, and of thivarting the surest means remaining to us of regenerating this unhappy land,

I do not wish to be underatood as admitting that these are the opinions of the entire Proteatañt clergy; perhaps the exceptions are as numerouk. The Episcopalian clergy are almost unaniunously hostile to my scheme, the Preshyterian divided; but I fancy that I may claim the sympathy of a vast majority of the different bodies of.Dissenters.
I lardly developed my views to one of the laity of British origin, who did not cordially enter into them. From this class the strougest support will be given to a liberal scheme. The laity of French origin care strongly averse to the amalgamating principle, and. of course still more so to the kindred principle of Angtiffitition, upon which this as well as all future Canadian institutiona must be baped. Suich principles of course shock their feelings of nationality, and they would in all probability for a long time keep back their children from the contemplated schools, were not still more unpopular means resorted to to iuduce them to conform, namely, taxation. Hitherto unaccustomed to: any contributions, she imposition of one even for this purpose would at first be considered a great hardship. But it is ide to dream of giving good instituctions to Canada without calling upon its jnhabitants for direct pecuniary aid. It is visionary to think of suppôrting an extensive system of edication, simply by grants from the public chest, and equally so to rely oin the voluntary sacrifices of a people, who would rather see their children altogether suneducated than set the dangerous precedent of doing any thing for themselvys.

To indirect taxation, I found many Canadians not averse; but, upon argument, I found them differ greatly as to what' were the best objects of such taxation : and the more general and better opinion I think was, that such a resource was uncertain and inadequate. However, there are many reasons besides its greater certainty, in favour of direct taxation. There is no waste in collection, and the parties who pay see how their money is applied. The feeling is irresistibly forced upon them. "If we are obliged to pay, we will have our money's, worth ;" and however unpopular the schools miglit be, the tax would soon fill them.
This rruth I have shown, by extracts from their reports, to hiave been fully and frequently acknowledged by committees of the House of Assembly.

The principle adopted in the American systema would perhaps be the best ; viz. to require each school district to furnish, by assessment among its inhabitants, an amount at least equivalent' to the sum apportioned to it from the public funds. In the towns, perbaps, it would not be unrensonable to tax to twice that amount. After all, this tax; levied as it would be; generally, and according to certnin proportions, upou the community at large, would fall far more lightly thsi did the demand, under former systems, upon parents sending their children to school of paymient ate the rate of 2 s . per month for each.
Supposing that 59 children attended school for eight months in the year, formerly 50 parenti would have had tò pay 16 s . per annum a piece, making in all a sum of $40, \mathrm{l}$. Now I suppose. in such a school district I may safely say there would be 100 taxable inhabitants. Accordingly, each (assuming they were taxed equally) would only have to pay 8j. to make up the 40l.; or supposing an exira 2 s . a piece necessary for fuel and books, only 10s. or two dollars. It is hardly worth wibile combating the argument, 'that the expenses of the education of children should be borne by their own parents, and that they cannot juslly be imposed upon those who receive no benefit. They all receive a benefit; and if A.'s child cannot go to school because neighbours B., C. and D., who have no children', will not help ta, support the school, these same worthy neighbours deserve no public assistancein' detecting or punishing the depredations which A.'s child, from want of a good moral education, and the yiciaus habits engendered by idleness, comunits upon their property, or any oiber outrage he perpetrate against them.
". Dr. Meilleur, a member-of the House of Assembly; always an active member of the

Appendix (D.) Education Committee, and one of the principal framers of the rejected Bill of $183 \overline{6}_{n}$ says, in the "Populaire" of the 10th September 888 , that among other duties of docal, arustees
 depuis l'age de 6, nns jusqu'a celui de 12 inclunivement, excepte dans le cas d'abseuge en
 dalinquens seraient dans-le cas de payer nusesindics par suite d'une, poursuite intentea par eux, ft d'un jugement sommaire devant Plun des magistrate da oomate yut muntant de telles amendes sil y en avait, serpit employé à procurer aux enfans piavres, les choses nécessaires à leur école, tels que livreq, papierp, \&c. \&cc, L'obligation, pqar, les, pareas d'apvoyer leurs enfuns à líáole commencerait du jourque l'école:de larrodiessement oú serait leur demeure gerait óuverte to
As regards the character of this proposition, it is just as stringent ap mine; butit has the fault of throwing the entire burthen on the parents, instead of dividing it among the locality, Io addition to the payment of half the master's salary, the localities should be made ${ }_{\text {o }}$ morcover, to, sppply the school-house and master with fuel, and to keep hoth honses in repair. Part of ,the original expense of building should be defrayed from the public edur cation fund (provided that the gross amount of sugh payments ohould in no single year exceed a certam amount, say 2,500\%), and the remainder by-the locality.

Perhaps a larger assiatance might be afforded under this latter head from the education fund for the first two or three years, because it would be imposible to bring the whole'system into immediate operation, and many expenses might for that period be saved which pust be incurred in 'asmore advanced stage. These, savings might wish great idivantage, therefore, be employed about this first and indispensable preliminary; and in the course of two or three years every district in the proviuce might be supplied with its schoolroom and master's hquse.

Again, when the pecessary number of houses is built, of course the annual allowance for Lhat purpose will no longer'be requisite. But are there no other purposes for' which it might be advamageously continued? For instance, for the formation of district libraries, the collection of apparatus, \&cc; on the syatem, however, in all cases of simply aiding the voluntary efforts of the district itself.

It is impossible, for me, with my limited statistical eknowledge, to form any but .the noughest calculation of the number of elementary schools at present inecessary.

The population of Lower Canada in 1836 was estimated at about 600,000; of this mumber, perhaps, 100,000 may be said to be inhabitants of the large towns. The average of children between 5 and 14 is generally supposed to be one in five, of the whole, population. Accondingly, there will be in the rural districts 100,000 children of an age to attend schools. Sapposing, then, 1,300 districts were laid down, this would give between 70 and 80 children to each. Of these ugain, perhaps, 20 wculd be leptaway from 80 me cause or another, such as that they atteuded a superior or model school, or that they were infirm, or were employed at hqme in askisting their parents. The remaining 50 would be in regular: attendance, anid might easily be all well instructed by a competent master.

As it is notorious that there are some districts in ine.province habitually very poor, and , that others are liable to occasional distress, it will be advisable to have a yearly sum to.bring to their and ; such sum never to exceed 2,5001 . in any one year, and not more than 10 l. to be given to any one district.
In addition to the elementary schools, it will he necessary to have some pf a higher description dispersed over the province. Indeed it may be as well at once to adopt for this purpose the provision of the Bill of 1836 , by which it was proposed to erect a model school in each county.

The eost of these to the education fund, supposing an "allowance of 50 ' $l$ a $a_{0}$ piece to $4 \rho$ counties, would be 2,000 l. per annum, A sum of $20 \%$. additional might withburt difficulty be raised in each connty, so as to raige she master's salary to 70 h ; the allopvance of the 60 2. being in every case conditional in the previous collection of the 202.
These model schools are of infinite importance, because, they not onjly supply the means of a beuer hind ofieducation to the better classes in each connty, but may be made to hold out strong incentives to the aurbition of both masters and scholars of elementary schools.

By the masters they might be considered in the light of io prizes, to which any one of them might reasonably aspire; and a promotion to which; supposing an equality of qualification, should go by preference to an elementary, schoulmaster of the county in which the vacancy occurs.
Again, there might be ntached to each model school, to be raised in like manner from the county, a sort of scholarship of the yearly value of 10 ? This sum, which of course may be increased to any amount that is pleased by voluntary subscriptions, 'should be devoted towards the maintenance' at the model school of a best boy from each parish, to be elected by the inspector or school visitors of the parish from candidates from each school in it. This boy should intend to devote himself to the occupation of teacher, and after Graxing completed'his studies there, should have a certificate of qualification for the ${ }^{146}$ indigent list" at a normal school, or some academy receiving government assistance.

There are 40 counties in the province, and, on an' average, six parishes 'or'townships in each. Accordingly, each beat boy would receive a'litule more than il. 13 s'a year towards his maintenance, which, would be a consideration to many who at the model schools would be our of reach of their own homes, and which, taken with its consequences, would present an infinitely preferable object of ambition to that of the 10 's. prize-money of past byatems: I am aware how unevenly this fixed reward would operate in different parishes according to
the number of school districts in them ; and, no doubt, the suggestion is strsceptible of much improvement. My object is merely to throw it out as one which will be adyantadeously kept in view,
${ }^{4}$ Thust there would be in' every district an matiter doing ihis best to be promoted to the phodel school", tind a rivalry among the stholars to be'sent there as "c best boys.". ' From the model schowls these latter would get certificites' for the normal schools, and ultimately obtain miasterabips which would ensure a provision for life.

In the three normal' schools soo l. per ahnum should be devoted to the gupport of the.偪 indigent list," Which wold contain 240 members, upon' the calculation of parishes above referred $n$; thas assuring to each such merbiber an aid of alftle more than 2 i. per anhum: -The nature of these schools is too welt knowí to require any minute description: Attached to each should be an elementary schiool, where the fatare nastefs sliould have the opportunity of learning the most approved method of teaching; and I woald strongly urge that to each should also be attached a considernble farm, on which the pupils'should daily: work, and where, vader the superintendence of a competent professor, they should make themselves perfectly aequainted with the various modern improvements, in agriculture. Hereafter, when the nationat system is'in full operation, it will be necessary to require of every person deairing to be a sehoolmaster under it, ' $\alpha$ certificate of qualificiation' from the normal school or some other, which shall be deemed an equivalent qualification. I should conceive that each of these three schools to beefficiently surpported would require an annual support, at all events, for 'a long period, of 1,000 l.:

Both normal or model schools ought immediately to be set on foot, bécause they may both be made to supply one of the firat wants of the new systeni, namely; competent teachers. It is very clear that many of those first appointed, whatever pains may be taken to select them, will be in theed of instruction themselves. I would therefore suggest, that all masters of elementary schools should be obliged for a certain period every year to attend the model actroals in their county, until- they receive a certificate of "complete qualification "for their duties. "With this view there must either' be a difference between the times of Facation in the model and elementary schools, or the masters of the latter during their atrendance'iat the förmer' must 'provide' teachers to carry' on t̂heir' business for them. 'By' this preparatory edication the competency of future masters would be ensured. They must also, of course, hring to the normal schools, and carry from tifem untarnished, testimonials of good private character. If at a subsequent period any of them should be guilty of any great immorality, they will be remored by the proper authorities.

The certainty of a salary of a least zol. per annum, besides house and fuel, and the firt'ther prospect of promotion to a model school, or' to some better supported' (from lacal advantages) than their own, would hold out sufficient inducement to' men of character and tailent to follow the calling of teacher, which then, instead of beisg; ais now, the worst in the country, would be among the best; Perhaps the erection of new institutions; or the provisions of new laww, such; forinstance, as those of a Registry Act, may create duties which the schoolmaster may' be the most'ftting'person'in the locality to perform. "Here at once there wond be a afety-valve' for all that wast talent which I have described as findihg' no outlet under the present \$ystem, and endangering society by its irregular' outbreaks: Here are at once 1,300 new places of profit to which welleducatéd men may look for honourable support.

- But not only are these incentives held out to masters; their power of doing harm is much abridged; all interference with politics is interdicted, under penalty of removal; their powers of interference in matters connected with religion are atrictly limited; their scholars are obliged to bring with them books specified by a superior authority; in short, little is left to a master's mere discretion; his chief care must be to act up to bis insiructions, and to maintain his character for decency and diligence.

I now come to the provisions for inspection and supervision, in which the vitality of every syatem of education mast essentially reside.: However good the scheme may be in theory, with whatever precautions it may be guarded in written books of rules and Acts of Parliament, all is: of no avail unless that scheme is watched, and those precautions enforced by an honest and active inspection: The church, and more especially the Catholic branch of it, have long maintained that thia education of the people is emphatically their department, and ought by right to be subjected to their immediate control. Heretofore, when that body monopolized all the learning of the times, it was' right to concede this claim; but a different distribution of intelligeace exists in'the present day. The science of education is now more genernlly known, and a more general interest felt in its advancement. The people every where assert their right to some share in the management of institutions for which they pay, and which are intended for their benefir; and a long' experience has shown the advantage of paying well for direct responsibility over confiding to the zeal of unremurferated, and therelore independent, service.

Clerical controt and national schools are incompatible in a conntry where there exist two religions; and it' is very certain that the clergy would'not be over anxious to carry out as
scheme

[^0]Appendix (D.) schene founded, like the one which $L$ have aketched, on the pridiciple of perfect religiouse equality.

The Catholic clergy are very hostile to any plan whith does not give them the nominam tion; of masterg, int all eventa, in Catholic parishes. They assert that there ia no other guaguatee of thein morality: :Therexperience of the olass of persona who filled that office. Mnder previous Canadian syatems, by the appointment of illiterate' and partizar trusteeg; juistifies to agreat extent their jealousies on this joint; but 1 conceive that, under the managemeat which I hape in view, there is no noom for their apprehensionsa

But I would give the resident clergy a concurrent power, with the Jocal trustees in, thex selection of manters a and in their character of visitors, which they should be; eq officio in all their purish sqhools, they would have the; opportunity of reporting upon; pay migcon* duct which thay might discover in them $x_{x}$ and forcing an investigation by the proper authosilies., That this inventigation is not to be honeatly conducted under the prechutions which. I propose tó enforce is an ungeneraus and papyarranted imputation.
I I now çame to, the question of popular or local centrol. The past eystehs, which left. the entire directionto trusteses elecied by the inhabitants, afford a bad example of the con-: sequances of unchecked local control ; and, if a new; sgatem, however superior, in otherrespecta, weré, left to similar management, I \&ee no reason for expecting for it a different fate at At the, same time, in matcers so interesting to every locality as the proper conduct of the schoolitianters, the proper expenditure of school monies, and, in geperal, the proper working of the school syatem, it is clear that they should have some direct and, con-, siderable coptrola; Perhaps, however, jnatead of tuking, up any more time by abstract arguments, it yill be better to give at once. a silight sketch of the machinery by, whichif propose to carry on; the government of the national, aystem.

I will begin by asguming , that the country is to be divided into municipalicias, of anextent suitable to the operption of my plana, In each mupicipality a certain number, (say three) schpqheommiasioners should be elected, in the same munner abd at the same, time an the other local officers. One of these thould go out yearly, there being, howevery: no restriction as to re-election. Their daty shonld be to receive the goverument. allowance for all, the schools, in the muticipality, and to distribute their respective shanes to the trustees of each district. The legal estate in all the elementary, mehopl-hpuses in their municipality, and in all the, real property, attached to them, should be vested in them $\%$ and they should direct s gubject to appeal, the formation of new districts*. They would have. to report to the inspector annually upon, the financial concerns of, the municipality: under their management; and also, at the proper time, upon, the diatricts that they have formed, or those that they have, proposed and have been objected, to, together with the statements pro and con.

A, district being formed, three trustees should be elected by the inhabitants, in the same. manner and fut the same period as the commissiopers. Their duties would be to superintend, the financial concerns of the district. They would have to collect the, tax, ynd hold the, govermmentiallowance, making quartelly paymets of both to, the master. "They would also see, that the provisions of the law respecting the repairs and warming of the schoolhouse, \&c.; were properly attended to; in short, they, would manage the daily concerns of; the school. To them in conjunction with all the ministers of religion in the parish or townabip, should be intrusted the appointment of the' master. Of coome the person they select must possens the certificate from a normal or other school; inghort, all the qualifications, required by liv. Once, or oftener, they munt' report to the inspector. and a, copy of their report be posted in some conapicuons place, or deposited somewhere where all the inhabitante might, have access to it:
There should also be a. board of achool visitors in each municipality, composed of the following members; the resident miaisters of religions two residents appointed by the inspector, and two annually by the municipality. Their dutien should be to inspect the reports of the commisioners and trustees before presentation to the inspector, and make their comments thereon if necessary; to visit (in a body of three at least) each. school four times-a year, nt-irregular periods; and without notice, and to report-quarterly to. the inspector. A copy of their report should also be placed within reach of the inhabitants of each district. If there is any difference of opinion among the visitors, the snme should be expressed in the report.

In the three large towns this management 'must'be slighty different. In each a certain number of public elementary, schools (liable of course from time to time to considerable variation) should be established by commissioners elected for that purpose, in the same mianner as the other municipal officers. At the same time should be elecied (say 19) trustees to hove, sinnilar powers, with those in rural districis, a certain number going olit: yearly, and others being elected in, their stend. The visitors should be the heads or seniors of each religious denomination, or their, deputies; five persons elected by the municipality; and five by the inspector- The same regularity of reporting and publicity, \&c., will be required here as in the country.

The province should le divided into three inspectorships, comprising as nearly as possible an equal population, and under the direction of three inspectors appointed by the Governor; one to reside at Quebec, another at Montreal, and the third either at Three Rivers, or some more convenient place.: Their duties should be to receive and collate, the

[^1]xeporis of all subordinate officers : toidetermine, sabject to appeal to the superintendent, all questions relating to the schools in their inspectorshipi and to report twice a year to the guperintendent; each xeport to be printed in phe or more; newapapera most in circulation. in that part of-the:couniry, and acopy to , be sent ta each munioipality. Opice' ${ }^{2}$ yeary if possible, or, at all events, twice in.three years, they , hould vigit every school of ewery graded in their inspectorship, receiving government gid. These are offices of so much importance, that in order to attract well-qualified persons a handsome' salary muat be attached. to them. For this purpose, I shonld think 4001 a year to each would be sufficient nwith an: additional 100 l . for.travelling expenses.
The office of 'inperintendent or chief officer of inatruction ought to be" one "of the bighest dignity in' the province.: He should keep himself (and so should the inspectors), under penalty of removal, completely aloof from politics., He' is to be trustee of the permanent education fund, and is to distribute it according to the precribed proportions: He will have to lay down rules 'as to what books are to'be used 'in schools, the hours of attendánce; \&Eco., and to interpret the Act under which' the systém is created. His décisions should be binding in all matters relating to school discipline." He-should receife' the reports of the inspectors, and lay thiem; together with his' comments on themr, as well as his observations on'the general concerns ant condition:of edacation'in the province,' annually before the legislature. This report, like all the others, shontd receive the widest possible circulation. He should reside at the seat of government;' wheres s'h' office and secretary should be found him, and should have a suitable salary, gay 8ooli a yeart'; As the' working of the ' aystem will materiahly depend "upor'this officer, it is needless. to urge the necessity of r discreet selection, and of the most careful accaracy in defining his powers. Both the and the inspectors should hold offree daring good belaviour. There is some difficulty in determining the authority by which their alleged offencess should be tried, and by which,' 'in case of conviction', they should be removed. Perhaps, if a new court of appeals is eatablished, on the principle which I understand is in your Lordabiip's coñtemplation to recommend, such would "be the most fiting tribunal to adjudicate in these .cases:

Sucti, then', miy Lord, are the:'principles on which, in my opinion, a national system of eđucation for Lower Candá should be baiedd, and such the rough outline of the machinery' by which it should be wơrked. I have made no attempt at otiginality; but have constanty kept in view, as models, the systems 'in'force in Prusgia and the United Staters,' particularly the latter, as being more adapted to the circumstances of the colony. The office of inspector is somewhat new to that sgstem; :and provides, I think, against its most serioua defects, but almost every other suggestion which 1 have made is vindicated by the most succeasful experience in one or the other of those countries.

From a syatem so founded and so managed, I anticipate the happiest resufts. It would be one inito which religious dissensions could not find their way, and which political men would bave' no poiwer to pervert. 'It would impress upor the people the important truth;' that education was ais much their own concern as that of their rulers.' It would forward energetically the great national objects we ahonld have in view,-uniting the two races and Anglifying the Canadian. It would be provided with teaclers well qualified in station, character and aequirements'; and pursuits of utility would be encouraged in forms at once
popular and practical. $\%$ A generial feeling of emulation would be created, both among migsters and pupils, by the prospect of honourable and substantial distinction. Ita. faithful administyation would be guaranteed at once 'by the interestedness of its subordinate officere; and the disinterestednesa of the superintendent and inspecturs ; but, above all, bythat bestor human securities, the perfect publicity of its minutest details.
3 That such a system will at first be assailed by a great'many objections', I will.admit." By. the great mass of Distenters and by nearly all the British laity, 1 believe, it will be fully approved. And, indeed, 10 each of those parties, among which its opponents will be found: there will te many parts of it highly acceptable. All religious denominations, for instance. will approve of its guarantees against polnical contumination, and politiciuns will not fud faule with its being placed out of the control of the Church. Of course, a variety of exceptions, may be taken to the deailif of my scheme, partieularly to my imperfect development of them, but by these 1 do not profess to abide. I thought some such sketch as I have given was necessary for the illustration of it, and I aim quite ready to believe that in. order to , render it pructicable, mâny important alterations must be made.
If; however, the unpopularity and not ibe intrinsic merits of measures is to be a consideration now, I should conceive that the trouble of legislating for Lower Canada might as well be spared. Unless the principle of Anglification is to be unequivocally recognized, and inflexibly carried out, of conrse all sucl proposals as mine must fall io the ground; but, if it is to be secognized and carried out, where will its popularity be found? Is it not, iox other words, 'waging direct wai with the dearest 'prejudices 'and fondesi' hopes of the vast majority of the people? and car any cantion, in the way of half-measures or of delay, deceive them as to the object; or dizarm or even mitigate their hosility? It is not without feelings of sincere aversion that those who avow liberal principles' of government can so far abandon them; ass- to entertain propositions. like these for trampling upgn the opinions and feelings of themajority. Bat, yer, in Lower Canada, original blunders and continuous' miammagement have produced such desperate diseases as to leive none but desperate remedies. The colony will not be worth our keeping unless it is Anglified. The French $\therefore 303$.

## APPENDIX TO REPORT ON THE AFFAIRS OF

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A question sfill' requains-x How is this syatem to be supported ?" The annuat demand onthe perthanent fund for the maintenance of the elementary schoolnystem; When it is, in full operation, would, on the foregoing calculation, be about as follows:-


The elementary schools in the three great towns, are still upprovided for, Oansidering their Jarge population,' and that there every child ' would be within reach of the schools, a less sum shan 1,000 . a year to each of the cities of Quebec and Montreal, and 500 l . to Three Rivers, would not be sufficient. Befare, however, either, should be entitled ta its grant, it ahould have raised, by tuxatiop, a aum of zwice that amount. This would raise The qnanal charge on the education fund to 35,000 . The cost to the inhabitants, to be raised by tax and added to the ahove sum, would be, in town and oountry, -
'Towards'masters'salaries in elementary schools

Great as these two amounts appear, they are not dnder either head andarge as would have been regnired to carry out the provisions ofitle rejected Bill of 1836 . The sum to hide beea atipplied from the pablic chest, for the support of elementary model and normal schools, woild have amounted to upwards of 40,000 l. per annum;' and the following' sams: would tiave been raised from the inbabitants by assessiment, of by monthly pr irregular payphents.

The country was to be divided imo 1,658 districts. Now, sapposing, that in each-school there ras only the minimum number of children (asamely 20) in attendance for eight months onfy in the year. Each of these being required to pay ase per month, the aggregated payments under this head, arising from the inhabitants, would have amounted to 26,5286 This is su'pposiag, as have said, that only 90 children were in attendance; at each school; or 33,160 in all; whereas the number of children throughout the province, between 5 and 14 years of age, is calculated at about 100,000 .
In addition to thése monthly payments, localities were-made to contribute 2,ono $L$ a year as, their share towards the salaries of masters of model schools. Their share in the cost of building schobl-houses, was to have been 2,000 I. a y ear at-the least, I believe; and estimating the cost of books at only 72 l., there would be coming on the whole from the pockets of the inhabitants, in respect of elementary education in the ruraf districts alone, a yearly sum of 30,6007 .; Whereas under the system I propose, the inhabitunts of the same districts would be only taxed to the yearly amount of $\$ 5,000 \mathrm{l}$. There is this further difference, I think, in favour of mine, that the raisiag of the $30,600 \mathrm{l}$ fell entirely upon, at most, " 33,160 parents, whereas my $25,000 \mathrm{l}$. will be divided probubly between 200,000 tax payers.
Under the system, then, proposed by the Bill of "1836 $33_{2} 160$ children zinght receive a very miserable educatiow'at a cost of about 7 , 000l. per'annum; under tha system I propose, at least twice that number' of children may receive a very excellent education at a Yearly cost of only $57,000 \mathrm{l}$.

Still, however, the question remains unanawered, from what sonrce is a permanent education fand of $35,000 \mathrm{~L}$ per annum to be, raised ? The oaly means tomards it at present available to the province, are the yearly revenues of the Jeauis! catates and the 20,000 $\boldsymbol{l}_{0}$ belonging to the same fund, which are "or which ought to be, in the hands of the recuivergeneral. The $20,000 \%$. if well invested, might produce $1,200 \%$ a year; and the estates under



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 few, exceptions, every one relse in the province would hail it as a lifippy expedientr'for at the same time putting an end to a great national quarre), and conferring a great pationnal boon.
It in impossible to, estimate with eny exactnesm the velue pf ahis concesilon to the edacition fund; but perkapait may; be wafe to siyy; that, in addition to what may be permangenly secured from, the apove sma iother soutces, sannual appropriations of from so, oiol to $25,000 \mathrm{l}$. will still be needed from the provincial treasury. This is much to be regretted, but there is no alternative. Complete independence of the legisiature is of course ynattainable ; but itis to be hoped that, if that body is ; reconstituted or reformed; the canse of education need not henceforth apprehend danger from the indifference or dishongsty of any of its component parts.

In his annual report, the syperintendent will lay before each branch of the legislature an account.of the expenses of the system, and, after meeting them as far as he is able by its "permanent funds," will apply to the province for the remainder. If this is refused from any capricious motives, the system must fall to the ground; but sucti/a refusal would argue a state of things in which it would be impossible for education or/any other useful institution to thrive.
l have as yet said nothing of the encouragement of superior educational institutions. The best system for adoption respecting these would perhaps be one closely resembling that in force in the state of New York, namely, to distributc annually a fixed sum between all the establisbments of this grade in the province (with certain provisions as regards legal incorporation, property, and tuition) in proportion to the number of pupils attending each. They should have been incorporated in accordance with the provisions of a general incorporation law, and their permanence thereby secured. They should have been endowed to a certain reasonable extent, and their teaching should be of a certain, character, so as to give them the rank of academies or colleges. They should be subject $f 0$ an annual visitation of an inspector, and be required to conform to such purely literary jajunctions as might' from time to time be specified as conditions of the public grant. One invariable condition should be the teaching of English, in a manner satisfactory to the inspector.

An amount of probably from, $4,000 \mathrm{l}_{\text {, }}$ to $5,000 \mathrm{~L}$. per annum would be biecessary to serve ${ }_{\sim}$ as 'an incentive to the erection and endowment of such institutions. A portion of this sum might with advantage be laid out in ihe shape of a contribution towards academies, which should themselves raise a like sum, ( $50 l$, for instance) for the purchase of books and apparatus. It would be desirable also, in comsideration of the lamentable deficiency of the means of superior education within reach of the higher and middle classes of British origin to devote 250 l. per annum'towards the support of each of two large English grammar or public. schools at Montreal and Quebec, upon a like sum in each place being first of all provided by voluntary contribution. These schools, however, should be open to all, the teaching being entirely in English. The same restrictions as to religious instruction should be in force as in the elementary schools. The trustees should be chosen by the subscribers ont of their own body. The nomination of the masters should originate with them, but be subject to the approval of the superintendent; and, in case of disagreement, the Governor should decide.
'Nor would this annual grant of $5,000 \mathrm{l}$. for superior education quite equal those made for a similar purpose for the lust five years, the average of which was about $5,200 \mathrm{l}$.
The claim upon the permaneat fund would now, for the entire support of every'species of education, amount to $40,000 \mathrm{l}$. per annum.
I have before noticed the great anxiety of the higher class of colonists of British origin for the establishment of a university. I am fully sensible of its advantages, but will abstain -from saying more on the subject than that its character and means of support must depend miaterially upon the nature of the future government of Canada. If any union of the British North American provinces is effected, a university, jointly endowed by them, might be erected on' a most comprehensive scale, embracing faculties of arts, theology, law, medicine;' \&c. Its proper seat would seem to be Quebec.
In conclusion, if any system such as I have sketched should ultimately be adopted and confirmed by law, I should strongly recommend that it should gradually be put in force by a board of coumissioners somewhat ginilarly constituted to that of the board of Poor Law Commissioners in this country.
The following would be among their earliest duties, To set the normal and model schools in operation, and at once open the elementary schools on the new system in the

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Such, my Lord, are the priucipal suggestions for a future plan of education for Lower Camada, which the past hitory mad present condition, af that counitrys and athe amalogies of similar experiments injother cauntries, in my opinion, combine in recommending$\because$ In laying them bafare your Lordship, I am fuly sensible iof their many imperfections.

I have, \&re.
(siggeed) Arthur Buller.

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## Appendix (A.)

## Jesuits' estates.

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(A. 2.)-A ariere Fiefs within the Jesuxta' Estates.

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|  | Ditto - - | 30 January - 1836 | John Leather - <br> J. and J. Jeffery |  | $150-$ |  |  |  |  |
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| Seymuory of Cape Mag- | Reserve for use of Eorget Grist mill | $\begin{aligned} & 24 \text { Aprii }=1834 \\ & 10 \text { October }=1837 \end{aligned}$ | Honourable M. Bell - <br> J. Marchand | $\begin{array}{r} 10 \\ 7 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 75- \\ 146- \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \text { January }=1834 \\ & 20 \text { Qetober }-1844 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |
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(A. 6.)-Statement of the Expenses in the Office of the Commision fr for the Management of the Fitates heretofore belonging to the late Order of Jesults, in each Year, from 1 October 1831 to 30 September 1837.

(A. 6.)-Statrigent showing the Arrbars due in the Properties comprising the Estatrs heretofore belonging to the late Opder of Jeseris, at1 October 1831, and 1 October 1837,

(A.76)-Computed Gross Ansual. Revenueit of the Estanze heretufore belonging ta the late Oader of Jebuits, exclusive of Lods el Ventes.

(B. 1.)-Statument of the Receiptio and Exprnazs of the' Seigniory of Sillery, for each Year, from a October 18gı to 30 September 1837 .


Office for the Management of the Josuits', Eatates, $\}$
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(B. 2.)-Statement of the Recerpis and Expenses of the Seigniory of Saint Gabriel, for each Year, from 1 October 1831 to 30 September 1837.

(B. 3.)-Statimant of the Receipts and Expenaes of the Seigniory of Notre Dame des. Aiges, for each Year, from 1 Octuber 1831 to 30 September 1897.

(B. 4.)-Statrment of the Receipts and Expeñseq of the Seigniory of Belair, for each Year, from 1 Octuber 1831 to 30 September 1837.

(B. 6.)-Statement of the Receipts and Expenises of La Vacherie held en Roture, for each Year', from i October $18{ }^{2} 37$ to $\mathrm{g}^{0}$ September 1837.

(B. 6.)-Statement of the Receiprs and Expenses of the Property situated within the City of Quebec for each Year, from 1 Octuber 183 to 30 September 1837.

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| Office for the Management of the Jiauite Estaten, Quefoc, 29 August 1838. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | art, Com |  |

(B. 7.)-Statemunt of the Recelpts and Expenses of Lands at Puint Lety and St. Nicholas, within the Sejgniory of

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| " | 1835 | " | 1836 | - $7.910^{-}$ | $216 \cdot 3$ | $\begin{array}{ccc}2 & 16 & 3 \\ 7 & 9 & 10\end{array}$ | - ${ }^{8} 78$ | - | $\cdots$ | $\begin{array}{ccc}2 & 10 & 8 \\ 6 & 14 & 104\end{array}$ |
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(B. 0.) Stitempat of the Rechipts and-Expensess of the Seigniory of Cape Magdelen, for each Year,from 1 October 1831 to 30 September 1837 .

(B. 10.)-Statement of the Recerpts and Expenses of the Propeaties situated within the Town and Banheue of Three Rivers, for each Year, from 1 October 1831 to 30 September 1837.

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Office for the Mamagement of the Jesuta' Estates,? Quebec, 3 October 1838.
(B. 11.)-Statemqnt of the Receipts and Expenses of the Seigniory of La Prairię, for each Year, from 1 October 1831 to 30 September 1837.


Office for the Management of the Jesuita' Eatales, $\}$
(C. 1.)-Llist of Censitaitres in the Seigniory of Sillery.

(C. 1.)-List of Consitaires in the Seigniory of Sillery - continued.

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| $6 \mathrm{Mar}, 1833$ | Gea. Pemberton - | Gca. Pemberton | 20.35 | 17858 | - - | - - - | 1785081 |  |
| 6 Mar. 1833 | Dom. Daly - ' | Dom. Daly - | 165 | 17888 | - | - - - | 17.588 |  |
| 30 Nov. 1881 | William Walkor - | Willam Walker | 2140 | 23.12113 | - | - - - | $231211 \frac{1}{2}$ |  |
| 30 Nov 1831 | Jone B. Forsyth - | Jas B. Forsyth | $\cdots 70$ | $11-7$ | - - | - - | 11. -7 |  |
| 15Aprul 1834 | Henry Oliver | Henry Oliver :- | 940 | $\begin{array}{llll}12 & 7 & 2\end{array}$ | - - | - - | $\begin{array}{llll}37 & 4 & 1 & 3\end{array}$ |  |
| 20 Oct. 1894 | Williem Quinn - | Willam Quinn'- | 1060 | $139-$ | * | - - | $\begin{array}{lll}40 & 4 & 6 \\ 715\end{array}$ |  |
| 12 June 1832 | C. N. Montizambert | An. M'Cug | 1080 10 | $\begin{array}{llll}14 & 7 & 1 \\ 17 & 15 & 7\end{array}$ | $\because:$ | - | $\begin{array}{lll}71 & 15 & 5 \\ 17 & 15 & 7\end{array}$ | $25 \quad 29$ |
|  | A. W. Cochran | A. W. Cochran |  | 171571 | - - - | - - - | . $1715 \quad 76$ |  |
|  |  | Currency | 135 | 1559114 | - - - | * - * | 406-10 $\frac{1}{6}$ | $76 \quad 710$ |

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(argred) Louis Panet, Agent
(C. 2.)-Lıst of Censitames in the Seigniory of St. Gabriel.

(C. 2.)-Liat of Conutairem in the Seigriory of SE Gabrial-mantinued.

(C.2.)-List of Cemuitaires in the Eeigniory of St, Cabrial-continued.

(C. 2.)-Lins of Cenuitairen in the Seigniory of St. Gabriel-continued.

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|  | , | Joan Pageot <br> Antoinc Bedard, P. Joseph Rochette Ambroiea Talardean Charles L'Héro Louns Falardean Jean Savard Jean B. Folardeau | E <br> $=$ <br>  |  | $\begin{array}{rrrr}\boldsymbol{E} & 1 . & d . \\ 104 & 12 & - \\ 16 & 16 & - \\ 16 & 4 & - \\ 86 & 2 & - \\ 6 & 10 & = \\ 107 & 18 & = \\ 221 & 2 & - \\ 149 & 10 & -\end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{rrrr}\text { f. } & \text { s. } & d . \\ 3 & 6 & - \\ 1 & 8 & = \\ 18 & 6 & - \\ 93 & 2 & - \\ 7 & 8 & - \\ 16 & 19 & - \\ 229 & 10 & - \\ 164 & 4 & -\end{array}$ | £. s. d. |
|  |  | Anclen Coum | - - | 1,860 18 2 | 40,765 1711 | - * . | 41,348 910 |  |
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(signed) Louis Pand,
Agent.
(C. 3.)-Libt of Cengitaires, \&ec. in the Seigniory of Notro Dame des Anges.



(C. 5.)-List of Cannitaires, \&e, in the Seigniory of Iotre Dame dee Augien-Old Concemiona-contipued.

(C. 3.)-Liat of Cenuituires, \&ec, in the Eoigniory of Notre Dame des Anges-Old Concenaions-eontinued,

| Date of Original Grant, | Name of Original Concedee. | Name of <br> Preseat Holder. | Arpenta in Superficiea. | Annual <br> nent. | Arreara at 30 September 1831. |  | Arreary at 30 September 1837. |  |
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| 38 | - | Jgen Pepin Jean Lienard J, B. Pepın Fro. Falardeau Jean Dedard A. Grenier |  | $\begin{array}{cccc}\text { f. } & s . & d \\ 7 & 14 & - \\ 2 & 14 & - \\ 1 & 18 & - \\ 21 & 4 & - \\ 11 & - & - \\ 1 & 10 & -\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr}\text { d. } & 2 . & d . \\ 819 & 10 & - \\ 63 & 6 & - \\ 48 & 19 & - \\ 1,111 & 19 & - \\ 357 & 10 & - \\ 45 & - & -\end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{rrrr}\text { f. } & 8 & d . \\ 755 & 6 & \\ 79 & 10 & - \\ 60 & 7 & - \\ 1,230 & 3 & - \\ 384 & 6 & - \\ 54 & - & -\end{array}$ | $\boldsymbol{f}_{\text {s. }} \mathrm{d}_{6}$ |
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|  |  | Currency - - - |  | 723 | 1,585 3 -1 | $3210-$ | 1,547 19 87 | 2934 |


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| 5 Feb. 1829 | Oegrge Charch | Gtorge Church |  | 11. 10 - | 3410 - | - - |  |  |  |
| 12 Feb .1829 | James Kelly - | $\because \quad$. |  | 4384 | - 1210 - | - - | 371 - |  |  |
| 12 Feb. 1829 | James M•Kcusio | - - - |  | 48103 | $\begin{array}{cccc}13 & 6 & 8\end{array}$ | - | 40 - - |  |  |
| 18 Feb. 1829 8 Aphl 1829 | John Parker Martin Ray - | $\cdots \quad-\quad$. |  | 1368 | $40-$ | - - | $120-$ |  |  |
| 1 Junc 1829 | Patrick Foristel | - $\quad=$ |  | $\begin{array}{cccc}13 & 6 & 8 \\ 4 & 8 & 103 \\ & \end{array}$ |  | - - | $120-\overline{-}$ |  |  |
| 5 Jma. 1881 | Jobn O'Nal - | - - - |  | - 71112 | 22134 | - |  | $\cdots$ |  |
| 12 June 1881 | Willam Hoynar | . - . |  | 31564 | $11{ }^{11} 68$ | - : | 34 - - |  |  |
| 2 July 1880 | Ed., Landers - | * - - |  | 8.1794 | 17156 | - | 71 - 2 |  |  |
| 2 July 1830 | James Phelan | - . - |  | 48104 | 817 6x | - - | 351113 |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 18 \text { Nor. } 1830 \\ & 80 \text { Der. } 1830 \end{aligned}$ | P. Courtuoy - | $\cdots \quad \pm$ |  | 48104 | 817 94 | - - - | 3511 入t |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 22 \text { Dee } 1830 \\ & 1 \text { April } 1890 \end{aligned}$ | John Mrason - Jannes Pailey | $\pm . \quad \pm$ |  | 81789 | $1715{ }^{15}$ | - - | 3511212 |  |  |
| 30 April 1839 | Petrick Mrhon | - - - | 3415 | $\begin{array}{cc}7 & 11 \\ 8 & 4\end{array}$ | ${ }^{15} 22!$ | - |  |  |  |
| 30 April 1832 | Denia Mahon | - - - | 7415 | 84. | - $\quad=$ | - $\quad . \quad$. | 41 - - |  |  |
| 35 Aug. 1832 | Daniel M'Donald | - - . | 14980 | $1611=$ | - - | - - | $461 \overline{13}$ |  |  |
| 10 Jkn . 1895 | Willinm Saundera | - - - | $4{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 48101 | -31 272 | - - | 66113 <br> 57 <br> 15 |  |  |
| 30 Oct. 1832 | Jumes Cullen | - - - | 141 | 15134 | 312 |  | 78 <br> 78 <br> 15 |  |  |
| 33 Mar. 1893 | J. Langerins, ex. | * - - | 154 - | 1782 | - | - - | 881112 |  |  |
| 6 Aug. 1883 | A. Frover - | - - : | 7745 | 81111 | - - | - - | 34 4 6 <br>    <br> 18   |  |  |
| 22 Feb. 1824 | P. Courtney - | - - - | 40 - | - 48104 | $22 \quad 4 \quad 54$ | - . - | 4817101 |  |  |
| $280 \mathrm{ct}$. | ${ }_{3}$ John Hall - | - - - | 7835 | 8134 | 22. |  | $3418{ }^{4}$ |  |  |
| 9 Oct. 1885 | Petar Brand - | - - - | 100 - | 11224 | 661542 | - - - | 13369 |  |  |
| 2 Oct. 1826 | Jamen M'Kensio |  |  | 81794 | 448104 | - | 9715 G3 |  |  |
| 1 Aug. 1826 | Patrick Buckloy | $\cdots \quad-$ |  | 81791 | 44810 |  | ${ }^{97} 975{ }^{15}$ |  |  |
| 15 Jin. 1825 | Mat M'Goman | - - - |  | 48104 | 31224 | - : | 5715 6t |  |  |
| 19 J.n. 1825 | Fram Bedard - | - . - |  | $4810 \frac{1}{4}$ | 31.292 | - | $57156^{5}$ |  |  |
| 10 Jan- 1825 | A. Thammon - | $\cdots \quad-\quad$. |  | 4.8104 | $3122{ }^{2}$ | - | $5715{ }^{6}$ |  |  |
| 29 Ang. 1826 | Gearge Boylet | - - - |  | 81794 | 448104 | - |  |  |  |
| 29 Feb. 1899 | J, M M Ledd, - | - - . | 80 - | $8179{ }^{81}$ | 26134 | - | $80-\mathrm{-}$ |  |  |
| 31 Oct. 1881 | William Browno |  | 80 | 81798 | 20.4 |  | $\begin{array}{llll}53 & 6 & 8\end{array}$ |  |  |
| $23 \mathrm{Mar}, 1888$ | Michas Kenny Charlat Litule | - - - | $\begin{array}{r}80 \\ \hline 8\end{array}$ | 81798 | - - - | - - - | . $44 \cdot 810{ }^{3}$ |  |  |
| 24 Aug. 1835 | John Parker - | - - - | 148 3195 | $\begin{array}{rrrr}16 & 8 & 101 \\ 3 & 8 & 104 \\ 8 & \end{array}$ | - - | - | $\begin{array}{llll}82 & 4 & 4 \\ 13 & 4 & \end{array}$ |  |  |
| 11 July 1831 | Denis Semmoz | - . . | $80-$ | 8179 | - | - | 1315 | , |  |
| 19 Feb. 1833 | Robert Conn - | - - | 40 | 48108 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 26 Nor. 1834 | Richard Conn | - . . |  | 8179 |  |  | 22 4 5 <br> 26 13 4 <br>    |  |  |
| 20 May 1833 | I. J. Duchemay | - $\quad=$. |  | 711.14 |  | - - | 26 30 30 |  |  |
| 1 June 1831 | William Aud | - . - . |  | 71114 | - $=$ | - - |  |  |  |
| 4 May 1838 | William Dobbin | - . . | 102 - | 11.6 |  |  | $\begin{array}{llll}45 & 6 & 7 \\ 45 & 6 & 8 \\ 4\end{array}$ |  |  |
| 5 Apri'1832 | Wiliamy Bradfond | - - . | 6818 | 71118 | " |  | 45 <br> 45 <br> 45 |  |  |
| 30 Oct 1832 | Michnel Dunn | - . | 34 | S 15 61 | $=-$ | - | 18 17 9  |  |  |
| 9 June 1832 | Chriatopher Wileon | - - . | 97 | 1015 64 | - - | - - | 53317 |  |  |
| 13 Nov. 1826 | Thomur M ${ }^{\text {Niff }}$ | - - - | 12270 | 131292 | 68118 | - - | 14914 |  |  |
| 19 Mar. 1883 | Jamea Kelly - | - - - | 80 | 81791 |  |  | 4488109 |  |  |
| 13 Fcb. 1827 | John Byrne - | - - - - | 120 | 1368 |  | - - - | 146 <br> 18 <br> 18 |  |  |
| 12 Feb, 1829 | Jamen M'Kensic |  | . 10 | 48101 | 15688 | - - - | 40-68 |  |  |
|  |  | nemen Cours | 2,708 73 | 397681 | 778112 | - - - | 2,896 15 |  |  |
|  |  | Currency | - | 161112 | 32 - 24 | - - | 12013113 |  |  |

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(C. 4.)-List of Censitairas in the Seignory of Belair.

| - Date of OrIGinal Grant. | . Name of Original Concetec. | Name of Prewent ǐolder. | Arpenta in Superficien | Annual Rent. | Arreara at so September 1831. |  | Arreara at 30 September 1837. |  |
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|  |  |  |  |  | Cens ct Rentes. | et Ventes.Lods | Cens et Rentes, | Lods et Yentec. |
| - |  | Michel Conutantip Pierte Robituillo <br> pierte Allana, pere <br> Jean Robitaille - <br> Etienne Robitalle <br> Jorchum Plamondon <br> Andre Plamondon <br> Pierre Mostan - |  | $\begin{array}{ccc} f_{4} & s_{9} & d \\ 17 & 17 & 0 \\ 2 & 6 & - \\ 6 & 18 & - \\ 2 & 6 & - \\ 2 & 6 & - \\ 8 & 7 & 9 \\ 4 & 8 & 104 \\ 8 & 8 & 104 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr}\text { £. } & 8 & d \\ 17 & 17 & 91 \\ 8 & 6 & -1 \\ 273 & 2 & - \\ 2 & 6 & - \\ 76 & 2 & - \\ 144 & 2 & 24 \\ 250 & 4 & 5 \\ 169 & 8 & 11\end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{rrrr}\text { £. } & \text { s. } & \text { d. } \\ 80 & 8 & - \\ 2 & 6 & - \\ 13 & 16 & - \\ 2 & 6 & - \\ 89 & 18 & - \\ 112 & 7 & 8 \\ 220 & 1 & 2 \\ 223 & 2 & 2\end{array}$ | f. s. d. |
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New Concessions.




(C. 6.)-Statement of Concessioms and Salma Constitht in the Farm of La Vacheria.

|  |  | Name of |  | nten |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Arrear } \\ \mathbf{3 0} \text { Septem } \end{gathered}$ | ars at <br> nber 1831. | $30 \mathrm{Se}$ | ber 1837. |
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|  |  |  |  | A. s. d. | f. 8. ${ }^{d_{1}}$ | ${ }^{2}$ | E. Jr A. | f. \% d ${ }_{0}$ | E. \&.d. | E. a. d |
| 24 Mrar. 1834 | 3 Sichat Churtret |  | 6,820 |  | $63^{2} 11$ | $3314$ |  |  |  |  |
| $42 \mathrm{Mm}, 1884$ | John Yanderheyder | WW Tormuen | \$,160 |  | $\begin{array}{llll}47 & 35 & 6 \\ 76 & 4 & \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} 8 \\ 8 & 7 \\ 3 \end{array}$ |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{rr} 9 & 1 \\ 3 & 16 \end{array}$ |
| 24 Mar. 1884 | Mre. W. Tourangesu | Iry. W. Tournugear | 8,569 |  | $\begin{array}{llll}76 & 4 & 6 \\ 78 & 16 & \end{array}$ | 3-16 <br> 3 <br> 3 <br> 18 |  | - - |  |  |
| 21 Mrar. 1834 | J. W. Fextion - |  | 7,804 |  | 7216 | 318 6i |  | - |  |  |
| 38 Aodit 1881 | J. B. Nadeall - | Et. Recon - | 2,400 |  | ${ }_{35}$ | 115 |  |  |  |  |
| 31 Oct. 1831 | John Wimon, | Olivier Labbe | 2,400 8,400 |  | 35 | 1115 115 |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 151515 \\ & 10 \\ & 10 \end{aligned}$ |
| 29 Aont 1831 | Olivier lambl |  | 2,400 |  | ${ }_{70}^{85}-$ | $115=$ |  | - |  | $\begin{aligned} & 1010 \\ & 18 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| 31 Oct 1831 | Mlarue Débigare | - $\quad$. | 4,800 5,508 |  | ${ }_{80}^{70} 86$ | ${ }^{310}$ |  | - |  | $\begin{array}{r} 810 \\ 24.111 \end{array}$ |
| 31 Octe 2891 | 'J. B. Biparaette ${ }^{\text {Jou, G. Tourangeay }}$ | $\cdots \quad$. | 6,508 | $\cdots$ | $\begin{array}{llll}80 & 6 & 8 \\ 62 & 6 & 5\end{array}$ |  |  | $\square$ |  |  |
| 24 Oct 1831 22 Alout 1881 | Jot, G. Tourangesu |  | 4,270 |  | 69 8 5 <br> 85 -  <br> 8   | $3{ }^{3}$ |  |  |  |  |
| $92.0 c t .1881$ | Jacques Trembl6 | - - . | 3,984 |  | 882. | $218 \cdot 1 t$ | - - | $\cdots$ | $\pm 8$ | 178 |
| 22 Aout 1831 | Framgois Falardear | - - | 11,493 | - - | $16614^{*} 71$ | 868 | - | - | - - | $80-6$ |
| 19 Août issa | Jow. Jan, Duval | $\cdots \quad$. | 6,783 |  | 9817 01 | 41801 | - | - | . | 9911 |
| 31 A000t 1833 | Lonia Nórtay | - - | 2,400 | - | $85-$ | $115-$ | - | * | $\because \quad *$ | $7{ }^{7}$ |
| 92 Aoút 1831 | Jatres Miarmhall | - - | 6,783 |  | 981818 | 418116 | - - | - |  | 22 |
| 28 Aout 1831 | Jeen Chartre | - - | 6,783 |  | 9818 4ij | 418116 | - - |  |  | 29 is 6 |
| 22 Aoutt 1831 | Adolphe Larpe | " | 6,783 |  | 9818 觬 | 418114 | - | - $\quad$ |  | 2313 |
| 28 Bhi 1838 | Sean ML, Bourbeaul - | - '. | 2,400 |  | 35. | $115-$ | - | - |  | 7 - |
| 28 Mal 1833 | Louia Lexpgloir | - - . | 2,400 | - | 85 - | $1185-$ | - | - |  | ${ }^{2} 15 \cdots$ |
| 28 Ami 1833 | Charles Fortict | * - * | 3,030 | $\pm$ | 4459 |  | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ |  | ${ }^{61} 126$ |
| $30 \times 1004 t 831$ | Louit Morena | - - * | 4,800 |  | . 70 | $310=$ | - | - |  |  |
| 17 Aodt 1838 | Olivier Fuetto ${ }^{\circ}$ | - - - | 2,400 |  | 35 | 215 | $\cdots$ | - |  |  |
| 59 Avril 1884 | Jacquen Marcite - | - - - | 2,400 |  | ${ }^{35}$ | 116 | $\vdots \quad$ | - |  | $7$ |
| 11 Sept. 1838 | Damunico Seconelh | - ** | 9,400 |  | $33^{5}-$ | $\begin{array}{ll}1 & 15 \\ 1 & 17\end{array}$ |  | - |  | ${ }^{7} 8$ |
| 20 Dec. 1832 | George Vine - ' | - * | 9,580 | - . | 87126 | 117 |  |  |  | 98 |
| 81 Aout 1883 | Henry Geimmun | $\bullet \quad-$ | 2,400 |  | 35 - | 115 | - ' |  |  | 179 |
| 97 Aotit 1881 | Jsaie Cermain | - | 3,930 | - | 68 \$ | 218 |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{\text {S }}$ ¢ 17 Aotit 1833 | Lonie Noreat |  | 2,400 |  | 313 | 115 |  |  |  | $10 \stackrel{7}{70}$ |
|  | Louin Norean Joe. Mhreotte |  | 2,409 2,400 | $\cdots$ | 35 | 1 1 18 |  |  |  | 1010 10 |
|  | Jow. Terrieu - | $\cdots$ - | 2,400 |  | \$5 | 115 | - - |  |  | 7 |
| 17. A04t 1883 | J. B. Lafontaine | - - - | - 2,400 | - , | 35 | 116 |  | - - |  | - |
| 9 Avril 1895 | Jos. Allé - | - $\quad$ - | 2,400 | $\pm$. | 85 | 115 |  | $\cdots$ |  | 5 |
| 17 Aolit 1833 | Auguatin Dugal | * . $*$ | 2,400 | - - | 36 | 15 |  |  |  | 7 |
| 31 Octi. 1832 | L. Martinette, dit $\}$ | - - | 2,400 |  |  | 115 |  |  |  | 7 |
| 23 Aoưt 1831 | Disto - |  | 2,400 |  | '35 | 115 |  | *** |  | 1010 |
| 22 Adout 1831 | Pierre bidégaré | Edouard Dabean | 2,400 |  | 35 | 115 |  |  |  |  |
| 22 Andit 1831 | Fra, X. Latouche :- | - - | 2,400 |  |  | 118 - |  |  |  | 1010 |
| 2 Avril 1838 | Che Mataul |  | 2,400 | - | 35 - - | 130 | - | - $\quad$ |  | 1010 |



|  | Name od | Name of - |  | Reantes |  |  | Arneare at 30 Septamber 1831. |  | Arm | reary at mber 1837. |
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| 23 Aoat 1831 | Jean Autry |  | 4,80 | $f \begin{array}{lll} f & a & d \end{array}$ | 70. | $\begin{array}{ccc} x_{1} & x_{6} \\ 3 & 10 & d . \end{array}$ | f. t. d. | $\&_{0} d$ | f. a. d. |  |
| 31 Juillot 1892 | Louia Bidegaré |  | 4,800 |  | 70.- - | 310 - |  |  |  | $1710=$ |
| 17 Juin 183 | Andre Tranqú |  | 2,400 |  |  | 115 |  |  |  | . 8 |
| 3 Oct. 1881 | Lewin Pepin |  | 3,600 |  | $5210^{\circ}$ - | 2120 | - |  |  | 1815 |
| 31 Oct. 1891 | Thow Legalle |  | 4,800 |  |  | 310 |  |  |  | 1710 |
| 4 Doc. 1839 | W. Rogere - | W. D. Dupont - | 2,400 |  |  | 115 - | - - | - |  | 1010 |
| 31 Oct. 1831 | Pierre Bidégurt |  | 2,400 |  | 34 | 115 .. |  |  |  | 1010 |
| 22 Adat 1831 | Pierro Bedard, ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |  | 2,400 |  | 35 | 115 |  | - |  | 1010 |
| 24 Oct. 1831 | Etieant Boucher | Andr6 Bedurd | 2,400 |  | 35 - - | 118 |  | - |  | 7 - |
| 22 Aout 1831 | Jean Montigay | - | 2,400 |  | 35 | 116 |  | - |  | 010 |
| 21 Supt. 1843 | P. Deblot, ditioutio |  | 2,178 |  | 31183 | $1{ }^{11} 180$ |  | - |  | 6 7, 4ti |
| 31 Oct, 1831 | J. G, Pergita * |  | 8,016 |  | $75 \quad 5-$ | 3153 | - | - . | - - - | 18163 |
| 22 Aoat 1881 | George Vine - | Pierre Boispeau - | 11,628 |  | 7218 | 8121 |  |  |  | 812.1 |
| 22 Aolit 1881 | Louis Richara | - . | 3,204 |  | 48 | 2885 | - - | - |  | 141088 |
| 31 Oct. 1881 | Plerre Lancler |  | 0,520 |  | $140^{\prime}$ - - | 7 ... - |  | - |  |  |
| 0 Mni 1832 | Pruagois Labelle | - * | 6,222 | - - | 90149 | 410818 |  | - |  | 221388 |
| 21 Oct 1881 | Jacquen Parent |  | 1,761 | - - | 25810 | ${ }^{1} \mathrm{~s} 00^{3}$ | - | - - | - | 52 |
| 3 Septi 1884 | $J$ Jacquen Pareat | Felix Bedard | 1,7611 |  | . 261010 | 1 6. 6 |  | $\cdots$ | . | 3196 |
| 31 Oct. 1891 | Frelix Bedard |  | 1,761 | - - | 5318 | 2131 | - - | - - | . . - | 15.186 |
| 31 Oct. 1881 | J. B, Bettrana | Francois Goseclin | 1,761t |  | 261010 | 1664 | - . |  | - | 502 |
| 30 Arril 1838 | Jean Dupina - | - - | 3,529 | - - | 475 - | 273 | - + |  |  | 1436 |
| 17 Mrai 18382 | Adrien Rey - | J. D. Gomelin | 3,523 | - - | 5318 | 213 | - |  |  | 7195 |
| 31 Oct 1831 | Joweph Sampmon |  | 1,729, |  |  | 15 2t |  |  |  | 711 1. |
| 3 Oct. 1881 | Presre Doafie | Pierre Doatie et $\{$ | 1,6851 |  | 2411 6t | 146 \% |  |  |  | 419 1 |
| 7 Avril 1834 | Margtaerita Dapont $\{$ | Jneques Roumeau | 1,761 |  | 261010 | 1636 | - - | - | - | 3197 |
| 21 Mart 1838 | Franpois Gomelin - | - | 3,640 |  | 475 | 27 s |  |  |  | 11163 |
| 31 Oct 1881 | Jomeph Roumean | - - | 2,2063 |  | 32515 | 11234 |  |  | - | $2{ }^{2} 7$ |
| 31 Oct. 1831 | Lousis Dopras |  | 1,8001 | - | 268 - | 16.3 | - | - | $\cdots$ - | 6113 |
| 31 Oct. 1831 | Piarre Soupretto | - . | 1,980 |  | $28-\sim$ | 18 |  | - |  | 88 |
| 29 Avril 1894. | Proupère Paitras | - - | 1,040 |  | $28 \quad 510$ | 1883 |  |  |  | 513 |
| 4 Jumn 1838 | Promptre Poitris | - - | 1,940 |  | 6851 | $\begin{array}{lll}5 & 8 & 3\end{array}$ | $\vdots$ | - |  | ${ }_{7}^{6} 1616$ |
| 31 Dec. 1831 | Antoine Fecto | - $\quad$. | 3,055 |  | 441111 | 1471 | - |  |  | 7775 |
| 7 Arril 1832 | Thom A. Placo | - | 1,940 |  | 241151 | $1.4 .61{ }^{\circ}$ | - . | - | * | 772 |
| 7 Avit 1884 | Prank Damplene | - '- | 1,940 |  | 288510 | 1.831 | - |  | * | 4.101 |
| 28 Avtil 1888 | Thos, A. Plince | - . - | 1,940 |  | 23151 | 13 901 | - ${ }^{-}$ | - | - - | 7280 |
| 31 Oct. 1881 | Abraham Leolhir | - - - | 2,400 |  | 34113 | 11464 |  | - | - | 10868 |
| 29 Mri 1884 | A. Mrarette, dit Lepine | - - - | 2,310 | - - | 33139 | $1138 \frac{1}{2}$ | - | - |  | 375 |
| 31 Oct. 1881 | Charlen Parant | - - . | 2,250 |  | 32163 | 11293 | - | - - |  | 31617 |
| '31 Oct. 1831 | Frangois Verrot | $\leq$. | 2,190 |  | 31. 129 | 11188 | - | - . $\cdot$ |  | $910-1$ |
| 23 Arrill 1882 | Frappols Emond - | - . - | 2,130 |  | 3113 | $111-\frac{1}{4}$ | - . | - | - | $9104 \frac{1}{2}$ |
| 13 Juillet 1835 | A. Savin, dit Latou- |  | 2,070 |  | 303 | 11023 |  |  | - | 5 |
| 31 Oct. 1831 | Jacques Norma |  | 2,400 |  | 35 | 15 |  |  |  | 1010 |
| 21 Aoct 1833 | Etienne Morency | - . - | 2,400 |  | 35 | 115 |  |  |  | 55 |
| 28 Marr 1883 | Michelcrana - | - - $\quad$ | 2,400 |  | 35 | 115 |  |  | - | 1010 |
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| 110 ct 1881 | Jom Picund | Andre. Mexard | 2,400 | - | 35 | 115 |  | - - | - | 310 |
| $31.0 c t, 1831$ | Jeman Lalibert'́ | - . | 2,400 | - - | 35 | 115 |  | - - | - | 1010 |
| 3 Ogt. 1835 | Etieque Morency | - - | 2,400 |  | 95 | 115 |  |  | - | 310 |
| 5 Aodit 1895 | Pierre Baillargeon | - - | 1,400 |  | 45 | 115 | - | $\cdots$ | - | 310 |
| 12 Sept 1884 | Purre Bailargeon - | - | 2,400 |  | $35-$ | 115 |  | - - | - | ${ }^{6} 5$ |
| 4.0 uin 1834 | Aurt Marency | - - | 2,400 |  | $35-$ | 115 |  |  |  | 55 |
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| st Oct. 1881 | Jou Maroeus - | - . .. | 2,400 |  | 35 | 115 | - |  |  | 310 |
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| 8 Avril 1882 | P. J. Courtney | - * " | 3,408 |  | 49.14 | $2{ }^{2} 8888$ |  | $\cdots$ | - | 1418 2\% |
| 31.0 ct 4831 | Michel Beaumond | - . | 2,400 |  | 35 | 115 | - | - | - | 10.10 |
| 31 Oct. 1881 | L. Foucher - | - - | 2,400 |  | 35 | 115 | - * | - | - | 55 |
| 310 ck 1832 | Muchel Dheummont | - | 2,400. |  |  | 115 | - - | - | - | 62 |
| 118 sept 1883 | Joo. Lepine - | - | 2,400 |  | 35 | 115 | - - | - | - | 55 |
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| 4 Avril 1835 | Peter follt. | - . | 18,373 |  | 18010 6d | $9-648$ | - | - | - - | 34314 |
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| 30 Jun 1883 | Frana. Bodard | - - - | 9,400 | $\cdots \cdot$ | 4010 LI | $2-6 i f$ | $\therefore * *$ |  | - | $4110 \%$ |
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| 7 Mril 1834 | Nichel Murtin | - - | 2,943 |  | 48184 | 2211 | - - | - - | - - | 48.9 |
| 28 Avril 1832- | George Reynar | - . | 5,265 | * | 7615 - 74 | 3-16 91 | - - | - | - | $23-88$ |
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| 17 Août 1883 | Jaman B. Gillbert | - - | 1,920 |  | 55834 | $2 \begin{array}{lll}2 & 15 & 2\end{array}$ | - - |  | - | $11-8$ |
| 17 Aotit 1898 | Jean 3. Gilbert | - | 1,920 |  | ${ }^{55} 38.4$ | 215.2 | * | - |  | $11-8$ |
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| 30 Juin 1834 | Alex. Rommell, emy. | - | 3,480 | $\cdots$ | 8015 - | 210.9 | - - | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 7, 123 |
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Lowis Pronet, Agent.
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(C. 7.)-Liste des Censiraires de la Séigneurie de Batiscan.-Anciennes Concessions.



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| 48 | －－ |  | Pierre Mmette＇ | 100 |  | － 244 | － | 112 | $-76$ | 10 8 <br> -7  |
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| 47 | － | －－ | Francoin Lehoulier | 120 | 4 | $\cdots{ }_{-}-31$ | － 6 ＂ |  | －2 12 |  |
| 48 | －－ |  | Francoin Trottier－ | 177 | 7 | － 3 䛧 | － |  | $1 \begin{array}{lll}1 & 3 & 3\end{array}$ |  |
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| 88 | －－ | －－－－ | Jooeph Dural | 225 |  | － 98 | － |  | 1 9， 16 |  |
| 83 |  | －－－－ | Joweph Biron | 125 |  | － 34 |  |  |  |  |
| 84 |  |  | Jean B．Birom | 30 |  | －－9 ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | － 10 |  | － 488 |  |
| 55 | －－－ | －－－ | Frapaia Despins | 80 |  | $-\mathrm{-}^{11}$ | － 110 |  | 56 |  |
| 86 | 90 Nor 1775 | Tamh Morev | Claudo Intury | 90 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 87 88 | 20 Nov． 1775 | Jomeph Morear－ |  | 60 |  |  |  |  | 6 |  |
| 89 | －－－ | －－－ | Jean Caya－ | 80 | $\frac{1}{2}$ | －${ }^{\text {g }}$ |  |  |  |  |
| 60 |  | －－－ |  | 80 |  | $-19$ |  |  |  |  |
| 61 | $\cdots$－ | －－． | Godfroid Durand ． | 80 |  | － 10 |  | －－ | － | 868 |
| 62 | －－－ | －－－ | Joucph Labissounièro | 120 |  | －1．32 |  |  |  |  |
| 68 | －－ | －－．－ | Jon¢ Labiasa | 40 |  | $-111$ |  |  |  |  |
| 64 | －－ | －．．－ | ＊ | 60 | $t$ | $=2 \frac{21}{1}$ |  | 544 |  | 644 |
| 65 | －－ | －．－－ | Fri．Moreau et Cohéritiers | 160 | 1 | $-3$ |  |  |  |  |
| 66 | －－${ }^{-}$ | －＊ | ＂$\quad$－ | 10 | $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{Mr}^{\text {c }}$ | $-21$ |  |  |  |  |
| 67 | 20 Nov． 1775 | Jomph Morean＊ |  | 148 |  | －－ 1 |  |  |  |  |
| 68 | － |  | Antuipe Lapimonnjière | 160 | 18 | 18 -10 |  |  |  |  |
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| 71. | －－－ | －${ }^{-}$ | ＊＊＊ | 80 |  | － 233 |  |  | 4 |  |
| 72 | 20 Nov．1778 | Jomeph Moreau－ | ＂，＊ | $149$ | － |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 75 | $\because \quad-$ | $\cdots \quad$. | Cuthiort Sharchanto | 80 |  | $=14$ | － |  | －2 2 |  |
| 76 | －－－ | －－－ | Hilaire Mrechant－＊ | 80 | 7 | $-26$ |  |  |  |  |
| 77 | －－ | $\cdots * *$ | Franpois Brunelb－ | 80 |  | － 14 |  |  |  |  |
| 78 | － | $\cdots \quad-$ | Joueph Brunelle | 80 | ＊ | － 14 |  |  |  |  |
| 79 | －－ | －－$\quad$ ． | Pierte Branello | 88 |  | －－ 5 |  |  |  |  |
| 80 | $\cdots \quad-$ | －－－ | Louid Brurello－ | 68 |  | －－ 7 |  |  |  |  |
| 81 | －$\quad$－ | －－ | Zephir Brunelle ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 65 |  | $-7$ |  |  |  |  |
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| 108 | －＊ | $\cdots$ | Louis Beldout | 164 | － | －22 | ＊ | － |  |  |
| 108 | －－ | －－－ | Alexin Gendron | 54 | － |  |  | $\cdots \cdot$ | － 48 |  |
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| 116 | 22Arril 1816 | Jear Qufpy＊ |  | 72 | －－ |  |  |  |  | ， |
| 117 | － | － | Jean B．Brunelle | 28 | －－ | $-18$ | －－ |  | 110 |  |
| 118 119 | － | －－ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 80 \\ & 8 a \end{aligned}$ | $\ldots$ |  | 4 － |  |  |  |
| 119 120 |  |  | Francoia Machildon Joweph Lecourcièn | $88$ | $\cdots{ }^{-1}$ | $-4 \begin{gathered} 9 \\ -1 \end{gathered}$ | $43-$ |  |  |  |
| 120 | $\begin{array}{cc} \text { 3Mni } & 1674 \\ \text { AMsi } & 1664 \end{array}$ | Frampais Frigop | Joneph Lacourciène | $76$ | $\cdots$ |  |  | 9118 | － 0 － | 878 |
| 121 | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{cc} \text { 4 Mai } & 1667 \\ 3 \mathrm{Mai} & 1674 \end{array}\right.$ | Jead Lemoine－ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 80 \\ & 60 \end{aligned}$ | －－ | $=19{ }^{9}$ | － |  |  |  |
| 192 | $3 \text { Mai : } 1674$ | Prampoin Prigou | Franyois Lacourciets Amabla Leoourciçre | 80 | － | $\begin{array}{ll} -1 & 8 \\ -8 & 8 \end{array}$ |  | －－ | 119 |  |
| 124 | 16 Not． 1518 | Jomph St，Cyz－ | Amion Lecme | 60 | － | － 3 日 |  |  |  |  |





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| $212$ | 22 Mate 1783 | Jenm Srepugres - | Olivier Tinda, enayer |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 214 | 93 Ftar. 1798 | Jemp Lefabvre | Pierra Lafiove | 80 |  | $-331$ | -183 | 13144 | 166 | 1314 |
| 215 |  | -. - | Jeat B. LixG | 80 |  | - $3-\frac{1}{2}$ |  |  |  |  |
| 216 | - - |  | Medaune Guilmal - | 75 |  | - 40 |  |  |  |  |
| 17 | - $\quad$ - |  | Mraderes Guilmak - | 32 |  | -18 |  |  |  |  |
| 218 |  |  | Pierre PǴrigny | 75 |  | $-47$ | 176 | 10-0 | $215-$ | 10 |
| 319 | - - |  | Heritiem, Siman Nayatto | 75 |  | $-26$ | 176 |  | 215 |  |
| 220 | - - | - | Louis Magay, | 75 |  | - 29 | \}: |  | 111 "6 |  |
| 221 |  | Axtoine Miongraina |  | 45 |  | - 49 | ${ }^{\prime}$ |  | - 81 |  |
| 229 |  | " . ${ }^{\text {\% }}$ | Louir Magay, ale Frangoin Tindel | 45 105 | - | $-42$ | - - |  | - 8 |  |
| 229 |  | - - - | Fragois Tiadel | 105 20 |  | $\pm 7-1$ | \}. - |  | $210-$ |  |
| 225 | 20 Fevra 1799 | Hyacinthe Nobert | n | 90 |  | - 63 |  |  |  |  |
| 226 | - - | Herta | Pucahnil Lixá | 80 |  | - 688 | \} 2109 | 1416 | 5136 | 141 |
| 227 |  |  | " ${ }^{-}$- | 50 |  | - 24 |  | 1416 |  |  |
| 288 |  |  | Pierre Lacourciere | 105 |  | -2 |  |  | 1118 |  |
| 299 |  | $\cdots-$ | Antoine Broullet' - | 95 |  | - 28 | \} | 3 3 3 | -142 | 33 |
| 230 | 14 Nov, 1814 | Antoina Broaillet |  | 68 |  | $-57$ |  |  |  | 12 |
| 231 | - - |  | Joouph Mrusicotto - | 60 |  | - 230 | - 139 | 4126 | 176 | 12 |
| 232 |  | $\cdots \quad$. | Loula Manicotte " | 21 |  | $-9^{105}$ | $-150$ | - | $\begin{array}{rlll}1 & 1 & \\ -2 & 2 & 5\end{array}$ |  |
| 233 | $\cdots \square$ | - * - | Fraogoin Miasticatto | 60 |  | - 25 |  | - |    <br> 2 15 7 |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 234 \\ & 235 \end{aligned}$ | - - - | - $\quad . \quad$. | Demane Carpentier | 79 |  | $\cdots 5{ }^{5}$ |  |  |  |  |
| 230 | 4 Fevr. 1754 | Jemn Lufond | Luurent Qutpy | 200 |  | -18 |  |  |  |  |
| 237 | 14 Juillet 1710 | P. Mongrain - | Lume quay | 42 |  | - 100 | 218 |  |  |  |
| 238 | 20 Juillet 1762 | Didece Lefebvre | Joneph Lefobyte | 84 |  | - 510 |  | - | 102 |  |
| 239 | - - - - | - - - | Joweph Trudel | 77 |  | - 84 |  |  |  |  |
| 240 | - ${ }^{-1}$ | - - - |  | 20 |  | - 18 |  |  |  |  |
| 241 | 7 Sept. 1817 | Iganeo Predonveau | Pierre and Fra, Jacob | 80 |  | $\cdots{ }_{-13} 6$ | - 70 |  | 110 -5 |  |
| 242 | - | - - | Framçoia Jarob - | 80 |  | - $6-$ |  |  | - 5 - |  |
| 243 | 11 Jan. 1799 | Alexis Realu | Jomeph St. Arraud | 84 |  | - 6 |  |  |  |  |
| 244 | - ${ }^{\circ}$ | - - | Jmoph St. Arnand | 63 |  | - 18 |  |  |  |  |
| 246 | 23 Sept. 1763 | Jean B. Rivard - | Jean B. Veillet | 84 |  | -69 |  |  |  |  |
| 246 | i4 0ct | - - | H Job | 80 |  | - 3.4 |  |  |  |  |
| 247 | 14 Oct 1768 | Nicholes Bol | Laurent Jacolb | 84 |  | +88 +810 |  |  |  |  |
| 248 | *1 Fevr $178{ }^{\circ}$ | Jometh Jeob |  | 75 |  | -810 -811 |  |  |  |  |
| 249 | 21 Four. 1784 78 Sept 1817 | Jomeph Jacob | Eenritiers, Jow, Jacob | 42 30 |  | -3119 ${ }^{3}$ |  |  | -1210 |  |
| 281 | 21 Revr. 1794 | Jowph Jacob | Olivier Frigou | 50 |  | - ${ }^{-717}$ | $-10103$ | 6 | 11276 | 6 |
| 252 | - | - | Charlen Mamicatta | 92 |  | - 6. 9 |  |  | 139 |  |
| 253 | 28 Ferr. 1800 | David Trulel | Anguntine Fresina a | 87 |  | - 62 |  |  | 1186 |  |
| 254 | 23 Sept. 1763 |  | Denia Prenuavear | 83 |  | -6- | 2163 | - - | 4123 |  |
| 28.5 | - | - - . | Edounrd SL Miare | 66 |  | $-33$ | - |  | - 06 | 210 |
| 256 | - in | - . . | Louin Marchant | 66 |  | - 3 3 |  |  |  |  |
| 257 | - - - | - * * | " | 48 |  | -27 | - | - - |  | 8 |
| 258 | - - | - . | Joweph Prenonveay | 160 |  | $-10$ |  |  |  |  |
| 259 | - - | - - . |  | 45 |  | $\therefore 42$ | - - | - " | - 15 |  |
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| 1 |  | - . | Augurtin Frigou | 72 |  | - 417 |  |  | 1186 |  |
| 69 |  | - | Abrinm Friber | 33 |  | $\sim 110$ |  |  |  |  |
| 63 |  | - . - | Abraham Frigou | 72 |  | - 47 |  |  | 176 |  |
| 264 |  |  | " " ${ }^{\circ}$ | 114 |  | -8 |  |  |  |  |
| 268 |  |  | Joumph Dostunier | 12 |  | - 3 |  | ${ }^{\prime}$ |  |  |
| 268 267 | - - | - | ${ }^{\prime \prime}$ | 32 |  | - $22^{2}$ |  |  |  |  |
| 267 | - * | - | Francoin Gerbean - | 74 |  | - 79 |  | - | 2 1 10 |  |
| 268 | - - | - | Antoind Demunier | 38 |  | $-34$ | - | - | $110=$ |  |
| 269 270 | * * | - $\quad$. | Pierre Rivard, file | 42 |  |  |  |  | - 3 - |  |
| 270 | $\cdots \quad$. | - - | Pieme Rivard, peare | 74 |  | - ${ }^{-3}$ |  |  |  |  |
| 271 | - . $=$ | - $\quad$. | $\cdots$ * - | 42 |  | - ${ }^{-1}$ |  |  |  |  |
| 272 | - - b | - - * | Heriter | 30 |  | -3 ${ }^{3}$ |  |  |  |  |
| 273 |  |  | Heritien, Antoina Frigou | 126 |  | $-10$ |  |  | $\begin{array}{lll}210 & - \\ 1 & 18 & 8\end{array}$ |  |
| 274 | 23 Oct 1763 | Churles Flageoid | Jean B. Houde | 78 |  | [ 408 | 49 |  | 1189 |  |
| 275 276 | ". . $"$. | " ${ }^{\text {" }}$ | Angustin Houle | 76 |  | $\begin{array}{r}19 \\ -\quad 8 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 10 |  | $7 \cdot 9$ -  <br> 6 9  |  |
| 277 | 13 Nar. 1798 | Lovir Hemmult - | A | 00 |  | - 5 | 1139 |  | 376 |  |
| 278 | 3 Juin 1758 | Antoine Rivard | Veuva Augt. Grantrille | 76 |  | -42 |  |  | 15 - |  |
| 279 | 13 | A | Françia Lemieur * | 64 |  | - 68 |  |  | $-134$ |  |
| 280 | 13 Nov. 1798 | Antoine Deraurite | , | 68 |  | - 3 - |  |  | -6 |  |
| 281 | - | - ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | \# $\quad$ " | 108 |  | -10 - |  |  | $1-6$ |  |
| 288 | 3 Juin 1758 | Antoine Rirard - |  | 76 | - | $-410$ | - - |  | - 98 |  |
| 283 | 2 Aode 1743 | Jean Lacombe | Lowide Riverd | 76 | - | $\pm 63$ |  |  |  |  |
| 284 | - .r | - - - | Jean Be Mramicot to * | 30 |  | - 23 |  |  | - 180 | 11 |
| 285 | - * | - - - | Jean B. Memicotto perre, | 25 | - - | - 21 | - |  | - 63 |  |
| 286 | - " - | - - | Louia Madicotto - * | 107 | - - | $-810$ |  |  | $\cdots$ |  |
| 287 | - - - | - - . | Dleudount Prenomeau | 72 |  | - 6 | $\cdots$ |  | $56-$ | 115 |
| 288 | $\cdots \quad-$ | - * - | Michel Mramicotio. | 46. | $\therefore$ - | - 39 | 126 |  | $25-$ |  |
| 289 | $\therefore \quad-$ | - - . | Laturent Frapcuar | . 46 | - | - 210 | $\square=$ |  | $-89$ | $-12$ |
| 290 | - ${ }^{-1}{ }^{-}$ | - ${ }^{-}$ | Xavier Zlaribault * | 46 | ** | - 310 | 13 - | 7126 | 2.6.- | 712 |
| 291 | 20 Jam. 1754 | Jeun B. Trotier | Pierre Trotticer | 70 |  | - 48 |  |  |  |  |
| 292 | " | " $\quad$ " ${ }^{\text {" }}$ | Abraham Trottier - | 85 | * | - 6 - |  |  |  |  |
| 293 | - - . - | - . . | Pierre Cloutier | 140 |  | - 10 - |  |  |  |  |
| 294 | - - - |  | Abrukam Jecob | 77 | - | - 40 | 1610 |  | 213.8 |  |
| 295 | - - - | - " - | Jadin Jacobp tils | 77 | - - | - 58 |  |  |  |  |
| 294 297 | $\cdots$ - $\quad$ - | - - * | Jean Lencourciers | 62 | - | - 610 |  |  |  |  |
| 297 298 | - * | $\cdots \quad-\quad$. | Juan B. Lefebvie - | 62 |  | - 4 | - | , |  |  |
| 298 | - * * | - - - | Hypalite Leferivra - | 02 |  | $-41$ |  |  |  |  |
| 293 |  | - * - | Joniph Manicotte | 107 |  | - 56 |  |  |  |  |









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| 856 | 17 Juin 1748 | B．Guillat | Augtatin Vecina－ |  |  |  |  | ＊．＊do |  | $\begin{array}{rrr} \boldsymbol{x} & a_{1} & d \\ 3 & 16 & 3 \end{array}$ |
| 587 | 17 Junalito | － | Ofivier Tourignaut | 60 | －： | 二 58 | － 6 － | －＂ | 117 |  |
| 858 | －－ |  | Jean B．Darrean ． | 40 | －． | － 28 | 1 －－ | － | 1 －－ | ： 310 － |
| 589 | ＊ | －${ }^{\circ}$ | Joua B．Tiftur－ | 60 | －－ | － 56 |  | －－ | 3176 |  |
| 560 | －$=$ | $\cdots \quad$. | Amable Nayotte－ | 30 | －－ | － $22{ }^{2}$ | $3{ }^{3} 88$ | 2－611 | +16 | 261 |
| B61 |  | －$\quad$. | Jean Thivierge－ | 60 | － | － $3^{5}$ | － $13-$ | －－ | 2 |  |
| 868 | －－ | －$\quad . \quad$－ | Frro 8．Amand－ | 42 | － | － 34 |  | $\cdots$ | 175 15 | 484 |
| 864 | －－－ | －．． | Jonio Brouillet－ | 40 | － | －． 26 | －－ | －－ | － 12 |  |
| b85 | －－． | －．．． | Valde Nayotto－ | 45 | － | － 210 | －－ | －－ | － 126 | － 16 8 |
| 866 |  | －．－ | Etienne Valloraut＊ | 30 | －－ | －26 | －－ | － | $25-$ |  |
| 867 |  |  | Jean B．S．Jean－ | 30 | －－ | －－78 | －－ | －－ | －36 | $1-10$ |
| 568 |  | －－－ | William Henderman | 40 | $\frac{1}{2}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 669 | －－ | － | $"$＂－ | 10 | － | － $0^{\circ}$ |  |  |  |  |
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| 572 | －＊ | －－． | $\ddot{\prime \prime} \quad$＂．－ | 40 | －－ | $-38$ |  |  | ？ |  |
| 878 | － | －－ | $"$＂ | 3 |  | －${ }^{-11}$ |  |  |  |  |
| 674 | 25 Oct． 1805 | Veuve Jean B Codin－ | Alexis Ricard | 60 |  |  |  |  |  | ， |
| 575 |  | －．－ | Loun Bolivert | 60 | － | 39 |  | － | 38 |  |
| 676 |  | －－－ | Guy Henderson | 10 | －－－ | $=1$－ | － |  | 1 － | $210-$ |
| 877 |  | －－． | Joweph Hiamelna－ | 2 | － | －－ 1 |  | － |  | $-168$ |
| 678 |  | －－－ | Hywaintho Biron－ | 1 | －－ | －－－－ | － | －－ |  |  |
| 579 |  | －，－」－ | Abraham S．Mara－ | 10 | －－ | $-19$ | －89 | －＊ | － 17 | 176 |
| 680 | $\div-$ | － | Cuthbert Lixd Auguatin Gingrata－ | $1$ | －－ | －－－－ | － | －－ | －－ | $\begin{array}{lll} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 8 \end{array}$ |
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| 2 | 23 Juin 1825 | Leopned Ganthier－ | Pierre Grandmost－ | 60 |  | A A． 711 | A．e．d． | 4.  $d$ <br>  1 $d$ <br>  1 2 <br>  16  | E．4．d． |
|  | 298 | $\cdots{ }^{\prime \prime}{ }^{*}$ | Gupart Grundmont |  | － 6 6t |  |  | － 1678 |  |
| 3 | 28 For 1886 | douned Trotie | ＊ |  | － 568 |  |  | $-1678$ |  |
| 5 | 3Juilet 1826 11 Mni 1825 | achim Drusureunlt－ | Ermin W．Brily | 40 | － | 2 |  | $\bigcirc 1410$ | － |
| 6 | 21 Anatt 1887 | Jowph Fugere－－ | Joweph Fugere | 95 100 | 0 |  |  | 186 |  |
| 7 | 13 Mai 1285 | I．Alichel S．Arnued | Loulis Michel 8．Aran | 47 | $-48$ |  |  |  |  |
| 9 | ＂$\quad$＂ | \％ | Michel S．Arnand ． | 47 | －48 |  |  | 48 |  |
| － | 15 Mrad 1885 | Jnequea Mamicotto | Jaçues Mrancotte | 88 | － 8 |  |  | 86 |  |
| 10 | 16 Oct． 1826 | Louil Baribault－ | Jomph Dumureanit | 22 | － 110 |  |  | － | － |
| 11 | 24 Oct 1835 | Xevier Trudel | Xnyier Trudel－ | 90 | －84 |  |  |  |  |
| 18 | $11 \mathrm{Jen}$. | Igraces Veillet | Narcima Veillet－ | 80 | －42 | $\cdots$ | －－ | ＇5－ | － 5 |
| 13 | 6 Juillet 1825 | Prangois Germain－ | Francois Garmain－ | 100 | －611 |  |  |  |  |
| 14 | 23 Fev． 1828 |  |  | 20 | －－ 11 |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 15 \\ & 16 \end{aligned}$ | 11 Mri 1825 | Raphael Baribault－ | Artoine Demanuiar | 80 | －6 | $110-$ |  | 13 － | 15 |
| 17 | 6 Juin 1825 | Lonis Beribault | Louln Bariben | 50 | － 44 | 16 － |  | 212 |  |
| 18 | 124 Jp． 1882 | Pierre Trepagncr，eer | － | $\begin{aligned} & 50 \\ & 82 \end{aligned}$ | 136 $-\quad 26$ | － 17 | 110 | － | 110 |
| 19 | 24 Ott． 1898 | Oliviere Truded | Oliviere Trudal | 90 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 20 | ＂$\quad$ | ＂＂＊ | ＂＂ | 90 | － 84 |  |  |  |  |
| 21 | 18A00t1826 | Joweph Lefebrre | Yierre Lefiebvre－ | 50 | －4 |  |  | i $i-10$ |  |
| 22 | 17 Jam 1826 | Antoino Giroux | Midame Guiluret | 100 | － 84 |  |  | －-10 |  |
| 43 | 11 Mai 1825 | Rupheel Baribualt | Jean Periguy－ | 71 | － 69 | 139 | 1170 | 2143 | 117 |
| 24 | 23 Fev， 1830 | ${ }^{\text {LLauia Magny }}$ | Louin Mlaphy ． | 50 | －42 | －${ }^{-}$ |  | $1-10$ |  |
| 25 | 17 Arnil 1896 | Joweph Lapornte | Jean 2 Lapointe． | 100 | － 8 | 210 | 10 | 410 － | $-10$ |
| 26 | 12 Juin 1880 | Frapgois Trudel－ | Fraupoir Truded－ | 48 | － 46 | － |  | $-176$ |  |
| 27 | 22Avrill 834 | Pitrre Lecourcitre | Pierro Lacaurcierse | 42 | － 3101 | － |  | － 70 |  |
| 28 20 | $\begin{aligned} & 17 \mathrm{Mri} 1825 \\ & , 20 \mathrm{Mai} 1828 \end{aligned}$ | Antoine Brauillet－ | Antoine grouillet ． | 61 | － 508 |  |  | － 501 |  |
| 30 | 20 Fer． 1829 | Frengois Mramicottés |  | 87 34 | －3， 3 |  |  | －8 |  |
| 81 | 14 Jan 1826 | Dature Carpenticr | Dampita Carpentier | 100 | -31 -84 | －${ }^{-}$ | ＊ | 2103 |  |
| 82 | 16 Sep． 1898 | Louia Barbault | Louis Buribaul－ | 20 | － 14 | －－ | － | － 4 － |  |
| 部 | 160 et． 1826 | Louis Baribaut－ | Charles Fisettin＊ | 10 | － 11 － | －： | － | －53 | －34 |



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|  | 22 | Charles | Charles Fitette | 100 | $\text { E. } \quad d$ $-93$ | A. e. a | $\text { E. en } \begin{aligned} & d . \end{aligned}$ | E. b. d, |  |  |
| 35 | 20 Ṅov. 1829 | Joweph Trudel | Joweph Trudel | 25 | - |  |  |  |  |  |
| 36 | 24 Oct. 1835 | Joseph Trudel | Joweph Trudel | 90 | 84 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 37 | 13 Sep. 1826 | Jomeph St. Arnaud | Joweph S. Aranud | 100 | 84 | 7 | - - | 2117 |  |  |
| 381 | 11 Avril 1825 | Hyacinthe 8t. Cyre | Jean B. Veillot | 50 | - 36 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 39 | 12 Sep, 1884 | Michel Bordeleax - | Pierra Guilmet | 75 | - 5 s |  |  |  | 811 |  |
| 40 | 18 Nor. 1828 | Charies Masaicoto | Charles Masaicotto | 90 | - 81 |  | - - | 218 |  |  |
| 41 | 4 Dec. 1888 | Denin Prenonvean = | Denia Prénonveau | 75 | - 63 |  |  | -189 |  |  |
| 42 | 24 Nor. 1831 | Xavier Prénonveau | Xavier Prénoavean | 75 | -63 | - |  | 1113 |  |  |
| 48 | 13 Mad 1825 | Belarmin Mraticotto | " " - | 48 | - 311 | 1174 |  | $3-6$ | $-2$ |  |
| 44 | 7 Juin 1885 | Jomeph Dusarvenult | Abrina Priou | 78 | - 723 |  |  | $-1410$ |  |  |
| 45 | 12 Mai 1885 | Caximir Baribault * | Abruham Prigou | 67 | - 60 |  |  | 1138 |  |  |
| 46 | 26 Nor. 1881 | Prancoia Gerbear * | Francoia Gerbeau - | 76 | $-63$ |  | - | 1326 |  |  |
| 47 | 22 Juillet 1838 | Oliver Lardo | Pierre Rivard | 75 | - 63 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 48 | 7 For. 1839 | Pierro Rapard | " ${ }^{-}$ | 100 | - 84 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 49 | $11 \mathrm{Jan}, 1827$ | Laurent Houde | Laurnnt Houde, fils | 100 | -8 | -84 |  | 2184 |  |  |
| 60 | 25 Oet. 1826 | Ambroivo Hetizalt | Ambroise Riénault | 75 | - 6 | 1176 |  | 816 |  |  |
| 81 | 22 Juillet 1898 | Olivier Larue | Frangois Lesaicur | 125 | - 105 |  |  | 1-10 |  |  |
| 82 | 17 Sep. 1884 | Narcisce Vallee | Louin Masicote | 50 | - ${ }^{1} 0$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 53 | $14 \mathrm{Jmm}, 1888$ | Laurent Fratecour | Kaurent Francour | 30 | - 29 |  |  | - 11 - |  |  |
| 84 | q0 Nov. 1829 | Pierre Trottier: - | Pierre Troticer | 18 | - 1 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 68 | 20 Nor. 1889 | Abraham Trottier - | Abraham Trotider - | 18 | $\begin{array}{r} 18 \\ -\quad 18 \end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 66 57 | ${ }^{20}$ Novi 1829 | Pierre Cloutier | Pherre Cloutier <br> Jean Jecob, fils | $\begin{aligned} & 18 \\ & 14 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 57 \\ & 58 \end{aligned}$ | 10 Fer. 1830 20 Nov. 1899 | Joan Jacob, fila - | Jean Jacob, fils | 148 | $\begin{array}{r} 1 \\ -\quad 3 \\ -2 \end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 89 | 20 Nov. 1889 | Joun B. Lefebvre - | B. Lefchvie - = | 18 | - 18 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 60 | 19 Nov. 1829 | Hfpolite Lefibure - | Hypolito Lefebrre - | 18 | - 1 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 61 | I9 Nov. 1829 | Jomeph Masicotte - | Joweph Mruskeotte - | 18 | - 18 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 62 | $13^{\text {S Spp. }} 1826$ | Pierre Jacolb | Abrahama Morice | 50 | - 42 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 69 | 20 Nov. 1839 | Louin Leffbrw | Louia Lefebrre | 16 | $-1$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 64 | 5 Mary 1828 <br> 12 Jan <br> 1827 | Vatere Lheureux | " | 92 | a -86 -86 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 66 | $\begin{aligned} & 12 \mathrm{Jan}_{.} 1827, \\ & 20 \mathrm{Nop}_{.} 1829 \end{aligned}$ | Louis Lefebvre <br> Jéromo Dapina | 3 crome $^{\text {a }}$ Dupinu ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 16 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 66 67 | 20 Nov. 1829 4 Fev. 1891 | Jeromo Dupins Frarcois Nobert | Francoia Nobert | 28 | - 27 |  |  | - 15 - |  |  |
| 68 | 20 Nov. 1827 | Joweph Trother | Joseph Tritter | 16 | $-16$ | - - | - | - 46 |  |  |
| 69 | 6 Mare 1826 | Jomeph Mrasicotte - | Oliner Frigou | 92 | - 7102 | 273 | $\pm 39$ | 4146 | 3 | 9 |
| 90 | 6 Jmin 1825 | Louia Baribault - | Pictre S. Arnaud - | 75 | -66 | $1-3$ |  | 119 |  |  |
| 71 | 17 Mara 1826 | Frangois Périgry - | Frangois Péngry - | 120 | - 1010 | 1126 |  | 4176 |  |  |
| 72 | 6 Nhai 1888 | Joan B. Darreaia. - | Belarmin Gerrain - | 80 | - 478 | - 93 |  | 117 |  |  |
| 73 | 16 Dect 1825 | Antoinc Mougrain | Olivier Mamicotto | 50 | - 84 |  |  | 15 |  |  |
| 74 | 13 Mai 1825 | Louin S. Armaud - | Charlen Massicotte, filo | 47 | - 410 | 19 | -49 | 218 |  | 9 |
| 75 | 15 Mhi 1895 | Louia S. Arnaud | Louin Lenieur | 47 | - 410 | 19 | - 39 | 218 |  |  |
| 76 | 1 Juillet 1825 | Jerome Lhaureax =- | Jerame Lheareux | 92 | $-82$ | - 164 |  | 364 |  |  |
| 77 | 21 Dec. 1825 | Wm. Simpron Hienderson |  | 100 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 78 | 13 Mai 1825 | Auguatin inasticotto - | Augublin Masaicotte | 93 47 | 7.10 $-\quad 4$ | $\begin{array}{lll}2 & 7 & - \\ 1 & 5 & 6\end{array}$ |  | 414 |  |  |
| 79 | 13 Mai 1825 | Jucques Mrasicoto | Antoine Lecourciera | 47 | - 43 | 156 | - | 211 |  | - |
| 80 | 19 Nov. 1836 | Moyay Lheureux. - | Morse Lheureux - | 80 | - 7 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 81 | 6 Juin 1825 | Joneph Bourbean. | Joorph S. Mars, fila | 79 | $-793$ |  |  | 1178 |  |  |
| 88 | 16 Deo. 1828 | Astoine Mangrain ' | Hilare Massicotte - | 80 85 | 21 <br> -81 |  | - - | -63 | - 10 | 6 |
| 83 | 6 Jain 1825 | Eustache Nobert - | Eustache Nobert - | 60 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 84 | 16.5 Uullas 1823 | François Duturcault | Frangois Dusaurcault | 60 84 | 56 <br> -781 | 17 B | - - | $3-6$ |  |  |
| 88 | 6 Juna 182b | Joneph Masicotte - | Joseph Mausicotte - | 84 75 | - 79 | - ${ }^{-1}$ | * $\cdot$ | ${ }_{2}^{2} 616$ |  |  |
| 86 | 10 Juin 1825 | Antoine Maschant - | Modeate Duberd ${ }^{-}$ | 75 | - 610 | 1-6 | - | 21 |  |  |
| 87 88 | 10 Sep. 18285 | J. B. Clnuie S. Arnaud - | Jean B. S. Arnaud | 80 | - 74 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 88 | 29 Juiltet 1825 | Joseph Cadotto | Heritiert, Jos, Cadotto | ${ }^{72}$ |  | $2-3$ |  | 2 - |  |  |
| 89 90 | 29 Dee. 1887 | Louis Nayotte - | Laurent Cadotte - | 112 80 | $-937$ | 2159 |  | 5116 | - 10 | 6 |
| 90 91 | 18 Jan .1888 | Louis Masmeotse - | Louis Masnicotte | 80 | - 71 | - ${ }^{\circ}$ |  | $1 \begin{array}{lll}1 & 1 & 3\end{array}$ |  |  |
| 91 92 | 23 Jan, 1828 | Pierro Gauthier - | Pierre Gauther - | 104 |  | 116- | - | 3.18 |  |  |
| 92 93 | 30 Mgma 1898 | Jean D. Guathicr m | Jean B. Ganthier - | 100 68 | -94 | - | - | - 188 |  |  |
| 93 | 10 Juillet 1825 | Jean B. Gauther, Glo | Jean B. Gauthuer, fila | 68 100 |  | 1789 | - ${ }^{-1}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 11 & 3 \\ 2 & 18 & 6\end{array}$ |  |  |
| ${ }_{95}^{95}$ | 6 Oct. 1826 12 |  | Prisque Trepangnes ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 100 80 | $\begin{array}{r}98 \\ -48 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 7 & 9 \\ 1 & 4 & -\end{array}$ | - | 218 -98 |  |  |
| 90 | 12 Sep .1894 | Priqque Treprgnea | Pierre Trépagnex - | 60 | -42 |  |  | -11 |  |  |
| 87 | 19 Nov. 1889 | Raphael Veillet | Raphael Veillet - | 92 | - 810 | - - |  | 16 |  |  |
| 08 | 13 Nov. 1888 | Magloire Brouillet | Mragloire Brouilet | 75 | - 63 | -18 | - - | 216 |  |  |
| 99 | ${ }^{3}$ Mfars 1830 | ${ }^{\text {Lnu}}$ (treat Gervais | Laurent Gervass - | 63 | - 5 94 |  | - - | 19 |  |  |
| 100 | $1{ }^{1} 1$ Juin 1885 | Pierre Gervaig | Pierre Gervaus -- | 45 | - 56 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 101 | 1 Juin 1888 | Xavier Gervais ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Xavier Gervaiy ${ }^{\circ}$ | 37 | - 36 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 102 | 25 Jan. 1886 | Joneph Siminon Najotto | Joseph Simon Nayotte | 38 20 | - 310 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 103 |  | Charles Roustera - | Charles Roussean - | 20 | - 110 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 104 105 | 28 <br> 28 <br> 22 Sce. 1836 <br> 1837 |  | Jcan Prennonyean - |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 105 | ${ }_{10}^{22 ~ S c p . ~ I 837 ~}$ | Jena Prénomean -. Francuis Roumean | Jcan Prenonvean -" | - 05 | $=\begin{array}{lll} -3 & 1 \\ - & 8 & 10 \end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 106 | $\begin{aligned} & 19 \text { Nov. } 1829 \\ & 30 \text { Ott. } 1890 \end{aligned}$ | Francois Roumesay | Erangoin Rousseau | $-\quad 95$ <br> $-\quad 84$ | - 810 | - | - $\quad$ | $\begin{array}{lll}2 & 4 & \\ 2 & 6 & 6\end{array}$ |  |  |
| 108 | 329 Oct. 1880 | Toussaint Deschants | Toussain¢ Deschants | 20 | - 110 | - | - . | $-5$ |  |  |
| 109 | 229 Sep. 1837 | Gabricl Mathon, fils | Gabriel Mathodi, ${ }^{\text {fila }}$ | 37 | - 311 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 110 | 0 30 Oet. 1830 | Prangoin Masacotta | Francoip Masoicotte | 14 | - 132 | - | - | $-7$ |  |  |
| 111 |  | Lonin Massieotre - | Louis Massicotte - | 16 | - 15 | $\checkmark 16$ | - | -8 |  |  |
| 118 | 93 Juillet 1826 | Joacham Dhasurcault | Damirc Cossette, fila | 60 | - 508 | - 16 |  | 210 |  |  |
| 118 | 313.5 sc .1886 | Mrangosk Duasureault | Françial Damsureault | 100 | $\begin{array}{r} \\ -93 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 117 | - | $\begin{array}{r}412 \\ 4 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |  |  |
| 114 | $4{ }^{30}$ Sop. 1895 | Pierre Cossette, - | Pierre Cossetto | 25 30 | 29 -29 -29 |  | : |  |  |  |
| 115 | 591 Juillet 1895 | Loxim 1reppina * | Lovis Dempins - | 30 15 | -29 -14 | $-8{ }^{-1}$ | * | 88 -83 |  |  |
| 116 | 818 Juin 1825 <br> 2 Nov, 1830 | Antoine Derpias - | Antorne Derpins ${ }^{\text {L }}$ /aurtat Normandia | 15 30 | -1 4 <br> $-\quad 2$  | -83 | - | -83 -160 |  |  |
| 118 | - 5 bec. 1838 | Mlichel MLamicotto | Nithel Massicotte - | 42 | - 3102 | - - | - - | 156 |  |  |
| 119 | 12 Doc. 1886 | Moime Lizé - - | Michel Minssicotte - | 33 | $-31$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 120 | 0 26 Avät 1898 | Alexandre Hoisvert | Alexandre Bosist | 75 | - 63 |  |  | N |  |  |
| 121 |  |  |  |  | $\left.-\begin{array}{cc} 6 & 3 \\ -10 \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 122 | 219 Auât 1825 | Jean B. Califour - | ", " |  | $-474$ |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |



| No. | - Dato <br> du <br> Premier Titre. | Nom <br> du <br> Premier Concessionnaire. | - Nom <br> ' du colùi qui <br> Posuide nctuellement, | Arpeate en Superficio. | Reato <br> Annuclion | Arrérages le 30 Eeptembra 1831. |  | Arrerageis le 30 Scptembre 1897. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Cuns et Rentes. | Lods et Venten. | Cent of Rentca. | Lode et Ventem. |
| 123 | 2 Dec. 1850 | G*apard Douth' | Alexandre Boisvert | 75 | $\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{t}_{1} & d_{1} & d_{1} \\ - & 0 & 3 \end{array}$ | E. s. $d_{\text {d }}$ |  | f. 3. 4 | E. 1. d. |
| 124 | 18 Nove 1850 | Francois Douth | " " | 75 | - 63 |  |  |  |  |
| 125 | 16 Dec. 1830 | Elzear Methot. | " | ${ }_{80}$ | - $0^{0} 38$ |  |  |  |  |
| 126 | 6 Oct. 1826 | Pierre Lafontaint |  | 80 | -76 -74 |  |  | $-16-$ |  |
| 127 | 31 Juillet1825 | Irance Thivierge | Pr ${ }^{\text {" }}$ | 80 100 | 74 -93 |  |  | -17 28 |  |
| 128 | $\begin{aligned} & 98-0 c t .1830 \\ & 12 \text { Sept. } 1826 \end{aligned}$ | Pietre Trópagnes Marcel Nayotte | Piemre Trepagnea | 100 40 | - $\begin{array}{r}9 \\ -\quad 3 \\ -\quad 3\end{array}$ | -76 |  | $\begin{array}{lll}2 & 6 & 3 \\ 1 & 8 & 3\end{array}$ |  |
| 180 | 12 Sept. 1824 | Amable Bordeleau | Louis Lapounto | 075 | - 0 0, |  |  | - 110 |  |
| 181 | 19 Dec. 1834 | Louin Proteau | Louin Proteau | 90 | - 84 |  |  | - 168 |  |
| 192 | 8 Nov. 1891 | Jean Trépagnen | Antume Trottior | 40 | -39 | -18.6 |  | 278 |  |
| 189 | 7 Aout 1828 | Jerome Iheureux - | Igance Thivierge | 30 | - 36 |  |  | - 176 |  |
| 134 | 14 Jna 18838 | Igrace Thiviarga : |  | 50 76 | $-4{ }^{-1}$ |  |  | -104 | 3 |
| 135 | 19 Mri lis88 | Jetome Sheureas - | Joxiph Lafontaine - | 76 40 | - 66 | $\sim 11$ | -34 | 24 -74 | 3 |
| 186 | 21 Fev. 1884 | Joweph Lafontaine - | Noweph Lafontaino - | 40 | $-30$ |  |  | - 74 |  |
| 137 | 183 rara 1826 | Staninlar Lafontaino | Stanislat lafontaino | 40 | $\left\|\begin{array}{lll} - & 3 & 3 \\ - & 7 & 7 \end{array}\right\|$ |  |  |  |  |
| 138 139 | $20 \mathrm{Juillet1895}$ 21 Fuv, 1894 | Pierre Veillet Iavie Bronillet | Inaie Broulliet | 80 | $\begin{aligned} & -3 \\ & -3 \\ & - \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |
| 140 | 18 Mara 1828 | Pierra Brouillet | 1. Brouillet Lavigacur | 50 | $-42^{2}$ | 1 |  | $210-$ | 812 |
| 141 | 20 Mai 1828 | Piorro' Pelot Brouillet | Prérre Pelot Brouillet | 71 | -76 |  |  | 25 |  |
| 142 | 14 Mri 1825 | Pierre Brouillet, 'père | Prerre Brounlet, fils | 50 | -47 |  |  | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 7 & 9\end{array}$ |  |
| 143 | 17 Mrai 1834 | Pierro Brouillet, fild |  | 40 | - 38 |  |  | -74 |  |
| 144 | 5NAms 1828 | Jean B. Bordeleur - | Jean B. Boadeleau | 50 | -42 |  |  | $\begin{array}{r}4 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |  |
| 148 | 13 Juin 1828 | \% ' $\quad$ * |  | 100 | -93 |  |  | $\square{ }^{1} 3$ |  |
| 146 | 25 Dece 1825 | Leorind Baribault - | Joseph Tiffinu | -42 | - ${ }^{38} 8$ |  |  | 12 | - 8 |
| 147 | 2 Nov. 1830 | Lnuis Mischildon | Pierre Gervais | 98 | -. 9 |  |  | 8 | $-184$ |
| 148 | 1 Wan. 1820 | Jeap B. Bordcleau - | W. Simpson Hendernon | 50 | 4 <br> $=$ | - 2 | - ${ }^{*}$ | 124 | 1134 -113 |
| 149 | 23 M"pal 8931 | Jean B. Beribault - | Aleasit Carpentier - Jean B. Baribuult - | 25 | - 23 | - |  | 1. |  |
| 151 | 15 Dee. 1823 | Leonard Baribault - | Leonard Baribault | 60 | - 56 | - 166 |  | 296 |  |
| 162. | 14 Jam. 1833 | Jean B. Veiller | Jean B. Veller | 90 | -84 | - - |  | 1134 |  |
| 153 | 14 Mni 1825 | Barthelemy Nayote | Barthelemy Nayotto | 50 | - $44 \frac{1}{1}$ | - - |  | - 89 |  |
| 154 | $14{ }^{\text {Jan. }} 1833$ |  |  | 90 | -84 |  |  | $\bigcirc 10{ }_{-} 18$ |  |
| 155 | 17 Dec. 1827 | Frangoin Landrie | Laurent Lefebrre - | 50 | - 4 | $-186$ | $-3$ | 26 | - 3 |
| 156 | 7 Juillet1826 | Charlea Tournolle - | Charles Tournelle - | 60 | - ${ }^{4}$ | 17 |  | 215 |  |
| 157 | 26 Nov. 1831 | Frangais Gauthier - | " $\quad$ - | 90 90 | -64 -84 | - : |  | 2 1 8 <br> 2 1 8 |  |
| 158 | 26 Nör. 1891 | Valere Nayotte | Chatles Tournelle - | 45 | = 42 | J | $\pm$. | 2 1 <br> -8 4 |  |
| 160 | '18 Nor. 1898 | Francois Gauthier - | ${ }^{1}{ }^{\prime \prime}$ | 30 | - | $\cdots$ |  | , |  |
| 161 | 11 Jun. 1887 | Stanislan Nayotte - | Stanaslay Noyotte | 80 | -. 7 | 123 |  | 3 |  |
| 162 | 28 Mai 1825 | Mrancel Nayotte | Marcel Najotto | 50 | $-{ }^{2} 4-7 \frac{1}{2}$ |  |  | - 478 |  |
| 163 | 5Dec 1881 | if | " $\quad$ " | 90 | - |  |  |  |  |
| 164 | 29 Dec. 1835 |  |  | 100 | - 438 |  |  |  |  |
| 165 | 5 Oct. 1896 | Noel Lafontaine | Andre Truad | $50$ | - $8^{4} 88$ |  |  | - 4078 |  |
| 166 | 25 Aoit 1834 | Cifroid Lefontaine - | Cifroid Lafantanno - | 180 50 | 168 -169 |  |  | 21 |  |
| 167 168 | 20Jullet1825 | Pierre Vellet | Pierre Vellet Jomeph Matte | 50 | $\begin{array}{r}-1 \\ -\quad 4 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | - - |  | 170 |  |
| 169 | 16 Nfint 1885 | Marcel Nayotto | Charlea Marchant | 80 | $-741$ |  |  |  |  |
| 170 | 16 Oct. 1886 | Pierre Omelin | Jenn 13. Veillet - | 50 | - 744 |  | 1 |  |  |
| 171 | 12.Sept. 1824 | Prisque Trepraguea | George Trepagnex - | 60 | - 42 | - |  | 42 |  |
| 172 | 31 Dece 1830 | Pierry Trattier | Piarre Trotner: - | 100 | - 84 |  |  | 2 1: 8 |  |
| 179 | 16 Dec. 1835 | Antoine Mongruia | Etouad Gervain | 21 | - 111 |  |  | - 116 | - |
| 174 | 5Avrill 828 | Edouard Gerrais | \% | 32 | - 3 - |  |  | -18 |  |
| 175 | 1 Juin 1885 | Jomph Trepragnea | Joweph Treppaguez - | 80 | - 310 | $3-$ |  | 26 |  |
| 176 | 13 Maral826 | Peerme Tiffa | Pierre Tifau - | $100{ }_{50}{ }^{\circ}$ | - $-\quad 3$ | $210-3$ |  | -5 $5_{2}=$ |  |
| 177 178 | 28 Nov. 1831 | Etienne Vallernut | Abrahem Tournelle Uldoric Brunella | 50 | -3 -4 |  |  | $\begin{array}{lll}2 & 6 \\ 1 & -10\end{array}$ | $1 \begin{aligned} & 1-3\end{aligned}$ |
| 179 | 29 Arril 1831 | - Marcel Dusaureault | afarcel Dhumurcauit | 20 | - 19 |  |  | -89 |  |
| 180 | 23 Mai 1825 | Michtl Tiffu - | Joweph Mongran - | 50 | - 42 | 158 |  | 10 - |  |
| 181 | 1 Juin 1825 | Jowepl Trepagnex - | Romain Mongraun | S0 | - 310 |  | - | - 78 |  |
| 182 | 16 Dece. 1825 | Autoine MOongrau | Louna Mongtan | 60 | -37 |  |  |  |  |
| 183 | 28 Marsil636 | Louis Mindigraia | " $\quad$ - | 90 | - 84 |  |  |  |  |
| 184 | $1 \mathrm{Dec}_{1} 1829$ | Abraham Hioude |  | 32 | - | ${ }^{2}$ |  |  |  |
| 185 | 21 Aolit 1897 | Joueph Tugcte | $\because$ - | 32 | -4 ${ }^{7}$ |  |  |  |  |
| 186 | $23 \mathrm{Juillet1825}$ | Louts Gervais | Louin Geryais | 75 | - 611 | - 114 |  | 2 18 - <br> 2 8  |  |
| 187 | 26 Jum 1828 | Nichal Taffuu | Veave P. Mongrain | 50 | -47 | -18 6 |  | 2 6 3 <br> 2 6  | 517 |
| 188 | 19 Août 1825 | Jean B. Chalhfour - | Antoine Mongrain | 50 | -47 ${ }^{4}$ | -1918 |  |  | -15 |
| .189 | 21 uullet1825 | Augustin Dussureault | Auguatin Dumureault | 83 | - 3 - |  |  |  |  |
| 190 | 15 Dec. 1825 | Lowis Herraut * | Lotis Herault - | 66 | - 61 | 116 6 <br> 2  |  | $1 \begin{array}{lll}1 & 16 & 6\end{array}$ |  |
| 191 | 1 Aout 1827 | Jean 13. Lehouillier | "' ${ }^{\text {- }}$ | 80 |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{cccc}4 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 13 & -\end{array}$ | 15 |
| 192 393 | 12 Sept. 1894 25 Jan. 1826 | Auguntin Commette - | Augrutin Comette - | 80 100 | - ${ }^{7} 3^{7}$ | 166 |  | $213-$ |  |
| 194 | 21 Mimsil826 | Lousu Cossette, fils | - | 40 | - 3.81 | 27 |  | 4146 |  |
| 194 | 2 Nov 1830 | Toun Consette, fils | "Louiis Cometto, fila | 100 | - 031 | - - |  | 2150 |  |
| 196 | 5 Mram1928 | - Augustin Dussureavit | Jerfmie Cometto | 100 | -93 | $-186$ | - | $314-$ |  |
| 197 | 12Sept. 1824 | Francois Gervais | - Prampona Gervail | 80 | - 71 | 286 |  | 4.5 |  |
| 198 | 6 Oct 1826 | Dramse Cowette | Daunice Conselte | 200 | - 168 |  | - | $8^{8} 688$ |  |
| 109 | 7 Aout 1827 | Japrome L heureux | Valère Veillet | 30 100 | 3 <br> $=84$ | - 36 | - | 115 -84 |  |
| 200 | 13 Nov. 1838 | Louns 8. Armaud | Louia 8. Arnaud | 100 | $\begin{array}{r}8 \\ -\quad 3 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $\cdots \quad$ |  | $\begin{array}{r}84 \\ -\quad 83 \\ \hline-28\end{array}$ |  |
| 201 | 19 Dec. 1888 | Valàre Veillet | Valire Volllat | 100 60 | - 03 $-\quad 561$ | - 11 " |  | +8 $*-9$ 2 |  |
| 202 | 15 Juin 1826 18 Nuv. 1836 | Vital Lambert Chariea Hayot | Chamle Hayatto | 60 82 | 56 -86 | -11 - |  | $\begin{array}{r}228 \\ -78 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |  |
| 204 | 7 Juillet1826 | Charles Touruelle | Francois Gauthier- | 40 | - 388 | - |  | - 75 |  |
| 205 | 16 Mal 1826 | Louin Déry: | Louis Detry - - | 40 | - 39 | $-126$ | - | $-126$ |  |
| 206 | 16 Mail 1825 | Joweph Tesier | Jomph Teasier | 60 | $-411$ | $1-$ | - - | 1176 |  |
| $20 \%$ | 27 Mai 1825 | Pierre Dtry- | Pierre Dery * | 50 | -478 |  |  | $-1810$ |  |
| 208 | 14.3 Mai 1825 | Paul Brouillet | Paul Broullet | 50 | $=4.71$ | 1 2 9 <br> 1 7  |  | $\begin{array}{cccc}1 & - & - \\ 2 & 15 & 6\end{array}$ |  |
| 209 310 | 27'NLai 1825 | Louns Mischitdon | Louir Machuldors | 80 80 | $=\begin{array}{r} 4 \\ -7 \frac{1}{2} \end{array}$ | 1. 7.0 |  | cccc $\begin{array}{ccc}2 & 15 & 6 \\ 1 & 2 & 14 \\ 2 & 8 & \end{array}$ |  |
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318 \& 16 Nor. 1841
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\hline 380 \& 96Noy 1831 \& David Nobert \& Marcel Liz6. \& 75 \& - 63 \& \& - - \& 1113 \& 0 \\
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\hline 350 \& 18 Oct. 1830 \& Louis Raribanlt - \&  \& 30 \& - 8 - \& \& \& 8 \& <br>
\hline 381 \& 11 Mai 1838 \& Prancois Germain \& Thelophthore Lo Mai \& 100 \& 84 \& \& \& \& <br>
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\hline 386 \& 0 Avril 1836 \& Louis Goulet \& " $\quad 3$ \& ${ }_{60}$ \& $=33$ \& \& \& \& <br>
\hline 837 \& 14 Jan. 1838 \& Pierre Goulat \& Clempent Goulet \& 80 \& 563
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348 \& 20 Jmm 1885 \& Godifoid Daweuremalt \& Godinvard Duschareault \& 38 \& -7
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\hline 346 \& 26 Jan. 1826 \& Lotils Lapointe \& Mewire Siroin, prétre \& 50 \& -4 $7 \frac{1}{2}$ \& \& \& ${ }^{8} 8$ \& <br>
\hline 347 \& 18 Dec. 1836 \& Hiliart Mamiootto * \& Abraham Weld \& 100 \& -9
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349 \& 17 Jam. 1826 \& Antoite Girsux \& Nareime Ville \& 50
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\hline 353 \& 5 Dec. 1856 \& Jomat Comette \& Jean Comette * \& 92 \& -86 \& \& \& \& <br>
\hline 354 \& 19Nat. 1886 \& Françan kundrie \& Frabcoie Landrie : \& 80 \& - 78 \& \& \& \& <br>
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\hline 359 \& 10 Jac. 1892 \& Rumre Cloutier \& Joncilh Lixe, fis \& 100 \& - 8 \& - * \& \& \& $-101$ <br>
\hline 360 \& 1315 Dec .1896 \& Jomeph Hy ron \& Jomeph Hyron ${ }^{-}$ \& 200 \& 188
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| 364 | \& 25 Fev. 1837 \& Pierre Beaudet \& Prerre Benudet, fils \& 75 \& $\underline{-63}$ \& \& \& \& <br>

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\hline 366 \& 10Mars 1887 \& Domimqua Lebouf \& Dommaque Leheuf \& 75 \& -63 \& \& \& \& <br>
\hline 361 \& 30Mar11837 \& Jean B. Broumant \& Jean B. Broumaril \& \& -6 \& \& \& \& <br>
\hline 368 \& 30.Mart 1837 \& Cyril Brommard ${ }^{\text {a }}$ \& Cyril Broumard - \& 75 \& -68 \& \& \& \& <br>
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370 \& \& Daprd Lapointe - \& | Darid Lapmuta - |
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（C．9．）－Statement of New Concessions in the Village of La＇Ppairie．

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(C. 9.)-Statement of Now Conconions in the Vilaye of Las Prutio-continued.


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2d.-Grmazal Statament of Receifts and Expenses.
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## Sd.-Genrrmal Statement of Ambears.

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V.-ANNUAL" BALANCE SEEETS OF JESUSTE EGTATES

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AlSSTRACT from the Balance Sheets of the Jesuits' Estates, for each half year, from October 10, 1831, to April 10, 1838 ; taken, from the Receiver-General's Accounts, furnished the the Commission, by Joseph Carey, Esq, Inspector-General of the Provincial Accounts. Continued 10 April 10, 1838 , from Statemènt made by Comanisaioner of 'Jesuits' Estates:

On"October 10, 1831 -there stands on the Receiver-General's books a balance - in fayour of the Estates, of
-. On October $31 ;$ 1831, and April-5;'1832-are entered two lieceipts from the Commissioner, amounting to $£ .1,454,19 .-1$.
At various other dátes are entered Payments, 'Salary of Commissioner, contingencies of his office, and part of the other Appropriations made by,Act ( of Feb: 15,1832 ; E. B69. 7.4 .
On April 10, 183 at-appenrs a balance of
On October $3,18 \mathrm{gh}$-is a Receipt from the Commissioner, of E. 1,746 . 14. 2.
At various dates are Paymenta on various Accounts (as above named) of E. 189.17 .8.

And on September 22, 183a-a tranffer, to the General Fund, by order of the Governor, in' a Letter from Col. Craig,' the Civil 'Secretary, of E. $6,439 \cdot 5 \cdot 10$ \%.

Thus leaving
On October 10, 1832-a balance of only (For the next Six Mouths, no Receipt from Commissioner.)
From October 12,1832, to November 7, 1832-Payments for "Narious services to -September 30, 1832 (covered by Act of February 25, 183d) £.440. 2. 5:
On April 10, 1833-a balance, therefore', of -
On Aptil 22, 1833 , and October 3, 1833-two Receipts from the Commissioner, amounting to. E. 1, 435. 7. . . . .
On May 1, 1833-a Receipt from the Sheriff of Quebec, of £.4.18. 4 \$.
(No, Payments.)
On October 20, 1833-a balance of
On April $5,1834-a$ Receipt from the Commissioner'; of $£ .1,014.13 .3 \frac{1}{2}$
(No Payments.)
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On October 7, 1834-a Receipt from the Commissioner, of £.474.9.19.
(No Payments.)
On October 10, 1834-balance of
On Aprul 3, $1835-2$ Receipl. from the Commissioner, of $£ .543 .8 .8$. (No Payments.)
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On October 7, 1835-a Receipt from the Commisyioner, of £. 1,047. 2. 5 .
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On October 24, 1835 -a Receipt from Sheriff of Quebec, of $£ .9 \times 15.6 \mathrm{f}$.
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(No Payments.)
Un April 10, 1836-balance of
On May 4; 18g6-a Receipt from Prothonotary of Quebec, of E.4.6. 3. ( No Receipt from Commissioner.)
(No Payments.)
On October 10, 1836-balance of -
On October 18, 1836, and April 3, 1837-Receipts: from the Commissioner, of E. $1,804.19 .9$.
(No Paymente.)
On April 10, 1837-balance of (No Receipts or Paymenta.)
On October $10,183 \%$, balance of
On October 31, 1837, and April 6, 1838-Receipts from the Commissioner, of (2. $2,038.5 .33^{8}$ :

Also, a Receipt from Sheriff of Quebec, of $£ .46 .8 .1 \frac{1}{1}$.
(No Payments.)
On April 10, 1838 -balance of
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|  | NAME | Extent in Square Arpents. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Number: } \\ & \text { of } \\ & \text { Holders. } \end{aligned}$ | Sourcen of Revenuc. | For tho Six Years, |
| a. Batiocan - - |  | 41,078 <br> 25,301 <br> 360 <br> 125 <br> (?) <br> (?) <br> (?) | 581 <br> 387 <br> 1 4 3 1 $(?)$ |  | $\begin{array}{ccc} f . & 4 . & d \\ 650 & 18 & 10 \\ 111 & 12 & 1 \cdot 0 \\ 200 & 4 & 3 \\ 27 & 2 & 5 \\ 49 & 7 & 6 \\ 1,297 & 11 & 11 \\ 4 & 1 & - \\ 210 & 16 & 4 \\ - & - & - \end{array}$ |
|  |  | 66,924 | 977 |  | 2,657 14 ~ |
| 2. Cap de la Magdelerne : | Conceasions: Old . - - -  <br> $"$ Now - - - - <br> Forge Reserve - - - -  <br> Mill, 1 - - - - - <br> Gaw Loga - - - - - | $\begin{gathered} 20,1804 \\ 26,000 \\ \text { Together } \\ 25,940 \\ 30 \% \\ \left({ }^{3}\right) \end{gathered}$ | (?) (3) 503 1 1 $(3)$ |  |  |
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| ' |  | (?) $25,940$ | $\begin{gathered} (?) \\ 2, \text { or more } \\ 1 \end{gathered}$ | Interest <br> Rental | $150 \text { - - }$ |
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(G. 1.)

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constituting Seronionies, which/form part of the Jesurts' Estates.

(G. 2.)
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| sis d. <br> $485, \sim 04$ | tha. d. <br> - • . <br> - 10.14 | e. . d. | Haro Point, Leaned <br> Heach loot, ditto <br> Grant Lots, 130 , sold en Con. <br> , for two Churches and Hospital <br> Houso Lots (quere Conceislone ?), 59 sold en Con Ditto, 10, "Now Grantr," <br> Occupled, fire Borrecty, Nallonal School, and Cong. N. ${ }^{\circ}$. Oceupled, "u Barrack, Jesuito College <br> Occupied, as part of King'a Posts |  |  |  |  <br> $13910-3$ <br> $\begin{array}{lll}20 & 11 \\ 37 & 1 \\ 8 & 8 \\ 8\end{array}$ |
|  | Rivers. <br> 354402 | $\ldots$ | Occupied, as Common, and for Church | ${ }^{-}{ }_{\text {over }}{ }^{\text {äs. }}$ - | - | - - |  |
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| - - | - - | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ TOTAL. |  |  | 1,077 7 |  |



APPENDIX TO REPORT ON THE AFFAIRS OF

(H. 1.)

Tanle of Unproductive Properties from which no Revenue can ever be drawn.

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Arriere Fiefa | Granted in perpetuity | 8 | 2 in Sillery <br> 1 in Notre Dame des Anges 1 in Batiscan <br> 4 in Cap de la Magdeleine <br> $\overline{8}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 819 \\ 9,498 \\ 1,764 \\ -3,580 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 1 \\ & 1 \\ & 4 \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  |  |  | 8,66 | 8 |
| Indian Reserve - | Granted in perpetuity | 1 | in St. Gabriel ${ }_{\substack{\prime}}{ }^{\prime}$ * - | 1,600 | (3) |
| Church Grants, made by the Jcsuits. | In perpetuity | 6 | $\left\|\begin{array}{l} 1 \text { in Sillery } \\ 2 \text { in St. Gabriel } \\ 1 \\ 1 \text { in Notre Dame dea Anges } \\ 1 \\ \frac{1}{5} \text { Cap de la Magdeleine } \\ 5 \end{array}\right\|$ | 4 6 4 5 | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & 2 \\ & 1 \\ & 1 \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  |  |  | 19 | 5 |
| Grants, uncertain whether made by Jesuits or by the Crown. | - In perpetuity for a Roman Catholic Chưrch. <br> To the congregation of Notre Dame. | 1 | in La Vacheris <br> ${ }^{*}$ in City of Quebec | (z) ${ }^{1 \frac{4}{2}}$ | 1 |
| Grants by the Crown | - In perpetuity for a Protestant Episcopal Church. <br> For a Marine Hospital For a National School For a Fire Society | 1 1 1 1 | in La Vacherie ' <br> in City of Quebec | $\begin{aligned} & 11 \\ & \text { (i) }^{2 \pi} \\ & \text { B }^{2} \text { (3) } \end{aligned}$ | 1 1 1 1 |
|  | In'all | 20 | About | 10,290 | () |

(H. 2.)

Table of Usproductive Propeaties, froin which Revenue may hereafter be drawn.



# REPORT of Mr. Dunirin, the Secretary to the Commission. 

## Cap. I.

Procerdings of the Education Commission in regard to the Inquiry into the Management and Value of the Jesurts' Estates.
The value of the Jesuits' Estates, as a material portion of the fund to be looked to for the support of an adequate system of Public Education in Canada, was a subject to which the attention of the commission was carly directed. To ascertain it, it became necessary to collect full and accurate information as to the extent, position, nature, management, and revenue, past and present, of the several properties forming those estates. The reports made upon this subject, at various times, by committees of the House of Assembly (those more especially of the years of 1824,1831 , and $1835^{-6}$ ), embody a very considerable amount of information on all these points; but, after some time spent in examining them, it became - apparent that they by no means furnished all that was required. In respect of time, none of them came down to a later date than 1835 , the last year in which the Provincial Parliament met and trąnsacted business. The inquiries instituted by these committees were, also, far from being sufficiently minute to give a precise idea of the then value of each portion of the estates, or even to exhibit unequivocally the character of the administration under which they were placed. That the estates had never yielded anett return at all adequate to the expectations which their extent would seem to warrant, and that their administration had ever been essentially defective, was quite evident from these reports; but they did not furnigh data sufficiently precise and full to be made the foundation of a positive estimate of their real future value under good management, or of a detailed statement of the system best calculated to secure from them their full value for the public service.

Under this feeling, early in August, I prepared a series of blank forms of tables, to be filled up by the commissioner of the estates; from the returns indicated by which, if fully and faithfully made, with the aid of some furiher oral examination of the commissioner and his agents, the required information might, as I hoped, be gathered. The papermarked (D.) accompanying this report, is a copy of that sent to thecommissioner.

It will be perceived from the form in which these blanksowese drawn up, that a certain order of arrangement was pointed out in them, as the one best adapted to the objects of the inquiry. A glance at the returns, as they were actually furnished [see accompanying papers, marked (A.), (B.) and (C.)] will show that this prescribed order wis ${ }^{6}$,' in very many particulars, altogether departed from, and that several of the inquiries femain in consequence unanswered.

To speak only of one of these deviations for the present. Returns were called for; in which certain specified particulars of information should be given, Wirst, as to the several seigniories which formed part of ihe estates,-next, as to the other properties forming part of the estates, from which revenue was derived,-thirdly, as to those properties from which no revenue was derived,-and, lastly, as to the expenses of the commissioner's office (which being of a general character, could not be made to enter into any of the previous partial returns), and the annual balance sheets of the estates. This distinction between the various kinds of properties was made designedly, on account of the confusion created in all the returns furnished to committees of the House of Assembly, by the unsystematic manner. in which the properties of all kinds were continually classed together in them. No regard was, however, paid to it; on what account, whether intentionally or not, I have no means of judging. The returns, as will be seen from the statements to be made presently, came in so irregularly, and many of them so late, that it was impossible to have them altered in this particular, or indeed in any other. It will be seen, also, that they require many corrections on other points, to make from them a statement of the affairs of the estates, which shall be at all accurate.
The period of time covered by those of the inquiries which had reference to yearly receipts and expenses, was required to commence whh 1 October 1831 ; when the estates were first placed at the disposal of the Provincial Parliàment, for the support of education. In this particular, the returns are in form; though, fiom their having been called for before the expiration of the financial year, ending 30 September 1838 , they extend only to 30 Seplember 1837 ; a period of six instead of seven years. These six years may, however, be very safely taken to afford a fair average.
The statements, both geneas and particular, of the arrears due on the estates, were re-" quined to be made out for 1 October $1 \$ 31$, the ume of the cession above namett, and for the quined to be made out ime. The neturns profess to state the arrears for 1 Octoher 1831 , and for 1 October 1837 , for the same reason ; the financial year ending 1 October 1838, expirng while" they were in course of preparation.

The yearly balance sheets of the estates, required also of the commisaioner, were furnished by Mr. Cary, the inspector of the public accounts, in whose hands they are deposited for audit and safe keeping: An abstract of them is annexed. [See paper, marked (A.)]

Of the $2 y$ accompanying tables, (A.), (B.) and (C.) returned by the commissioner of the estates, nine, being those marked (A. 4i), (A. 5.), (B. 2.), (B. 3.). (B. 4.), (B. 5.) (B. 6.), and (B. 7.), were received at the office of the Education Commission during the month of August,-four; being , those marked (B. 8.), (B. 11.), (C. 7.), and (C. 9.), in September-13, being those marked (A. 1.), (A. 2.), (A. 3.), (A. 6.), (A. 7.), (B. 9.), (B. 10.), (C. 1.) (C. 2.), (C. 3.), (C. 4.), (C. 5), and (C. 6.), in October, -and one, being that marked (C.8.), on the 3d of November. A reference to the tables .will show, that those of them in which the greatest departure is made from the form prescribed, and of the number not received till October, when it was altogether too late too require alterations made, omissions supplied, of obvious innccuracies even (and of these there are not a few) corrected. The same cause also prevented that careful comparison of them with the returns furnished at other times to the House of Assembly, and that exnmination of the commissioner and his agents in regard to them, both of which,were so much the more necessary on account of their informality and incompleteness. His Excellency's return to England was decided upon, and the Education'Commission charged to put at once into form the outline at least of a general system of education for the province, before the most important of them wereobtained ; indeed, his Lordship had left the province before the geries, such as it is, was completed. Occupied, of necessity, both before and after the receipt of these October returns, upon other branches of the extensive inquiry with which the commisision was charged, it was obviously impossible to complete the minute examinations necessary to the full investigation of this particular subject. It was not in my power to have more than two or three interviews with the commissioner of the estates, and at these, though they cextended over several hours, the subject was so partially and hastily discussed (owing to the multiplicity of the details it involves, the want of time, and the pressure of other business), as to render it impossible for me to take down his evidence in form, us I had intended. On a variety of occasions I had more or less communication with a number of other individuals who had given considerable attention to the subject; buthere, too, the same cause prevented formal examination. Till the commissioner's full returms and written evidence should be in the hands of the commission, it was impossible to examine other parties to"advantage. When the returns came in', there was no longer time to examine the commissioner or any one else. It was not even in my power, for this reason, to examine or confer with the four agents who manage the Jesuits' Eatates, under the commissioner, Mr. Panet, the agent for the properties in the district of Quebec, Messrs. Dumoulin and Guillet, for those in the district of Three Rivers, and Mr. Henry, for thosein the district of Montreal. These gentlemen probably know much more than the commissioner does, $_{2}$ about the management of the estates, which is in effect placed almost wholly in their hands. I preferred; however, on many occasions not to examine them till after the returns they were preparing under his direction should be in my hands, and the commissioner's evidence in regard to them and the estates in general, given.
The report which follows must be taken, therefore, not as intended to present a full discossion of the subject, but as a statement of the results to which I have been led by the necessarily incomplete investugation of it, which I have above described-anifaccounted for. I may add, as another reason why my report cannot be rendered as complete as I had wished, that I was unable, when I left Cathada, to bring away with me the yarious reports of committees of the House of Assembly, to which I have referred. .Tor every thing beyond the notes I took from them while in Quebec, I have to trust to my own recollections. Nearly every statement, however, made in this, report, rests either on notes taken at the time of these documents, or of the answers of the commissioner to the inquiries I was able to put to him, or else on the authority of the commissioner's returns made to the Education Commission. The latter alone furnish ample material for a report; the interrogations of the commission covering almost the whole ground to be gone over, and the very errors and omissions which abound in the returns being an evidence hardly less, valuable than their accuracy might have been, on the subjects of the inquiry.

I have arranged the several returns made by the commissioner, in three sets, marked (A.), (B.) and (C.) respectively. The first consists of seven returns, viz.
(A. 1.) Extent, \&cc. of Properties within the Jesuits' Estates,-_Reccived 5 Octaber 1835.
(A. 2.) Arrière Fiefs within the Jesults' Estates.-Received 5 Octover 1838,
(A. 3.) Properties under Lease.--Received 5 Oclober 1838.
(A. 4.) Statement of the Revenue of the Eatates heretofore belonging to the late Order of Jesuits, in each year, from 1 October 1831 to 30 September 1837 (expenses of Commissionefts office not included).-Received 17 August 1838.
(A. 5.) Statement of the Expenses in the office of the Commissioner for the Management of the Listates, \&c. in each year, from 1 October 2831 to 30 September 1837 .-Keceived 18 August $188^{3} 8$.
(A. 6.) Statement of Arrears due on the Properties comprising the Estates, \&c. at i October 1832 and I October 1837, respectively.-Received 5 October 1838.
(A. 7.) Computed gross Annual Revenue of the Eatates, \&c. exclusive of Lods et Ventes,-Received 5 October 1838.
The second set cousists of eleven returns, via.
(B. x.) Statement of Receipts and Expenses for each year, fromi 1 October 1831 to 1 October 1837 , for the Seigniory of Sillery;-Heceived 29 August 1838.
(B.2.) Statement of Receipts and Expenses for each year, from 1. October 1831 to 1 October 1837, for the Seigniory of St. Gabricl. - Received 29 August 1838.
(B. 3.) Statement of Receipts and Expenses for each year, from 1 October 1831 to 1 October 1837, for the Seigniory of Notre Dame des Anges.-Received 29 August 1838.
(B. 4.) Statement of Receipts and Expenses foc each year, from 1 October 1831 to 1 October 1837, for the Seigniory of Belair.-lleceived 29 August 1838:
(B. 5.) Statement of Receipts and Expenses for each year, from 1 October 1831 to 1 Octover 1837, for Lands called La Vacherie.-Rectived 29 August 1838.
(B. 6.) Statement of Receipts and Expenses for each year, from 1 October 1831 to 1 October 1837, for Lands in the City of Quebec.-Received 29 August 1838.
(B. 7.) Statement of Receipts and Expenses for each year, from 1 October 1831 to 1 October 1837, for Lands in the Seigniory of Lauzun.-Received 29 August 1838.
(B. 8.) Statement of Receipts and Expenses for each year, from 1 October 1831 to 1 October 1837, for the Seigniory of Batizcan.-Meceived 14 September 1838.
(B. 9.) Statement of Receipts and Expenses for each year, from 1 October 1831 to 1 October 1837, for the Seigniory of Cap de la Magdeleine.-Received 3 Octuber 1838.
(B. 10.) Statement of Receipts and Expenses for each year, from 1 Oclober 1831 to 1 October 1837, for Lands in Town, and Banlieue of Three Rivers.-Received 3 October 1838.
(B. 11.) Statement of Receipts and Expenses for each year, from 1 October 1831 to 1 October 1837, for the Seigniory of La Prairie,-neceived 14 September 1838 :

## The third set consists of nine returns, viz.

(C. 1.) Statement in detail of Censitaires, their annual rental and their arrears due at 30 September 1831 and 30 September 1837, for Seigniory of Sillery.-Received 3 October 1838.
(C. 2.) Statement in detail of Censitaires, their Annual Rental and their Arrears, due at 30 September 1831 and 30 September 1837 , for Seigniory of St. Gabriel.-Received 3 October 1838 ,
(C. 3.) Statement in detail of Censitaires, their Annual Rental and their Arrears, due at 30 September 1831 and 30 September 1837, for Seiguiory of Notre Dame des Anges.-Received 3 October 1838.
(C. 4.) Statement in detail of Censitaires, their Annual Rental and their Arrears, due at 30 September 1831 and 30 September 1837, for Seigniury of Belair.-Received 3 October 1838.
(C. 5.) Statement in detail of Censituires, their Annunal Rental and their Arrears, due at 30 September 1831 and 30 September 1837, for Lands called La Vacherie.-Received 3 October 1838.
(C. 6.) Statement in detail of Censitaires, their Annual Rental and their Arrears, due at 30 September 1831 and 30 September 1837, for Lands in City of Quebec.-Received 3 October 1838:
(C. 7.) Statement in detuil of Censitaires, their Annual Rental nnd thèir Arrears, dueat 30 September 1831 and 30 September 1837, for Seigniory of Batiscan.-Received 26 September 1838.
(C. 8.) Statement in detail of Censitaires, their Annual Rental and their Arrears, due at 30 September 1831 and 30 September 1837, for Seigniory of Cap de la Magdeleine.-Received 3 November $183^{8 .}$
(C. 9.) Statement in detnil of Censitaires, their Annual Rental and their Arrears, due at zo September 1831 and 30 September 1837, for Seigniory of La Prairie.-Received 17 September 1838.

In the returns composing the second and third sets, a distinction was required to be drawn wherever "concessions" were to be spoken of, between the "old" and the "new" grants of this character. These terms I understood to refer to the distinction between the concessions granted by the Jesuits before 1800, and those since granted by the Crown. As the returns marked (C.) stand, 1 -am unable to ascertain whether this is or is not the true ground of distinction between them. The date of each concession was required in these returns, but they are peculiarly defective in this particular. For the Seigniory of La Prairie (C.9.), no such return of the old concessions has been so much as attempted, though they comprise very nearly the whole extent of the seigniory. The return for Cap de la Magdeleine (C. 8.) makes no distinction between old and new concessions, though both classes of concessions have been made, and to a very considerable extent, in that seigniory. In the returns for the Seigniories of Sillery (C. 1.), St. Gabriel (C. 2.), Notre Dame des Anges (C. 3.) and Belair (C. 4.), the old concessions are all left without date. And in the return for the Seigniory of Batiscan (C. 7.) (the only return in which dates are specified for any of the "old concessions" as distinguished from the "new"), 426 out of 581 old concessions are undated; and the 155 which bear date, range between March 20, 1666, and February $3 ; 1826 ; 118$ of these being returned as conceded prior to 1800 , and 37 between 1800 and 1826 . Of the concessions, returned as " new," the earliest in point of date is found in the return from the Seigniory of La Prairie (C. 9.), being August 16, 1819. In, the Batiscan return (C. 7 .), I find the enrliest of $3^{87}$ " new concessions" (all bearing date) returned as granted in 1824, either on February 21, or September 12. (The former date seems to be a mistake for "' February 21, 1834.") Of these concessions, 275 are of later date, and 112 of earlier date, than February 3, 1826, the date of the latest "old concession" above mentioned. In the returns from the Seigniories of Notre Dame des Anges (C. 3.) and Belair (C. 4.), the." new cončessions" are all dated, and the dates range from January 10, 1825 , to October 9,1835 . The alienations of property incorrectly returned as "new concessions" in the Seigniory of Sillery, bear date from December 23 , 1831, to -October 20, 1834. The "new concessions" in the Seigniory of St. Gabriel, 93 in number, are all returned (C. 2.) without date. It is possible that the old concessions differ from the new, in having been surveyed and laid out for concession before 1800. If this be not the case, the distinction must be arbitrary, and is probably different in its meaning in different seigniories. From the late receipt of this class of returns, I never had an opporcunity of putting this question directly to the commissioner; but I am strongly under
the impression, that on one occasion before the returns, were called for, he explained the term "old concession," as referring to the grants made or else surveyed (I have no distinct' recollection which) before the administration of the estates by the Crown, i. e.s before 1800 .

The defective manner in which these returns have been made up, both as regards their arrangement and their contents, has rendered it necessary for me to compile from them, with some additions drawn from other sources, a series of tables in which the plan I had originally designed to follow should be as uearly as possible adhered to, and the results I had wished to arrive at and exhibit, shown, so far as the return would enable me to artive at them. The accompanying documents, marked (B.), (G.) and (H.) contain these tables.

The tables marked (F.) are three in number, and relate exclusively to those of the properties forming part of the Jesuits' Estates, which constitute seigniories.
(F. 1.) shows the situation, dimensions and area of each of these seigniories; the extent to. which each has been surveyed; the extent of the Arriere Fiefs granted from it, where any there are; the extent of the concessions, old and new; the disposition and extent of any tracts of land otherwise alienated than as Arriere Fiefs or concessions; and the amounts of unalienated and unsurveyed land, respectuvely, still remaining in each seigniory, I have been obliged to depart continually from the statements made in the return (A. 1.) (from which this table is in the main compiled), by the numerous comtradictions manifest on the face of that return. I cannot, therefore, suppose the table I have drawn up per* fectly accurate. It is as accurate, however, as the character of the information furnished the commission allowed.
( $\mathrm{F}, 2$. .) contains a variety of statements and calculationd relative to the gross and net receipts from the several ahenated tracts of land or properties, within each seigniory, as they are mentioued in ( $F_{1}^{\prime}$. ) The extent of cach alienation is stated in square arpents (the arpent being a Froneh measure equivalent to about fourfifths of an English acre), according to the estimate in (F.1.) and not according to the inconsistent and contradictory return made in (A. 1.) For the amounts received and expended on account of each, the papers marked. (B.) are the principal authority. These retuns purport to, give the gross receipts for six successive years from each source of revenue, and also the several items of expense on account of each property, the expenses of the commiasioner's office alone not included. In the table ( $F, 2$. . I have divided the amount of this last item of expense for the same six years between the several properties, in the proportion of their gross receipts; showing by this means the sum total of the expenses of management, \&c. of each property, and consequently the net revenue which it has actually yielded for that period. From these data, the average yearly income derived from each gross and nett, the average yearly value per arpent of each tract, both gross and net, the average yearly rate of paya ment by each ceusitaire in each seigniory; the average ratio of the expenses on each property to its gross receipts, and several other particulars are calculated.
(F. 3.) exhibits the contrast between the actual gross receipls-from each source of revenue in each seigniory, and its estimated gross revenue as shown by (A.7.) and the returns marked (C.) The increase or diminution of the arrears due on each is jlso set down here; 1st, as reported in (A. 6.) and the returns marked (C.); and ad (where that has been posuible), as a comparison of the actual with the estimated revenue would show it. to have really taken place.

- The three tables marked (G.) furnish respectively, as nearly as possible, the same particu. lars of information in respect of the other propertues forming part of the Jesuits' Eistates; viz., those which do not coustitute seigniories.

The tables marked (H.) give a connected statement of the extent, situation, \&c., of such of, the properties named in the former tables as do not yield revenue, distinguishing between those which are no longer at the disposal of the administration of the estates to bo readered valuable, and those which either at once or at a future time may be made a source of revenue.

Before entering on a critical analysis of thie comtents of these tables, and inferring from them, so far as I feel safe in drawing any inference at all, the value of the estates, and the reforms which it may be necessary tomake in the mode of managing them, it will be well to give a brief outhne of their history an an educutional endowment, and a general view of their extent and character.

## Cap. II. <br> Outhings of the History of the Jgborts' Estatib as an Enucational Endownent in Lower Canada.

Ix would neither be useful nor interesting to recount the dates at which the various properties at any period held by the order bf Jesuits in Lower Canada originally came into their ponsession, the names of the individuals who gave, bequeathed or sold them to that order, the motiyes assigned for the gilt or bequest of the greater part, and the transfers or alienations by the Jesuits of particular portions of them. For the purposes of the present report, litle more is required than a brief outline of the proceedings which have taken place since the conquest it regard to these possessions, their adminitatration; and the uses to which the revenues drawn from them have been put.

At the period of the cession of Canada, in 1763, the order of Jesuits was in possession of a number of seigniories and other properties in, different parts of the province, of great, extent and considerable value. They had houses of residence in Quebec, Three Rivers and Montreal ; their residence in Quebec being the large building now used as a barrack in the upper town, and still one of the most extensive buildings in Lower Canada. In this building was their chief residence and college. Their other property was scattered over the province; four seigniories, of considerable size and value, besides a fifth of little or none, and several paluable tracts of land, in and near the city of Quebec, belonging to thein, within the district of Quebec; two of the largest seigniories in the province, and a great part of the town of Three Rivers, being, theirs in the district of that name; and $\mathbf{a}$ small property in the city of Montreal, with iwo large seigniories (one of them, however, only held in trust for the Iroquois Indians), being in their possession in the district of Montreal. Of these properties, the greater part had been given or bequeathed to them; a comparatively small portion had been purchased. The whole had been confirmed to them in mortmain, by letters patent of the French King, his governors or intendants in the province. In the official documents by which their title was thus confirmed, the object of the endowment was in almost every instance stated to be the maintenance of their college, and, the instruction of the youth of Canada by their order. The original bequests or deeds of gift, in many iustances, gave other moives; the conversion of the heathen, friendship for the Jesuits, \&c. The royal letters patent, however, explained the whole as above stated; the Jesuits appearing to have requested this form of confirmation, on account of the tenor of their vows of poverty, and the consequent neceasity of their holding all their possessions under this pretext.

In the articles of capitulation by which Canada was temporarily ceded by the French General, an attempt was made to introduce a guarantee for the continued maintenance of this order in the province, and the perpetual possession by them of their estates. This proposal of the Marquis of Vaudreull was, however, set aside, and no such guarantee given or implied, either in the capitulation or in the treaty of 1763 , by which the country was finally ceded to Great Britain.

Notwithstanding this refusal, however, to recagnise the order, the Jesuits remained in the undisturbed 'possession of most of their property for many years. A part of their college building in Quebec was taken possession of by the government, as a public storehouse, immediately after the conquest, and continued to be used for this purpose till 1776, when the greater part of the building was taken possession of as a barrack, a use to which the whole building has been devoted since the year 1800 , when the last surviving member of the order died. A part of the mission-house, in Montreal, was also occupied as a public prison, before the death of its last inmate, and the whole building was converted into a prison on that event. In the year 1774 , royal instructions were given to the Governor for the suppression and, dissolution of the order of Jesuits; "all their rights, privileges and property" to be vested in the Crown, "for such purposes as the Crown might hereafter think fit to direct and appoint." The royal intention, however, was at the same time declared to be, "that the present members of the society, as eatabilished at Quebec, should be allowed sufficient stipends and provisions during their natural lives." In point of fact, the Jesuits were allowed to continue in the possession and management of their productive estates, and to draw from them the "stipends and'provisions" promised in these instructions in lieu of them. Father Well, the last survivor of the Jesuits resident in Montreal, administered the properties in that district till his death, and Fathers De Glapion and Casot (the latter not himself a Jesuit) those in the district of Quelec, till the death of the former. Shortly after this event, viz. on the 8th of March 1800, the Crown took unreserved possession of the estates, and they have since remained under its management.

The suppression of the order of Jesuits in France took place in the year 1762, and in Italy in the year 1773. The possessions of the order were, in the former country, at ance devoted to the suppoit of institutions of education; in some cases, to the support of-the colleges originally founded by the Jesuits (but then placed ander other government); in other cases, to that of schools and colleges which had never been under their control.

From the year 1770 to the year 1 so3 a claim was under discussion, urged by Lord Amberst, for a royal grant to that nobleman of these estates, or the greater part of them, as a mark of royal acknowledgment of his services in the reduction of Canada. Atter repeated references to the Privy Council and to the Law Officers of the Crown, both in England and Canada, and more than one order in coancll enjoining the Governor of Canada to issue, or the Law Officers to prepare, a deed of gift, conferring them, with one or more reservations, on his Lordship, the project was at last abandoned in 1803, after the death of the original claimant; and the claims of his son and heir were met by'a grant yoted him by the Imperial Parliament in that year. In the conrse of these discussions, a commission was issued by Lord Dorchester, then Governor of Canada, on the 7th of January 1788, in obedience to an Order in Council, to inquire into the extent, value, tenure, 8tc. of the estates, with a view to deciding whether and by what means the proposed grant could be made. The report of the commission, though far from complete in point of information, and indeed not even unanimous, was altogether in favour of the grant, a result which was to have been expected. The report of the Altorney and Solicitorgeneral of Canada, made at the same time, was to the saus tenor. Subsequently raised objecuons, however, defeated the project.

During this period several attempla were made by parties in Canada to obtain from the Crown a grant of these esiates, for ine support of education within the province.

In the year 1787 , the legislative council of the province, on the suggestion of Kord Dorchester, then Governor-general, appointed a committee to inquire into the means of advancing education, \&s. The report of the committee was made in 1y89. For the present purpose, we have to do only with so much of it as relates to the Jesuits' estates. In a letter from the Roman Catholic Bishop of Quebec, dated November 18, 1789 addressed to the committee, and published in their report, that prelate urged the propriety of aguin devoting the college-building in Quebeo to educational purposes, of endowing the new inatitution to be thus opened with these estates, and placing it, when thus endowed, first under the control of the surviving Jesuits, for their lives, nad then under that of the Roman Catholic Bishop of Quebec, ns the head of the Catholic Church in the province. The committee in their report, dated 26 November 1789, recommend that a portion at least (aud it is to be inferred a considerable portion) of these estates be given as an endowment, to aid in the erection of a proposed "Colonial College," of the constitution of which they present an outline. According to this scheme, the college was to have been constituted on the most liberal principles, Catholics and Protestants respectively to provide each their own system of religious instruction for the students of their own communion; 'the corporation to consist of an equal number of members of each communion, and the visitation to be vested in the Crown.
On the 31st of December in the same year (1789), Father de Glapion, the titular superior of the dissolved order, proposed by letter, on his own part and that of his three surviving fellow Jesuits, to make over the estates "for the benefit of the Canadian citizens of the province of Lower Canada," with the reservation for themselves of a residence within their former dwellinge, and a life pension of 3,000 livres each per annum, and on condition that the estates so made over should for, ever be applied to educational purposes under the direction of the Romam Catholic Bishop of Quebec.

Early in the year 1793, during the firat session of the Provincial Parliament of Lower Canada, created by the constitutional Aet of 1791, a petition, signed principally by persons of British origin, was presented to the House of Assembly from the city aud county of Quebec, praying the House to urge upon the Crown the propriety of giving, up the estates to the disposal of the provincial legislature, for the support of education in the province; a destination, it "was urged, which would, more than any ather, be in accordance with the design of those who endowed the order with these possessions, and the spirit of the letters patent of the French King, which confirmed them to the order, for educational objects only.
On the 11 th of April of the mame year, the House adopted an address to the Crown, embodying the substance; and urging the prayer of this pelition. No answer was given to this address; the project of granting the estates to Lord Amherst being the one.then favoured by Government'
During the session of the Provincial Parliament held in the year 1800 (the year in which the finaloceupancy of the estates by the Crown took place), the House of Assemby again took up the subject, and voted an address to the Governor, praying his Excellency to counmunicate to the House certain documents, "to facilitate the investigation of the claims and pretensions of the province, on the Jesuits' College converted into barracks, and to the estates of that order, 'sc." His Excellency's reply informed the House, "that in consequence of the address of the House of Assembly, of the 111 rchat . April 1793, the claims of the province lrad been considered by his Majesty in Council, and that the result of that consideration had been an order to take possession of those estates for the Crown. That if, after this explanation the House should deem it advisable to investigate, they should have access to the documents required; but any further application on the subject might be inconsistent with the accustomed respect of the House of Assembly for the decision of his Majesty, on matters connected with his prerogative." No further action was had in consequence of this reply on the subject for several years.

Since the final occupation of the estates by the Crown in $\mathbf{3 8 0 0}$, their administration has been vested by a series of commissions ; first in a board of five commissioners, holding office during pleasure; some years afterwards in a board of eight, and then in a board of six ; and, lastly, in a single commissioner, the Honourable John Stewart, who, still holds that office, and who had been a member of the board for several years before he became sole commissioner. The successive changes which bave taken place under the several commissions which have been issued, and their dates, are not material to the purpose of the present report.
The revenues of the estates during the interval between this period and the year $\leq 8 y 1$, (when they were surrendered to the Provincial Parliament for the support of education), were appropriated by the local executive as a part of the property of the Crown, and no xeport as to the mode of their application was made public.
In 1812 , the legislative council voted an address to the Prince Regent, praying for the devotion of these estates to the support of education. The address was sent down to the Assembly for concurrence; but, owing probably in a great degree to the pressure of business and the excitement growing out of the war with the United States, then just commencing, it was not then acted upon.' The address, does not appear to have been noticed by the governiment; in part, doubtless, from the same cause.
From this time till 1824, litule was done on this subject. In the session of 1824 , however, a special committee of the House, appointed for the purpose, submitted a long and elaborate report, selting forth the pioceedings connected with the suppression of the order of Jesaits, both in France and-Canada, and urging the unreserved devotion of the estates

[^5]"once possessed by them to educational objects, in the latter, as well as in the former country. The report was concurred in by the Assembly.

- In the session of $\mathbf{1 8 2 5 - 6 \text { , the discassion of the subject was again resumed, and another }}$ *pecial committee named, to inquire into ilve kindred topics of the Jesuite' estates ard the state of education in the province. In accordance with the reporl of that committee, it was resolved, on the 2oth of March 1826, to address the Crown anew, in behalf of the claims of the provincial parliament to the reyenues of the estates for the advancement of education. To this address no anstrer swas made.

In 1827 a a asiety of complaints urged by the House of Assembly of Lower Canada were 'laid before the Imperial' Parliament, the disposition and management of the Jesuits' estates being among the number of "grievances" complained of: The Cunada committee of the House of Commons, in 1828, reported in favour of the application of the proceeds of the estates "to the purposes of general education."

In the month of Match 1831, resolutions were again adopted by the House of Assembly of Lower Canada, complaining, among a number of other things, of the continued withholding of the Jesuits' estates from this use and from their control; and another address to the Crown was voted, embodyiug all theseg complaints. A despatch of Lord Goderich (then Colonial Secretary),'dated 7th July 1831, and containing the reply of the Goverament to the demands urged in this address, concedes, at least on this point, almost all that the Assembly had demanded. By this despatch, the future revenue of the eatates was placed at the dispesal of the provincial legishature for, the support of education, with a recommendation only to the Hou'se, in favour of the continuance of a provision to those "scholastic establishments" (the' grammar schools of Quebec and Montreal) which had up to that period been sustained by its means. In this cession of the estates, however, the Jesuits' College was not included, except upon condition of the erection by the proyince of "adequate barracks," for the accommodation of the troops which had been for so many years quartered there.

A:number of other measures were proposed to the Assembly by Lord Goderich, for the settlement of the controverted questions of the civil list, \&xc., out of the agitation of which the address of the Assembly had had its origin. To these the House did not, assent. The surreuder of the Jesuits' estates alone was ratified by a legislative enactment of that year, the 2d Will. 4, c. 42. By this law it is enacted, that from and after the date of its passage, " all monies arising out of the estates of the late order of Jesuits, which now are in or mady hereafter come into the hands of the receiver-general of this province, shall be placed in a separate chest in the vaults wherein the public monies of the province are kept, and shall be applied to the purposes of education exclusively, in the manner provided by this Act, or by any Act or Acts which may hercafter be passed by the provincial legislature, and not otherwise." The Act then proceeds to appropriate, for the next year only; $i$, $e$. Lill October 1, 1832, the following sums:-

For the expenses of management of the estates:

| The commissioner's salary | - | - | - | - | £. 180 sterling. |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Allowance for clerk hire | - | - | - | - | - | 90 |
| Allowance for contingencies | - | - | - | - | 80 | 1 |

For the royal grammar school in Quebec:
Master's salary $-\quad-\quad-\quad-\quad-\quad-\quad$. 200 sterling.
Allowance for house rent

For the royal gratmor school in Montreal:


In all, 894 l. sterling, or 993 l. 6 s. $8 d$. currency; the " pound sterling" of the Jawy being that in which the receiver-general's accounts are kept ( 9 l. sterling equalling 10l. Halifax currency), and not the true "pound sterling" of English money. The above amounts were all copied into the Act from the estimates proposed, and are the amounts which had for some time previous been allowed from the estates for those purposes respectively.

The Act, of which the above is an outline, was adopted by the House on the recommendation of a special committee, to which so much of Lord Goderich's despatch as related to the estates had been referred. That committee accompanied their Bill with an explanatory report, which was adopted by the. House, and to whetr I shall have occasion hereafter to refer more than once. On the subfect of the retention of the Jesuits' barracks, this report proposes to the House no immediate action, but expresses the confident anticipation that "the justice of his Majesty's governatent" will ere long complete the restiuntion of the estates, without insisting upon a condition, a compliance with which on the, part of the province would exhaust the revenues of the estates for several years.

Appended to the report of the committee on the Journals of the House is an abstract (drawnrup appareully by some member of the committee) of the accounts of the estates for the $3^{1}$ years from 1800 to 1831 , as reported to the committee on this occasion. It is not easy to reconcile some of the statements made in this abstract with the contents of other papers embodying official information on the subject. I was not, however, able to give to this purt of the inquiry a sufficient amount of time, to feel warranted in positively
nsyerting any contradiction between the two authorities; or in attempting' to discusa at length the-points on which they seem to differ.

- From this'table it would 'seem that the'total amornt received into the hands of the "treasurer of the estates*, or receivar-general for the 91 years between 1800 and 1831 wan $49,5836,148.3$ d. currency, being on an average not guite $1,600 l$. currency yearly, for the entite period. Of this sum there had been expended duting the same time upon the management of the estates, $8,6502 . .28$. $4 d$, being at the fate of nearly 17 i per cent. per annum upon the amount received by the treasurer or receiver-general. This sum exidently does not include the 10 per cetit. on all collections made by the agenta, and deducted by them in the first instance from the gross receipts, without passing through the treasurers or receiver-general's hands. Besides this $8,652 l$. 28 . 4 d., a further sum of $4,732 l$ '. 9 so , is returned, as having been expended upon "reptirs" of roads, mills, \&re., making rather more than $9 \$$ per cent. on the arnount passed through the atreasurer's hands. Assuming these figures to be correct, the entire sum expended in agent's allowance, expenses of management and repairs upon the properties for 31 years, amounted ta more thau 35 . per cent. on the gross collections made in that period by the agents.

Of the $30,1996.28 .11 d$. remaining after these deductions, the same account shows a sum of 13,160 l. $7^{8.6 d .}$. (a little more than one-third) to liave been for educational purposea. Of this sum, 780 l . was a grant in favour of the $\mathrm{M} \cdot$ Gill college, and all or nearly all the rest had been expended upon the royal grammar schools of Quebec, Montreal and Kingston (Upper Canada). The, allowance to these achools commenced in 1817, and that to the Kingston sehool had been given up some years before 1831 .
Among the remaining items of disbursements appears a charge of, 9,799l. 2s. 11 d . for "repairs of Protestant churches", all or nearly all this sum having been expended upon the repair of the Protestant cathedral church in Quebec. Another charge upon the estates .(sanctioned by a despatch of Sir George Murray, dated June 2, 1828), is to the amount of 9841.3 s. 2d. for the salary of a clergyman of the Protestant Episcopal Church (Rev. Mr. Sewell), as chaplain of the church of the Holy Trinity in Quebec.

On the subject of the balance in the receiver-general's biands at the time of the surrender of the estates, the account given in this table is not reconcilable, sor faras $\mathbf{I}$ can see, with that given on the books of the receiver-general. The latter (as may be seen from the accompanying document marked (E.) state it to be 8,02ol. 16 s . 3 d . sterling, or $8,8721.05-3 \frac{1}{4} d^{2}$ currency. This sum, I presume, is the correct one.

The provisions of the 2 d Will. 4 , cap. 41 ; were in several particulars disregarded or contravened. 'The monies received, from the Jesuits' estates were never placed by the receiciver-general in a separate chest, ns required by the law, but have continued, as before, to be deposited with the other public revenue of the province, a separate account only Geing kept to show their amount. The clause prohibiting the expenditure' of any part of the balance at any time accruing from the Jesuits' estates for any other than 'educational objects was also set aside by the transfer on the 22d of September 1832 (by order of the governor, signified in a letter from Colonel Craig, then civil secretary, to the receivergeneral), of 7,154 l. $15 \mathrm{~s} .4 \frac{1 \mathrm{~d} \text {. currency, from the amount/'credited to the Jesuits' estates, }}{}$ to the general revenues of the-province. The circumstances under which this transfer was made, and the defence set up for it (apassage in Lord Goderich's despatch of 7th July 1831), will require fuller consideration in another part of this report. I shall there endeavour to show, that however undeserving of blame the order may have been, it wastclearly a contravention of the law, and that the iransfer in question ought accordingly to be reversed, and the 7,154 l. 15 s. 4 di cutrency again-set down as belouging to the educational fund of the province.

The appropriations madt by the above Act of 1832 were, as has been stated, for one year only; no subsequent enactment- has been passed on the subject, so that the revenues of the estates have been accumulatiag in the hands of the receiver-general since October $1,18 \mathrm{gz}$; the allowances to the tho grammar schools ceased at that date. The expenses of the commissioner's office have continued to be paid to the same amount as before; nol, however, as before, by warrant drawn in due form upan the receiver-general, but by the commissioner himself, out of the monies received by him, before paying over the balunce to the receiver-general. This course is defended by a reference to the terms of the commission by which that officer-was appointed, and which empowers him to pay out of the receipts of the estates all necessary expenses of collection, \&cc. It received -also at the time the sanction of the execuive government, though there can be no doubt the majority of the House of Assembly intended, as one consequence of the non-renewal of their appropriations from this fund, to have reduced the commissioner of the estates to the position of the other public officers during the period of the stoppage of the supplies, and, it possible, to thave obliged him to resign his office in conseguence.

During the stormy sessions of the provincial parliament which followed the year 1831, at standing committee of the House was constantly accupied with investigations relative

[^6]relative to the Jesuits' estates. In the last session at which any public business was transacted (hat of $1835-6$ ), a Bill to regulate the future administrution of the estates was introduced into the House of Assembly by Mr. Kimber, of Three Rivers, the chairman of this committee; but though it passed the Houge it failed to become a a , law, the disputes between the two Houses having so entirely engrossed. attentiou, after it was sent up to the legislative council, as to prevent that body from proceeding with it to its passage, amendment or rejection. The session came to a close without any decisive, action of the council in regard' to it. The principnl provisions of this Bill will require notice in another part of this report, when the particular subject to which it relates shall be under discussion. With the history of this property as an educational endowment they have no connexion.

## Cap. III. <br> Geniral View of the Charagtra, Extent, Value and Management of the Jebutits' Estatrg.

Ir is hardly necessary here to mention that in the early settlement of Canada, extenaivie tracts of waste land were granted to certain individuals or communities, to be held by them of the Crown, by the tenure commonly called feudal as it'then prevailed in France. The settlement of the country was to take place, in a great measure, through their instrumentality. By the deeds which constituted them seigmors within and over their new possessions, they were-required to "concede" them in turn to others, uader certain reatrictions of quantity and price, prescribed in part by law and custom, and in part by the terms of the original grant. Those to whom land was thus "conceded", by the seigniors were held bound to pay him a small irredeemable yearly rental, in money, productions of the soil, or both, varying in amount in different cases, but never amounting to more than a very thifing impost on the land conceded. Besides this yearly payment of "cens et rentes," the seiguior had also a right, in case of the sale, by any of his censitaires, of land so conceded, to a mutation fine (called a "Lods et ventes") of one-twelfith part of the purchase-money. He alone had the right to erect mills in the seigniory, and all his censitaires were bound to use his mills on certain terms. A part of the seigniory he could reserve from concession, for himself, as the "domain" or seignorial residence and farm of the seigniory. He might also concede any portion of bis seigniory as an "arrière fief;" In which case the holder of, such fief stood in much the same relatign to himself, as that in which he stood to the Crown, and granted concessions from it to censitaires holding under him. -
Such' in few words, and omitting all that is not necessary to the understanding of the remarks to be made upon the management of the Jesuits' Estates, were the leading outlines of the system. In its details, the code of law introduced into Canada by, and essentially interwoven with, this mode of granting land, is complex in the extreme. The Crown has its. righits over the seignior, as well as the seignior over the censitaire. The seignior has some other lesser rights over the censitaire, which are more or less a consequence of those already named. There are further several different tenures by which land may be held of a seignior, \&cc. These, however, are all matters which require no discussion here.
All the land granted in Lower Canada before the conquest was disposed of in this manner. Since the conquest, a comparatively small quantity only has been so granted, except within the limits of the seigniories erected before that time. A considerable portion of some of 'these seigniories still remains wild and unalienated on the seigniors' hands.
At the time of the conquest, the order of Jesuits was in possession, as has been ahready stated, of nine seigniories, bessdes some other properties not constituting seigniories, most of which were situate in or near the chree towns of Quebec, Three Rivers, and Montreal. One of these seigniories (that of Sault St. Louis, in the district of Montreal) had been placed in their hands only as a trust for the use of the Iroquois Indians, and was, therefore, soon after the cession of Canada, restored to the Indians as its rightful owners. The remaining properties, with the exception of some alienations" of small extent, either by royal grant in lavour of public institutions, or by occupation on the part of the Government for public uses, remsin; in point of extent, as in the time of the Jesuits. These alienations will come under consideration when speaking in detall of the several properties forming the estates, and the management, value and disposition of each. For the present I-proceed with the general description.

[^7]The eight seigniories, then, of the Jesuits' estates are as follows :-
In the district of Quebee, 5:

1. Sillery.
2. St. Gabriel, qr Ancienne et Jeune Lorette.
3. Notre Dameddes Anges, or Charleshourg.
4. Belair, or La Montagne au Bonhomme; and
5. Isle aux Reaus.*

In the district of Three Rivers, 2 :

1. Batiscan ; and
2. Cap de la Magdeleine.

In the district of Montreal, 1 :

1. La Prairie de la Magdeleine.

The remaining properties are as follows:-
In the district of Quebec, 4:

1. La Vacherie, a tract of land adjoining Quebec, in the St. Roch's suburb.
2. Lands in the City of Quebec.
3. Lands in the Seigniory of Lauzun, opposite Quebec on the south bank of the St. Lawrence; and
4. Land at Tadoussac, on the River Saguenay,

In the district of Three Rivers, 2 :

1. Isle de Christophe ; $\dagger$ and
2. Lands in the Town and Banlieue of Three Rivers.

In the district of Montreal, 1

## 3. Land in the Gity of Montreal.

Under one or other of the above heads, all that has ever belonged to the Jesuits in Lower Canadn may be classed, includiug as well the porions which are now alienated, as those which are not.
The total extent of the above named seigniories is little if at all shiort of 800,000 square arpents, * i. e. is upwards of 1,000 square English miles. The seigniories in the district of Qtebec cover of this nearly 160,000 arpents ; those in the district of Three Rivers more than 582,000 ; and those in the district of Montreal, more than 56,000 . Estimating the whole at 1,000 square miles, for the sake of round numbers, though this estimate is under the truth, the proportional extent of the seigniories in each district will be nearly as follows :-

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\begin{gathered}
\text { In the district of Quebec, about } 200 \text { square milès. } \\
" \\
\# \\
\text { Three Rivers } 730 \quad \text { Montreal } \quad 70 \quad \text { " }
\end{gathered}
$$

Of these gross amounts of territory, in two out of the three districts, a large proportion is as yet ungranted. In the district of Quebec, there are nearly 66,000 arpents, and in that of Three Rivers, nearly 438,060 arpents, in this condition,-uncleared and mostly unsurveyed. Upwards of 500,000 arpents, or five-eizhths of the whole superficial extent of the seigniories, is thus lost to the estates; leaving (on a rough estimate, as before) the conceded or atherwise alienated portions of the seigniories to be thus stated in round numbers:

| In the district of Quebec, about 116 square miles. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| " | Three Rivers | 180 | , |
| " | Montreal | 70 | " |

The extent of the other properties is much less than that of the seigniories. Altogether, they cover a little more than 3,000 square arpents, about $3_{5}^{4}$ square English miles; and of this more than 2,750 arpents, or 32 square miles, consists of lands in the seigniory of Lauzun and Banlieue of Three Rivers, from which revenue can be drawn only as from so much land in a conceded seigniory,-not quité so much indeed, since the droit de banalité, or seigniorial right to the profits of grinding the censitaire's gruin crops, is not here
enjoyed.

[^8]enjoyed. The remainder is land within town limits, part of it valuable and improvable part not.

The revenue drawn from these extensive properties has never borne any proportion to the sum which their extent would lead one to expect from them.
In a report of the Law Officers of the Crown in Canada, addressed to Lord Dorchester, $\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { and dated in the year } 17^{89} \text {, I find the then total yearly revenue stated } \\ \text { to have been }\end{array}\right\} .1,20988 \quad 6 \mathrm{Cy}$.
Of which sum the seigniories yielded
And the other properties $-\quad-\quad-\quad-\quad-\quad-\bar{f} .1,13411 \quad \overline{6}$

This was while the estates were still administered by the Jesuits.' Whether these sums give the yearly revenue as actually collected by the Jesuits in any year, or as estimated by them from their books, does not appear. At that period, the extent of the conceded portion of the estates was much less than at present; besides that, from the comparative thinness of the population of the province generally, the revenue drawn from lods et ventes, which is dependent for its amount on the number of sales of real estate and the price it fetches, must have been very much less than it ought now to be, even in proportion to the extent of land conceded.
During the $3^{1}$ years between the occupation of the estates by the Crown in 1800, and their cession to the provincial parliament in 1831, we have seen, that the total amount received from them by the treasurer or receiver-general was reported
to have been
$-, f^{f .49,58314} 3 \mathrm{Cy}$.
Adding to this the amount of 10 per cent. on the gross collections, (the sum probably allowed to the agents,) we have as the gross amount collected during that period - - - - - $\quad$.55,093 - 3

Showing an average gross yearly collection by the agents, for the
whole period of - $)_{-}$
The collections for the earlier years of this period must have been much less, and for the later years considerably more than this."
For the six fullowing years (between 1 October 1831 , and 30 September 1837), the returns made by the commissioner of the estates to the Education Commission enable me to speak more exactly and confidentially. From these it appears, that the total gross receipts for the six years, and consequently the avyerage yeariy gross receipts, have been as follows:-


The estimated gross yenrly income of the estates, as drawn up on the 5 th October 1838 , for the year following, shows, exclusive of lods et ventes, the following results:-

From the seigniories (besides lods et ventes), $\dagger \quad-\quad-\quad-\quad$. $3,79816 \quad 2 l \mathrm{Cy}$.
$" \quad$ other properties (also besides lods et ventes) $\quad-\quad . \quad \begin{array}{rrr}556 & 9 & 9\end{array}$

$$
\text { In all (besides lods et ventes) }-\quad-\quad-\quad \begin{aligned}
& \text { f. } 4,355,51: 3 \\
& \hline
\end{aligned}
$$

The value of the lods et ventes, as a source of revenue, may be thus estimated. For the six yenrs above named, the average yearly receipt from this source has been-

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { From the seigniories }-\quad-\quad=\quad \overline{-} \quad-\mathbf{-} .565{ }^{17} 11.58 \mathrm{Cy} \text {. } \\
& \text { " other properties - - - - -- - } 531910.33 \\
& \text { In all - . - - - - - } \begin{array}{l}
6191710- \\
\hline
\end{array}
\end{aligned}
$$

nearly one-fourth part of the sum collected from all other sources together... Assuming the lods et ventes to have been collected with neither more nor less regularity and exactness than the other dues, and to have increased in value in the same proportion with them, they would be estinated for $1838-9$, at nearly one-fourth of the estimated rental aboye stated,-say, at
which would raise the entire estimated revenue for the year to the sum of $£ .5,405 \quad 5 \quad 114$
The

[^9]The very uncertain character of this impost makes me unwilliug, however, to rely too confidently on this calculation; it is better than none; and I have no better data at command than those on which it is founded.

The difference between this eatimate for the, year 1838-9, and, the above average of the six years ending in 1837, is, to be ascribed in part to the remissness of the agents in their collections, and in part, also, to recent advances made in the rental of certain of the properties. It is not possible for me to determine exactly how much of it is to be set down to one, and how much to the other. The return of the leased properties gives only their present rental ; and the returns of arrears are (as I'shall show presently) very far from being trustworthy. At the present point of the inquiry, I can give no more exact estimate than the following. The returns of the commissioner state the increase of arrears betyreen 1 October $18 \mathrm{Si}^{1}$ and 1 October 1837, to have been-

In the seigniories (not including increage of arcears; 1st, on lods and ventes-in three

In the other praperties (on the "lands sold en constitut"- alome)"

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x_{.7,450171}
$$

These sump, however, fall considerably short of the truth, as the statements I shall have to make presently will show. I here state only results, which more than admit of proof. On' account, then, of increase of arrears of cens et rentes on lands conceded, and of interest' on land sold en conatitut, there must be added,-

In the seigniories (being deficiency of tine sum retarned, as contrasted with that shown$\left.\begin{array}{ll}\text { by comparison of the returned amounts of rental and collections), } \\ \text { aboint }\end{array}\right\} £ \begin{array}{lll}644 & 10 & 31 \\ \mathrm{Cy}\end{array}$


$$
\text { About }---\sqrt{8.740 \quad 9115}
$$

There remains still to be taken into account (supposing the returns given of arrears on lods et ventes, leased properties, \&c.; to be as correct as those of cens et rentes are incorrect), 15t, the increase of arrear on lods et ventes in three of the seighiories and in the conceded portions of the other properties; and 2 d , the increase of arrear (triting in ${ }^{\text {a }}$ amount), on seweral of the lesser properties in the seigniories, for which the returns are wanting. The addition of the 740 l .9 g .11 ld . for arrears of cens et rentes raises the

The addition of the other items may very safely be taken to raise it to at least about

The above computation would leave a sum of $839 l .18 s .10 \frac{1}{4} d^{*}$ as the difference between ${ }^{5}$ the estimated yearly rental for the year $1838-9 n$ and the average of estimated rental for the six years ending in 1837; a difference which is to be accounted for as the increase of rental drawn from newly-made cencessions and the leased properties.' This sum is, in my opinion, above rather than below the mark; and, the 1,375.l. compated ayerage yearly arrearage, for the same reasons, below it.

The results of these calculations, then, are as follows :-
Average yearly receipts from all sources, for the six years $£ .3,190 \quad 7 \quad 1^{\prime} \mathrm{Cy}$.
Computed average yearly increase of arrear (for do.) aboùt £.1,375, © "
Computed average gross yearly rental (for do.) about - $\boldsymbol{E} .4,565,71^{\boldsymbol{L}}$



#### Abstract



About 30 per cent. of the entire rental of the estates would thus seem to have been yearky falling into arrear for the six years ending in. 1837.

The expenses of the administration of the estates remain to be spoken of. These we shall see have alvays been as remarkable for the largeness, as the gross receipts of the entates have been for the smallness of their amount.


[^10]FFor the $3 \mathbf{2}$ years ending in 2831, we have seen that these expenses on an average were as follows:-

For allowance to agenis for collection on the gross amount collected, (probably)

10 per cent.
For "expenses of management," i.e. of commissioner's board, \&tc., nearly $17 \frac{1}{1}$ per cent. on the sum remaining, after deduction of agent's allowance; being therefore on the gross amount collected, (probably) - - - . - -
For "repairs, \&cc.,", rather more than 91 per cent, on the sum above named, or, on the gross amount colledted, (probably)

or wore than-a-third part of the gross sum collected. It was not, therefore, withoutireason That in the despatch of Lord Goderich, ceding the estates to the provincial parliament, the large amount of the expenses of management was adverted to.

For the six years encling in 1837 , the expenses have borne a somewhat heavier' proportion to the gross receipts than before, as the following particulars will show :

For allowance to agents upon the entire collections: $-\quad \approx 10$ per cent.
For " expenses of commissioner's office," 2.298 l. 2 5. 5it d. out of a gross receipt of 19,142 l. 2 s. $5 \frac{3}{2}$ d. being very nearly* - 11.693
For repairs and other expenses, $3,083 l .3 \varepsilon$. $6 \frac{1}{2} d$. out of thes above gross yeceipt, being over - - - 16.106

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\text { In all, above - - - }-\quad-\quad-37799 \text { per cent.' }
$$

This per centage on the gross amount collected gives us (if the preceding calculations as to arrears, $8 \mathrm{Cc}_{\mathrm{c}, \mathrm{b}}$ be at all correct) a result of very nearly $26 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on the-estitimated average rental as sunk in expenses. The- 30 per cent. or more, ranning yearly into arrear added to this, shows a difference between the estimated gross.rental and the actual net receipts of nearly 561 per cent. on the former. The net revenue of the estates, for six years running has thus been but about 43 per cent. (or considerably lessthan one-half) of the gross amount that has fallen due within that period!

- It remains to inquire what amount of net revenue may.be looked forward to from these estates in future years, for the support of education in the province, and what measures, legislative or executive, are necessary to the realization of the greatest possible net revenue for this object.

To answer, as far as I can, these inquiries, it will be necessary to discuss-m
1st. The extent, character and present management of each of the several properties belonging to the estates, as shown by the returns (A.), (B.) and (C.)

2d. The general character of the system of administration under which the estates are at present placed.

3d. The extent and value of the properties heretofore unproductive, and the measures by which they may best be rendered productive.

4th. The measures required to obtain from the properties heretofore productive their utmost net value.

5th. The amount of arrears now actually due on the estates, and the measures by which so much of them as can be collected at all may be best and soonest realized.

6th. The amount of monies belonging to the estates accumulated in the pro-vincial-treasury since $\mathbf{1 8 3 1}$; and the measures to be adopted to render it a productive fund.

7th. The general outlines of the system which should be adöpted for' the future management of the estates, and the means by which the required changes can best be intrŏduced.
This order of arrangement I propose to follow.

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## Cap. IV.

Examination of the Returns made by the Commissioner of the Jesulets Estates to the Enucation Commiseion; showing the extent, character, present value, \&xc., of each of the properties comprised in them.

Part 1.-The Seigniories. (a.) In the District of Quebec.
§ $1 .-\operatorname{SiLLERY}$.
The first seigniory to be spoken of, in the district of Quebec, is that of Sillery.

- Information in regard to it is contained in the commissioner's returns, marked (A. 1.), (A. 2.), (A. 3.), (A. 4.), (A. 6.), (A. 7.), (B. 1.) and (C. 1.) It is the first seigniory noticed in the tables marked (F. 1.), (F. 2.) and (F. 3.)

Position, Extent, \&c.-This seigniory is but $\mathbb{R}^{\text {a }}$ short distance from the City of Quebec, and lies in a direction "south"west and west of it. Its front line" is on the St. Lawrence, on the north bank, a little above Quebec, and the side lines run back in a northwest direction, nearly at right angles to the course of the river. On its north-east or Quebec side, it is bounded by the seigniory of St. Michel, the property of the Quebec seminary; and on the south-west, by the seigniöry of Godarville. In (A. 1.) it is returned as extending one league in front by one and a half leagues in depth, and containing therefore 10,584 square arpents; the whole surveyed, and 200 arpents only of the whole remaining at the disposal of the commissioner.

Armiere Fiefs.-Of these, according to (A. 2.), there are two (Monseau and St. Ursule), though(A.1.) makes no mention of them. Their total area is 819 arpents. (All the arrière fiefs were granted by the Jestuits before the conquest.)
Lands disposed of otherwise than as Arrirre Fieps or Concrisiong.-(A. 1.) makes mention only of a grant of four arpents to a church under this head; but in this part of the retarn there are two errors; first, an omission to make any report of the extent of land leased with the coves mentioned in other returas; and secondly, the return as "new concessions" of $15^{2}$ arpents of land, which were in reality not " conceded" at all, but " sold en constitut." To mention these three properties, then, in the order of their importance :

1. The Coves.-A narrow strip of land along the river front of the seigniory forms the four Sillery coves, within which a considerable share of the lumbering business of Quebec is transacted. They are leased to as many mercantile houses in Quebec, engaged in the lumber trade. Their cxtent I am unable to state, in consequence of the omission to return them in (A. 1.) The strip which forms them is quite narrow, extending a very short distance only from high-water mark, and the hills rising behind it almost close to the water's edge. I do not know, therefore, that it is necessary to make any deduction on account of them, from the 10,584 arpents given as the total contents of the seigniory. The"" one league by one and a half leagues" of the seigniory may perhaps be made good without including them, and at any rate they cannot take off a great deal of it.
2. The Land sold en constitut, is, as I learned by inquiry of the commissioner, a part of the " domain" of the seigniory, originally reserved by the Jesuits. The whole donamin extended over $35^{2}$ arpents, and of these, $15^{\text {th }}$ were sold in nine lots of different dimensions between 23 December 1831 and 12 June 1832. The remaining 200 arpents constitute the unalienated portion of the seigniory above-mentioned.
3. The Church Grant.-This grant of four arpents is for the Roman Catholic parish church of St. Foi. It was given by the Jesuits among the earliest of the alienations made in the seigniory.

The Concessions in this seigniory are all old concessions, made by the Jesuits, and they extend over all the remainder of the seigniory. In (A. 1.) they are returned as covering 10,380 arpents, neither the 152 arpents sold from the domain, nor the 819 arpents forming the arricre fiefs, nor the extent (if any) which should be taken off for the coves, being taken into account. Supposing, however, the scigniory to cover 10,584 arpents, exclusive of the coves, the utmost extent we can give these old concessions is 9,409 (and not 10,380 ) arpents.

The seturns nowhere make any distinction of gross and net, as regards the extent of the various alienations within any of the seigniories or other properties; so that I cannot say,

[^12]in any case, how much of the land is taken up with roads, \&re., and how much really goes to make up the farms of the censitaires. Indeed, there can be no pretension made to minute accuracy, even as to the gross extent of these concessions; for the 10,584 arpents allowed for the whole seigniory is merely a rough estimate made from its recorded dimensions, 'and not the result of any accurate survey.

In speaking of the value of the several properties in the seigniory, $I$ shall follow the order indicated in the tables (F. 2.) and (F.3.) 佨 making the preceding statement of their extent, it has been more convenient, on account of the corrections to be made in (A. 1.) to adopt app order somewhat different.
I. The Armere Fieps (see A. i2.) yield no revenue, and cannot be made to yield any.

IL. The Concessioss. - The 9,409 arpents, more or less, constituting the gross extent of the old concessions, appenr from the return (C. 1.) to be held by 77 censitaires. No date is given of the origiaal concession deeds under which the present censitaires hold, nor is, any return made either of the number and names of the original grantees, or even of the extent of land now held by each censitaire, all which particulars were called for. The yearly rental of each of the 77 censitaires is specified, and as the amounts vary very considerably, I conclude that the quantities of land held by them vary also, and that the list is a mere list of censitaires, drawn up without any reference to the orignal concession limits, with the amount of rental of each holder as 12 slands on the agent's books, and the agent's record, such as it is, of the amounts of arrear due by each in 1831 and in. 1837, slated, but with no specification of the extent of their respective holdings, \&cc., for their want of the requisite information on the subject ${ }^{\text {\% }}$

It almost ceases to be a maitter of wonder that this return is thus defective, when we glance at the aggregate rental due from these 77 censitaires upon their 9,409 arpents. This amount is $201.28 .6 \$ \mathrm{~d}$. currency; a mere trifle over a halfpenny currency per arpent yearly, and amounting on an average to about 5 s .2 d . currency only (hardly more than a dollar) a year, payable balf-yearly from each censitaire.

The actual collections, however, made in the six years have been much larger than this meagre rent-roll would lead óne to expect. The total gross receipts have beeni-.

For the Six Years.
Average per Annum."


From this it appears that the whole amount paid in on these properties averages a little over $4 d$. currency per arpent, and as much as 2 2. 1 s. 2004 d. trom each censilaire. The lods et ventes, from which more than five-sixths of this whole revenue has been drawn, constitute, it will be remembered, an irregular charge, incurred only when an estate is sold. The great comparative amount of lods et ventes in this seigniory is owing to several causes; the nearness of the seigniory to Quebec, which at once makes the land more valuable and the sales more frequent than in most seigniories, being the principal.

It is obvious, that if the sums above given as the yearly rental of these concessions, and the yearly receipt of cens et rentes from them, be correct, there must have resulted a decrease of arrear on this account in the course of the six years :

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { Actual yearly receipt, ón an average } \quad-\quad-\quad=\begin{array}{llll} 
& 23 & 8 & 8.42 \mathrm{Cy} .
\end{array} \\
& \text { Estimated yearly rental - - - - - } 20 \quad 26.5 \\
& \text { Consequent yearly diminution of arrear } \\
& \text { And in the six years - } \\
& \text { f. } 191611.52
\end{aligned}
$$

Turning to what purports to be the return of arrears due at the commencement and end' of these six years respectively, we find them stated thus :


This discrepancy cannot ie accounted for, except by supposing the retarns of arrears to a considerable extent apocryphal. That they are so, we shall have alundance of further evidence, in examining the accounts of some of the other seignories. In the present case the amounts are trifling; but the error is material, as a proof of the want of any thing like correct accounts of the arrears atctually due from the censitaires.

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## APPENDIX TO REPORT ON THE AFEAIRS OF

The arrears due on account of lods et ventes are raturned in the same table thus:


It is hardly necessary to criticise this account. It cannot be supposed that if, with a payment of 810 l .8 s .7 d . in, the six years ending in 1837 , a further sum of $185 \mathrm{l} .7 \mathrm{s}$.2 l d . has rum into arrear, the whole amount of arrear incurred previous to 1831 should be one aum due from a single censitaire of $15 l .1$
The expenses directly chargeable upon the concessions are, the agent's charge of 10 per cent. on the collections, and the apportionment of the expeuses of the commissioner's office, 11.693 per cent. upon the same; in all, 21.693 per cent.

By this deduction the average net receipt from the concessions is brought down to the rate of $3.17 d$, currendy per arpent yearly.
III. Lands otherwise alienated than as Arkiere. Fiefs of Cohcebsiong.te Of these, first in order are-

1. The Four Coves.m. These form by fir the most valuable property belonging to this seigniory; at present (see A. 3.) two of them are leused for 1501 . each per monum, the, present leases running for seven years, and expiring on 1st May 1843 , but clogged with an engagement for a renewal of the leases for 14 years more (iill ist May 1857), at the rate of 200 l . per annum. A third cove was leased in 1836, by public auction, for 750 . yearly for seven years, ending also on 1st May 1843, and without any such engagement for a renewal of the lease; it appears, however, that the old lessee still remains in possession, and contests the right of the new lessee, and the consequence is, that since January 1836 neither claimant has paid any rental whatever for the cove. The fourth cove is leased for a term of 21 years, which ends on 1st May 1857, for 30 l. per annum.

Much angry discussion has taken place as to the real value of these coves, and it has formed part of the complaints' of the standing committee of the House of Assembly that they are very much under-let. The complaint, so far as appearances and the evidence. collected by this committee go, would seetn well founded; but for reasons already stated, I have not been able to make such further inquiries on the subject as would justify me in expressing a positive opinion in regand to it. It is apparent, however, that very shortly after the cession of the estates to the control of the provincial parlament (viz. in Seppember 1832), the first and second coves were leased anew, by private contract, for a petiod unprecedentedly long ( $24 \frac{1}{d}$ years in fact, from 1832 to 1857 ), and at a price said by very many persons to be far below their real value. The third cove, leased soon after by public auclion, brought a iental five times as great, though leased for a much shorter term. How the fourth cove was let, whether privately or publicly, I do not remember; the question is one which requires further iavestigation into all the circumstances of the case, and made on the spot, to decide upon it.

The actual gross receipts from the four coves for the six years are returned as $2,973 l .10 \mathrm{~s}$, being on an average 495 l. Ir's. 8 d . yearly.

The arrears are thus returned in ( $A, 6$. ):


In (A. 3.) where the arrears due in 1831 and 1837 from each of the present lessees of the coves are reported, there is no mention of any arrear due at the former period. The 3001 ., it is therefore to be inferred, was an arrear due in 1831, from a lessee who no longer occupies a cove. It has been paid up, as is evident from the fact that the whole $7,5^{\circ} \mathrm{l}$. due on 1 September 1837 was due upon one cove, No. 3, from its new lessee (or rather claimant), under the lease of 1836 , being one year's rental.

The estimated remal for $1838-9$, from the four coves, is $1,080 \mathrm{l}$. currency. Of this, however, a comparatively small portion only is likely to be received, as (I belıeve) the litigation for the possession of cove, No. 3, which should yield $75^{\circ}$ l. of the whole, is still pending, and no revenue is, for the time drawn from it. Tull ${ }^{843}$, the revenue from. Nos. 1,2 and 4 cannot exceed their presentiamount
And till 1857, they cannot exceed -
$-\frac{\text { £. } 330-\text { Cy. }}{\text { - } 430-2}$
The expenses directly chargeable upon the coves are the same as have just been charged upon the old concessions, 21.693 per cent. on the receipts; viz. 10 per cent. for the agent, and 12'693 for the commissioner's office.
The average net yearly revenue drawn fiom them for the six years
is thus reduced to
2. The Land sold en constitut.--These nine lots from the domain were sold, as Mr. Stewart stated in-answer to my inquiries, at rates varying from $20 l$. to $32 l .10 \mathrm{~s}$. per arpent, interest to be paid on the purchrse-money at the rate of $5 l$. per cent. per abnum. In (C.' 1.) the
 amount

[^14]amount of capital payable for the whole, $3,109 l, 18 s, 9 d$, a result agreeing with this statement, but showing at the same time that the lower price was the prevalent one.

The actual grose receipts, up to 1 October 1837 , bave amounted only to $430 l_{\text {a }} 18 s_{n} 5^{5} 5 \mathrm{~d}$. currency, How much of this sum is drawn from lods et ventes, and how much is interest paid on the purchase-money, does not appear, nupst of it is probably the latter,
The sum which is returned as having fallen into arrear is very large, leing-


Equivalent to more than three years' intereat on the entire purchasermoney, within a poriod (averaging from the dates of the several sales) of less than five years from the date of sale! The returns do not furnish sufficient data to enable me to test the accuracy of these statements of arrear ; they appear correct, and there is no reason to suppose them otherwise, as the trausactions on which they are based are all recent.

The expenses directly chargeable on this property are heavy. Besides the 21 ' 693 per cent. for agent's allowance and commissioner's office, a further charge of $34 \cdot 89$ per cent. is to be made (viz. for repairs of roads, 88 7. 5 s. 9 d ., and for surveys, $62 \mathrm{l} .1 \mathrm{s}$.2 d .; two items of expense falling upon the domain); thus amounting in the whole to $665^{\circ}{ }^{8}$ per cent., or very nearly two-thirds of the receipts.
3. The grant of four arpents for the St. Foi Church is unproductive.

## Summary.

Besides the expenses above enumerated, and charged against the several productive properties in this seigniory, there is returned an item of -

Miscellaneous expenses, amounting for the six years to - $£, 711510^{\circ} 5 \mathrm{Cy}$.
Which does not appear to be chargeable in particular upon any one property more than upon another. It may, however, as a common charge, be divided proportionally between them, and thus divided ; it becomes a charge of $1 \cdot 648$ per cent. upon the gross receipts for each. The total expenses of the several properties after this addition stand-


The total gross receipts, then, from all sources, have amounted-

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { For the six years, to - . - - - } £ .4355^{\circ} 9 \text { 3 Cy. } \\
& \text { Or, on an average, yearly, to } \quad-\quad-\quad 72518 \quad 25
\end{aligned}
$$

Reckoning the whole number of arpents in the seigniory, in any way disposed of, this gives us an average gross yearly receipt per alienated arpent of - $\quad$. $\quad 1,4: 77 \mathbf{C y}$.

Heckoning only so much of the seiguiory as belongs to the pro-


The expenses amount in all to $26.783 l$. per cent. upon the gross receipts,
The total net receipts are therefore-


And at the average rate per alienated arpent of - $\mathbf{E . -} 10088$
The total increase of arrear in the six years is reported at $1,124 l$. 12 s . cy., an amount which certainly is not exactly correct, though probably it is not very far wrong, and whech is $25 \% 8$ per cent. (more than a fourth part) of the actual gross receipts for that period.

From this, it would seem, that of the whole amount which has. fallen due in the six years, more than $20 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. has been left uncollected, and more than $21 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. expended upon collection and management; the net actual receipt falling more than $41 \frac{1}{4}$ per cent. short of the gross estimated income.

For the year ${ }^{818} 8$-9, the gross estimated revenue of the seigniory (exclusive of lods et ventes) is set down at 3,455 l. $12 \mathrm{~d}, 575 \mathrm{~d}$, cy -
It remains only to speak of the value of the 200 arpents of the domain, which constitute the unalienated portion of the seiganory. This tract Mr. Stewart states to have been valued in 1831' and 1832, when the $152^{2}$ arpents were sold at pretty much the price at which these Jatter sold, say 2ol, per arpent. Real estate has since fallen so much in value, that he states himself to be unable now to assign any positive value to the unsold tract. It might be worth $10 l$. per arpent, sold en con.; but be should think certainly not $25 l$. It has been for sale ever since it was first aet up in 1831, and has never had a price offered for any part of it at which it was worth whule to sell it.

§ 2.--ST. GABRIEL,

The second seigniory in order is that of St. Gabriel, or Ancienne et Jeune Lorette.
Information in regard to it is contained in the returns (A. 1.), (A. 3.), (A.4.), (A.6.); (A. 7.), (B. 2.), and (C. 2.) In tables (F. 1.), (F. 2.), and (F. 3.), it follows next after Sillery.

Positron, Extrat, \&ce.-This seigniory, also, is at no great distance from Quebec, lying in a north-west and north-north-west direction from it. It is bounded in front by the seigniory of Sillery, the rear line of which is itis front line. The side lines run back in the saiue direction as those of Sillery; the fief St. Ignace bounding it on the north-east, and the seigniory of Godarville on the south-west. In the rear it is bounded by land not yet setted.
According to(A. 1.) it measures 11 leagues in front by 10 leagues in depth, and contains, therefore, about 105,840 square arpents, or ten times the extent of the seigniory of Sillery. Of these, however, only 41,600 arpents are returned as "surveyed,"-leaving therofore a remainder of about 64,240 arpents (more than three-fifths of the whole seigniory, unsurveyed. A somewhat larger portion than this, it will be seen, remains undisposed of.
Armizar Fiefs.-There are none in this seigniory.
The land disposed of otherwise than as arriere fiefs and concessions is returned in three amounts, as followe :-

1. For the three Banal Mills of the seigniory - $\quad=-270$ arpents.
2. Reserve for Indians ${ }^{-}$- - - - -
3. Gramt for two Roman Catholic Churches within the seigniory - 6 "
In all - - - 1,876

The Concessions, as returned in (A. 1.), stand thus:
Old concessions - - - $-13,000$ arpents.
New $-25,400$ "
Total extent conceded - $-40,000!$

Supposing the first and second of the above returns correct, the third contains an obvious blunder. In fact, from the figures as they stand in the other columna, I am led to conclude that the 1,600 arpents of the Indian reserve, besides being returned in another column, have been carelessly added in here, to make up the amount as it stands. If so, the gross sum total of land granted by concession is 38,400 arpents. The proportion of this amount which is taken up. as "old" and "new concessions," reapectively, remains to be considered. The return is again obviously incorrect in this point, as a reference to the information furnished in the other returns will show. For this purpose, however, I must refer to the returns (B. 2.) and (C. 2.), and the revenue of the concessions, a little out of the order followed in speaking of the former seigniory.
The return (C. 2.), then, is in much the same condition with (C. 2,), before noticed. There is not a single date, nor a single specification of.size given, for any of the concessions, old or new. In the return of "old concessions," we have merely the names of 327 censitaires given, with a specified rental (varying very considerably in amount) set down to each. In that of the "newwencessions," we have a list of 94 censitaires (the same name being, however, in this latter list often repeated more than), ouce as though the list was in this case a list of holdings rather than of holders. In both lists, the return of arrears is lincited to "arrears of cens et rentes;" no statement of the "arrears on lods et ventes" being so much as attempted.
Such as it is, however, the information contained in this return is utterly irreconcilable with the extent asigned to the old and new concessionsin (A. 1.) This will be best seen by placing them in juxtaposition:-

|  | (See A. 1.) Arpents. | Censitaires, | (Sea Gross | 2.) <br> Rental. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Old concessions | 13,000 | 327 | £. 7718 |  |
| New | - 25,400 | 94 | 397 | 45 |

'To suppose that 13,000 arpents, conceded at an early period of the settlement of Canadn, bear a rental almost double what is charged upon 25,400 arpents conceded at a later period, is to suppose what is sufficiently umprobable. The, rate of concession can never have diminished to one-foorth of the original rate in any seigniory. If we suppose the amounts to have been transposed in (A. 1.) the difficulty is materially lessened, though perbaps not quite removed. The truth is, that even 13,000 arpents is rather too great an extent to give to the new concessions. Divided into 94 holdings, it gives more than 138 arpents to each ( 120 arpents being the average extent of two adjonning concession lots, as commonly laid out) ; and its rental of $39 l .7^{\text {s. }} 4^{\circ} 5 \mathrm{~d}$. cy.gives an average rate per arpent of only ${ }^{\circ} 7^{27} d$. cy. (a little less than $\frac{1}{4} d$. cy.) which is a slighty lower rate than that which the rental of the old concessions, even supposing them to cover 25,400 arpents, allows for them (being 736 d . cy. per arpent). Now, in point of fuct, the rate of concessiun has every where risen since the earlier concessions were made ; and the present rate of concesston throughout the Jesuits estates is (according to Mr. Slewart) about 1 d . sterling per arpeát.

The return (B. 2.) also, presents the following results, hardly less at variance with (A. 1.) in thts particular, or less confirmatory of this view of the correction required:-
Actual Receipts :- -
For the Siz Yearm ending in 5837.


In tables (F.) and (G.) accordingly, I have made this alteration, though not altogether satisfied that it is all that is required. The extent of the new concessions still appears too large ; perhaps that of the old may be too small. On this point, conjecture is hopeless. We assume the concessions then to staud-


The land still undisposed of is returned in (A. 1.) as amounting to 65,570 ar pents, a sum which (as usual) does not square with the other amounts given in the return :- 65,564 is the extent remaining after 'the deductions above-named have been made. This tract lies wholly in rear of the seigniory, and only 1,324 arpents of it are as yet surveyed.
The diaposition, then, of the lands in the seigniory is as follows :-


The revenue of this seigniory is drawn, as will be seen, entirely from two sources, the concessions (old and new) an'd the mills. To follow the arrangement in tables (F. 2.) and (F. 3.) ,

## - I. Arrigre Fiefb.-None.

II. Concessions.--Of the deficiency of nearly all the returns for the concessions, I have already spoken. It will require to be borne in mind here, also,
4. The old concessions I have set down at 25,400 arpents (perhaps more), occupied, -according to (C. 2.) by 327 censitaires, and at a yearly rental ("cens et rentes") of 771.18 s .2 d . cy. The average yearly payment required of a censitaire, on this score, is thuis only 4 s. ${ }^{9} 18$ d. cy. (less than a dollar), an amount somewhat less than in the preceding seigniory. The rate per arpent (if the 25,400 arpents be correct) is higher, nearly $\frac{\square}{} d$. cy.
The actual collections, according to (B. 2.) have been-


From this it appears that the whole amount paid in yearly on these concessions has averaged not quite $11 d$. cy. ( $1 \cdot 184 d$.-perhaps less) per arpent; and from each censitaire $78.9^{\prime 1} \mathrm{~A}^{\mathrm{d}}$. cy. The lods et ventes are here a source of revenue, rather less productive than the céns et rentes, a result very different from thal shown by the accounts of Sillery.
At the above rate of collection of cens et rentes, as compared with the gross rental, it is clear that there must have been an increase of arrear on that account during the six years:-


The return of arrears in (C. 2.) give a different result; thus ngain showing the litte value to be attached to these arrear accounts:-

Little more than one-third of the amount shown by the other returns."
2. The new concessions (estimated at 13,000 arpents, or less,) are held, we have seen, by 94 censitnires, at a yearly rental (cens et rentes) of $39 \mathrm{l} .7 \mathrm{~s} .4^{\circ} 5 \mathrm{~d}$. : at an average rental, therefore, of 8 s. $44^{\circ}$ d. cy. each.

The actual receipts from them have been, according to (B. 2.)-


The whole actual receipt thus falling a triffe short of the estimated receipt from cens et rentes alôn.
The increase of arrear on cens et rentes is obviously great, though, as the concessions (being " new") may have been granted some few of them since 1831 (the return (C. 2.) it will be.remembered, furnishes no dates), it is not possible to rely with perfect confidence on the result given by a comparison of the rental with the collections. That result may or may not be a little too large.


More than this it cannot be,-it is less, if any of the new concessions have been granted since 1831. Now the return (C. 2.) gives us the following statement :-

Almost half as much again as the amount which the other returns prove to be the highest amount of increased arrear that can have accrued.

There is no attempt made to give any return of the arrears on lods et ventes, either for the' old or for the new concessions; nor are there any sufficient data furnished on which $t 0$ found a satisfactory estimate on the subject.

The expenses direclly chargeable on the conceasions are, as in the seigniory of Sillery, 21.693 per cent. It will be seen, however, that this per centage requires to be considerably increased, in consequence of the amount of "miscellaneous expenses" to be noticed presently.

## III.-The Lands otherwise disposed or, viz.

1. The three mills, with their 270 arpents, are at present leased at a gross yearly rental df 151 L . 10s. Cy. One of the three is an oat-mill. The leases are all for seven years. One has fallen in since the return was made; another runs to 1843; and the third, that of the sht-mill, expires in 1845.

The actual gross revenue from these mills, according to (B. 2.) has been-

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { For the six-years } \\
& \text { Average per annum }
\end{aligned} \quad-\quad \square \quad=\quad \begin{aligned}
& \mathrm{E} .693^{\circ} 12 \quad 6 \mathrm{Cy} . \\
& 115 \\
& \hline
\end{aligned}
$$

From (A. 6.) it appears that in 1831 there were no arrears due on these mills; but that on 30 September 1837 an arrear had accrued of 222 l .16 s .6 d . Cy.
The return of the present rental is not sufficient to serve as a test of the correctness of a this statement; but it shows that there can be no material error in it.

The expenses upon these mills are heayy. - Besides the $22 \cdot 693$ per cent. for agent and commissioner's office, there is a charge of 263 l l. 6 s .10 d . ( $37 \cdot 97$ per cent. on the gross recespts) for "repairs" during the six years, which raises the sum total to the rate of $60^{\circ} 663$ per cent.; an amount which does not, however, include all the expenses incurred.
2. The Indian reserve, and
3. The church grants, are both of them unproductive alienations of territory.

## Summary.

Besides the items of receipt and expenditure above enumerated and chargeable directly to one or other of the productive properties in the seigniory, there are several small sums returned in (B. 2.) as the proceeds of "proces verbals," amounting altogether, in the six years, to $12 \mathrm{l} .11 \mathrm{s}$.3 d . Cg. As an offset to these collections, there are several charges of a like general character. These much more than balance the receipt above named, amounting in the six years to-


These expenses, together with the charge of 21.693 per cent. upon the 121.13 s .3 d . collected, (for agent's and other expenses of collection and management,) must be taken into account, in balancing the receipts and expenses of the seigniory and ifs constituent properties.

It will be remembered, then, that, as in the preceding seigniory so in this, the real per centage of the expenses upon"the receipts for each property is somewhat heavier than is stated in the table ( $\mathrm{F} \cdot \cdot 2$.) owing to the additional charge of these expenses. In this seigniory the excess of miscellaneous expense over receipt is $116 l, 18 \mathrm{~s}, 6.54 \mathrm{~d}$. Cy., being 6.928 per cent. on the total gross receipts of the seigniory. This sum, then, requires to be added to the per centage before stated for the concessions and mills. In the setgniory of Sillery the addition of the miscellaneous expenses made but a trifting difference. Here it is more important.
The expenses on the concessions are raised by it to -28.621 per cent.? on the gross receipts And those on the mills to - - - $-67 \cdot 59$, $\quad$ from each.

The total gross receipts for this seigniory have amounted-
$\begin{array}{lllllllll}\text { For the six years to } & - & - & - & 1,687 & 15 & 2.25 & \text { Cy. }\end{array}$

- Or on an average, yearly, to - - $\quad \begin{array}{llllll}281 & 510.37\end{array}$

A gross yearly receipt, which gives an average of 1.626 d . Cy. per alienated arpent in the whole selgnory.
The expenses have amounted in all to 44.803 per cent. on the gross receipts, not far from the half.
The total net receipts have been-

And at the average yearly rate per alienated arpent of 925 d . Cy. only.
The total increase of arrear within the six years is unascertainable, as there is no return made or attempted of arrears on'account of lods et ventes.

The increase of arrear on cens et rentes and on the mills can be ascertained, or nearly so. The returna make it $462 \mathrm{l} .18 .9^{\circ} 5$ d' currency. We have seen, however, that two out of three of these returns are in error; che return for the old concessions being considerably under, and that for the new above the mark. Corrected, they give us a result of, perhaps, a little less than $439^{6}$ l. 13 s. $4^{\prime} 75^{d}$. being not far from 37 per cent. upon the actual gross receipts for the period from those sources of revenue alone.

Exclusive, then, of lods et ventes, it appears that of the entire amount falling due within the six years in this seignory, $27^{\circ} 007$ per cent. has been left uncollected, and $3^{2} 703$ per cent. (nearly) expended upon collection, management and repairs; the net actual revenue thus falling $59 \% 7$ per cent. short of the gross estimated income.

For the year $1838-9$, the gross estimated revenue of St. Gabriel, exclusive of lods et ventes, is returned at 268 l. 15 s. 6.5 d . Cy.

For the 65,564 arpents as yet undısposed of, it is not easy to assign a value. About onefiftueth part of it only is surveyed. The unsurveyed portuon of it is wholly in rear of the surveyed part of the seigniory, according to Mr. Stewart; and even the surveyed part lies in rear of the conceded tract. According to this statement the nearest part of it should be not quite five leagues and a half distant in a direct line from the St. Lawrence; while in its remoter portions il extends above six leagues further back, with a breadth of one league and a half throughout. Of its quality as good land or bad, I could learn nothing from Mr. Stewart, except that the concession of some lands on the St. Anne's, lying quite far back in the ungranted tract, had been applied for within the last two years "by a few individuals." The application was refused, because the intermediate lands were not granted, and it was not worth while to survey land so far back for so limited an extent of concession. The small amount of surveyed land in the seigniory open to settlement Mr. Stewart stated to be the consequence of the very trifing demand for land in that quarter, and the very poor ieturn from it if granted; from which causes, raken together, it was not worth while. to expend money upon further surveys, to lay out land for concession.

## §3.-NOTRE DAME DES ANGES.

The seigniory of Notre Dame des Anges, or Charlesbourg, is next in order
Information in reference to it is contained in the returns (A. 1.), (A. 3.), (A. 3.), (A. 4.), (A. 6.), (A.7.), (B. 3.) and (C. 3.) In tables (F. 1.), (F. 2.) and (F. 3.) it follows next after St. Gabriel.
Position, Extrnt; \&cc.-This seigniory is close to Quebec, lying to the N. and N. E. and separated from the St. Roch suburb only by the, River St. Charles, It fronts parily on the St. Charles, and partly on the St. Lawreace, and its side lines run back in a N. W. direction, the N. E. line dividing it from the seigniory of Beauport, and the S.W. line from that of Dorsainville. The land in rear is laid out in towaship.

It is returned as extending one league in front by four leagues in depth; and its gross area is therefore about 28,234 arpents. The whole of this extent is surveyed and disposed of by concession or otherwise.

Arripref Firf.-The Arrière Fief of Granopre, containing (see A. 2.) 2,498 arpents, is omitted, in (A. 1.)

Lands disposed or, otherwise than as Amrigre Fieps on Congessions,- These may be specified under three heads.

1. Three farms and a meadow (the "Meadows of Auvergne").-The return (A. 1.) specifies only one farm, the "Domain Farm," covering " 272 arpents," (A. 3.) returns three farms, one of which is called the "Domain Farm," and is leased for seven years, ending in 1845. Its extent is not stated in (A. 3.) The other two farms, which are mentioned in (A. 7.) as well as in (A. 3.), have been sold en cunstitut, but their extent is not stated. Whether all three together make up the 272 arpents of the original "Domain Farm,", or, whether the leased farm so called covers the whole, I have no means of judging In the tables (F. 1.) (F. 2.) and (F. 3.), I have supposed the former, to keep as near, the returns as I could. The meadows of Auvergne, 28 arpents, are under lease for seven years, ending in 1843.
2. For two inills there are returned as reserved 180 arpents.
3. And four arpents have been granted for a Roman Catholic parish church in the seigniory.

The Concessions.-These are stated in (A. 1.) to cover-


All three amounts may easily be proved from the other returís to be incorrect. It is not equally easy so to correct them as to make it certain that the results are perfectly accurate.
The alienations already meutioned cover 2,982 arpents, leaving only, 25,242 arpents for the " concessions," instead of 27,744 arpents.

Of the other two amounts, that set down to the new concessions is chlearly set aside by the retarn (C. 3.) in which their present holders are reported to be 47 in number, 34 of these holding , 2,708 arpents only. 'The remaining 13 are entered at rentals which average no higher than those of the 34 , and the extent of their holdings (though not reported) clearly cannol raise the whole' to ' 5,000 . This number, it is evident, has been written at a guess in (A. 1.), to make the numbers for once look upon the face of the return correct. The Fief Grandpre having been omitted, its extent; with a few arpents over (the four arpents returned for the church), has been added in under the concession column, and shared hap-bazard apparently between the old and new concessions.

I can make no better correction of these amounts than by allowing to the new conces sions a gross extent of $-\overline{-}-\quad-\quad$ A conclusion which is, I think, warranted by the return (C. 3.)

For the old concessions there will then remain an extent of - - - 21,542 "
Thus making the concessions in all cover the required - - - - 25,242 ;
The territorial division of the seigniory, then (which, if not correct, is at least as mear the truth as the returns enable me to make it), is as follows:


The Revenue of the seigniory is drawn as follows : :'
I. Tha Arruere Fiby, Grandpre, is held under the condition of paying to thé éstates "one year's revenue every matation.". This, however, can hardly be said to take it out of the class of unproductive alienations. .
II. Tas Concerssions.-The return (C. 3.) is not much less defective than the two other returns of its class already noticed. For the old concessions, it gives neither date of grant, original grantee nor extent. For the new, it gives the dates of concession (between 10 January 1825 apd 9 October 1835), and the amount conceded to 34 out of 47 censitaires.

1. Old concessions.-The 21,542 arpents, more or less, constituting the gross extent of the old concessions, are occupied (C. 3.) by 229 , cefisitaires, under a gross yearly charge of
 an arpent ( $802 d .0 y$ ), und gives $68.3 .62 d$, Cy. (about a dollar and a quarter) as the average yearly rental of each censitaire.

The actual collections (see B. 3.) have been as follows:-


The whole sums, then, paid on an average yearly, for these six years, have amounted to a rate of rather more than $1 \frac{3}{18} \mathrm{~d}$. Cy. ( $1 \cdot 832 \mathrm{~d}$.) per arpent; or to a payment by each censitaire of nearly three dollars ( 14 s .3 .79 d .) yearly. The lods et ventes on this seigniory, as in that of Sillery, have exceeded the cens el rentes in value, though not in as great a proportion.

The arrears on cens et rentes, it is clear, must have been in process of diminution during this period:


The return (C. 3.), though not quite in agreement with this result, comes much nearer to it than those of the two preceding seigniories :-


The return of arrears on lods et ventes is, I presume, defective. Only two small amounts of arrear are specified for 1831, and one for 1837, to the following amounts :-


It is scarcely possible that the coflections should have been so much more punctual here than in any other of the seigniories under the same management, as to have left only these trifling arrears due at either of these periods; especially in view of the heavy amounts of arrear on cens et rentes acknowledge to have been and to continue due upon these very concessions themselves.
2. The new concessions (estimated at 93,700 arpents) are held by 47 censitaires, at a gross rental of $16 l .11 \mathrm{~s} .1 \cdot 25 \mathrm{~d} . \mathrm{cy}$., which amounts to a small fraction above 1 d . cy. (10074) per arpent, and on an average to about $7^{3}$, od d. cy. (not a dollar and a half) from each censitaire,

The actual receipts show a very heavy accumulation of arrears. There has been collected oniy,-


As 20 out of the 47 holdings appear to have been granted between 30 September 1831 and 9 October 1835 , the gross rental of the whole has varied in amount during the six
years, haying for four years of the six' been somewhat less than it is now. The amount whigh fatrun into arrear on cens et rentes has, however, been very large, as the following apparently correct return from (C. 3) shows:-



No return is made of any artear of lods et ventes on these concessions, It is possible enough that there may have been none at either date.
The expenses directly chargeable upon these concessions (old and new) are to the usualamount, 21.693 'per cent. on the gross receípts, for agent's and cammissióner's office allowances. The addition to be made on account of " miscellaneous expenses" in this signiory is small.
III. Lands otherwise misposed op: viz.-

1. The three farms and meadow (supposed to occupy 300 arpents) are at present thus disposed of:-

1 farm (sold en con. for 1,5001 . cy. interest payable at 6 per ct.) $£ .90-$ - Cy. yearly.
1 ditto (sold en con. for 2,200 l. cy. interest payable at 5 per ct.) 110 - - "
1 ditto (leased for 7 years, lease to expire in 1845) - - - 120 - - ",
Meadows (leased for 7 years, lease to expire in 1843) - $\quad 20-\quad$ -
Total gross yearly revenue - $£ .340-$,
How and at what rates these properties were disposed of in the earlier yeare of the six, I have no means of judging. I cannot, therefore, apply any test to the accounts given of actual receipts and arrears.

The gross receipts are thus returned :-

The increase of arrears returnel (see A. 6.) is very considerable, as might have been expected:-

Due on 30 September 1831 :
On the leased properties - - - - - £.510 - - Cy.
On those sold en con. . - . . . . . . . .
Due on 30 September 183-:
On the leased properties - - $\quad$ - - 93710 -
On those sold en con.

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\text { Increase of arrears in the six years }=\cdots,-{ }^{n} £ .1,10210 . \ldots
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Considerably more than three years' revenue fallen into arrear in six years!
The expensés chargeable upon these properties are the same as upon the concessions:
2. The two mills, with their 180 arpents, are under lease at a rental of 134l. 10s. per annum; the one lease for $27 l$. 10 s. expiring in 1839 ; the other for $107 l$. in 1844 ; both leases being for the term of seven years.

The gross receipts are returned at the following amounts: :-


The increase of arrears, however, in the six years is returned only at the following sum :-


The expenses on these mills have much/nucre than equalled the receipls; so that during the six years, the estates have sustained a positive loss from them. The "repairs", alone amount to 416 l. 10 s. ; $119^{\circ}$ per cent. on/ the receipts. Allowing for the other charges to be made on account of the receipts for expenses of agent and commissioner, the per centage is raised to 140.693 per cent. besides "miscellancous expenses" to be mentioned presently.
3. The church grant is of course unproductive.

## Summary:

The miscellaneous receipts and expenses are mall on thip seigniony $\dot{2} l$. areirtanutidias proceeds of "Proces Verbals," and 391.17 s. $3.5 d$., as " miscellaneous expenseg"t The balance $38 l_{\text {. } 5 s .} 7^{\circ} 63$. (see Table F. 2 .) is 1.024 per cent. on the total gross receipts of the seigniory. This raises the total expenses, therefore, chargeable on the several productive properties, as nearly as may be,


The total gross receipts of the seigniory have amounted-


Deing an average yearly of - - .
And at an average yearly rate, therefore, per alienated arpent, of $£ .-3^{\prime 3} 34 . \mathrm{Cy}$.
The expenses have amounted in all to 41.003 per cent. upon the gross receipts.
And the total net receipts have therefore been-


The total increase of arrears on this seigniory in the six years,
according to the returns, is - - - $\quad$. 1,235 o 9.25
The return, however, of the arrears on cens et rentes, I fative shown to be in error, making the diminution of arrears on that account too small by
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as the true total. This result is by no means certain, however, owing to the apparent deficiencies of the arrear returns of lods et ventes. It is not probable however, that the arrears on lods et ventes have either increased or diminished so as materfafly to affect it.

If so, we have an increase of arrear, in the six, years, equal to .51175 per cent. (or neare than half) of the entire gross receipts of the six years; and thus of the eniire-amotant which has fallen due in that period, $34^{\prime} 102$ per cent. has been left uncollected, and -a7 $7^{\circ}$ per cent. more expended in collection, managemeut and repairs; the actual net receipts being ( $61 \cdot 122$ per cent. under) less than two-fifths ( 38.878 per cent.) of the gross estimated income.

For the year 1838-9, the estimated gross income (exclusive of lods et ventes) is returned at -

- e. $563 \quad 42$
§ 4.-BELAIR.
The next seigniory in order is that of Belair, or La Montagne au Bonhomme.
Information in regard to this seigniory is contained in the returns (A.1.), (A. 4.), (A. 6.), (A.7.) (B.4.) and (C.4.) It follows the seigniory of Notre Dame in the tables, (F. 1.), (F.2.) and (F.8.)

Position, Extent, \&c.-It lies in a westerly direction from the seigniory of St. Gabriel, already described, being separated from it by the seigniory of Godarville, and is at some distance back froat the St. Lawrence, the seigniory of Demaure or St. Augustin intervening between them, Its front line is the rear line of this last-named seigniory, and its rear line is on the river Jacques Cartier. On the north-east the seigniory of Godarville, and on the south-west that of Pointe aux Trembles, form its side-lines.
The return (A. 1.) states this seigniory to be one league in frant by two leagues in depth, half the size of Notie Dame, but rather larger than Sillery. In the warrant for the occupation of the estates by the Crown officers in 1800, I find its dimensions set down as "one and a half leagues front by two leagues 'or thereationt in depth." It is to be presumed however, that on this point the return is correct. Of the 14,112 arpents returned as the gross conteats of the seigniory, the whole have been surveyed, and all but 210 arpents disposed of.
There are no Arriere Fiefs, mills or lands otherwise disposed of than by concession in this seigniory.
Conotessons.-These are thus returned in (A. 1.):


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. In (C. 4) , where the extent of the new conceasions is stated in detail, only 4,028 arpen ts are ${ }^{\prime}{ }^{2}$, 4 for them. I have not, however, made any change'on this recount. The differ-
 allowed for in the smaller. If this-be the case, the diatinction has not been kept in view in other places.

Leaving these numbers, then, as they stand, though certainly they have no claim to be considered any thing more than an approach to a correct statement, the seigniory is thus disposed of:-


The old concessions, according to the return (C. 4.). (which in regard to them is us defective as any of the preceding returns of this class yet noticed) are held by 130 censitaires, and their aggregate of cens et rentes, yearly, is 27 l. 7 s. 11 d ., being at the rate of
 average $4 \mathrm{~s} .2^{2} 57 \mathrm{~d}$. Cy. per censitaire.

The gross receipts on them are reported (B.4.) to have been-


The whole actual receipt from-both sources of revenue falling a little short of the estimated revenue from one. The lods et ventes, however, from the situation, \&c. of the seigniory are worth litile in this case.

The increase of arrear on the cens et rentes, it follows, though not very great, has yet not been'inconsiderable during this period:-


The return (C. 4.) gives a very different result :-
Arrears of cens et rentes on old concessions, on-
September 30, $183^{1}$ - -6.62076 Cy.
Ditto - - ditto, September 30, 1837 - - . 62112.10
Increase of arrear in the six years - - - - £. 154 only.
The new concessions are held by 71 censitaires, at a rental of 18 l. 9s. 9.25 d., nearly 1 d. Cy. (948d.) per arpent, (taking the larger of the two numbers of arpents reported,) and 5 s. 2.5 d. Cy. on an average per censitaire. Of the 71 holdings, 44 have been conceded since September 30, 1831, between March 9, 1833, and July 20, 1835,) and 27 ouly before that time.
For the six years nothing bas been collected on these concessions, either for cens et rentes or lods et ventes.

The increase of arrear on cens et rentes is thus reported in (C. 4.) :
Arrears of cens et rentes on new concessions, on-

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { - Ditto - ditto - September } 30,1837 \text { - - } 15010 \quad 375
\end{aligned}
$$

This return, however, is obviously inaccurate. Had-alt the 71 concessions been held for the six years (instead of our having 44 of them held only from $2 \mathbb{4}$ to $4 \frac{1}{4}$ years), the whole six years' accamulated rental would have formed an arrear of no more than $^{2} 11018 \quad 7,5$ The increase of arrear indeed should have béen' about -- - ' - $90^{\prime}-\quad$ -

No account of arrears on lods et ventes is attempted for old or new concessions. On the new, I presume, no lods et-ventes have ever accrued; on the old, it is not likely that in the course of the six years they can have amounted to any considerable sum.

The expeases directly chargeable on these concessions are, as usual, $21 \cdot 693$ per-cent-onthe receipts.

## Summaty:

Miscellaneous Receipts and Expenses.-A sum'of 34 l. 6 s .3 d. has been colldatedithtie, six years (B. 4.) from the censitaires; for expenses of a survey (" Proces verbal") expenses of a survey ( 39 l.), and some miscellaneous items' ( 2 l. 5 s. 7.5 d.), are to be charged against it. The excess of expense over receipt, 11 l. $8 \mathrm{~s} .6^{\circ} 41 \mathrm{~d}$. (see Table .F. 2.) is 5673 per cent. upon the total gross receipts of the seigniory, and raises the total expenses which are to be charged upon the concessions, as nearly as may be, to 27.676 per cent.on their receipts.

The total gross receipts for the seigniory have amounted-

A gross yearly receipt, which gives an average, per alienated arpent, of ${ }^{5} 69 \mathrm{~d}$. Cy., little more than $\frac{1}{2} d$. Cy. per arpent.
The expenses amount in all to 46.003 per cent. on the total receipts.
The actual net revenue has been reduced by them-

Being a yearly average of - - - - $181810^{\circ} 6$
And at a rate per alienated arpent of $: 327 \boldsymbol{d}$. $\mathbf{C y}$.
The total increase of arrear in the six years cannot be exactly ascertained, owing to the want of returns of arrears on lods et ventes. These, however, probably would not materially affect the result.
Excluaive of lod's et ventes, the arrears have increased (according to return C. 4.), in the six years - - - - .- - -1.120112 .5 Cy .
Though both the items in (C. 4.) are, as I have shown, in error, the errors in this case as nearly ns possible balance one another, so as to leave the result of the addition of the two items the same. This sum, then, is rather moore than 60 per cent. on the totalgross re-
 that of the entire amount which has fallen due in the six years, about 37 per cent. has 1 un into arrear ; and another 28 per cent. has been expended in collection and management, showing a difference of about 65 per cent. between the gross dues and the net receipts of the seigniory.

For the year 1838-9, the gross computed revenue of Belair (exclusive of lods et ventes) is seturned at 45 l. 173. $8^{\circ} 25^{2 d}$. Cy.

The 210 arpents not yet disposed of may be considered, Mr. Stewart says, as worthless. In fact, all the "new concessions" he states to be poor land, taken up by those who hold them, not for settlement, but as wood-iand. The fact of the noll-collection of cens et rentes on the new concessions is, 1 presume, to be ascribed mainly to this cause.

## §5.-ISLE AUX REAUX.

The last seigniory to be noticed in the district of Quebec is that of Isle aux Reaux.
It is mentioned only in returns (A. 1.); (A. 6.) and (A. 7.). In the tables (F. 1.), (F. 2.) and (F. 3.), it follows next after Belair.

This property is hardly worth calling a seigniory, and indeed may almost be called an unproductive property. It is an island in the St. Lawrence, below the island of Orleans, and contrining only 336 arpents. Mr. Niewart informed me that the whole island was long ago granted in a single concession, and that lods et ventes had been paid upon it on the sale of the concession, though no payment of celns et rentes had been made, he believed, for some 20 years past, on account of the impossibility of collecting the trifle chargeable upon it yearly, at such a distance from Quebec and the other properties.

In (A. 7.) the amount of cens et rentes yearly due upon the island
is returined as
. $-13,10 \cdot 5 \mathrm{Cy}$.
The arrears of cens et rentes are thus returned in (A.6.):-

Increase in the six years ................

# APPENDIX TO REPORT ON THE AFFAIRS OF 

## (b.) In the District of Three Rivers. <br> § 1. -BATISCAN.

In the district of Three Rivers; the first seigniory in order is that of Batiscan, mentioned in returns (A. 1.), (A. a.), (A.3.), (A. 4.), (A. 6.), (A. 7.), (B. 8.), and (C. 7.), and in tables (F. 1.), (F. 2.) and (F. 3.), first under letter (b.)

Pasyrion, ExTENT, \&uc. -This is the largest seigniory but one belonging to the estates. It forms the north-east part of the county of Champlain, its front line extending along the north bank of the St. Lawrence, its north-east side line being the line which divides the district of Three Rivers from that of Quebec, and the county of Champlain from that of Portneuf, (in the remote portion of which lies the seigniory of Belair already umaed,) its south-weat side line separating it from the seigniory of Champlain, and its rear line (which with a great part of the side lines are as yet unsurveyed) dividing it from lands not yet granted by the Crown. The river Batiscan falls into the St. Lawrence within the limits of the seigniory, and its course, for a considerable diatance from its mouth, lies within the seigniory:

Its recorded dimensions are two leagues along the St. Lawrence, by 20 leaguea in depth. With what degree of accuracy the two leagues hatve been laid off, I have no information. The 20 leagues in the other direction have never been measured at all.

In (A. 1.) its contents in square arpents are returned as precisely 40 square leagues, viz. 282,240 arpents, of which 70,054 (nearly 10 square leagues, a tract extending on an average, therefore, five leagues into the interior) is surveyed. The unsurveyed remainder, ${ }^{\circ}$ with a small part of the survéyed portion, remains ungranted and unproductive.

Arrifre Fiep.- in unnamed Arrière Fief, held by the seignior of Champlain, is returned in (A. 2.), but omitted in (A. 1.), where it ought also to have appeared. It is a quarter of a league in front by one league deep, and contains, therefore, 1,764 arpents! The pecuniary return from it is nothing.

The Land disposed of otherwise than. as Artiere Fief or by Concessiou, is divided between the following properties, of which 1 find mention made in others of the returns, though not in (A.1.) where they ought also to have appeared.

1. The Domain Farm (under lease) is returned (in a first* draft of A. 1.) às containing 360 arpents, an extent, however, which I think includes another property besides this, to be mentioned presently.
2. The Four Mills, returned in (A. '3.) have (according to the first draft of A. 1.) a reserve of 125 arpents attached to them.
3. Three Ferries are returned in (A. 3.) as a source of revenue; bat I find no return of the amount of land (if any) leased with them.
4. Saw'Logs are also mentioned in the same way, but without any return. of land for them.
5. A piece of land, sold en constitut, is also returned in (A. 3.) and no mention made of its extent. I presume it is in reality a part of the domain farm, and the leased farm above mentioned the remainder. This conclusion is confirmed by the low price returned for the one ( 160 l . 10 s .9 d . Cy., yielding an interest of only 8 l . os. 6 d .) and the lowest rental ( $15 l$. only) paid for the other.

The Concrssions are returned in (A, 1.) at the following amounts:-


These amounts are copied from the detailed return (C. 7.) the only one of its class which approaches the character of a complete return, made in the form required. $\dagger$
The unalienated remainder of the seigniory is estimated in (A.'1.) at 209,937 arpents; but no reason appears why this number is given, as it does not square in any way with the other amounts returned. The remainder indicated by the reported extent of the preceding alienated tracts, is $213,55^{2}$ arpents: According to the return (A. 1.) it would seem as though another alienation of 3,615 arpents in extent (of which 2,249 arpents, or more, must lie in the unsurveyed portion of the seigniory) had been omitted in the returns. Possibly, a tract of this character may be leased with the saw logs; but the returnsudo not in any other way vindicate any thing of the kind.

The

[^15]The territorial disposition of this seiguiory, then, appears to be as follows:


The revenue of this seigniory is derived from a number of sources.
I.-The Armear Figa is the only unproductive alienation of territory mentioned in the returns.

## II.-The Concrsgions.

1. The old concessions, covering 41,078 ärpents, are held (C. 7.) and (A.7.) by 581 cen_sitaires, subject to a gross yearly payment of cens et rentes, which I have stated in table (F. 2.) as $114 l .17 \mathrm{~s} .3 \mathrm{~d}$. The returns (A.7.) and (C. 7.) are slightly at variance on this point, and this amount is in a very alight degree conjectural. (A.7.) makes no distinction between old and new concessions, but merely reports as follows:


The following is the return in (C. 7.) :-


It is, however, obvious, from a very slight examination of (C. 7.) that the former of these two sums is the result of an erroneous addition, and that the mistake is one of at least $10 l$. At the top of the eighth page there is summed up an apparently correct amount of 82 l. $3^{\text {s. }} .6 \mathrm{~d}$. which is duly carried over; at the foat of the ninth page, and correctly carried over to the tenth, is 98 l. 1 s. $10^{\circ} 5 \mathrm{~d}$; at the foot of this page, the last bit one, is 87 l. 11 s. 1.5 d. ; and on the last page (on which there stand only $10 \mathrm{s}. 9^{\circ} 5 \mathrm{~d}$. of adidional rental), the whole is summed up att $97 l$. as. 2 d.! Between the top of the ninth page and thie close of the table there is more than enough rental entered in small sums to raise the final sum total to 10 . beyond the sum tutal given. At the same time, where clerical errors so evidently abound, it is useless to attempt an exact correction of the addition, The amount given in'(C.7.) for the "new concessions" has the appearance of being correct, though here also there are clerical errorandiscerniblie. I have added, therefore, $10 l$. to the total rental of the concessions given in (A.7.) and kept the amount assigned to the new concessions, in (C. 7.): thus-


According to this calculation the old concessions are charged to the censitaires, at a rate of $671 \mathrm{~d} . \mathrm{Cy}$. per arpent, and on an average of $3 s .11 \cdot 45 \mathrm{~d}$. Cy. a piece;
The, actual receipts are thus stated in (B. 8.) :-


Showing á very s'inall 'receipt from lods et 'ventes, and from cens et rentes a receipt'very
little less than the whole amount falling due on'that account little less than the whole amount falling due on' that account.

The increase of arrear on cens et rentes is shown by this part of the returns to have beenas follown :-

| Actual average receipt yearly Estimated rental |  | $\begin{array}{lll} 108 & 9 & 9.67 \\ 114 & 17 & 3 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Yearly increase of arrear | - - - | $6 \cdot 7,5 \cdot 33$ |
| Six years ditto ditto | - - - | $3^{8} \quad 4$ |

In striking contradiction to this result is the statement of arrears in (C. 7.) :-
Arrears of cens et rentes on old concessions on 30 Sept. 1831. - £.468 110 Cy . Ditto - - . - - - ditto $\sim$ on 30 Sept. 1837 - $824 \quad 7 \quad$ 5.5

Increase in the six years , - | $-356 \quad 5 \quad 75$ |
| :--- |

More than oine times the utmost amount which the other returns show to have been possible! If the smaller rental given in (C. 7.) had been followed, the discrepancy would have been greater still.:

The increase of arrears on lods et ventest is stated thus:-
Artears of lods et ventes on old concésions on 30 Sept. 1831 - £. 240 - 10 Cy.

- Ditto = - - - ditto - - on 30 Sept. 1837- $5198 \quad 5$

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\text { Increase in the six years } \quad-£ .
$$

If this result be correct, the amount of lods et ventes collected in the six years has been considerably less than one-third part of the amount falling due.
2. The new concessions, 25,361 arpents, are held by 387 censitaires, at a rental of 105 \%. 17 s., which is at the rate of very nearly 1 d . Cy. (' 954 d . Cy.) per sarpent, and of $53.5 .64 d$. Cy. on an average a piece.

The receipts for the six years have fallen very far short of this amount. They are thus returned in (B. 8.):


This increase of arrear on cens et rentes is thus returned in (C. 7.):-
Arrears of cens et rentes, on new concessions, on 30 Sept. 1831 - £. 132 12-8.5 Cy. Ditto - '- - - - - - ditto - - on 3o Sept. 1837- 4351645

Increase in the six years - '- | .303 | 3 | 8 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

This result cannot easily be tested by comparison of the rental with the receipts. Abcuit one-third part of the 387 new concessions appear from (C. 7.) to have been granted since 1831 , and a few of them, indeed, since 1837 . Taking this tact into account, the increase of arrear, as above reported, would seem to be only a triffe less than the other ueturas indicated. Two fifths, or rather less, of the cens et rentes falling due have been collected.
The arrears of lods et ventes are returned as having increased'to the following amourt :-


If this,renult be, correct, it would follow that little more than one-fourth part of the lods et ventes falling due has been collected.
The expenses directly chargeable upon the concessions are the same as in the other seigniories.

## III. The Lands otherwise pisposed of.

1. 'The domain farm (the whole or part of the 360 arpents reported) is Jeased for a term of seven years ending in 1841 , at a yearly rental of 15 l. only. During the sixx years, the receipts from it amsunted only to 49 l. 7 s . 6d., being at the mite of 8 l .4 s . 7 d . yearly; not much more than halfits present rental. In (A. 6.) the increase of arrear upon it is returned at only do i. 9 s. 6 d ., no arrear being due in 1831 . 'This return must be too low,' unless we suppose the rental to have been raised by the present lease in 1834 from 5 l . to 15 l .
The expensés on this farm have been quite beavy ; (B. 8.) exhibits a number of chatges for "fences, \&c.," amounting in the six years to 28 2. 6s. 9.5 d., $57 / 4$ per cent. on the receipts.. Exclusive of its share of the " miscellaneous expenses", the charges on this property amount to 79098 per cent. on its receipts.
as' Of the four mills, with their't25 arpents atrachen, three are leased to temants for terms of seven years, ending, one in 1841, another in 1842, and the third in 1843. In these
these leases it appears that no specified rental is named, but the lessee shares "with the estates the receipts of his mill. The share falling to the estates, the return (A. 3.) rates. at "say two-thirds of the monture." The fourth mill is occupied (since 1832) "udiden "deed of permission to grind, on payment of 25 minots of wheat annually." (A. 7.) values this wheat at 5 s. per minot, 6 l. $5^{\text {s. currency. The deed seems to be unlimited in respect }}$ of time.

The gross receipts from the four mills are thus returned:

| For the six years | - | - | - | - | $f_{0}, 297$ | 11 | 11 | Cy. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Average, yearly | - | - | - | - | 216 | 5 | 3.83 |  |

(A.6.) gives an arrear of $81.6 \mathrm{s}$.8 d . as due on 3 oth September 1837 . This sum, I suppose, is the arrear due on the fourth mill, the only one for which a determinate rental is payable. How far, the shares exigible from the occupants of the other three have been faithfully collected or puid in, there are no means of judging from the returns.

The expenses charged are enormous. For "repairs, 8cc." alone, there has been expended in the six years 918 2. $15 \mathrm{~s} .11 \cdot 5 \mathrm{~d} ., 76.83$ per cent. upon the gross receipts. With the additional charges incidental to collection, \&c. (the item of "miscellaneous expenses" not included), we have an outlay of $9^{8} 523$ per cent. on the receipts.
3. The Three Ferries yield but a very trifling revenue. Their aggregate rental is returned at $2 l .108$; peither term nor date of the leases by which they are held stated. Their receipts are only to the amount of $4 l .5 \mathrm{~s}$.; no receipts being returned, except for the years $1836^{6}$ and 1837 . No arrears are returned, and the expenses are only those incidental to the collection of the receipts of the seigniory in general.
4. The Saw Logs are returned (A. 3.) as leased for 27 l. 58. yearly for seven years, but neither the date of the lease nor that of its expiration is given. The receipts for the six years (or rather for four of them, $1833,1835,1836$ and 1837 , apparently, are returned at 2162 . $16 \mathrm{~s}, 4 \mathrm{~d} .$, a much larger sum than the rental stated. No arrears are returned. Beaides the expenses incidental to collection, an amount of $6 l .10 \mathrm{s}$.6 d . (about three per cent. on the receipts) is returned in (B.8.) as expended upon this property.
5. The Land sold en cont, which I suppose to be a part of the 360 arpents of the domain, though not so returned, has been sold for $160 \mathrm{l} .10 \mathrm{~s}, 9 \mathrm{~d}$. currency, interest payable at five per cent., and amounting therefore to 81 . os. $6 d$. yearly; neither date of sale nor extent of land returned. No receipts are returned on account of it for the six, years. For 30 th September 1837 -an arrear of 14 l .5 ss .9 d . is rèported,' from which it would appear that the sale took place' nearly two years before; the expenses are, of course, like the receipts, nothing:

Summary.
The miscellaneous receipts and expenses remann to be taken into account. Of these, the former amount only to $4 l$. 5 s. in the six years; while the latter (exclusive of the charge of 21.693 per cent. on the above receipt) are


The total excess of expense over receipt on this account is (see F. 2.) 78 l. $16 \mathrm{s.11} \mathrm{\% 77} \mathrm{d.}$, a little over 3.077 per cent.* of the total receipts of the seigniory. Allowing for this, we'have the total expenses on each of the properties above named which have yielded any revenue:


The total gross receipts from Batiscan have amounted-

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { For the six years to }-\quad-\quad-\quad-\quad-2,56119-\mathbf{C y} . \\
& \text { being an average yearly of } \\
& 4261910 \\
& \hline
\end{aligned}
$$

which gives as the average yearly rate per alienated arpent 1 ' 492 d . currency.

[^16]Whe expenses have amounted to to 62.223 per cent. on the receipts; and the total neis recoipro have been-

being at the rate per alienated arpent of $\cdot 565 d$. currency.

The total incrense of arrear in the six years is returned at 1,043 1. 17 s. $7: 5 \mathrm{~d}$. currency: We have seen, however, that the return of arrears on cens et rentes in the old concessions shows an inerease much beyond the truth, and that the corresponding retarn for the nem concessions shows an increase a litile below the trath. Correcting these two errors, well as the data given will allow, the sum total is about 750 l. currency, an amount requiting, probnbly, to be increased on account of omissions in the return of arrears of lods et ventes. This sum is about 29 per cent, on the gross receipts for the mame period.

Of 'the' entire amount then falling due on the six years, it would seem that (at the lowest calculation) about 22 l per cent. hras been left uncollected, and 48 per cent. more expended in collection, management and repairs, the net receipts of the seigniory, being less thau 30 per cent. of its gross revenue.

For the year ${ }^{2838-9,9}$, the gross computed revenue of Batiscan (exclusive of lods et veptes, and counpuing the rental of the mills at, the average of the six years from $1831-7$ ) in returned at 496 l.

Of the value of the 30 square leagues or more (out of the 40 leagnes constituting the seigniory) from which no revenue has yet been drawn, linte seems to be known; nearty the whole of it is unsurveyed, and a great portion of it is wholly unexplored; " of its quality as good land or bud, Mr. Stewart stated himself toibe ignorant. It commences about five leagues buck from the St. Lawrence, and extends 15 leagues or thereabouts in a north-weat direction further inland. Mr. Stewart states, that of the conceded lands of the seigniory, the best portion is that situate upon the 'Riviere des Envies, a briach of the Batiscan, in ihe more remote part of the conceded tract; much of the land lying beyond it is, doubtless, equally good. In the concessions nearest the St. Luwrence, the soil is sandy and of an inferior quality.

## §2.-CAP DE LA MAGDELEINE.

The second seigniory in the district of Three Rivers is that of Cap de la Magdeletme; mentioned in the returns (A. 1.), (A. 2.) (A. 3.), (A. 4.), (A. 7.), (B.' 9.) and (C. 8.); and following next after the seigniory of Batiscan in tables ( $\mathbf{F} . \mathrm{z}_{2} 4$ ) ( F .2 . ) and ( $\mathrm{F} . \mathrm{B}_{3}$ )
Position, Extint, \&c.-This seigniory, like the preceding, fronts on the north bank of the St. Lawrence, e liule higher up the stream, and immediately below the town of Three kivera, from which it is separated by the river St. Mnurice. It forms the south-west, as Batiscan does 'the:north-east, side of the county of Champlain; the seigniory of Champlaio ${ }_{\text {A }}$ with its sugmeatation, and the wild lands in its rear, lying, between theta. The rear-line and a great part of the side-lines of the seigniory are still unsurvejed.
Nominally, this seigniory is of the same dtmensions with that of Batiscan, two leagues in front by 20 leagues in depth. In reality, it is considerably larger, ns a glance at the following rought teetch will explain.
[See Plan.]
From some ambiguity in the original grants the south-western side-line of the seigniory has been held to run, not directly from the bank of the St. Lawrence at the distance of two leagues from the northeast line, but along the river St. Maurice, till it comes within that distance of the north-east line, and then along a line running parallel to the uorth-east line. For a distance of about six leagues, herefore, from the front lime, the seigniory is considerably miore than two leagues (two and a half I should think, from recollection of the plai,* on an average, or perhaps more), in width.
In (A. 1.), notwithstandiag this difference in form between the two, the contents of this seiguiory are returned as equal only to those of Batiscan, 282,240 arpents. In (P. 1.) and the

[^17]-
the other tables I have set it down at 300,000 arpents, an increase more than justified, I think, by the size of this additional tract.

Of this entire' extent, 'roughly estimated at 300,000 arpents, or rathè over 42 h ' squarire leagues, only 63,000 arpents (less than nine square leagues) are returned in (A. i.) as surveyed. More than half the extent of the seigniory is still wholly unexplored.

## The Abrisal Fieps are four in number, viz. :-

| Fiertel, conta | ning | - | - | - | - | 1,100 | arpents. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Marsolet | $\because$ - | - - | - | - | - | 1,520 | " |
| La Pierre | \% | - - | - | - | - | 860 | " |
| La Poterie | $\because$ | - - | - |  | - | 100 | " |
|  |  | In all | - | - |  | 3,580 | " |

These fiefs were mentioned in the first draft of (A. 1.), but do not appear in it as amended.

The tracts of land otherwise disposed of than as arriere fiets or by concession are the following:-

1. The Forge Reserve, of 25,940 arpents (about three and a half square leagues), according to the returns. The situation and general form of this tract are indicated wath a sufficient approach to accuracy in the preceding sketch. It stretches across the seigniory, in rear of the conceded portion of it, and is a league or thereabout in breadth; nearly the whule of its extent is mountainous, though well wooded. The St . Maurice Forges (to the lessee of which this tract also is leased) are situate on the west bunk of the St. Maurice, opposite the south-west extremity of this tract. Iron ore, as well as fire-wood, are drawn frum it in very considerable quantities, for the use of the forges. There is also another tract (much larger than thas, which is leased to the same individual, fos the same purpose, and lies along the west bank of the St. Maurice, commencing not far in rear of Three Rivers. This larger reserve is leased from the King's Domain. Both the tracts thus dis-. posed of are necessarily withheld from cultivation and settlement.
2. A Mill Reserve, of $30{ }^{\circ}$ arpents, though not returned in (A. 1.), is mentioned in the return (C. 8.)
3. Saw-logs are returned in (B. 9.) as a source of revenue in this seigniory, though no return is any where made of the amount of land leased with them. The other tables, indeed (even (A. 3.), the return of the leased properties), contain no reference whatever to them.
4. A Church grant of five arpents is also mentioned in (C. 8.), though omitted in (A. 1.)

The Concessions.-The entire extent of the conceded land does not appear from (A. 1.), which returns only the "new concessions," as 26,000 arpents in extent. The detailed retorn (C. 8.) draws'no distinction between old and new concessions, but states the entire extent of the concessions at $46,180 \frac{1}{4}$ arpents, exclusive of the 35 t arpents reserved for a church and mill, as above mentioned. This would leave 20,180, for the old concessions, but the precise proportion between the two is perhaps somewhat doubtful. The total gross extent of the concessions is very possibly greater than the return (C. 8.) indicates. It would seem to be only the net extent of the concessions which is there stated.

The tract as yet undisposed of is returned in (A. 1.) as anly 193,000 arpents, on what account it is impossible to see. Deducting for the reported alienations, we have a remander left of a $4,264 \mathrm{ta}$ arpents. This amount may be rather too high, but it is no more than returns warrani.

The territorial division' of the seigniory, then, uppears to be as follows:-


## Concessions:-

$\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { Old }-\quad-\quad-20,1801(() \\ \text { New } \\ -26,000(?)\end{array}\right\}$

## Reyrnue.

## 1. The Arrirre Fibrs, as usual, yield no income.

II. The Concessions. In (C. 8.) these are returned as covering in all $46,180 \neq$ arpents, and held by 503 censitaires, subjeot to-a yearly payment of cens et rentes to the amount of 187 l. $4^{\text {s. }} 10.25$ d. The average yearly rate per arpent is thus 973 d . Cy., and the average amount payable by each censitaire, 7 s. $5 ; 34 \mathrm{~d}$. Cy., almost a dollar and a half. ,

In (A. 7.), the amount of cens et rentes is guessed at ado $l_{r}$ Cy. The return (C. 8.) however, made at a later date, is to be considered the more correct statement of the two.

The return of actual receipts is thus stated in (B. 9.) :-

| For cens et rentes : |  |  | Por the Six Yeirre. |  |  | Average Yearly, |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| On old concessions " new | $\begin{array}{r} f .13511 \\ 139 \quad 9 \end{array}$ |  | c. 275 | -2 | \% | £. 45 |  | 8:33 |
| For lods et ventes: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ou old concessions " new | $\begin{array}{rr} \text { f. } 49 & 16 \\ 42 & 8 \end{array}$ |  | £. 92 | 4115 | - | E. 15 | 7 | 5'92 |
| In a | - | - | f. 367 | 515 | - | 'E.61 |  | $2 \cdot 25$ |

The increase of arrears on cens et rentes, during the six years, is thus stated in (C. 10.) :-

## Arrears of cens et rentes:-



As a considerable portion of the conceded tract has been granted since 1831 , the grosa estimated revenue above stated does not, in the case of this seigniory, serve as a.test of the correctness or incorrecfness of this statement of arrears. It becomes necessary to make ${ }^{\circ}$ allowance for the varying amount of revenue falling due at each half-year, from 30 September 183 to 30 September 1837.

From a careful examination of the return (C. 9.), I find that for each of the periods ${ }^{\text {a }}$ below named, the number and rental of the concessions granted is returred as follows:-


The' 134 concessions (a.) have, then, been held during the whole period. Of the 349 granted, during, the six years, 188 have been held five years and a half and upwardf; 46 , five years and upwards, \&cc. ; the last eight only having been held less than six months. The eight concessions (c.) do not enter at all into the calculation, and the 20 undated çoncessions (d.) appear to have been held for various periods, some of them for more, and spme for less than the six years.

The following calculation of the gross revenue of the six years is certainly within the truth; as it takes no account of the fractional parts of the half-year for which the 349 concessions
concessions have been held, over and above the time calculated for, and estimates the 20 undated concessions at an average of three years out of six.


A sum considerably more than double the amount reported.
The return of arrears in lods et ventes is as follows:-
On old and new concessions, on 30 September 1831 - $\begin{aligned} & \text { f. } 70 \\ & 2\end{aligned}$
Increase in the six years $\quad-\quad-\quad$. $\overline{134845}$

1II. The Lands otherwise disposed of have yielded a much gmaller amount of revenue than their extent would apparently warrant one in conjecturing.

1. The Forge Reserve, of $25,94^{\circ}$ arpents, is leased to the Hon. Mr. Bell, the lessee of the St. Maurice Forges, and a member of the late legislative council of the province, for a term of 10 years, expiring in 1844, and at a yearly rental of 75 l., heing at the rate of considerably less than 3 d. currency ( 694 d .) per arpent. This land is leased, not for settlement or building, but ouly for the purpose of cutting fire-wood, making charcoal and drawing iron ore from it, for the use of the forges. It appears that a very considerable portion of the charcoal and ore made use of at present in the forges is drawn from this tract; the more accessible wood and ore in the reserve on the west of the St. Maurice being now to a great extent exhausted. The terms of this lease have been made matter of complaint by the committee of the Hause of Assembly; but the question of their fairness or unfairness belongs rather to another portion of this report than to the present, and, in fact, requires a more minute investigation on the spot than I have been able to make, to enable me to satisfy myself in regard to it.

The actual receipts from the reserve, during the six years, are returned in (B. ..) as only 150 l.; being the rental for the two years ending 30 September 1836 , and 30 September 1837, respectively. No entry is made of any receipt from this source before this period, and no arrears are reported due in (A. 3.) or (A.6.) The lease, however, under which Mr. Bell at present holds the land bears date, according to (A. 3.) 24 . April 1834 , and rental must therefore have accrued upon it for almost $3 t$ years instead of two, between that time and 30 September $1837 \circ^{\circ}$. In point of fact, the torge reserve was held by the same individual for a number of years before the present lease was signed (fór how niany L have no memorandum informing me, but certainly for several years), at a rental eithirt the sade as at present, or, at lowest, of $50 l$. per annum. In the course of the inquiries máde on fhis subject by a Committee of the House of Assembly, both before and after the 'granting of the present lease, it was stated in behalf of Mr . Bell's claim for a renewal, that he had always made punctual payment. The only explanation I can offer of the apparent shortcoming of the receipts from this score, is to be found in the circumstances under which the grant in question was' first made to Mr. Bell. The forge reserve, as originally leased with the forges, lay wholly on the west side of the St. Maurice, nnd formed part of the Kitrg's domain.' A portion of this tract, lying near the town of Three Jivers, was taken off from the reserve, surveyed and conceded in consequence of urgent representations made by a number of the residents of Three Rivers and the vicinity. As a compensation to the lessee, this new reserve, on the east side of the river, was then set off and granted to him. The whole rental paid by him seems, however, to have been still set down to the account of the King's domain, thongh from this time a'portion of it was really paid for the occupancy of part of the Jesuits' estates: This false entry, I presume, continued till 'March 1836, when for the "first' time (two years after the signing of the present lease) the payment made for this paitt of the property held by the lessee was entered on the books of the Jesuits" estates, whefe it ought to have' been entered from the' first day on which rental was in any way paid for' it:
The amount of rental paid for this tract, before March i 836 , is to be regarded as an arrear due to the estates, not indeed from the lessee, but from that branch of the revenue, to the account of which it was up to that date erroneously entered:
2. The mill, with its 30 arpents, is leased (A. 3.) for seven years ending in 1844 , at a . yearly rental of $146 \%$.

The actual réceipts for the six years have been 654 l., showing an average yearly payment of only 109 . Of arrears, no return is offered, and the date of the present lease (Oct. 10, 1837) affords no indication of the amount of the sental for the six years, and the sufficiency or msufficiency of the sum received to cover it.

The expenses on this mill are less in proportion to its receipts than on the mills of any of the preceding seigniories. The item of "repairs; \&c." amounts to $81 l .17 s^{\prime}, 1 " 5 d_{1}$ for the six years, being $12^{\prime} 5^{2}$ per cent. on the gross receipts.
3. The saw logs.-The only information given on this topic is in (B. 9.), when a receipt of 202.2 s . is entered to this account, for the year onding in 1837 . It is not mentioned in (A.7.) even, the return of the computed revenue for $1838-9$, so that $I$ cannot be certain that it still continues to be a source of revenue at all.

An "expense" of $78.6 d$ ( $1 \cdot 86$ per cent. on the receipts) is returned, over and above the agent's allowance, gcc.
4. The church grant of five arpents is of course unproductive.

Summary.
The miscellaneous receipts and expenses for this seigniory have been heavy. Of the former, there are returned, under the head of "Proced Verbals," 126 l. currency. Of the latter (besides the charges incidental to the above receipt)

The total excess of expense over receipt on this account is (see F. 2.) 237 l . 18 s .11 .96 d . as nearly as may be; being 18.062 per cent. on the total grass receipts of the seigniony for the period. "
By the addition of this item, the total expenses on the several proluctive properties of the seigniory stand thus:-

| For | oncessions | - |  |  | 39 |  | per cent. on |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| * | forge reserve | - | - | - | $39^{\prime} 755$ |  | , |
| " | mill | - | - | - | $52 \cdot 275$ |  | receipts, |
| " | saw logs | - | - |  | $41 \cdot 617$ |  | spectiv |

- The total gross receipta from Cap de la Magdeleine have been-

For the six years - - - - - $£ .1,317 \quad 7 \quad 1{ }^{\circ} 5 \mathrm{Cy}$. Being an average, yearly, of - - . . 21911225
Which gives an average rate per alenated arpent of $694 \mathrm{~d} . \mathrm{Cy}$.
The expenses have amounted to $53^{\circ} 4^{87}$ per cent. on the gross receipts.
And the net receipts have been-

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& \text { Or on an average yearly = - - - }{ }^{\prime} 102-21503
\end{aligned}
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Shóming an average net yearly receipl per alienated arpent of - 324 d . Cy.
The total increase of arrear for the six years cannot be stated with exactness, owing to the defective character of the returns, which make no mention of arrears on the mill and samlogs. Exclusive of these two sources of revenue the arrears are reported to have increased. 400 l .16 s. $11^{\circ} 5 \mathrm{~d}$., the whole arrear due being upon the concessions. It has been seen, however, that the real increase of arrear on this score must have been at least $580 l .13 .925 d$, aud, indeed, rather more on cens et rentes alone, which (supposing no similar deficiency in the return of the arrears on lods et ventes) gives a sum total of 744 10s. 1.75 d. This sum is mare than 54 per cent, upon the gross actual receipts. The increase of arrear on the mill and saw logs is probably small.

Besides this, however, we have seen that there is another arrear of a different character to be considered,-the sum due from the general revenue on account of the payments made (but not entered on the books of the estates), from March 1832 to March 1836, for the Use of the forge reserve. For the last year nod a half of this period the rental is shown to have been $75 l$. per annum. For the earlier two years and a half, I set it down at 501. The arrear thus computed amounts to 237 l. 108 , rather more than 18 per cent. upan the total gross receipts, as they stand on the books of the estates, for the seigniory.
Of the entire amount, then, which has fallen due from this seigniory within the six years, it appears that about $31^{\circ} 4$ per cent. at the least bas been allowed to run into'arrear; about 10.4 pet cent. more, though collected, has been lost to the estates by being entered to the account of ataver branch of the revenue; and about 31 ', per cent. more has been expended upon collection, maragement and repairs. The net amount received tus been only about $27^{\prime 1}$ per cent. of the gross sum which bas fatlen due.
: Exelusive of lods et ventes "and of the saw logs, the gross estimated revenue of the seigniory for the year $1838-9$, is returned at 408 l. 4 s. $10^{\circ} 25 \mathrm{Cy}$.

The returas show 294,000 arpents and more (upwards of 31 sq . leagues) to be undisposed of. In 1844, when the-lease of the forge reserve determines, nearly 30,000 arpents mdre-will be at the disposal of the administration of the estates. - Very nearly all the land south of the reserve has been conceded; and of the unconceded tract beyond the reserve, a small pórtion only has been explored, and no portion regularly surveyed and laid out for settement. The side-lines of the seigniory have been run for some miles beyond the place where the St. Maurice crosses the seigniory, and the course of the St. Maurice, as it passes through the seigniory, and also a straightline across the seigniory just above the course of the St . Maurice, have been surveyed and are laid down on the latest plan of the seigniory. From this very partial survey it appears that there' are some very considerable falls of the St. Maurice within the seigniory limits, and that much good lana is to be found in that vicunity. In the conceded portion near the St. Lawrence, the soil is sandy and poor. Further back, as we approach the mountainous region of the forge reserve, the soil improves. Withn the limits of the reserve it would seem, from the character of the timber growing there that murch of the soil is good and fit for cultuvation.
(c.) In the District of Montreal.

The only seigniory in the district of Montreal is that of La Prairie de Ia Magdeleine, mentioned in returns (A. 1.), (A. 3.), (A.4.), A. 6.), (A. 7.), (B. 11.) 䀫 (G.9.). In the tables (F. 1.), (F., g.) and (F. 3.) it follows next after the seigniories'n the district of Three Rivers.

Posytion, Extent,'Rc.--This seigniory fronts on the soath bank of the St: Lawrence, almost opposite the city of Montreal. Its side-lines are run in a south eedst difection tif wards the Richelieu. On the south-west side it is bounded by the seigniory of Sant St. Louis, now held by the Iroquois Indians, and formerly by the Jescits, and on the northeast side by that of Longueuil,

It is returned in (A. 1.) as extending two leagues in front by four leagues in depth, and as containing therefore 56,448 square arpents. These are its dimensions in the original grant. How nearly the survey may have followed the letter of the grant does not appear. From the curved front line which the course of the St. Lawrence gives to the seigniory, it is apparent that its directions cannot have been literatly followed, and the reported area of the seigniory be the result.

The whole of the seigniory has been surveyed, and, with the exception of'a few arpents reserved for a particular purpose, granted.
A controversy has loug been pending as to -the true site of the dividing line between this seigniory, and that of Sault St. Lovis.: It has been contended that the llae as heretofore traced includes, besides the seigniory of La Prairie, a strip of three arpents in width by four leagues in depth, which of right belongs to the seigniory of Sault St. Louis, and was granted from that seigniory to the Jesuits in consideration of their erecting añd repairing a parish church, and serving as parish clergy for fhe Indians. This step, as the Indians have urged, was not returned to them when the rest of the seigniory was taken out of the hands of the Jesuits and placed in theirs; and they have claimea it accordingly, on the ground that the services in consideration of which it wás granted are not and cannot be any longer rendered in return for' it. This claim was brought under the notice of the education commission by the Rev. Mr. Marconx; the curé officiating among the Indians. It was not, however, in my power, for want of time; io give such attention to it as to be able to form an opinion of its merits, * The documents' trausmitted by Mr. Marcoux to sustain it are filed in the office of the commisaion in Quebec.

There are,no arrietre fiefs in the seigniory $j$-nor is there, indeed, so far as the return (A. 1.) indicates, any land in it, otherwise diaposed of, than by concession. . One mill-ia reported as a source of revenue, bat noseturn is made of any landreserved for it. In (A.7.) mention is made of some land sold en constitut for 3612.11 s . 5 d ; ; but the dime af sale mad the quantity and situation of the land are nowhere stated.
Concrasions.-These occiupy almost the entire seigniory, and with the exception' of a small tract of 43 arpents (A. i.) in the village of La Prairte, returned as new concessions, have all been long graned; The old concessions are returfred in ( $A$. 1,) as covering an extent of 56,400 arpents.
The land undisposed of (according to (A. 1.) 2,585 toises) is in the village of La Prairie; and is reserved for a college and market-place.

## Revenús.

1. 'The Concessions. The greater part of the revenue of the' seigniory tedrawn from'-
2. The old concessions. Of these, no detailed return whatever is so much ws attempted the agent stating his papier terrier to be too' old and defective to enable tim to make out a report of the number, extent and rental of the several farms into which they are at present divided. In (A. 7.) the aggregate anount of cens et rentes due yearly from

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them is returned at 373 L 5 s .10 d ., being at the rate of $1 \cdot 588 \mathrm{~d}$. currency per arpent yeärly.
The actual receipts are thus returned in (B. 11.):

showing a payment of rather mote than 1 d . currency per arpent for cens et rentes, and rather less than that sum for lods et ventes; $2 \cdot 101 d$. currency in all.
No direct returin is made of the arrears of cens et rentes due on these concessions; but (A. 6.) contains the following statements of arrears due on all the concessions, old and new together:

I cannot suppose, from the return, that it is intended to represent the whole amount "conjectured" as a sum to be added to the "ascertained"; it is possible, however, that it may be. In either case we stall see that this return is altogether at variance with the results derivable from the other returns. The increase of arrear on cens et rentes from the new concessions is returned in (C. 9.) at 2921.1 s. 1 d . Compared with the foregoing return, this would imply a diminution of arrear on the old concessions under this head of more than gol.; or,' at most, (if we add together the sums "ascertained" and "conjectured"), an increase of less than $110 l$.
The comparison of the computed rental with the receipts gives a result widely at variance with both of these:


On account of lods et ventes, we have returns of arrears which are similarly defective and ambiguous :

Arrears of lods et ventes on old and\} new concessions on 30 Sept. $\left.18_{31}\right\}$

| Ascertanned. | Conjectiured.* |
| :---: | :---: |
| f. $33{ }^{\text {/ }} 43 \mathrm{Cy}$. | $=500-$ - Cy. |
| 534.11 - | $700-$ |
| £. 201178 - | - f. 200 |

## Arrears of cens et rentes on old and new concessions on 30 Sept. 1831 \}

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The increase of arrear on cens et rentes at least, it should follow, must have been very great:


The following report from (C. g.) is at variance with this, as usual:
Arrears of cens et rentes on new concessions on 30 Sept. 1831-£.151. 61 Cy. Ditto - - - - ditto : - - - on 30 Sept. 1837 - 44372

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\text { Increase in the six years }-\frac{£_{1.292 ~ i} 1}{} \text { only. }
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The arrears on lods et ventes are thus returned in (C. 9.) :
Arrears of lods et ventes on new concessions on 30 Sept. 18gx - $\mathbf{E . 2 2} 19$ 1 Cy.
Ditto - - . . ditto - - - on 30 Sept, 1837 - 5417 -
Increáse in the six years - $-\frac{\text { e. } 3117 \mathrm{II}}{}$
II. The other properties in the seigniory are-

1. The mill, rented for a term of seven years cnding in 1841, subject to a payment of " 1,100 minots of wheat annually."

The gross receipts from this source have been : ${ }^{\circ}$

No arrears are returned due either in 1831 or ${ }^{1} 837$, and in the statement of "computed revenue" for $18388^{\circ}-9$ (A. 7 .) the sum of 301 l. 13 a. appears as the estimated proceeds of the "' 1,100 minots" for that year, being their'average value for the six years ending in 1837.

- Besides the chargea incidental to collection and management, there is returned an item of 144 l. 16 s . ó' 75 dL for "repairs" during the six years, which falls upon the mills exclusively. This sum is about eight per cent. on the gross receipts of the mill.

2. The land sold en constitut, according to (A. 7.) should bring in 21 l. í3s. 10d. yearly, as interest on the capital due. It is not, however, mentioned in any of the other returns; and nothing, therefore, can be supposed to have been collected on account of it. No arrears are stated to be due upon it; nor is the date of the sale reported, so as to enable me to calculate the arrears, if any.

## Summary.

The miscellaneous expenses on account of this seigniory have been heavy, and there are no receipts from "Procés verbals" returned as an offset to them, They have amounted in the six years-

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& \begin{array}{l}
\text { For "surveys and expenses of papier terrier," to } \\
\text { "Miscellaneous" to }
\end{array} \\
& \text { In all - - - - }-£_{219} 86
\end{aligned}
$$

being 6.587 per cent. upon the total gross receipts of the seigniory. Adding in this item, the amount of expense chargeable on each of the properties appears to be-

On the concessions " .- - 28.28 per cent.\}on their gross receipts
|" mill - - - $36 \cdot 28$," $\}$ respectively.

The total' receipts of the seigniory are returned-

at the rate per alienated arpent, of $3 \cdot 4 \overline{3} 6 \mathrm{~d}$.
The total expenses have been $31 \cdot 265$ per cent. on the gross receipts.
And the net receipts have been-

which is at the rate per alienated arpent, of $2 \cdot 362 \mathrm{~d}$.

The increase of arrears in the six years can only be guessed at. The returns speak of the arrears as due only on the concessions ; though it is almost certain that some arrear (perhaperenef in lirge one) must have accrued on the land sold en' constitut; if not on the mill.
Froutit comparison of gross income with receipts, we have seen that on the score of cens et rentes alone; an. ifrear has accrued of 916 l. 195. 7 d. cy., though the return (A. 6.) gives it at abjat $200 l$. only, if we follow either the "ascertained" or the "conjectured" estimate, and about 400 l ., it (contrary to the apparent meaning of the table) we add the two together.
On the score of lods et ventes, the "ascertaincd" incrense is reported at 859 I. 4s. 6d., and the "conjectured" at $1,400 \mathrm{l}$. Supposing, as I do, that the latter sum is intended to include within it the former, and not to be added to it, the returns taken together indicate a totil increase of arrear of about $2,316 \mathrm{l}$. 198. 7 , d., more than 47 年 per cent. upon the gross receipls.
Of the gross amount, then, falling due within the six years, it would seem that more than 32 per cent. has run into arrear, and rather more than 21 per cent. been expended in collection, \&c.; the actual net revenue being thus less than 47 per cent. of the gross computed reveriue.

Exclusive of lods et_ventes (a source of revenue which, in this seigniory, ought to be very productive), the gross computed rental for $1838^{-9} 9$ is returned at 760 l . 7 s. 10d. cy.

Pärt 2.-The Propertibs not constituting Sifigniories.
(a.) In the District of Quebrc. §1.-LA. VACHERIE.
La Vacherie is mentioned in the returns (A. 1.), (A. 3.), (A. 4.), (A.6.), (A. 7.), (B. 5.) and (C. 5.); and in the tables (G. I.), (G, 2.) nad (G. 3.).
'Pósition, Extent, \&ec.--This property forms part of the St. Roch's suburb of the city of Quebec. Mr. Stewart stated it to occupy from one-third to one-half of the suburb. It was originally held by the Jesuits, en roture, of the King's domain, within which it is. situate.
The return (A. 1.) is inconsistent with itself, as to the exact dimensiuns and disposition of. this property, smallas it is, and close as it is to the city of Quebec. It states the whole extent to, be, "fiom an original survey, exclasive of streets," - $88 \frac{1}{2}$ arpents.

which is five arpents more than the whole. It can hardly be supposed that the "streets" are included in the detailed, any more than in the general statement of extent. I have no means of ascertaining which estimate, or whether indeed either of them, is correct. I was not aware of the inconsistency between the two when I last saw Mr. Stewart.
The nine'arpents still unalienated are scautered up and down the suburb, Mr. S. stated, in liouse-lots, some contiguous and some nut. Applications for them were rare, in consequence of the state of the times. They are all offered for sale, en constitut, as building lots;
The grants to the churches and hospital, Mr. Stewart stated to-be "in perpetuity", Their dates varied, and he did not remeuber them. They were, to have been furnished; but the time did not allow me to call for them a second tume. The grant to the Catholic Church was probably made by the Jesuits. , The other two were doubtess made since the Crown took possession of the estates.
The two leased tracts, Mr, Stewart informed me, are not, in his opirion, suitable for building lots, and are therefore quite advantageously disposed of under the present arrangement. It was not in my power, for want of time, to muke any further inquiry on this point.

Hare Point is leased (A. 3.) for a term of 21 years, to expire in 1850 , at the rate of $40 \%$. per annum. No arrears are returned as due, either in 1831 or 1837 ; but as (B. 5.) shows that only $220 l$, had been paid in the six years, instead of 240 l ., 1 t is evident that one-half year's rent must have fallen into arrear..

The beach lot is leased (A. 3.) for seven years ending in 1843, at the rate of 281. yearly. Noreceipt from it is returned for the entire period of six years; and yet in (A. 3.) the increase of árrear due hipon it is returned at only 281.; 28l. having been due on September 30, 1831, and 56 l. on Septemper 30, 1837. As the present lease dates only from 1837, I cannat tell at what rate the lot may have been leased during the six years ; but it is not easy to see
how the absence of all receipt from this source, and the accumulation of so small an arrear as 281., can be teconciled together:
The return of arrears on La Vacherie in (A. 6.) is irreconcilable with thosenitu, (A, 3.) and (C. 5.); but it throws no light on this point.

- The land sold en constitut, 223 arpents (A. 1.), has been disposed of in 135 lots of various sizes, most of them mere house-lots, and at different times, but most of them since 183\%. These lots have been sold, as Mr. Stewart stated, suoject to payment of a "nominal cens," to carry lods et ventes to the Crown, in its capacity of seigniory. The only revenue drawn from them by the estates is the interest on the parchase money, which may be considered as almost equivalent to a ground rent, redeemable at a specified rate, at the pleasure of an irremovable occupant.

The aggregate amount of intereat at present payable yearly on these lots is $\mathbf{E . 4 0 4} 3{ }^{\prime} \mathbf{3} \mathbf{C y}$. being at a rate per arpent of -

The actual receipts duting the six years have fallen far short of this, being-

Or, on an average, yearly - - . . . - . . - 139105
As a great part of the property, however, has been sold between $\mathbf{2 8 3 1}$ and 1834 , the difference between these amounts is not all to be set down as arrear. The return of arrears in (C. 5.) is as follows :-

Arrears on September 30, 1831
Ditto - $=1837$
Increase in the six years - - . - . $\quad 3,3801711$
An amount quite sufficient to demonstrate extreme remissness, from some cause or other, in the collection of the-rental.

Under the "Miscellaneous" head in(G. 2.) I have entered the sum of two amounts returned as received in (B. 5.) ; viz_

"Proces Verbals," being a return of part of a survey charged to cen-

Total - - $\quad 76102{ }^{2}$
These receipts are to a greater amount than the miscellaneous expenses, which are thus reported:-


As, however, the expense of the survey, for which the 43 l. 17 s. 6 d. is a "part" repayment, must have fallen on the estates just before 1831 , it is not fair to estimate by this return the proportion between the miscellaneous receipt and expenditure.
The total gross receipts for La Vacherie have been-

| For the six years | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | £. 1,133 | 10 | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Or, on an average yearly | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 188 | 18 | 483 |

Which is at the rate per alienated arpent (taking the larger estimate of the extent of La Vacherie) of 2l. $4 \mathrm{~s} .10^{\circ} 17 \mathrm{~d}$.

- The expenses on the whole property (and they may be said to have fallen' equally' on each of its componnent parts) have amounted to 23.02 per cent. on the gross receipts; very little moge than the rate of allowance for agent and commissioner's office.
The net teceipts have been for the six years ${ }^{\wedge} \quad-$
Being on an average yearly
And at the rate per alienated arpent of

The exact increase of arreara cannót be stated. From (A. 3.) and (C. 5.) it would appear have been-

On the beachlot - - - - - - - - . - - 28 - - Cy.

Adding to which the amount shown by (B. 5.) upon Hare Point 'r. $20^{\prime}$ - -
We have as a sum' total $-1 \quad " \quad-\quad-\quad \cdots \quad 1,4281711$
26 per cent. more than the whole sum collected in the period.
Of the amount due within the six years, we find that (at-least) $55: 75$ per cent. has fallen into arrear, and 10:19 per cent. nsore been expended on collection, management, \&c. The net receipts have been less than $34^{\circ} 06$ per cent. of the gross computed revenue.


## § 2.-LANDS in the City of Quebrc.

The property in the city of Quebec is mentioned in the returns (A. 1.), (A. 4.), (A. 6.), (A.7.), (B.6.) and (C. 6.), as well as in tahles (G. X.), (G. 2.), and (G. 3.).

Pusirion, Extent, \&c.-This property consists of several lots of land (none of them large, and most of them quite small) which were hèld by the Jesuits under various titles of the King's domain, within which they lie. They are all situate in the Upper Town of Quebec, and 'are contiguous, or nearly so, to 'the building known as the Jesuits' Barracks, which stands on one of them.

In (A. 1.), the total extent of this propertyis not given; nor does any other of the tables supply the deficiency ${ }^{2}$ On inquiry of the commissioner, I was informed that in some old map or suraey, the whole waslaid down at " 18 arpents 58 perches;" but that, as there had been no late survey, it was impossible to say how fir the estimate is correct. I could get no further information on this point. No part of this land is returned, as at the disposal of the administration of the estates.

Four alienations are specified in (A. 1.), from which the estates derive no revenue, but the dimensions of the lots so disposed of are not given; the commissioner assigning the want of any sufficiently accurate survey as the reason. Three of these are "grants in perpetuity?"

## 1. To the Fire Society of Quebec.

## 2. " National School. <br> 3. " Congregation of Notre Datne.

The dates of these grants are not stated. The first and second are, however, obviously grants made since the estates came into the hands of the Crown. The late Jesuts' college and garden, occupied by government as a barrack and barrack-yard, form the fourth. The extent of the ground thas occupied is about five arpents. Its real value, and the disposition which of right ought to be made of it, have prean matter of much controversy. These questions may be more advantageously discussed in another portion of this report than here.

The remainder of the property consists of 69 house-lots (reported in C. 6.), from which a revenue is drawn, much in the same manner as in La Vacherse, though to a much smaller amount. Of these there are reported-

| In Fabrique-street | - - 5 |
| :---: | :---: |
| St. John " - | 24 |
| St. Ursule | 10 |
| St. Angele - | - 4 |
| St. Stanislaus | - - 7 |
| (Street not named) | 6 |
| Desjardiusostreet - | 3 |
| Total | - . 59 |

a which have all been long disposed of, though no dates are given. Besides these, there are 10 other lots situate in rear of the Jesuits' barracks, which were disposed of as late 38 1820. The extent of ground occupied by these 69 emplaceménts is not stated.

The gross yearly rental of the 59 house-lots first alienated is returned at 41 l .14 s .7 F .5 d . The actual receipts from these have been-

| For the six years | - - | £. 1236 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Or or an average, yearly | - - | 2011 |

$\begin{array}{llllll}\text { The arrears, it would follow, must have increased yearly, on an average } & \mathcal{E} . & 21 & 3 & 6.5\end{array}$ And in the six years - - - - - - . . . . 127.13

The following return of arrears, from (C. 6.) gives a result sufficiently near this, in amount-

The gross yearly amount of the 10 lots disposed of in 1820 , is 29 l. 12 s. 3.25 d . Cy,
The actual receipts have been-


The arrears, according to these data, have been decreasing yearly, on an average-

$$
\text { And in the six years, therefore } \quad \ldots \quad \begin{array}{ccc}
£ .8 & 4 & 5.25 \\
49 & 6 & 7.5
\end{array}
$$

In (C. 6.) a much greater decrease is reported :-

| Arrears on Sept. 30, 1881 | $\begin{array}{ccc} \& .183 & 2 & 7 C y . \\ 104 & 17 & 10.25 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| Decrease in the six years | $\begin{array}{llll}X^{\prime}, 78 & 4 & 8.7\end{array}$ |

Besides the expenses generally chargeable for agent and commissioner's office, a trifling sum is returned of $3 l .15 \mathrm{~s} .7^{\circ} 25 \mathrm{~d}$. Cy. for "miscellaneous" expenses, amounting to 1.079 per cent. on the total gross receipts. This addition raises the expenses on each of the above śources of revenue to $22^{\prime} 77^{2}$ per cent. on their receipts.

The total gross receipts from this property, for the six years, have amounted on an average, vearly, to - - - - $\quad .5^{8} 7 \mathrm{9} 5 \mathrm{Cy}$.

And the total net receipts to - $\quad=\quad . \quad-\quad . \quad 4 . \quad 45$ 1 10.36

But is shown by the other returns to have been - - $7714 \quad 75$
Rather more than 22 per cent. on the gross receipts.
Of the gross amount of rental due for the six, years, therefore, a little more than 18 per cent. has fallen into arrear, and rather more than 18.5 per cent. been expended in collection, \&cc. ; the actual net receipts being thus less than 63.5 per cent. of the gross computed revenue.

For $1838-9$, the gross estimated revenue is - - f. 71610.75 Cy :

## § 3.-LANDS in the Seigniory of Lavzun.

The third property not constituting a seigniory in the district of Quebec is the land in thè seigniory of Lauzun, mentioned in (A. 1.), (A. 4.), (A. 7.), and (B. 7.); and in (G. 1.), (G. 2.), and (G. 3.).

Position, Extent, \&c.-This property consists of two distinct portions, one in the parish of St. Nicholas, opposite Cap Rouge, and the other in the parish of Pte. Levi, opposite Quebec. Both of them front upon the south bank of the St. Lawrence, and are within the limits of the county of Dorchester, or seigniory of Lauzun.
.The St. Nicholas property contains (A. 1.) 1,180 square arpents, and the Pte. Levi'property 960 . From the description given in the warrant issued in 1800 for the selzure of the estates by the sheriff of Quebec, it appears that the former is a single uract of 50 arpents, or thereabout, in depth; and that the latter copsists of four contiguous lots, which taken together make an irregular area fronting upon the St . Lawrence 15 arpents, and running back at its deepest part 80 arpents.

One of the four lots last-mentioned was granted to the Jesuits as an Arrière Fief by the seignior of Lauzun. 'The others, Mr. Stewart states to have been held of him en roture. On the occupation of the estates by the Crown, or shortly after (Mr. S. stated), an opinion was given by the law officers in Canada, that, as the Crown could not hold en roture of a subject, the tenure of these lands had, from the dute of their seizure, become seigniorial, and that those who held them under grants from the Jesuits were henceforth bound to pay lods et ventes to the Crown as seignior, and not to the seignior' of Lauzun. The case in this seigniory differed I'rom that in La Vacherie and the City of Quebec, inasmuch as in the latter, the Crown was the seignior of whom the Jesuits had originally held. In those properties, therefore, the Crown, in its capacity of holder or administrator of the estates, takes only interest and groumd-rent from those who hotd under it, and takes lods et' ventes in its origimal capacity of seignior; the latter payments being considered part of the "Domain," and not of the Jesuits' estates' revenue. In the Lauzun properties, the Crown claims cens et rentes and lods et ventes by the same tille; and both classes of payments are entered as revenue belonging to the estates.

The claim to lods et ventes on this properiy has not, however, been insisted upon. They are sometimes paid, Mr. Stewart states, and often not. The question of the legality of the clanm has never been tried; and the property is not considered valuable enough to make it worth trying.
The whole cxtent of this property is returned as disposed of in "old concessions." The accounts of its receipts and arrears are stated by Mr. Stewart to be particularly defective, owing to the neglect of a Mr. Campbell, a notary charged with the duty of discovering titres nouvelles within it. To this deficiency, he ascribed his own omission to make a detailed return of the concessions and arrears due upon them.
From (A. 7.), I find that the aggregate of cens et rentes due yearly from these concessions is. - - - - - - being at the rate, per arpent, of -

The return of actual receipts (B. 7.) shows plainly the result of the neglect above-mentioned. No cens et rentes have been received for five years out of the six, and the total amounto received are only-


The increase of arrear in the six years on cens et rentes gust have been, therefore, 38 l. 5 s. 5 d., more than five times the amount collected.

Of the amount of increase of arrears due on account of lods et.ventes, it is impossible to form an opinion.

There is returned (B. 7.) a charge of $16 l$. for the year ending in 1834, on account of a "survey." This sum, added to the general charge for agent, \&cc. raises the total expenses ,on this property to $47^{6} 674$ per cent. on the gross receipls.

The net receipls are thus reduced-

| For the six years, to ${ }^{-}{ }^{-} \quad-\quad-\quad 2.32 \quad 5 \quad-84$ <br> Being na average, yearly, of - . . - 5, 76.14 <br> And at the rate, per arpent, of - - - - - 60 |
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## §4-LAND at Tadoussac.

The land at Tadoussac is mentioned only in (A. 1.), (G. 1.) and (G. 2.)
Tadoussac is a trading post at the mouth of the Saguehay river, and is leased as one of the "King's Trading Posts" to the Hudson's Bay Company. The Jesuits held sixt arpents of land here, granted for the erection of a church, suc. Their site is now a matter of digpute. Dr. Kimber, of Three Rivers, (che chairman of the committee of the late House of Assembly on the Jesuits' estates,) maintains that the-warehouses erected at the post, or a part of them, stand on this ground. Mr. Stewart, on the other land, doubts whether the six arpents in question were ever 80 much as measured off; if they were, he supposes that the Indian church still remaining at the place atood upon them, and not the warehouses. Mr. Stewart has not been there since. 3822 .

No revenue has ever been drawn from this property. It has been argued by Dr. Kimber, on the supposition that the warehouses of the post are built upon it, that a part of the rental paid hy the Hudson's Bay Company should be allowed for the use of it, to the account of the estates. If, however, Mr. Stewarl's opinion of its site be correct, this suggestion necessarily falls to the ground.

> (b.) In the District of Thaze Rivers.
> § .-ISLE DE.ST. CHRISTORHER.

The Isle de St. Christopher is mentioned only in (A. 1.), (A. 7.), (G. i.), (G. 2.) and (G. 3 .)

It is a small island, 80 arpents infextent, near the mouth of the St. Maurice, between the town of Three Rivers and the seigniory of Cap de la Magdeleine. It was originally granted to the Jesuits as a fief, free of all conditions and charges, and was by thetn granted in one concession, at a rental of (see A. 7.) 18. 3d. currency per annum.

Nothing has been received from this concession for many years, and it is regarded as an unpruducive property.

## §2.-LANDS in the Town and Banlieue of Thaze Rivers.

The returns relative to the lands in the town and banlieue of Three Rivers are contained in (A. 1.), (A. 7.) and (B. 10.); and their results are atated in, (G. 1.), (G. 2.) and (G. 3.)
"This property consists of two fiefs (one called the fief Pachevigny, and the other not named in any return I have seen), and some land held en roture. Neither the returns to the commission nor those to the House of Assembly give the relative extent of these several parts. The whole is stated in (A.1.) as covering $675^{\circ} 08$ arpents, a considerable portion of the town of Three Rivers. Lis precise limits seem to be a matter of some uncertainty, from the reports of the committee of the Assembly on the Jesuits' estaics; but $I$ have had no opportunity of inquiring into the merits of the controversy.
There has evidently been much neglect in the administration of this property, even as compared with the others belonging to the estates. The "detailed" return of the concesm sions, \&ic. bas not been furnished, doubtless from the agents inability to furnish it.
No return of "arrears" is attempted either. From (B. 10.) at appears that for the six years endiug in' 1837 , no cens et rentes whatever have been paid. The receipta are wholly
on lods et ventes; and even these do not seem to be regularly collected. Under good management, the revenue from this sourcer ought to be considerable.

The eight unconceded arpents are situate on the outskirts of the town." Mr, Stewart states them to be worth less, except as building lots. Though ungranted, they appear to have been built upon to some exient, without leave, by a number of poor people.
(A. 1.) states 35 arpents to be in possession of and claimed by the trustees of the common. This tract, of course, yields no revenue. There is also another unproductively occupied, thougl not returned in (A. 1.) The church and mission house, formerly occupied by the Jesuls, have been used as a Protestant episcopal church and parsonage for many years. This occupation has been the occasion of much complaint on the part of the Catholic population of Three Rivers.
The actual receipts from the concesisions are returned in (B. 10.)


The amount of cens et rentes, due yearly, is returned in (A. 7.) at 5 l. os. 4.75 d., which is at the rate per arpent of nently $2 d$. currency. An arrear of cens et rentes must have accrued therefore in the six years of $301.25 .4^{\circ} 5 \mathrm{~d}$.

Of the arrears on lods et ventes no conjecture can be formed, nor indeed can any be formed, as to the amount of arrear due on cens et rentes.

Besides the ordinary charges of collection and management, there are returned two items of expense, viz.-

Being $7 \cdot 055$ per cent. on the total gross receipts. The total amount of expense is thus raised to $28^{\circ} 74^{8}$ per cent. on the receipts; and the net recelpts are reduced for the six years to an average per annum of $3^{2} \ell$. 0 s. $10^{\prime} 35 d$.

## (c.) In the District of Montreal.

The land in the city of Montreal is mentioned in (A. 1.) A. 7.) (G. 1.) (G. 2.) and (G. 3.)

It has never been productive since the estates came into the hands of the Crown. In (A. 1.) it is estimated at 368 arpenis, the whole, with the exception of three emplacements, occupied by the district court-house and the old gaol (now used as a barrack). Dr. Kimber has argued that the lot known ns the "goverument garclens" is also a part of it; but this Mr . Stewart, on the other hand, denies.

The uree house-lots are returned in (A. 7.) as subject to a payment of ${ }_{5} \mathrm{~s} .5 \mathrm{~d}$. Cy., yearly, for cens et rentes; but no collections appear to be ever made from them.
The Jesurts held this land, en roture, of the Montreal Seminary, the seignior of the Island of Montreal.

Cap. V.
Genbbal Character of the System of Administration under which the Jesuits' Estates are at present placed.
It cannot fail to be apparent from the statemeuts made in the two preceding chapters, that there must be very great defects existing in the administration of this property. Much more thay half of it's entire gross computed revenue, we have seen, is lost in arrears and expenses, Upon several of its constituent properties (the large seignionics of the Cap de la Magdeleine and Batiscan for example) the amounts of arrear and expenditure together are nearly three-quarters of their computed revenue; and upon one property only (that in the cuy of Quebec) are they as low as $36 \pm$ per cent. of the computed revenue. The returns of arrears, in almost every instance in which it is posşible to apply any test of their accuracy, are found to be more or less inatcurate; and in several instances the inaccuracies detected are of the grossest character. The veif extent of the seigniories in square arpents is given only by a rough calculation from their recorded dimensions. The extent of the land within each, disposed of in various ways, is, in many cases, equally in doubt; in a number of the seigniories, no guess is ventured upon as to the nmount held by the several censitures; and in one (La Pratric) the very name and number of the censitarres cannot be told.
-To what cause are these defects attributable? To mismanagement (corrupt, or arising from mere carelessness) on the part of the individuals by whom the estates are administered. Or are they rather to be regarded as inherent in the system under which they are admi-nistered,-as a result, in the main, of the nature of the properties from which the revenues of the estates are drawn, and of f the limited powers of those who are charged with their collection?-The' Jesuits' Estates Committee of the late House of 'Assembly, and the majority of the House in general, nppear to have insisted upon the former cause, so far as the reports presented on the subject, and the tenor of the Bill which passed the House, are
indications of the temper of mind of those who drew up or favoured them. In these reports the burthen of complaint is directed mainly against the commissioner as an individual'; while of the four agents even, employed under him, one only (the agent for La Prairie) is selected to share in the censure cast upon the contimissioner. The Bill of 1835-6 proposed to accomplish litule more than the abolition of the commissioner's office; perpetuating, while it undertook to regulate and correct, the old system' of administration, in most of its worst features; and in fact adding to it some new features even more objectionable than any of the old. I cannot bring myself to assent to the conclusions of these documents, or to recommend the measures proposed in them as remedial.

From the sudden termination of the inquiries entered upon nnder the Education Commission, I was unable to investigate thoroughly those paricular transactions upon which the accusers of the commissioner have dwelt, as evidence of persoual mismanagement on his part, and 1 have therefore no right to express or hold an opinion in regard to ithem. So far us their charge aguinst him is of a merely general character (growing out of the obvious inadequacy of the net returns from the estates), it is easy to see that the facts of the case admit of another explanation, the commistioner's limited powers, and the nature of the properties he has had to manage, and that explanation is quite sufficient to account for them. So far as particular transactions are called in question (the leasing of the Sillery coves, and of the forge reserve, being the two transactions most complained of) I can give no opinion, for the reason above stated. It is, however, only common justice to the commissioner, individually, to remark, that they received at the time the full sanction of the provincial executive.
It remains to inquire in what respects the present system of administration is defective : and incidentally, how far the Bill of $1835-6$, would have removed or added to its deficlencies. This inquiry divides itself into two branches ; the one, relating to the number, powers, remuneration, scc. of those employed in the management of the estates; and the other, to the character of the properties themselves, nod the difficulties (legal and otherwise) in the way of managing such properties to advantage.

1. The number, powers, remuneration, \&cc., of those employed in the ${ }^{\text {ponanagement }}$ of the estates.-The commissioner, as has been already stated, has four agents employed under him-Mr. Louis Panet, of Quebec, for the properties in the district of Quebec; Mr. Louis Guillet, of Batiscan, for the seigniory of that name in the district of Three Rivers ;"Mr. Dumoulin, of Three Rivers, for the other properties in that district, and Mr. E. Henry, of La Prairie, for the seikniory of that name, the only productive property in the district of Montreal. Messss. Panet, Guillet and Henry are notaries, resident within the district for which they are respectively agents; and M. Dumoulin is a notary or a lawyer (the former I believe) also residing within the limits of his agency. They hold their office, Mr. Stewart states, by appoinment of the Governor and Council, and are removable, therefore, only by the same authority, and not directly by the commissioner. The commissioner has no other control over them than is implied in the power of complaining to the executive, of any remissness or malrersation on their part.

The emoluments of the agents consist in an allowance of 10 per cent. upon all sums collceted by them. During the aix years, ending in 1837, this allowance has amounted to the following sums-

For the agency of-


Supposing that, for the year $1838-9$, the whole amount which, according to the estimates alrendy given, will fall due, should be collected, the agents' allowance would amount to about the following sums:-


These last-named sums, it is quite evident,' are much larger than the agents ever have realised or are likely for some time to realise from this sonrce. They are calculated on the sapposition that every due is collected,-a supposition, as we have seen, very far from the fact. The average receipt of the six years ending in 1837 is not likely to be much exceeded, if at all, by that of $1838-9$.
Besides thin allowance of 10 per cent, the agents charge certain incidental expenses (returned in the tables as "Miscellaneous"), but these are not to any large amount; and as it is required that the commissioner be satisfied of the correctness of the charges, it is
fair to presume that no increase of the agents' emoluments takes place through their means. For the period comprised in the returns these charges have been-


The other expenses returned are fur "Roads and Bridges," "Surveys," "Repairs of Mills," Expense of Fences" on the farm leased in Batiscan, and "Expenses on Saw-logs" in Batiscan and Cap de la Magdeleine. On these the agents, it is to be presumed, are allowed no profits, and it is not fair to suppose, therefore, that they directly derive any: Indıviduals are specially engaged as surveyors, builders, \&c., whenever, such services are in request. The following are the amounts returned as expended upon each of these accounts:-

For the six years in the several agencies of-

| Roads and Bridges | Quebec. <br> f. s. d. Cy. <br> 12210 | $\frac{\text { Batiscan. }}{\text { f. s. d. Cy. }}$ | Thite Rivers. £. s. d. Cy. $170176$ | $\text { f. }_{\text {La Praince. }}^{\delta_{0} d .} \mathrm{Cy} .$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Surveys - - | 1739 | 36310 | 16156 | $234-$ |
| Repairs of Mills | 6791610 | 9×8 1515115 | 8. $17{ }^{145}$ | $14416 \quad 075$ |
| Fences - - |  | 28695 | - |  |
| Saw Logs | - - - | 6106 | $-76$ |  |
| Total - $\mathbf{x}^{\text {. }}$ | $975 \quad 26$ | 979171. | $\begin{array}{llll}414 & 7 & 75\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}378 & 16 & 0 & 75\end{array}$ |
| Being on an average y carly | 1621295 | $163 \quad 6 \quad 217$ | 69 1 3.25 | $63 \quad 2 \begin{array}{lll}6 & 812\end{array}$ |
| Adding to thesesums the two average yearly charges above stated, viz. |  |  |  |  |
| Miscellaneous Agents' allowance | $\begin{array}{rrr} 28 & 4 & 7.29 \\ 169 & 1 & 0.87 \end{array}$ | 9 6 7 <br> 42 13 1178 | $\begin{array}{rrr}3 & 18 & 4.33 \\ -36 & 9 & 0.42\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll} 14 & 4 & 9 \\ 80 & 16 & 5.92 \end{array}$ |
| $\left.\begin{array}{c} \text { We have the fol- } \\ \text { lowving sums } \\ \text { total of yearly } \\ \text { expenditure in } \\ \text { each agency } \end{array}\right\} \text {. }$ | $\begin{array}{lll}359 & 18 \quad 5 \cdot 66\end{array}$ | 21566934 | $\begin{array}{lll} - & 4 & \\ 99 & 8 & 8 \end{array}$ | $15^{8} \quad 311.04$ |

From these amounts it is evident that the direct profits of the agents are quite small in amount, except for the Quebec agency, and that even in the Quebec agency the sum allowed is only moderate; nor could any degree of diligence in their collection enable the agents to make them very much larger. It is further apparent, 18 t, that the agents, from their being paid a per centage on their gross receipts, have no sort of interest in the dimsnution of any of the other expenses to be incurred within their agency; and 2 dly , that these other expenses bear no proportion whatever to the revenue drawn from the agency upon which they are charged, and the allowance made from it to the agent. It was not in my power (for reasons already more than once stated) to make such further inguiries on the subject of these expenses as, with more time at my command, I should have made.

The allowance of 10 per cent. to the agents is obviously too small to enable any one of them to devpte his whole time to the duties of his agency. The agents accordingly all have other husiness to attend to of their own; and this fact, though it stood alone, would furnish evidence enough of the impossbility of their satisfactorily fulfilling the duties of their office. To sny nothıng of the necessarily complex character of the affairs they häve to manage, and the care requisite in order to the fathful collection of the multitude of small debts perpetually accruing, a notary or lawyer resident withu his agency, and dependent in a very considerable degree on his regular professional business for a living, must often have a much stronger interest in the posponement or relaxation of claims which as agent he is bound to urge, than that which the prospect of his agent's allowance gives him in their collecton. The neighbourhood on whose patronage he deperids is made up of the parties from whom his collections are to be made. The chief value of his agency must lie in the opportunity it gives for the extension of his intluence and business, and this object is by no means best gamed by an over-rigorous devotion to the interests of the seignior, at the expense of the censitaires. On this point I have had no opportunity of
obtaining direct testimony, and from the nature of the case it seems hardly necessary to ask for any. The tendency of this part of the system cannot be misunderstood, whatever may have been the conduct of particular agents acting under it. Where an agent's interest is best consulted by the accumulation of arrears and a liberal allowance of ${ }^{\text {- }}$ expenses, it is useless to expect collections to be either panctually or economically made.

If the agent's responsibility were assured, either by giving the commissioner complete control over them, or by making them the parties answerable to the legislature and the public for the amount of their receipts, this evil might be somewhat less; as it is, however, neither of these is done. The commissioner has over them a very imperfect control indeed, and yet his general responsibility for the procceds and management of the estates serves to sereen them from censure in almost any conse, unless indeed it were the possible case of their being more active and exact than the public opinion of their indebted neighbours would have them; then, indeed, but hardly otherwise, the commissioner's responsibility might fail to relieve them from theirs.

If, from considering the tenure of office and the emoluments of the four agents, we turn to those of, the commissioner, we find still the same kind of faults inherent in this part of the system. The allowances for the commissioner's office for the six years ending in 1837 (and indeed, except in the item of "contiagencies," which is variable, for many years before, ) have been-

the sum total, forming, it is true, a pretty heavy charge upon the revenue of the estates, but stull farling to supply an adequate salary for an officer with duties of so responsible a character. Supposing him to save, as he doubtless may, a considerable portion of the "clerk's allowance" for himself, by dispensing with the regular services of a clerk, his salary must still fall considerably short of 3007 . currency, and this sum will not enable him to devote himself wholly to the business of his office. The present commissioner holds other offices, from the necessity of the case it might almost be said, being an executive councillor, and master of the Thinity House of Quebec. How little an arrangement of this kind (allowing no one commissioner or agent to give more than a fraction of his time and thoughts to a business requirings so much care) must conduce to the advantageous management of the estates can hardly heed to be insisted on.

The agents, we have seen, are so paid as to give them at least some interest in the productiveness of the estates, though from their professional pursuits they have often a much stronger interest the other way. The commissioner is so paid as to have no interest in the matter at all; his salary, inadequate as it is, is fixed in its anount and regular, and the punctuality or remissness of the agents is a matter of no direct personal concern to him. Taking further into accoupt the moderate amount of his salary and the limited extent of his power over the agents, it is toosmuch to expect that any oversight of his should be so effective as to counteract the strong influences unfavourable to the productiveness of the estates under which the agents themselves are placed.

With a system such as this, as regards the appointment, powers and emoluments of those to whom the management of the estates bas been intrusted, it is not fair to ascribe the inevitable consequences of the system to personal delinquency on the part of the individaals so appomred and so paid. There may have been positive delinquency, doubtleas, but it requires at least further aud more definite proof than the mere general unproductiveness of the estates furnshes to establish it. We have still, however, to examine, the system in another of its aspects.
II. The character of the properties themselves, and the difficulties, legal and otherwise, in the way of their advantageous management. The productive properties of the estates may be thus classed for the purposes of ihis inquiry :

1. Concessions.
2. Land leased or sold en con. for settlement and cultivation.
3. House lots sold en con.
4. Mills.
5. Coves, saw-logs, forge reserve, \&c.
6. The Concessions.-These constitute in extent by far ithe greater part of the land productively disposed of; in all, they cover very nearly 260,000 square arpents, or almost 363 square leagues of territory; the revenue they yield, however trifing as compared with their extent, is stull much greater than is drawn from either of the other kiuds of property above enumerated. The number of contributors to this part of the revenue of the estates is much greater than to all the others together, and their contributions are altogether the most troublesome to collect, from the smalloess of the amount of one class of then, and the irregularity (both as to time and anount) of the other. All this will be seen more clearly from the following more detailed statements.

The extent and position of the concessions, and the namber of censitaires occupying them, in each agency, are as follows:

In the Quebec agency :
Concessions in seigniory of Notre Dame; part of them near Quebec, the residence of the agent, but the more remote four leagues or more distant
Sq. Leagoos. Censtairel.

Ditto in Sillery and St. Gabriel, a tract distinct

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\text { over } 3^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdots-27^{6}
$$ from the preceding and further from Quebec, the remoter portions six or seven leagues distant

Ditto in Belair, a tract at considerable distance from Quebec, lying west of the preceding - nearly 2 - - 201
Ditto in Lauzun, two small tracts not far from Quebec, but separate from the preceding - nearly $-\frac{1}{3}-5^{\text {- }}$

$$
\text { In all, over }-\cdots \overline{0^{12 \frac{1}{2}}} \text { about } 1,000
$$

In the Batiscan agency :
Concessions in seigniory of Batiscan, a tract, the remoter parts of which are five leagues or inore from the village of Batiscan, the agent's residence - , - - - nearly 9 - - - 968

In the Three Rivers agency:
Concessions in Cap de la Magdeleine, a tract, the remoter parts of which are from two and a half to six or more leagues from Three Rivers, the agent's residence - - - about 61 - - 503
Ditto in town of Three Rivers - - - $\quad$ nearly $-\frac{1}{10}-$ - 300 or more. $\dagger$

$$
\text { Over - - } \overline{6 \frac{1}{2}}-\text { about } \overline{810}
$$

## In the oLa Prairie agency :

Concessions in seigniory of La Prairie, a tract the remoter parts of which are four leagues or more from the village of La Prairie, the agent's residence - - - - $\quad$ - about 8 - $922 \ddagger$

Amounting in the four agencies to between 36 and 37 , square leagues (as stated above), held by about 3,700 censitaries (probably rather more); and allowing therefore to each censitaire, on an average, about 70 arpents.

The gross amount of cens et rentes payable for the present year, upon all this extent of land, is-


Hardly exceeding (on an average of all the concessions, old and new) $\mathbf{d} d$. currency per arpent, about 6 s. currency, from each censitaire. All these rates, however, it will be remembered, vary very considerably on the different properties; so that in a great number of cases they are much lower.
Such, in general, is the present extent, \& c . of the concessions. For the greater part of the six years, for which we have the accounts of receipt and expenditure, some deduction from the above amountg (not very material, however) requires to be made. This deduction canuot affect the general averaged abo stated.

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[^18]For the six years ending in $\mathbf{3 8 3 7}$, we find that the actual receipts from the concessions have averaged yearly-


Nearly 41 per cent. upon the total average receipts from the estates for this period. We have seen, however, that the returns indicate a heavy arrear as having accrued during this period, on account both of cens et rentes and of lods et ventes. Adding, on the latter account, the amount of arrenr reported in the returns marked (C.), with the very trifling addition suggested in Cap. 1II. of a little less than 1ol. yearly for increase of arrear of lods at ventes on the properties not returned; and on the former the sum indicated by a comparison of the receipts and rental returned, the average of revenue falling due yearly, from these sources, would stand-

more than 441 per cent. of the gross sum of $4,565 \mathrm{l}$. 7 s . 1 d ., which by the same calculation (see Cap. III.) would seem to have been the average computed yearly revenue upon the whole estates for that period. It cannot be doubt d, however, that the real increase of arrear on loas et ventes has been greater than the above statement aupposes, and the proportion of the entire revenue derivable from the concessions, therefore, greater; and probably it would be safe to say that nearly half the gross revenue of the estates is due upon the concession ; the cens et rentes, or stated yearly rental amounting to about 23 per cent., and the lods et ventes (in the above estimate a smaller, but in reality a larger sum) about 25 per cent.

In round numbers, then, it may be said, that nearly a quarter of the gross revenue to be collected by the agents consists of these trifing debis into which we have seen the cens et rentes resolve themselves, debts which fall due every six months, which average in amount some 3 3. currency each (a large proportion of them being in fact much smaller), which have to be collected from 3,700 or more individuals; these debtors' farms covering a space of about 110 square miles, more than half of them, probiably, lying at a distance of between 10 and 20 miles from the residence of the nearest agent, a good many of them very imperfectly cleared, and some not yet so much as settled upon.

Another fourth part of the revenue of the estates is drawn from the lods et ventes, due upon every sale of real estate within them. When it is remembered, however, that it rests with the agent to fiud out in each case the fart of the sale and the price bargained for; that a deed of sale may be privately executed before any notary, whether resident in the neighbourhood or not, and that if the parties interested keep their own secret by not disclosing the name of the notary with whom the deed is deposited it is very hard for the agent to discover it, it will be seen at once that the difficulty of punctual collection in this case is not much less than in the preceding. These claims, it is true, are larger in amounts and fewer in number; but on the other hand, they are at orce irregular in respect of time, uncertain in their amount, and based upon transactions which the other parties interested nave, in all cases of voluntary sale, great facilities for keeping secret, and a strong inducement to avail themselves of the same.

The returns show (vid. supra) that upon each of these sources of revenue, there has been accumulating for the six years ending in 1837, on an average, a yearly arrear of about $3^{6}$ per cent. upon the gross sum falling due from each.* The considerations above suggested are surely enough to account for such a result. In fact, it becomes almost more a. matter of surprise that the agents should have collected 80 much from these sources thanthat they should have got so little.

While on this subject, one other difficulty, which must very materially embarrass the agents in their collection of these small dues, must be mentioned. It appears, from the commissioner's statements, that the agents in the district of Three Rivers have been for several yeass practically shut out frour resort to the courts of law for enforcement of their claims; by a decision of the resident jadge of the Court of King's Bench for that district. The Jesuats' estates are still in law the property of the Crown, aud all suits, therefore, on nccount of them, are brought in the name of the Crown. The decision of Judge Vallieres, that costs of suit canuot be adjudged on suits where the Crown is a party, bas put resort to law in any case for a small sum entirely out of the question. The principle was affirmed, last summer, by the Court of Appeals, sitting at Quebec, so that its operation may now be regarded as universal over the province.

It is not possible, from the returns, to state with perfect exactness the amount of expense incurred on the management of the concessions as a whole. It is safe, however, to set them down at from 27 to 30 per cent. on the gross collections. For the agents and commissioner's offices, a charge of more than $21 \pm$ per cent. is to be made; and the tiddition of

[^19]the share of the expenses for roads, zurveys and incidentals, falling upon the concessions is probably not less than from six to eight per cent. more. The expenses, it is obvious, must always be heavy on a property of such a character. Agents must be employed to collect and paid for collecting; and their accounts unst be made subject to some kind of supervision, and that supervision again must be paid for.

The grossly defective character of the returns of the agents, on the subject of these concessions, and especially on so much as relates to arrears, has been frequently noticed, from the necessity of the case, in the remarks made on the returns. It is hardly a matter to . excite surprise, in view of all the fucts now stated, however striking it may be, as a further evidence of the all-pervading defects of the whole system, of which it is a result.
2. Land leased, or sold en con. for settlement and culivation. The extent, \&cc. of this description of property is as follows:-


In all less than 1,000 arpents, held by about 18 individuals. The yearly receipts from this source have averaged for the six years 285 l . $1 \mathrm{s}. 1^{\prime} 9^{2} \mathrm{~d}$; ; and the average yearly accumulation of arrears is shown by the returns to have been 277 l .18 s .11 .92 d ., or rather more, as the returns of arrears do not include all the properties. Following these estimates we find that about' 9 per cent. of the actual receipts, or $12 \downarrow$ per cent. of the computed dues of the estates are to be set down to this class of properties, Why so yery large a proportion(almost half) of this revenue has been allowed to fall into arrear does not very clenrly appear from the nature of the revenue itself. It ought to be tolerably easy and certain of collec-tion, much more so than the revenue on the concessions. The expenses incurred upon its collection have been to about the same amount as upon the concessions. It might certainly be collected at much less cost.
3.'House lots, disposeci of by sale en con, or its equivalent. These are all within the agency of Quebec, viz.


In all less than 30 arpents, and divided between 204 occupants. The average yearly recejpt for the six years from this saurce has been - - $\mathcal{X} .1971710 \mathrm{Cy}$. And the average yearly increase of arrear (see G. 3.) $\begin{array}{r}243 \quad 2 \quad 1 \\ \hline\end{array}$
Making the average yearly rental - ${ }^{-}=\underline{\text {. } 4401911}$
The actual receipt has thus been about 6 per cent. of the whole receipt from the estates; and the computed rental rather more than $9 \frac{1}{\$}$ per cent. of the entire revenue of the estates, as above computed. The arrears are nearly $55 \$$ per cent. of the rental; and the expenses of collection, \&ce. not materially less than on the two preceding descriptions of property. It is not easy to see why collections of this character could not be made with much more of punctuality and economy:
4. Mills. Of these there are,-

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The yearly gross receipt from them for the six years has been on an average $800 \mathrm{l} .17 \mathrm{s}$.0.5 J . currency, rather more that 25 per cent. of the cotal gross receipts of the estates. The arrears which have accrued on them seem from the returus to have been small in comparison with those on the other classes of properiy; and though the returns are not complete, and probably state the arrears at too low ay sum, they are still no doubt comparatively small. The returns show an average yearly arrear of $49 / .12 \mathrm{s.g} .9$., not much more than 6 per cent. upon the gross receipts. The estimated rental of the mills, according to thia, would be a littie more than $18 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. of the whole 'estimnted revenue of the estates'.
If, however, the arrenrs on the mills are less, the expenses are very much greater than onany of the other properties. The charges for "repairs" alone have averaged yearly for the six years 3041.4 s. $3^{\prime} 96 \mathrm{~d}$., almost $3^{8}$ per cent ( 37.986 ) upon the receipts, The agent's
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commission, incidentals and expenses of the commissioner's office raise this sum to uppards of 6 o per cent. Such an expenditure, under good management, cannot be necessary, for any number of years at least.

And in each of the four agencies the assessments levied to cover particular expenses.
The coves produce by far the greater part of the revenue yielded from the above sources, their average yearly rental having been 495 l. 11s. 8 d. aut of 5000 l. 14 s. $10 \cdot 67$ d., the gross revenue from them all. No arrear is returned as accruing on these properties, the coves alone excepted.
The addition of the arrear relurned on the coves raises their average yearly rental for the six years to 570 l . 11 s .8 d ., about 12$\}$ per cent. of the total computed revenue of the estates. The average yearly arrear has been rather more than 13 per cent. of this sum. And the actual collections from the coves have amounted to nearly $15 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. of the total gross receipts of the estates.
The other sources of revenue have yielded an amount equal to almost $2 \frac{1}{y}$ per cent. of the computed, or $3 \$$ per cent. of the actual revenue of the estates.
The expenses on these collections are little if at all less than on the concessions.
The fellowing partial summary will give a general idea of the relative values of these several properties, and of the degree of punctuality, or the reverse, which bas charac'terized their management:-

1. The Concession: $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { ahonld have yielded of } \\ \text { the entire computed } \\ \text { revenue of the estates }\end{array}\right\}$ per cent. $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { have yielded of the } \\ \text { entire actual re- } \\ \text { ceipts of the estates }\end{array}\right\} \begin{array}{r}\text { per cent. }\end{array}$ thearly arreart on them $41 ;\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { amounting, on their } \\ \text { computed revenue, } \\ \text { to at. least }\end{array}\right\}$ about 36.
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and lode ct Fatte nearly equal, both as regards the amount falling due and
the amount collected.


Upon the first and most important of these kinds of property, then, no great change for the better, it would seem, can be effected by measures that should merely alter the mode of appointing and paying its administrators; upon the others, little more than this is required. The necessity of adopting measures to obviate the peculiar difficulties in the the way of drawing revenue from the concessions will be more clearly appreciated if, to the facts already stated relative to their extent, \&c., we add the fact that about twice as much land as the existing concessions cover still remains for disposal; and that unless the tenure be changed, the whole of this land also must be thrown awny, as more than a quarter of a million of arpents have been thrown away alréady.
It is in this respect, especially, that the bill of $1835^{-6}$ was'defective. It not only left the tenure untouched as regards the already granted concessions, but proceeded to enact the perpetual continuance of the very same syatem in the disposal of all the remaining lands. The changes also which it did propose to make as to the mode of administration. are almost all of a more than doubtful character.
It was proposed to vest the management of the estates in three administrators; one for the properties in the district of Quebec, now under Mr. Panet's agency, another for those in the district of Three Rivers, constituting the agencies of Messrs. Guillet and Dumoulin; and the third for those in the district of Montreal, under Mr. Henry's agency. The administrators were to act in all respects independently of one another. They were to be appointed by the governor and council, and were to give security for the faithful discharge of the pecunary obligations of their office. The legal ownerghip of so much of the estates as came under his control, was to be vested in each administrator, in trust, subject
to legislative supervision and dircection. The emoluments of the administrators were to be limited to the 10 per cent. on their gross collections heretofore allowed to the agents. They were for this remuneration to keep open one office each continually in the towns of Quebec, Three Rivers and Montreal respectively, besides attending on a stated day monthly, (in person or by an approved deputy), at an office to be opened and maintained by them in each seigniory ander their administration, for receipt of dues from such seigniory. And lastly, they were bound to concede from the ungranted territory, whenever called upon, at a specified rate, and not higher.
For general supervision of their accounts and transactions no direct provision was made, further than to enact that they should be bound to make report thereof from time to time to the governor, and that their reports should be laid before the provincial parliament. From the author of the bill I learned that it was intended in the House to appointa regular standing committee of that body, to whom these reports should be referred, and the general direction of the affairs of the estates intrusted.

In the whole of this plan I can see only one point in which there is a decided improvement on the present syatem, the provision, namely, which, by legally vesting the ownership of the estates in the administrators, obviates the difficulties which at present hinder the commissioner and agents from suing delinquent debtors in the name of the Crown; and this improvement is much more than counterbalanced by the other provisions of the bill. The direct emoluments of the administrators would still continue too low to enable any man of the required abilities and character to give his time entirely to his duties as administrator. In fact, in this respect, the system would be rendered worse than at present, as the bill throws a number of expensive duties on the administrators which are not required of the agents, or which, if required, are paid for. The administrators must, therefore, from the nature of the case, have been, as the agents are, notaries or lawyers, depending on their general professional business, as much as or more than on their officiah emoluments for their income. The value of their office would depend (much more than at present) upon the indirect profits which might arise from the influence it would give them, or from the outlay upon such repairs, surveys, sic., as they could contrive to get authorized: Paid according to their gross receipts, the administrators would have no motive to economy, except such as might grow out of their fear of the board of control to be placed over them-a fear which, in all human probability, would only have made bad worse. The committee of the House of Assembly must of necessity have borne a polifical cháracter. The Jesuits' estates cover a great porton of three counties-Quebec, Champlain and La Prairie, and a smaller extent of property in three others-Pontneuf, St. Maurice and Dorchester. The parties indebted to the estates would have been, almost to a man, voters for these counties. In such a state of things is it not morally impossible but that political should have been added to merely personal corruption, under a system holding out such strong temptations to both?
The present system of administration, then, having been shown thus faulty, and the system proposed by the House of Assembly so much worse in several of its features, the yuestion recurs, what are in reality the measures required to make the estates a productive and economically administered endowment. To the discussion of this question the remainder of this report will be devoted?

## Cap. VI.

The Extent and Value of the Properties heretofore unproductive, and the Mrasures by which they may best be rendered productive.
From what has been already strted, it is apparent that the greater part of the territory of the Jesuils' estates is, and always hals been, unprodưctive. Of this uuproductive territory, a part has been so disposed of, as to render it impossible ever to derive any revenue from it. The greater part still remains to be disposed of.

The unimprovable portion is as follows :-

1. Arriere Fiefs (in Sillery, Notre Dame, Batiscan and Cap de Ia Magdeleine) covering - - - - - $\quad$ - - 8,661 arpents.
2. Indian Reserve (in St. Gabriel) - - " - - $\quad 1,600$,
3. Free Granis made by the Jesuits for churches (inSillery, St. Gabriel,

Notre Dame, and Cap de la Magdelene), returned at
4. Free Grants in La Vacherie and the Oity of Quebec (two perhaps made by the Jesuits, he others certainly by the Crown), extent not stated; but probably about

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> The improvable remainder is made up of the following portions:--
> 1. Ungranted land in the Seigniories, over
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> 3: Mand occupied by Governiment, or by others under its permission, in the City of Quebec, at Tadgassac, in Three Rivers Montreal; in all, about -
> 4. Land occupied in Three Rivers by Trustees of Common "-

Is it not possible for me to state with any degree of exactness the positive value of these latter properties. 'The information which the commission was able to procure on this aubject, during the short time to which its inquiries were limited, is altogether inadequate to that object. It is quite' easy, however, to show by what course of measures the higheat poasible return can be secured from them to the estatel, and not difficult to give a general jdea of their probable value, should such measures be adopted.
I. The ungranted land in the seigniories consista of the following portions:-

In Sillery, prart of the Domain ** - - - 200 arpents.
In St. Gabriel, a tract of above 9 square leagues in extent, being 12 leagues wide, by more than' 6 leagues deep; its nearer extremity from 5 to 5 l leagues from the north bank of the St. Lawrence, about
In Belair, (of little or no value from its situation and the poorness of the land)
In Batiscan, about 30 square leagues, or $\frac{3}{2}$ of the whole seigniory, a strip 2 leagues wide, commencing about 5 leagues from the north bank of the St. Lawrence, and 15 leagues in length, about 213,552
In Cap de la Magdeleine, a tract similorly situate, though apparently

In La Prairie, a small reserve within the village, for a College and Market-place, about ${ }^{\prime}$

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In all, about - - $-503,795$
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To which in 2844 , the Borge Reserve, 25,940 arpents, will be added, raising the gross sum total to about - . . . - $-529,000$ arpents.

Argument is scarcely necessary to prove, that to adhere to the old aystem of granting onder the Reqdal Tenure, is in effect to throw away the whole of this extensive territoryw At the present time, with the land held under this tenure, it is practically worth nothing: Two hundred arpents in the Seigniory of "Sillery, quite near Quebec,-so near as to have been put up for sale at 20l. or upwards per arpent,-have been for six or seven years in. the market, without a parchaser appearing.: For the lands in the rear portion of St. Gabriel; the commissioner atates in terms, that there is almost no demand whatever, certainly not enough to make them worth surveying. Nor is the case far otherwise in Batiscan and Cap de la Magdeleine. And not only is the ubgranted land thus little sought after, but the lately granted land is found to be but partially cleared, and yet more partially paid for. In Batiscan, the new concessions have yielded less than balf the-retura per arpent drawn from the old, though, the average rate of concession has increased by about one-half in the meantime. In St. Gabriel, they have gielded, on the highest computation; litule more than half. In Notre Dame, the revenue from them has beenoless than one-twentieth, part as high as from the old concessions. And in Belair, for a period of six years running, from a newly-conceded tract of nearly 5,000 arpents, there is not a single payment, large or small, recorded. For this result there may beassigned two reatons; the one being the fact, stated by Mr. Stewart, that much of the land thus granted is not yet settled updin; the other, the distance of the cepsitaire from the agent's residence, which makes any attempt at collection almost impossible. The latter of these causes must obviously be èver on the increase, the further the concesaions extend back into the country; the former canuot be removed, or its force weakened, under the present sygtem of land granting; a system which, with the laws that spring out of and co-exist with it, encourages a man to take up land without the menns of improving it, holds over his head a heavy 1ax, in the shape of. Leds et Ventes, on its improvement, and, partly by this means, and partly through the impossibility of ascertaining titles to and encumbrances on land, makes the use or command of capital (his own or snother's) all but impossible.

That the welfare of the province requires the sweeping away (by the shortest and most effectual measures of which the nature of the case admits) of this whole system of things in every part of the province, is a proposition. I need not here insist upon. It is admitted on all hands (those alone excepted whose pernonal interests or anti-Anglican prejudices disqualify them from being regarded as evidence or authority in the matter) that nothing short of this will meet the exigencies of the case, as regards the community in general; but this is not the fiew of the case with which I have here directly to deal, though it ought not to be kept altogether out of sight. The system which in its general results, is thus neceasarily detridnental to every interest in the colony, begomes in its application to the Jesuita' estates destractive, or almost so, of their value to the state as an endowment. While it exists, the revenue they produce unust ēver remain trifling and uncertain in amount, costly of collection, and burthensome and odiaus to those from whom it is collecied.

It was urged by Mr. Stewart, as an objection to the proposition of a change iof enure upon the estates, that reigniorial rights constitute the bestrand safest investinent' 's achpital in the province, and that, supposing the land hereafter sold for afied price, there woild be no other way of inventing it equally advantageonss's Of sthe correctmess or incorretness of this statement, it is quite unnecessary here to speak. It is obvious' that, granting' it to be ever so correct, it applied exclusively to the past and present statie of the province, itand-not at all to the future. I may be allowed to presumes, that the policy of tolerating the continued existence of the fendal tenure, with its' accompanying institutions, ilv, or is on the point of being, wholly and for ever abandoned, and that a new, bolder and better policy is about'to be adopred., This granted, and the entire aspect of the question ii changed:

A more convincing evidence of the withering effect of the entire :system of Lower Cainadian Jaw, whicti has so long paralysed all within its infleence, cannot be aalked, thai is given by this fuct, that any man should be found asserting that money oaninbt be-invested in the country, so as to produce a better retoin than is yielded from the fright to collect a revenue such as the Jeauitr' estates revenue* has been shown to be.' It cannot'be, that under any other code of law that may be aubstituted for it by English legislation; there should fail to be created within a very few years many modes of investment far surer, more productive and less costly. In the United States, it is found quite poissible to invest public money for educational purposes; in loans on bond and mortgage, to private individuals or incorporated companies, and such investments are in fact continually made to very large amotants, and their profits realized with great punctuality and economy. \% Under the operation of a law for the general registration of titles to real estate and of mortgages, the same thing would become possible in Lower Canada. In the United States there are also public stocks of undoubted credit, in which sach fands can be invested, and which yield an adequate rate of interest. With the commencement of a new system of things in Lower Canada, it is to be expected that the same opportunities will exist there also.' At' present, it is unfortunately too true, that it would be hard indeed to find a secure and advantageous mode of investing au educational, or indeed any other fund in the province. But however: this may, be, it is certainly no less trae, that the form in which, this fund exists at present could hardly be made by any change less advantageous than it ia a $^{-1}$

The lands then at present undisposed of must be sold in free and common goccage, if they are ever to be made a productive property. As it is an object to dispose of them as rapidly and at as good a price as possible, they should be at once surveyed and offered forsale, an invariable coindition of sale being cash payment; a minimum price per arpent should be fixed, below which no land could be sold, unless by special permission of the executive on satigfactory proof given that any particular portion cannot be disposed of so high, and ought not for the general interest of the estates to be left waste in' the way of the settlement of other portions; all land should be sold by public auction at stated periods, and a perfect title ahould be given free of cost, immediately on the completion of the sale by the payment of the purcbase 'money;' such payment', to be bond fide 'made within a shibrt specified time after the day of sale, or the purchase to be forfeited; and all monies receivéd for land alould be promptly inveated in the mona advantageous manier that may offer, as part of the inalienable principle of a provincial-school fund.
The price at which this land ought to be set up for sale must of necessity depend in a great measure on the upset price of the waste lands of the Crown, and, without a definite Erowledge of the price proposed for these, I cannot veuture on any thing miore than a suggeation in regard to the furmer. It appears to me, however, that'a yate of two dollars per arpent would be low enough to secure numerous and extensive purchases within a few years. At present, the gross revepue from all sources (cens et rentes, lods et ventei. and mills together) payable by the censizaires on the estates, averages a good deal less than the ordinary interest on this price would amount to ; but this is not the criterion to be looked to. It is not worth any man's while, in the present state of the province, to take these lands sabject to burdens of this peculiar character $;$, but whenever the tide of emigration shall have again set in toward the Camadas, and the results of a new policy shall have begun to manifest themselves in the land-granting and other departments, and in the reform of the laws of the province generally, it will become worth while to pay down a much higher price than is now asked in vain for an ownership of lands which would then indeed be real, and not as now valueless because all but illusory:
There is an obvious distinction to be drawn between the case of the Crown lands and that of the wild lands which form part of the Jesuits' eatates. In the sale of the former 'the revenue to be realised is not, or at least ought not to be, the object in view; but the promotion to the utmost poissible oxtent of their setulement and the colonization of "the province, by means of it:' 'For this parpose it may be desirable to make the price of suchlands not only payable in cash but fixed and invariable, and to devote the proceeds to particular uses, having direct reference to the productive and speedy settlement of the lands disposed of. But in the case of the Jesuits', estates the main object is and must be revenue; the settlement of the land is to be promoted as a means of revenue, and yot a revenue to be collected as a means of ensuring setulement. For this reason it beconimes clearly desirable that the' Jesuits' estates land 'be sold 'by' public 'auction, and that no more of the proceeds be laid out upon surveys and improvements than a just regard to the productiveness of the estates as an endowment may be found to warrant.

Were legislative provision made for the adoption of a system of this character, the wild land, in St. Gabriel might be conveniently set off in two townships of about one league and a half by three leaguea"'each; that in Batiscan would form seven townships, or rather more, of two leagues by two leagues each; and that in Cap de la Magdeleine (including the forge reserve) would make more than sight such townships. The trifling extent of land remdining ungranted in La Prairie might either be sold in village lots, (in which case it might doubtless be made a valuable property, or it might be employed as heretofore dem signed, if such destination should be made to appear on other accounts more desirable. The land in Belair is of no account. The 200 arpents reusaining in Sillery would doubtless soon fetch a much higher price per arpent than that, $n t$ which they were originally set up for tale; provided always that the land were sold in free and common soccage, and not subject either to lods et ventes or to the other destructive provisions of the old code of provincial law, as respects real estate.

It is hardly uecessary to add, that nothing like an obligation should be laid on the person or persons administering the estates to dispose of land in peculiarly favourable lodalities, unless at such advance upon the minimum price as should in his or their judgment be antisfactory. The land in. Sillery, from its vicinity to Quebec, the land in the village of La Prairie, the land in the interior of Capde la Magdeleine, adjucent to falls in the river, and consequently having water privilege attached to it, nad any other land at all simularly situate elsewhers, would come under this provision. While it is doubtless desirable that such land should as soon as possible be brouglit into use, it by no means follows that for this object its value to the estates should be lost. It might possibly be desirable, as a tempurary measure, thint some of this land should be leased for a term of years; but in this case the lease should be sold by public auction; its terms should be such as to meet the approval of the responsible administrator of the estates, satisfactory security for payment of the rental agreed upon should be required of its purchaser, and above all, it should be so limited in duration as to give all desirable opportunity of an early sale of the property, so soon as apadequate price can be obtained. The system of leasing properties of this kind is too open to objection, as holding out incentives to fraud and favouritism, 'to be adopted as a permanent policy.
II. As regards the tine ungranted arpents remining in La Wacherrie, and the eight ungranted arpents in Three Rivers, a precisely similar course should be pursued. They should be sold in lree and common soccage by public nuction, for cash, at such times as may appear favourable to their advantageous sale. The time of sale, minimum price, \&c., should be determined by the considerations just mentioned with reference to land of much higher value than ordinary within the seigniories. A similar provision might be made, if necessary, for temporarily leasing any parts which may not readily sell to advantage.
III. The land occupied by government, or by other parties under ita permission, is not of large extent, but from its position is of very considerable value as a part of the estaten. It consists of-

1. The Jesuits' college and garden in Quebec, nt present a barrack
and barrack yard; about -

5 arpents.
2. The land at Tadioussac, held by the Hudson's Bay Company -
3. The church and house of the Jesuits, in Three Rivers, occupied as a Protestant episcopal church and parsonage -
d. The site of the Jesuin' house in Montreal, occupied as the site of the district court-house nad old gaol, the lntter now a barrack -
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Of these properties, the first is by far the most valuable, and the question relative to ita disposal the most important.

The Jesurs' Coneege.-It will be remembered that the despatch of Lord Goderich, of 7 Jaly 183 , surrendering the rest of the estates to the disposal of the provincial parliament, expressly reserved this part of them from surrender, except upon condition of the erection of another barrack by the province to supply its place. The words of the despatch on this subject are as follows:
"I understand tiat certain'buildings on the Jesuits' estates, which were formerly used for collegiate purposes, have since been uniformly employed as barracks for the King's troops. It woald obviously be highly inconvenient to attempt any immediate change, in this respect ; and I am convinced inat the Assembly would reject any measure which might diminish the comforts or endanger the health of the King's forces. 'If, however, the Assembly should be disposed to provide adequate barracks, so as permanenty to secure these important objects, his Majesty will be prepared (upon the completion of such an arrangement, in a manner satisfactory to your Lordship) to acquiesce in the appropriation of the buildings in question to the same purposes as those to which the general funds of the Jesuits' estates ate now about to be restored,"

The committee of the House of Assembly in 1831-2, to whom this subject pras referred, reported against any purchase of the Jesuits' college by the province at such a price, and

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[^21]expressed the confident hope that the Government would ere long recede from its demand of this equivalent, and restore the college unconditionally to its former use 4 , In the session of $1835^{-6}$, the Jesuits' estates committee for the first time seported (though in very guarded language and with strong expressions of complaint against them), in favour of a compliance with the terms offered by Lord Goderich, and presented an estimate of the probable cost of building e.barrack, ( $20,000 \mathrm{l}$. Cy.), and of the probable value of the college; from which the committee inferred the policy of making the purchase at this price rather than delay the settlement of the question longer.' The House, however, took no action on the subject, and nothing therefore has been effected thas far towards the attainment of this object.
This committee of $18355^{-6}$, valued the Jesuits' barrack at a very uigh price. They proposed to open two streets across the barrack yard, to sell the vacant building lote fronting on these streess, to convert the ground-floor of the main barrack building nto stores opening on the four streets, which in thut case would pass close to it, and to use the remainder of the building as a college. Thus disposed of, they estimated its value at 5,000l. Cy, a yenr." Of the character of this valuation (whether extravagant or not) $\mathbf{l}$ cannot speak with any degree of confidence, as the commission had no opportunity of making further inquiry on the subject. It cannot, however, admit of a donbt that the value of this property is such na to make it a most material portion of the estates, and its occupation by the Government a very serious diminution of their value.

Inquiry was mide by the commission on the subject of the cost of erection of 'n new barrack, to supply the place of this building. A highly respectable builder in Quebec, (the individual on whose estimates the recommendation of the committee of 1835-6 was based), stated his own readiness to contract for the erection of a building which should answer the required purposes for 20,0001., as stated by the committee, with an addition, however, of from 1,0001 . to 2,0001 . more for some out-buildings not included in his former plans. For the erection of the barrack, the House had proposed one or other of three vacant lots owned by the Crown as suitable. It was found, however, on inquiry by the commission, that there were strong objections against 'the adoption of either of these sites. One would have placed the barracks outside the present walls, thereby rendering necessary new lines of defence to bring it within the range of the fortifications. A second would have placed it close to the chateau, in a vicinity where its' erection must have diminished materially the value of the adjoining private property, the moyi valuable perhaps 'in the city, and where probably, besides these two objections, it would have interfered more or less with the defences of the citadel. The third proposed site appeared at first unobjectionable; but on inquiry of the military authorities the last named objection was found to lie ngainst it. The reporting engineer officer stated, that in case of a siege of Quebec, a building of the kind required -so placed would have the effect of injuring the defences of the citadel, and would most likely require to be demolisited on that account. On the sabject of the cost of erecting the building it must be added, that the clerk of the works gave it as his opinion that a nuch larger sum than 20,000 $l$., perhaps twice as much, would be needed for the purpose.

Under all these circumstances, I do' not sce how the propasal of. Lord Goderich can be complied with. To purchase another piece of ground sufficiently large withun the walls, and so situate as ta be unobjectionable on military grounds, and then to erect on that lot another bulding at a cost possibly as great as is suggested by the clerk of the works, would be to huy even a very valuable propertiy at a very high-price. There is no good reason why so much éost should be pecurred, and so much trouble taken, merely to procure' the use of the identical ground and building once held by the Jesuits, for one branch of the public service rather than for another. A barrack being necessary, and the present building having for so many years served that purpose, it is not now worth while to build another, especially ns it is questionable whethei the present building would after all serve as well for a modern college as it does for its present use; and whether, supposing that it would, the establishment of a new college on that particular site $\dagger$ is on other accounts desirable.

It by no means follows, however, that the lodgment "of a great part of Her Majesty's troops in the province ought to be provided for at the expense of an endowment which is'uow admitted ou all hands to be of right a' stricily educational endowinent, It may admit of debate, whether the burden ought to fall on the provincial chest or, on the Inperial Treasury; certainly there can be no sorit of reason why the Jesuits' estates fund should bear it ; it is more than enough that they have been charged with it so long as théy have. Though it be not worth while to build another barrack in lieu of the present, it is not therelore the less derogatory to the dignity of the Crown to allow the piesent misappropriation of this part of the estates to cointinue for its apparent benefit, and apparently Junder its special direction. Every principle of equity demands the prompt adoption of the course which a due regard for the honour of the empire would suggest, the purchase of the Jesuits' barracks for their present use, by the transfer of a fair acknow-ledged|equivalent-for them to the account of the Jesuits' estates; till this be done, the
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[^22]occupation of the college as a barrack must continue to subject Her Majesty's Government to charges already too often urged against it on this account, and too mischievous in their effects for their continuance to be lightly hazarded. From what fund, whether provincial or Imperial, and in what medium, "wether in land or money, the required payment may be made, is a secondary question, the propriety or impropriety of restoring the Jesuits, estates to their full rightful extent and value in no way depends upon it.

So long as a provincial parliament existed with ${ }^{\text {b }}$ control over the provincial chest, Her Majesty's Government might indeed, with some appearance of reason, throw the onus of the retention of the barracks on that body, on the plea that the erection of such a building should of right be undertaken at the cost of the province, and that its legislature, therefore, by refusing or neglecting to undertake it, was virtually the party on whom the occupation of the present barrack was to be charged. In the altered state of things this plea has no longer any force whatever; Her Majesty's Government have now by law such control over the proviucial revenue, that it is in their power, if they deem the erection of $g$ barrack à suitable object for provincial expenditure, to appropriate from that source to that object.

If, ou the other hand, it is thought that in the present condition of the colonial revenue such an expense ought not to be or cannot be carried to its account, it is still within the pover of Government to make the requited purchase in another way, without direct cost to the revenue, provincial or Imperial. It would be easy to transfer to the account of the Jesuits' college an equivalent in wild land for the late Jesuits' college, the college and grounds being for this purpose fairly valued* in current money, and an amount of Crown land set off for it, which, at a reasomable reduction from the fixed upset price of Crown land, should be held equivalent to such sum of money. In that case, the land so transferred ought to be disposed of in all respects as it has been shown that the wild land already belonging to the estates should be. For this purpose it ought, if possible, to be one block, and so situate as to fall readily under the same management with the existing estates. A tract in rear of the stigniory of Champlain and its nugmentation, joining the ungranted lands in Batiscan and Cap de la Magdeleine, might perliaps be found the most suitable for this purpose.

The Land at Tadoussac.-To determine the value of this property, it is necessary to ascertain whether or not the six arpents granted to the Jesuits are now occupied as the site of the warehouses leased to the Hudson's Bay Company at that place. If they are, this land forms a valuable portion of the tract leased to the company, and a due proportion of the rental paid by the company ought to be paid to the account of the estates, for its use; or else (as proposed-in the case of the Jesuits' College) a fair equivalent for it should be granted by the Crown or Province (whichever of the two may hereafter receive the proceeds of the company's lease, to the e,tates. If Mr. Stewart's opinion be found correct as to the site of this land, then for the present at least it cannot be said to have any assignable value. $\dagger$
Tue Chuncil and House op the Jesuits in Three Rivens.-The occupation of these buildings for their present purpose has been made a subject of much local complaint. By the Committee of the House of Assembly, they were represented to be in equity the property of the Roman Catholic inhabitants of Three livers, whose furefathers (according to the Committee) erected them for the Jesuits who resided there and officiated as their parochinal clergy. I lave not been able to make any personal inguiry into the merits of this claiui. As there is now another charch erecied in Thege Rivers, by the Roman Catholic inhabitants of the place, fully adequate to their accommodation, these is perhaps no sufficient reason (whatever the merits of this claim) why these particular baildings should now be diverted from the use to which they have been put for more than 30 years. Supposing them, however, to be still occupied as at present, there is no propriety in making the expenses of a Protestant Episcopal Church in Three Rivers fall in great part on an endownent for general educational purposes in the province. The Govermment having seen fit to authorze the occupation of this property for its present use, should make good the loss to the estates, if not by restoration of the identical property, at least by the grant of a satisfactory equivalent. Such equivalent should go to the general fund of the estates, unless indeed the cluim of the inhabitants of Three Rivers, above referred to, should prove, on further inquiry, to be founded on equity.
The Sige op tue Jesuits' Hoube in Montreal.-By the letter of Lord Gode--rich's despatch (which excepted only the Jesuits' Barracks) this property was placed in 1831 at the disposal of the provincial parliament. It is occupied by the district court-

[^23]house and the former district gaol, twa buildings, the whole cost of providing which should have fallen on the province. A new, gaol has recently been erected by the province on another site, in lien of the latter of these buildings, which is now occupied as a barsack. These huildings not having been, erected at the cost of the estates, no valid clatith can be made out for their transfer to the estates. The land, however, on which they stand is very valuable, from ita position in the heart of the city of Montreal; and a fair equivalent'for'it. should be granted, aince neither court-house nor barrack should be provided at the expense of an endowment for education. The present occupation of this property having taken place while this endowment was in the hands of the Crown, it rests with the Ctown, now that it is acknowledged to have rightfully another and very different destination, to make up, if possible, for its loss."

Should Mr. Kimber's assertion, that the land known as the "Government Gardeng" forms part of the lotheld by the Jesuits, prove on inquiry to be correct, there is no reason why that piece of land should not be restored to the estates; as, though valuable, it, is not occulpied by buildings of any kind.
IV. The land occupied in Three Rivers by the Trustees of the common is held on the strength of an asserted agreement made by the inhabitants of Three Rivers with the Jesuits. How far the validity of this agreement is fairly a matter of dispate, does not appear from any thing in the commissioner's returns, or in the reports made to the House of Assembly; mor had I any opportunity in Canada to make particular inquiry on the point. Should the claim of the trustees, however, prove to be without foundation, the land in question ought to be disposed of as above suggested in the case of the other lands belonging to the estates, aod not yet alienated.

If the course of measures indicated in the preceding remarks be adopted, there is every reason to believe that the portions of the 'Jesuits' estates beretofore unproductive will be made to yield within a very few, years a larger revenue than has ever yet been drawn from so much of the estates as up to this time has been productive. Eventually they may be expected to produce a revenue worthy of the use to which it is devoted.

Cap. VII.
The Measures required to obtain from the Properties heretofore productive their utmost net value.
On this subject I propose to follow the order of arrangement in speaking of the several productive properties which is laid down in Cap.V.
I. The Concessions.-From what has been already unged, the propriety of an equitable commutation of the tenure on the conceded as well as on the unconceded portion of the estates must be sufficiently obvious. So long as the present tenure obtains in the conceded portion, so long its existence there must operate to the disadvantage of the estates, as regards the disposal of the land in rear of them not yet conceded, the tenure of which, as I have already shown, must be changed, to give it value in the market at all. So long also must the revenue from the concession continue uncertain and difficult of collection, the accumulation of arrears on it unavoidable, and the expenses of its collection unduly heavy.

It may be added, as a further argument (if indeed that be necessary), that the change of tenure, which must ere long be effectually provided for by law throughout the province, will soon make it impossible to sustain the present system in this particular fraction of its territory.

What specific legal provisions would best answer the end proposed, it is necessarily out of my power to state. Their character must depend on that of the enactments which it is proposed to make for the same object in other parts of the province ${ }^{\prime}$ and in ignorance of these, I cannot do more than state generally the necessity of such an enactment for these. How far the commutation must or should be voluntary on the part of each censitaire, or how far it can be made legally or in effect unavoidable on his part-how the amount of compensation payable for the redemption of his land from further charges, \&ce, should be calculated-when such compensation should be pard; these and other questions must be settled, for the Jesuits' estates, to a considerable extent at least, on the same general principles by which therr decision is regulated in the case of the Islaud of Montreal, and of the province generally.

[^24]The direct advantage to the revenue of the estates, of a commatation effected on equitable principles, would consint in the substitution (within a few years) of an eagily managed. fund; for one of which some 36 or inore per cent. runs gearly into arrear, aud another 20 per cent. or thereabouts is lost in expenses of collection. Suppoting the amount to be paid in for commutation of tenare to be a fair equivalent, or in other words, to yield an amount or interest equal to the average of yearly payment that should fall due on the concessiont-say, only for the 10 years to come-the saving of arrear and costs could not fail to make the : exchange every way advantageous to the eatates.
11. The land sold en constitut, or leased, for settlement and cultivation.-So far as the land sold en consitut is liable to the charge of lods et ventes, the proposed change of. tenure would necessarily affect its purchasera as well as the censitarien. Except in thia. paricular, no change can be effected on this species of property. The terms of sale are positive and admit of no modification. The extent of land thus cisposed of is trifing, and. ihe intereas upon'it is therefore zolerably easy of collection; so that this inppossibility is. comparatively unimportant. As the capital due upon it is paid in, it/should be invested with the other capital of the estates.
The leated farms, as their leases fall in, should be sold by public auction for cash, if by such sale their fall value can be realised. If not, they should be again leased for moderately short periods, till an opportunity for their advantageous sale may offer. As suggested in the previous chapter, however, it is important to require that all such leases be sold by public auction to the highest bidder who can give security to the estates for punctual, payment of the rental he offers.
III. The house lots disposed of by sale en constitut or its equivalent, are in precisely the same position with the lands sold in the same way for cultivation jus $\ddagger$ spoken of.
IV. The mills, with the proposed change of tenure, the right to monopoly on the part of the seigniorial mills, would of necessity fall to the ground. So far, therefore, as this monopoly conduces to their value, a compensation for its loss would of course require to be made in the sum payable from each censitaire for the change of tenure. The mills themselves should as soon as possible be sold by public auction, as proposed in the case of the other properties: Till such time as a fair price may be obtainable for them, it would be necessary to continue to lease them; still, however, under all the conditions already mentioned. The heavy expenses incurred on the niills (apart from nll other more general considerations)-prove the necessity of selling them as soon as possible. Their expenses might perhaps be kept down to some exlent by a better system of management; but atter the loss of the monopoly they now enjoy, it is impossible they should long continue a profitable property in the hands of any adminisitrator empowered only to lease them.
V. The coves, saw-logs, ferries and forge reserve..-So far the coves, snw-logs and ferries are concerned, it is enough to remark, that the prinkiples already laid down in reference to ihe other leased properties are equally applicable to their case. The forge reserve alone, from its peculinr character, requires a separate cinsideration.
From a report addressed by the Hon. M. Bell (for mathy years the lessee of the St. Maurice forges) to his Excellency Lord Aylmer, in April 1835 , whilo the question of a renewal of his lease was under consideration, it appears that e capital of $48,072 l$ l. 10s. 6 d. currency was at that time inyested by him in the forges, and that they could not be advantageously conducted by any one not possessed of at least that amount of capital. The forge reserve from the seigniory of Cap de la Magdeleine, if it be hercafter leased at all, must of necessity be leased to the holder of these forges, and the extent of the capital required on the part of the lessee renders it almost impossible that any thing like adequate competition should ever exist among capitalists for the purchase of a few yeurs' lease of a property of sucli a character. The provision for leasing by fublic auction becomes therefore in this case nugatory.
It is not easy to perceive, however, the necessity of noy such reserve at all for the maintenance of the iron-works of the St. Maurice. Fire-wood, charcoal and iron are the articles to be obtained, the former from the neighbourgg woods, the latter 'from the surfece of the surrounding country, over which it is found ycattered in masses mure or less plentifully for many miles. But wino would hence infer the necessity of keeping whole leagues of territory in every direction from the iron-works an uncleared forest, and of thereby arresting the progiens of settlement along the whole course of one of the finest rivers of a large province? Would any man propose to set apart a yide waste for $n$ "Steam-boat Reserve" close to a city, because steam-boats require a vast zupply of wood for fuel? Yet this, in its effect, were not so bad as what is done for the town of Three Rivers and its neighbourhood by the lease which marks out the "Forge Reterve." This latter not merely cuts off an adjoining tract of land from cultivation, but effeectually takes away all the back country the town would otherwise have had, and cloges the very river on which it depends against it.
If the land now reseried for the forges were sold (as the genneral interests of this section of country clearly demand that it ghould be) to bond-fide settlers, the setilers must of necessity set themselves to clear off the timber from it, and yet could not clear it ull off for many years." For all this period, it could be procured of them for the forges at a very reasonable rate, as low, doubiless, as at present, probably lower. The ore too would be worthless to the settler, except as a commodity to sell at the forges; and this, therefore, would be obtainable at a moderate cost, so long as ore should be found in the neighbourhood at 'all. As the supply of wood and ore in the immediate vicinity gradually faild, both must of
course be sought at an increasing distance; but how much better and more cheaply can this be done, if the intervening space be a settled country with public roads turough it, than if it remains wild and traversed only by such paths as those who seek the wood and ore may make through it!

By the terms of concession under the feadal tenure, all mines and metals are reserved as the property of the Crown. "The Jesuits' estates,' therefore, may be said to have no right to the iron ore on the forge reserve. Except in 80 far as the. Act commuting the tenure might otfierwise provide, the Crown would in.fact still retain the right to take the ore from any part, sold or unsold, of the seigniory in which, it lies. A right like this, however, as it appears to me, it is very far from desirable to exercise. Must not the Crown derive (at the very lowest estimate) ns much revenue from the increased value given to the land from its being sold without a reservation of this kind, as it can derive from the mere exercise of this right, preventing, ns that exercise does; the sale of vast quantities of land altogether? And can it be a question by which of the two courses the publie welfare will be best promoted? Whether in abandoning this right in the case of the seigniory of Cap de la Magdeleine, it may or may not be desirable to provide by the Commutation Act for a compensation on account of it from the estates to the Crown, is another question. The amount of such compensation could not be more than trifling; and it does not appear-to me to be worth while to take it into acoount.

On the expiration, then, of the present lease in 1844 , It think it on all accounts desirable that this land be surveyed and offered for sale, along with the other ungranted land in the seignory. In facts till this shall have been done, it is not. likely that the ungranted land in rear of the reserve (more than 200,000, arpents) can be sold to any very considerable extent. Till such time as if may be sold, it may be well to grant permission (for a fair compensation) to the lessee br, holder of the forges to draw wood and ore from it; but such permission should on no account stand in the way of a bond fide sale of any part of it at any time for settlement and cultivation.

In this chapter and the preceding, I have not spoken of the increased productiveness of the estates, which may be made to result from a better system of appointing and paying those charged with their administration. This subject belongs rather to the concluding clapter of the report.

## Cap. VIII.

The Anount of Arrears now actually due on the Estates; and the Measuris by which so much of them as can be collected at all, may be best and soonest realised.

IT is apparent from the statements made in Cap. IV,, on the subject of the returns of aricar on the several propertues of the estates, that they afford no means of estimating the gross amount of arrear actually due with eny npproach to correctness. For several of the properities, no return of arrears is attempted; for several others the return is imperfect, not including lods et ventes; and in almost every iustance, as regards cens et rentes, the returns are found to be so inconsistent with themselves as utterly to prectude faith in their correctness. Under these circumstances, my remarks on the subject of arrears must of necessity be of a very general character.

From the face of the returns (A. 3.) (A. 6.) and (C.) the sum total of "ascertained" arrear lue on the properties for which ceturas are given on the 30th September 1837, was about $14,700 \mathrm{l}$. Cy. adding to this the additional sum "conjectured" to be due in La Praitie, the total is ruised to about $15,500 l$. Cy.

In these returns, however, it must be remembered that several quite gheavy irems are either omitted altogether or else reported so low as to prove the return grossly erroneous. From the seigniories in the Quebec agency, in particular, the statement of arrears on lods et ventes is scarcely attempted in any instance, about, 230 ., only being called the total gross arrear in the two seigniories, for whech alone any recurn is pretended.
That the above amount must fall short of the truth, cven for, the properties on which it is returned, is indeed sufficiently clear from the fact already stated in Cap. III., that the returns show an increase of arrear on these very properties for the six years between 1831 and 1837 of more than $8,000 \%$. Cy. It may be true, and I believe it is, that the increase of arrear has been considerably more rapid for the last six years than before; but it cannot for a moment be supposed to have been so much more rapid, as that the last six years' arrears should be actually larger 'than the whole arrenr due from all former years.

In support of this presumption, it further appears from the tenor of the reports of the committee of the House of Assembly, as well as from the provisions of their bill ot 3835-6 on this topic, that the amount of arrear of very old standing was louked upon by them as constituting a considerable proportion of the total arrear duc. The bill, in fact, proceeded on the assumption, that upon a great many farms the arrears were so heavy as to equal, if not to exceed, their entire 'value, and the relief it offered consisted in the remission of such arrears as should be found to have been' incurred by former holders of the same, and not expressly assumed by their present holders. If, however, the total arrear of earlier date chan 1831 be supposed (as the returns mahe it) about 7,000 . currency only, a provision like this is quite unintelligible.

1 cannot pretend to conjecture the arue amount at present due. That it must be several thousand pounds at least greater than the above-returned amount is sufficiently certain. It must not be forgoten that another year and a half has now elapsed sinee September 303.

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1837, and that if for this period the arrears have accumulated at the same rate only as for the six years'previous, another 2,000 l. or thereabout must be added on this account alone.

Of the $15,500 l$. above mentioned, rather more than $9,500 l$. is-set down as due on the concessions within the seigninries, and the remaining 6,0001 . or thereabout on the other suarces of revenue. The deficiency of the returns, no doubt, affects 'mainly the former of these two items, though the latter is by no means accurate.

There is no good reason for supposing it impossible, by legislative and administrative measures together, to collect within a few years almost the whole amount of the arrears due; unless indeed it be found (as the returns give but too much reason to fear it unay be), that the agents' acccounts with the censitaires have been so ill kept, as to afford no legal evidence of the amount really due from them. It is not desirable, however, to press harder upon the debtors of the estates than is absolutely necessary; a term of years should be granted, therefore, within which the payments due should be required in regular instalments; and in selling the amount due on the concessions, it would be well to remit all debts to the estates for which the holders bond fide in possession at a specified date are not through their own act directly responsible. These principles formed the basis of a late provincial Act for the tecovery of debsa due to the King's domain, which Act has been found, I belreve, to work unexceptionably. They were recognized also in the Bill of 1835-6 on the 'Jesuits' estates.
The reduction proposed to be made by the second of these provisions cannot (60 far as the relurns are at all admitted as evidence) amount to a yery large proportion of the whole sum due. Probably, it would be quite safe to say, that after it shall have been made, there will still remain a large amount to be paid up by instalment than the whole sum which appears on the reurars. Indeed, except as a consequence of most grossly deficient accounts. I think it might reasonably be expected, that by a law of the required tenor, and a faithful and judicious administation of the eatates under such a law, an' amount exceeding $20,000 \mathrm{l}$. would bé realized on this account in the course of the term of years to be prescribed by law. for such collection.

It is obvious to remark, that all monies thus collected on account of arrears should be promptly invested as so much capital belonging to the general fund which it is the object of the series of measures I propose to form out of the Jesuits' estates. .

Cap. IX.
The Amount of Monies belonging to the Estates accumulated in the Provincial Treasury since 1831, and the Measures to be adopted to render it a productive Fund.
IT has been already mentioned in Cap. II., that in consequence of the provisions of the Provincial Act, 2 Will. 4, c. 41, the net proceeds of the estates have been accumulating in the hands of the receiver-general of the province since the month of October 1832.

By reference to the accompmying paper marked (E.), it will be seen that the reports of the receiver-general slow that on the 1oth of April, 1838 there stood on his books, credited to the estates, the sum of $12,686 l$. 6 s . $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}^{-}$sterling, ${ }^{*}$ or 14,095 l. 18 s . $9 \mathrm{~d}^{2}$. currency. A note from the commissioner of the Jesuits' estates, dated 6th October is38, informed the education commission that he had on that day paid over to the receivergeneral a further sum of 833 l. 4 s . © $\frac{1}{2}$ d. currency, thus showing the gross amount in the receiver-general's hands at the close of the financial half-year ending ${ }^{2}$ oth October 1838 to havebeen $14.9^{29} l$. 2 s. $9 \frac{1}{2} d$. currency, or possibly a triffe more; as the receiver-general occasionally recenves small amounts obtained by legal proccedings, without their passing through the commissioner's hands. $\dagger$

The addition of the next six months' income, ending ${ }^{10 t h}$ April 1839, will probably be somewhat below the average, as the expenses of the returns to the education commission will perhaps be charged upon the half-year's receipts. It is probable, however. that at the present time the sum appearing on the receiver-general's books as belonging to the estates exceeds rather than fally short of $15,500 \mathrm{l}$. currency.

To this amount, as intimated in Caps. II. and IV., I have to claim that two further sums ought of right to be added, by transfer from other branches of the provincial revenue, to which they have been improperly carried.

- Thesmaller of these is shown on p. 128 of this report, and the pages following, to be due on account of the forge'reserve in Cap de la Magdeleine, from the account of the King's dumain revenue, I presume. Since September 1831, it ohas amounted, probably, to nearly 250 l. currency.

[^25]The other sum is much larger, $7,1542.458 .4 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$. Cyo, and is to be traniferred, if the following considerations are of any weight, from the accolnt of the general revenue of the province.

The receiver-general's books show on October 10, 1831, a balance credited to the estates of $8,020 \mathrm{l}$. 16 s .3 d . sterling, or $8,912 \mathrm{l}$. Os. 3 d . Cy. . At this time the estates were given over to the disposal of the provincial legislature. The tenor of the Act of 2 Will. 4. c. 41, which passed into a law in February 1832, has been already stateã, (see p: 101.) This Act provides that all monies from the Jesuits" estates, "which now are in or may hereafter come into the hands of the receiver-general, 8cc.," shall be applied "to the purposes of education exclusively," \&c. On Septemier 22,1832 , more than a year subsequent to the surrender of the estates to the provincial parliaunent, and seven months, after the passage of the above law, the sum of $7,1541.15 \mathrm{~s}$. 41 d . Cy. was transferred to the general revenue, by order of the provincial executive. For the 'explanation of the reason given for this order, it is necessary to go back to some trausactions of an early date in the history of the estates.

For a number of years after the first occupation of the estates by the Crown; their revenue was kept as already stated, in the hands of a treasurer of the estates. During the periol of the receiver-generalships of Henry Caldwell, esq., and his son Sir John Caldwell, this office was held by them with that of receiyer-general. Mr. Henry Caldwell, at the time of his death, was'indebted in a considerable sum to the Jesuits' estates; and ull his real estate stood pledged to Government on account of this debt. The bulk of his estate descended' to his son, Sir John Caldwell, who succeeded to both his father's offices, and became the party liable for the above debt to the estates. A smaller portion of it was left to his daughter. On the discovery of Sir John Caldwell's defalcation, the Crown proceeded against his cstate in behalf of the province, and in some of the suits instituted on this account was in danger of defeat, in consequence of the existence of certain mortgages on properties inhérited by him from his father, which mortgages bore date prior to SirJohn's liabilities as receiver-general, but later than the date of his father's debt to the Jesuits' estates. The Crown proceeded, therefore, in these cases, to prosecute in behalf of the Jesuits' estates, and by so doing recovered in the spring of 1830 , to the amount of 7,154l. 15s. 4d. Cy. Another amount of 1,380l. 3s. 4d. Cy.* was recovered about the same time for the Jesuits' estates from that part of Mr. H. Caldwell's property which had been left to his daughter, and had never therefore become liable for Sir John's debts to the province. In Lord Goderich's despatch of July 7, 1831, a distinction is dravn between these two sums; the former being spoken of as more pioperly belonging to the general revenue, the latter clearly to the estates. No reason for this distinction is given in the despatch; but I find the omission supplied by the evidence of T. F. Eiliot, esq., before a Committee of the House of Commons; where it is stated, that "it was deemed more gracious" on the part of the Crown to give up this money (to which it might be urged , ihat the general revenue of the province had a sort of concurrent claim with the Jesuits' estates) to the general revenue of which the provincial parliament hat the entire disposal, rathe: thin to retain it for the Jesuits' estates, " which were not then under the control of the legislature."

It does not appear to me that this reasoning is by any means conclusive. It was the object of the very despatch in question to place the Jesuits' estates "under the control of the legislature;" so that the distinction set up betwoen the two revenues is destroyed by the document which proceeds to draw conclusions from it. Nor, indeed, supposing this were not so, do I see the justice of admitting the existence of any concurient clain, such: ns the argument supposes. The province had, upon the propertues in question, in point of lact, no claim at ail, inasmuch as its claim was barred by those of a third party holding mortgages, which took those properties out of the reach of the Crown, except as tolder of the Jesuits' estates claim. This last was the only claim worth any thing in the case. Had the Crown, indeed, retained the general disposition of the Jesuits' estates, it might-have been a "gracious" proceeding on its part to abandon this part of their revenue to the legislature, for general orfor specific purposes; but as the case really stood, the whole proceeding seems to ue to have originated in a complete misconception of its merits.

But, supposing the distinction ever so just, all that can farly be inferred from the despatch is, after all, this; that the legislature was to have the one sum submitted to its disposal for any purpose it might think fit to name, and the other for educational purposes only. It is preposterous to suppose that a despatch conld bar the right of the provincial , parliament by Act (assented to by athe Crown), to appropriate both, if it saw fit, to educatioual purposes. Ihat this was done by the 2 Will. 4.c. 41, is perfectly obvious. Both the sums had "s arisen out of" the Jesuits', estates; at the tume of the passage of the Act, both were in the receiver-general's hands; and they must both have stond credited to the esrates (else how could the transfer from the estates have taken place a year afterwards?) on the receiver-general's books. Now, the provision oi the Act is peremptory, and without reserve or exception, that "all" such monies should be inalienably applied for public education. If it be said that possibly this provision was not meant to bear lhs construction, a glance at the report of the committee who diew up the bill will suffice to show beyond the pussibility of a doubt, that it was not only intended, but was unequivocally

[^26]declared by, its authors to bear this meaning and no other. The words of the commitiee's report are an follows: "The $7,154 l .$, \&cc.,", and the $1,280 l$. , \&c.," mentioned in the despatch as belonging to the estates, your committee find are in the hands of the receiver-general, and inoluded in the balauce of cash in hand by the statement laid before the House, dated the 28 th November last, and amounting to $20,807 \mathrm{l} .19 \mathrm{s.2}$ d.
"Your committee are of opinion that legislative provision ought to be made, that the above balance of $8,439 \mathrm{l} .8 \mathrm{cc}$." and the gross revenue of the estates far the current year should be placed in a separate cheat," \&rc. "and that no part of it be issued but for the purposes of management and education exclusively," \&cc.
The bill reported for the purposes thus stated by this committee became a law. The letter of its enactments was clearly violated by the transfer in question; and this report shows their intention to have been no less clearly set aside. There can be no reason why a transfer thus manifeatly contrary to law, and founded in misconception from first to last, should not be at once cancelled, and the amount again carried to the books of the estates.
; The whole amount, then, which ought to appear on the receiver-general's accounts as belonging to the estates is about $22,9 \mathrm{col}$. currency.
This sum or the greater part of it, it appears to me, should be promptly invested as capital, within the province, in whatever manner may promise the beat return upon it. It would form a fund with which to commence the proposed system of investment, which (as I have argued) ought to be extended, as fast as circumstances may allow, to all the other properties belonging to this endowment. A part of it, it might be found advisable to expend on the surveys and improveunents which will be necessary to bring the ungranted land into the marbet and give it a real value.
It was enacted by the 2 Will. 4 . c. 41 , that the monies in the provincial treasury belonging to the estates should be "placed in a separate chest in the vaults wherein the public monies of the province are kept." This, as I have alıeady stated, has not been done, and the monies in question have therefore to be drawn from the balance of unappropriated monies in the public chest: It is very possible, from the drain upon the treasury Which recent events have caused, that it may not consist, with the exigencies of the public service to have the whole sum immediately drawn out of the receiver-general's hands. In this case, the amount retained should bear the same rate of interest to the estates fund for the period during which it shall be loaned to the province, which would otherwise have been procarable by its investment, as above proposed. The interest which has already been lost to the estates by the way in which these monies have been left to accumulate would amount to several thousaud pounds. There is no propriety an allowing any furiher loss of this chatacter to take place.

## Cap. X.

The Generar Outhines of the Sxstem which should be adopted for the future Management of the Estates; and the Means by which the required Changes can best be introduced.
Ir has been already shown, (see Cap. V.) that one-and that not the least powerfulcause of the smallness of the revenue the Jesuits' estates have yielded, has leen the mode of appoinung and paying the officers who are charged with its collection. The measures which in my opiaion are required on this account may be easily inferred from the remarks offered in that chapter on the defects of the present system, and the faulty character of the system which the House of Assembly would have substituted in its stead.

The Jesuits' estates, to be well managed, should be placed in the hands of a single administrator, who should be clothed with all the powers necessary to enable him to do justice to his trust, should be subject to the strictest responsibility to the executive and to the provincial parliament-should be so well paid as to require no other income than his official emoluments-and should hold his office by such a tenure, and be paid in such a manner bs to be placed under the strongest possible inducements to a punctual and economical collection of every class of revenue.

The general provisions of the bill of $1835-6$, in regard to the mode of appointment of the three administrators proposed by it, might with propriety be adopted for the appointment of this affice. He should be appointed by the Governor and Council of the provinceshould be required to give satisfactory securities for the faithful discharge of all the pecunary obligations of his office, and ghould be cmpowered by lavs to sue in behalf of the estates in his own name, as a trustee, and not in the name of the Crown.
The administrator ought further to have power by virtue of his commission, to employ agents at has own discretion, on his own terms, and at his owf risk. All agents duly appointed by the adiniastrator should be empowered to perform any of his duties which he may delegate to them; but beyond this the law should take no account of them. The responsibility for every official act, whether done by himself or by"deputy, should rest solely with the adminsstrator, and he must therefore of necessity be allowed full power, as regards the manner and amount of their payment; their duties, accounts, \&cc.

[^27]The administrator should be required to make a full yearly report, detailing all the transactions of the past year, showing the state of his accounts, the actual state of each of the properties and investments under his care, and offering such suggestions as he may have to make to Parliament or to the executive, as to any legislative or other measures not in his own power to take, which he may deem advisable. This report should be laid before the provincial legislature immediately after the commencement of its regular session. Besides this yearly report, it would of course be incumbent on the administrator to make answer or report on any special subject of inquiry, whenever called upon by the executive or by either House of Parliament to do so.
1 am of opinion, that to ensure the faillful discharge of the administrator's daties, it would be advisable to make his tenure of office "during good behaviour," and not "during the pleasure of the Crown;" if qo, he should be liable to impeachment before a specified legal tribunal (the supreme court, shonld such a tribunal be created, as it certainly ought, or whatever court may be vessed by law with the highest jurisdiction known within the province), at the instance of either branch of the legislature or of the executive Neglect of duty of any kind, and not positive corruption or defalcation only, should be made matter of impeachment, on proof of which the court should award at its discretion loss of office, or forfeiture, in whole or part, of recognizances (the latter only in case of defalcation or logs to the estates by corrupt practices or gross remissness), or both. Defalcation or fraudulent practices of any kind should further be matter for crimınal procedure by ordinary course of law, in all cases where sentence of removal from office may have been pronounced by such court on either of these charges, and the law officers of the Crown should be held bound to prosecute accordingly. Except, however, by sentence duly pronounced after trial by a judicature of the highest and most impartial character to be found in the province, he should not be removable, or his recognizances liable to forfeiture. An officer removable at pleasure by the executive cannot act with the decision necessary to the successful discharge of such duties as must devolve on an administrator of the Jesuits' estates. No officer, indeed, who is liable to heavy charges from interested or party motives should be exposed, unless from sheer necessity, to the temptations and risks with which such a tenure of his office surrounds him ; norindeed ought bo fertile a source of dissension as it necessarily creates between the popular branch of the Legislature and the Government to be kept open.

IL would probably not be desirable to charge the administrator of the estates with the duties of a treasurer more than may be found absolutely necessary, since by so doing it would be made so much less eañy to check his adcounts, to say nothing of the increased anount of the securities which such a course would require to be given in his behalf. It would be easy to require prompt payment of all monies collected by him on special deposit into the hands of the receiver-general, till such ti中e as the same may be required for the public service; in this case it would be necessary that this payment should be maue at reasonably short intervals, and that the distinction should always be preserved in making it between the monies received as current incomed to be expended, and those received as capital to be re-invested. The former alone should constitute the fund suljest to appropriation for educational purposes ; the latter (with such dedaction only as may be necessary on account of expenses, of collection, \&ce.) should be regarded as inalienable. The administrator shoald not be allowed to make any deduction from monies received before payiug them over to the receiver-general, except in cases where such deduction may be unavoidable, and then wholly at his own risk, such items being charged as so much paid towards his allowances as administrator, if disallowed when his accounts shall come uk for audit. Na fees, it is obvious, should be allowed on any warrant or other form of instrument by which momes belonging to the estates may be drawn froun the receiver-general's hands, whether for transfer as capital to a new novestment, or for payment of expenses of management, or of appropriations for educational uses.

It would be necessary, by legislation of the general character proposed in Caps. VI. VII. and VIII. to give the admmistrator power to collect the arrears due on the estates, to effect the change of tenure upon them, and to dispose by public auction of the land not yet granted, 8cc. \&sc. The same law or laws which should invest him with these powers would prescribe also his duties in the discharge of them. From the shart period of time to which my inquiries have been limited, I am unkble to do more at present than suggest, as in the chapters referred to I have suggested, the general principles apon which the legislature and other measures required should proceed.
The emoluments of the administrator should ndt be fixed in their amount, and regular, but should be drawn from fixed allowances on the monies collected, the rate of per centage to vary according to the difficulty or ease of each different kind of collection he may have to muke, to cover the enture charge on account of collection which can be brought upon the estates, and to be culculated, not upon the gross recelpts, but upon the amount remainng after the deduction of such necessary lexpenses as it may not be desirable to place (as all agents" charges and minor "incidentedls" would be placed) at the cost of the administrator out of his allowances.

Without further inquiry, I could not draw up a fariff of allowances on the system above suggested; but after the further inquiry which is necessary to determine with precision the requirements of such laws as should secure the objects proposed, it would be easy to do so. Wherever, from the nature of the collection, the administrator might be under the necessity of employing agents or keepiug open offices for particular purposes, his allowance should be hugh enough to enable hum to do so, and yet derive adequate compensation for his time
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and reiponsibility in the case. -Wherever, again, the collections are more easily made, the allowanceshouid be proportionally lower. After the first.more or less difficalt collectionsofimoney to be invened as capital, (the.collections, that is: io. aty, on , account of arrears, commutation of tenure and sales of lands \& \&c.). it would ;probably' be advisable to make noallowance on the mere transfer of capital from, one investment to another. On its first collection:for investment; an'allowance mast of course be made. To secure the independence of the administrator and make his tenure of office in fact as well as in name, "during good behaviour;" it,wovild be necessary to provide, that the rates of allowance, once fixed, should not be liable to reduction during , the incumbency of the administrator, for whom they were appoiqted; to that thatiofficer may be secure of eujoying (as long as the shall'discharge his duties faithfully) the full adyantage of any economical arrangements he may introduce into his 'department: 'The administrator's claim for allowances due to him should; be audited-periodically (eay, every six months), at the same time with the reat of his sccounts for the period in question, and by the same officer or officers as may be appointed for the audit of other public accounts. Should the administrator bei dissatisfied -onsaccount of the disallowance of particular items by the uuditing officer, lis appeal should lie, to:a specified court of law, and the judges, constituting such court should pronounce definitively' on the merits of the case. A like course should be followed, in case of complaint ly either branch of the legislature, against the: mode in which the administrator's. accounta may be audited, and his claims allowed.
-. The result of this syatem would be, that the rate of chagge for adminisitration would be continually decreasing, as the gradual transfer of the property from its present disadvantageous form of investment to a better form shall be going on. From the first, under such a: system, the, administrator might be adequately remunerated, and all other-necessary expense defrayed at a less cost than is at present incurred. Every yenr would add to, the productiveness, while it woald lessen the expenses of the estates. In: less than twenty years, it. may safely be presumed that a great part, if not the whole, of the land now undis-, posed of, would have been sold, and its-proceeds adyantageously invested. In ten years, or perhaps less, the change of tenure would probably have been made to take effect over most If not all of the concerled portion;'; and the present almost impossible collection of cens et rentes and lods et ventes, converted into an easy and punctual receipt of dividends on stock, or intereat on loans, of approved and undoubted credit. Every such investment of capitul (made as proposed within the province) would be so much added to :the available resources of the province ; just as every penny of the money at present collected or claimed. from the ceasitaires who hold under the estates is io imuch deducted in almost the worst way pousible from those resources. In the end, a property which is now vexatious and. burthensome to almost every man from whom its revenue is drawn, would be made obviously a source of profit, as well to the individuals who should pay, as to the public which should receive and use ist increased revenue; a property now yielding a trifing and uncertain revenue would be made valuable, and certain in its returns; and its expeñses, now as heavy as they well can be, would be made as light as it is posiible to make them.
It is beyond my power to offer eatimates, which should not rest to a great extent on mere conjecture, as to the probable increase of the productiveness or diminution of the expenses of the estates under the proposed system. So far, however, as my inquiries have enabled me to form a conjecture on the subject, I should suppose that within 20 years the capital fund to be created by commutation of tenure, collection of arrears, sules, \&c. as above recommended, would yield (at six per cent.) an income of not less than 30,0001 . currency per annum, and in the end, I have no doubt, more;" and the whole of this income might and would thpn be realized. Under the present system the gross estimated income is little more than a sixth part, and the average gross collected income less than a ninth part of this sum. Under the present system, out of this collected income almost $3^{8}$ per cent. has for six years rubning been expended on collection, manágement and repairs. Under the new system, these expenses might probably in two or three years be brought as low as 20 per cent. on the current revenue collected for the year's appropriations. In 20 years, I have no doubt they could be, brought considerably under 10 per cent.t

These regults, it will be remembered, are predicated altogether on the supposition of the prompt adoption of a general policy of government and legilation for Lower Canada, calculated to raise the province from the depressed and embarrassed situation in which it is at present placed. Except upon this supposition, indeed, the revenue of the estates cannot be expected by any possibility to increase, but may even be expected yearly to diminish. The value of all other property in the province is falling rapidly, under the influence of the existing state of things. Shis property must rise or fall in value to a great extent, in consequence

[^28]sequence of the same causes which affect the value of properly generally, within the colony.

At the same time, whatever may be the general course of policy adopted in regard to the province and the administration of its other affairs, it is also necessarys, if the, Jesuits entates are to be made a valuable endowment for the , usea to which they are devoted, that the same thorough reform should take place in every department of their administration, which is-needed for the interests of the province in so many other departments of the public service, and in' its legislative system generally. Without this, there is nu reason to expect that the gross revenue of the estates will ever rise to.double its present amonnt, or that the expensea incurred upoin it will ever fall matetially helow their present rale.
I mast be allowed to add, that in recommending a reference of the, administrator's yearly reporta, \&c. to the provincial legislature, I am - not contemplating the phasibility that any new, legislature for the province can be constitated as its former legiontare was. Such a legislature as the conititution of 1791 brought together, could dever be indaced to adopt, and would certainly ;be'wholly incompetent to superintend, a system such as I have recommended.- A French Canadian. House of, Assembly would never relax in itts hostility, to a measure of the kind required, no matter by what authoprity enacted, were its-after-working in any way subjected to their control. It is not, however, for that reason the less essential to the successful working of the system, . that the proceedings of any officer vested with the powers which it is proposed to confer on the administrator of the estates should be made public, and subjected to the immediate oversight of a constitutional legislature.
The same remark is no less applicable to the mode of introducing the required changes shan to that of superintending the neys syatem after it may have been introduced. In part, it is within the power of the executive to introduce it; in part, legislative action is required. How far the required legislation can or cannot be hoped for from a Colonial $\mathcal{P}_{\text {arliament, is a }}$ question, the answer to which depends mainly on the nature and provisions of the Constitutional Act creating such'a body. No bill materially differing in its provisions from that of 1835 -6, could ever be carried through a French Canadian Assembly. Nor, with a legislative council of official, or quasi-official formation, could a better fate be expected for a bill that shonld go to introduce so thorough a reform às any bill, to be effective, must. ' Indeed, from an Assembly' in which French Canadian influence, or a council in which official influence should be in the ascendant, nothing better can ever be expected for the future than has already resulted in times past.

## Appendix (B.)

No. 1.
1801.-41 Gro. Iİl., c. 17.

## ROYALINSTITUTION.

Preamble recites royal intention to endow free schools, sec. with Crown lands; wherefore,
1.- Governor empowered to appoint "such and so many persons as he shall see fil, to be trastees of the schouls of royal foundation in this province, and of all other institutions of royal foundation to be hereafiter established for the advancement of learning therein;" and for management, \&ce. of all property which may ever accrue to such achools. Governor "to remove from time to time the said trastees, or any of them," and to appoint to fill vacancies.
2.-Ssid trustees declared " $a$ body corporate and politic," named "The Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning," with perpetual succession, a common seal, power tó purchase property without license in mortmain, \&sc. \&c.
3.-All property, of whatever kind, and howsoever acquired, coming into possession of said schools, vested in said trustees; trustees empowered to let-land, \&cc., for not more than 21 years, and required to account for and pay over all rents, \&c: \&sc. to the receivergeneral, subject to disposition of Governor by warrant; receiver-general to account for the same, as for other monies, to the Lords of the Treasary.
4.-Governor to appoint pregident and other officers of corporation; the trustees to frame laws for its government, and that of the schools, \&cc., subject to confirmation'by Governor. . Rights of independent schools, \&c. reserved.
5.-Governor empowered to erect free"schools, and for this object to appoint two on more commissioners, residing in the county where the parish or township in which auch school may be, to erect school-house, \&ce.
6. -Said commissioners to fix on lots of ground and dimension of school-housa, the latter not to exceed 80 feet by 40 , and both to be approved by Governor before finally fixed upon.
7.-Such lot so fixed upon, commissioners to contract for its purchase, the purchased Iot to he convèged to the Royal Institution.
8.- Schoolhouses and apartments for schoolmaster to be provided by inhabitants; commissiuners to require, by warrant, the churchwardens of the parish," or any two of them, to estimate the cost of said erection, and to assess the same, as in case of churches and parsonage houses; said assessment to be subject to approval by commissioners, and, when approved, binding; churchwardens, or any one of them, to enforce the same; and, in case of refusal, to levy by warrant of distress and sale of goods of defaulter : provided, that 15 days after publication at clurch-donr, on a Sunday or holiday, of assessment, be expired beforehand; and that no school-house be erected in any parish or township, unless a majoity of its inhabitants have petitioned the Governor for the same, or a certain number have prayed for $i t$, and bound themselves to erect $i t$.
9.-Commissioners to superintend erection, and inform Governor of its completion.
10.-Governor to name the masters, to remove, fill vacancies, and fix salaries; no master to teach in said schools without commission from Governor.
31.- Inhabitants to repair school-houses.
12.-Cirevit and other courts, and polls for election of members of Provincial Parliament, to be lield on occasion in sad-schoolhouses.

No. 2.
BILL introduced in Assembly, January 25, 1814, lost in Legislative Council.
Preamble.-Whereas 41 Geo. III., c. 17, has been fóund by experience to be insufficient.
1.-When a mejority or fifty landholders in any parish or township shall have declared by a notarial acte, that they intend to establish a school, and said acte shall have been served upon the milita officer highest in rank, resident in the same, the said officer shall, within twenty days, give public notice on Sunday, at the church door, or, if no church, ar the most public and frequented place within that part of the country, convening the landholders at such time and place within said P. or T., for the election of five persons for the purposes of this Act.
2.-At such meeting, the said militia officer, or in his unavoidable absence, the officer neat in rank to himsell, shall preside; and the said five persons shall be elected by a majority of the votes of the said landholders present ; the president to report in writing
the result of the election, and to publigh his report as above provided for summons of meeting : "provided, that said president be eligible as one of the five.
3.--The said five, with the senior justices of the peace resident in the P. or Tus and the cure or minister officiating for the time therein, to be "trustees, directors and wardens" of the school to be established; said trustees and their successors to be a body corporate and politic, by the name of "the T.D. and W. of the school of the P. of A."" to have perpetual succession, a common seal, \&cc. 1o. hold without license in mortmain, "a lot of fand not more than ten arpens in auperficies," for a school-house, and also any other property in any way accruing to said school, not exceeding 3,000 l. currency in value, and to build and repair school-house, \&c. \&c.
4.-First meeting of said corporation to be convoked by militia officer aforesaid; subsequent meetings to be held at discretion of said corporation.
5.-The five persons elected to continue in office for one year, and to the 1 st of, January then ensuing, and then, and at the expiration of each subsequent year, one of them to be chosen by ballot at a meeting of the corporation held in that behalf, shall cease to hold office; and in the month $\backslash$ preceding the close of the year, a person shall be chosen in manner as aforesaid, to repilace him; and when the said five shall all have aeased to hold office, the then senior member shall resign, and so on.
6.-Vacancies cansed by death or removal of any of the five to be filled by election as *h aforesaid, the person so elected to serve for such period as the member whom he replaced.
7.-The president of each corrporation to be elected by a majority of votes of its members from their own body, for a term of three years, unless he shall sooner cease to be a member ; his place to be supplied in like manner.
8.-Any vacancy in said dffice by death or removal to be supplied by a like election.
9.-Snid corporation, from time to time, to make estimates, and distributions of monies and material necessary for purchase of land, \&c. \&c. \&c. to be paid by all landholders in the P. or T.; said estimates to be published during two successive Sundays at charchdoor or , and deposited with milhtia officer aforesaid for eight days afterwards, and not to be binding until homologated by a justice of Court of King's Bench or provincial judge; in case of opposition, within thirty days, hearing to take place within ten days ensuing, before two justices; and if said justices reject said assessment in whole or in part, the corporation to make a new one.
10.-Corporation to make bjé-laws for its own government, and that of the school, not contrary to law, \&cc. ; the same to be subject to the Governor's approval.
11.-Corporation to agree by a definite notariatacte with a schoolmaster, who, however, must before being allowed to teach, bring certificates of loyalty and good character from two justices of the peace, and must take an oath of allegiance; his salary to be fixed by the acte and not to exceed 6ol. currency, to be paid out of the provincial chest, by warrant.
12,-A majority, or $5^{0}$ of the landholders, may empower said corporation to levy a further sum in manner as aforesaid, for payment of under-teachers to assist master; such under teachers to be appointed as masters are.
13.-If corporation have engaged a master under $60 l$., it may apply the difference to the payment of under-teachers.
14.- Corporation to keep a register of its proceedings.

Government may appoint one or more justices of the peace in each county visitors of schools thus established, to report to him, and to the houses of legislature; sand visitors to serve gratuitoysly.
16.-Each corporation to transmit to Governor and Legislature copies of all bye-laws, \&tc. at the Session next after their adoption, and ${ }^{\circ}$ to report annually their funds, "\&c., to the visitors.
17.-Any persoñ refusing to pay their assessment uay be sued as for debt in any Court of King's Bench or circuit.
18.-Members of corporaions and visitors exempt from militia duty, \&c.
19.-Account to be rendered, through Lords of the Treasury, of all monies appropriated under Act to schools.
20.-Act not to affect the cities of Quebec and Montreal, or the boroughs of Three Rivers and Willam Henry.
21.-Act of 41 Geo. III, c. 17, not repealed.

- 22.-Act not to affect the rights of His Majesty to create corporations other than those named therein.
23.-Act to be deemed a public Act.

No. 3.
BILL introduced in Assembly, February 3, 1818, passed by both Houses, reserved for Royal Sanction, and nevei aftei wards heard of.
Preamble.-Whereas elementary schools, on an economical footing, in the country parishes are needed, and would be best obtained by placing such schools under local influence.
1.-The rector, priest or curate, \&cc., with the four churchwardens last appointed of the Church of England or Roman Catholic Church, the seigneur primitif, and senior justice
of the peace, to be a body corporate and politic under name of "The Syndics for the Government of Elementarysischools," with powers as usual ; real estate not to exceed the value of 150l. currency revenue, where not more than 150 heads of families in parish, or 2001. currency where more.
2.-Syndics to appoint one or more schoolmasters, of good morals and capacity, to teach reading, writing, spelling and arithmetic; to displace and replace at pleasure.
3.-Such of, said corporations as, in two years, shall have provided a school-house sufficient for lodging of teacher and for 30 scholars, and opened the same, shall, upon report on oath before a judge, transmitted to civil secretary, receive by marrant $200 \%$. currency from public chest.
4.- Such corporations worth $100 l$. currency a year entitled to receive from fabrique or church not more thañ one-fourth part of its annual revenue.
5.-Corporations annually to account in writing, on the third Sunday after Easter, at a meeting of inhabitants of parish, of revenues nad expenditures of corporation for past twelvemonth, number of scholars, and name of master; said account to be filed, within one month, in prothonotary's office of district, and to be there accessible, free of expense, to all "inhabitants of the country."
6.-All schools under this Act to be open to all childreh (subjects) equally ; price not to exceed 55 . per month; such fee to be the property of schoolmaster.
7.-Act to be deemed a public Act.

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\underset{\text { No. 4. }}{\substack{\text { © } \\ \text { 1824. } \\ \text { GEO. IV., c. } 31 .}}
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Introduced in Assembly December 20, 1823 ; amended in Council; passed into law March 9,1838 .

## THE FABRIQUE ACT.

Preanale.-Whereas country elementary sclools would promote industry and agriculture, and whereas means must be provided for facilitating their establishment.
1.-Every fabrique hereby authorized to hold, without letters of mortmain, for the support of one or more elementary schools within its parish, real and personal property, however acquired, subject to restriction as follows.
2.- Provided, that any real estate coming into hands of fabrique for said purpose shall, within 10 years from that time, be sold by it, "at constitution de rente," for benefit of school or schools by it establisbed. Fabrique authorized to retain only one acre of land, for achool-house.
3.- Provided also, that the whole amount, refl and personal, to be thus held for erection of each school do not exceed 1001 . currency, and that the total income for support of its schools never exceed gol. currency yearly for each such school.
4.-Fabrique may erect one school in every paris!!, two where there are 200 fanilies, and one more for every additional 100.
5.-Provided also, that said schools, and all property held under this Act, be subject to all such rules, inspection; Scc. as now by law and usage provided for administration of other fabrique property.
6.-Uñtil fabrique may have acquired property under hliis Act, it may apply one-fourth of its income for support of a school ; provided such diversion of funds take place with all customary formalities.
7.-Fabrique to render full account of its schools, on the third Sunday after Easter, to the resident landholders assembled; the same to be deposited in the archives of the fabrigue, and a certified copy to be, within six weeks, placed iu, the district prothonotary's office, free of access, without fee, to all resident landholders.
8.--Act a public Act, Stc.

$1829 . .$. BILL introduced in Council, and sent down March 2, 1829 ; read second time in Assembly March 5 , and theti dropped.

To make Two Committees of Royal Institution.
Preamble.-Whereas Lord Dalhousie, when governor, by message of February 1.3 , 1827, informed Houses, that an arrangement was about to take place, \&c.; and whereas the administrator, by message of Jan. 17, 1828, informed them that it had been found impincticable, under Act of 41 Geo.'III., c. 17 , as said Act did not empower governor to add to number of truistees of Royal Institetion, and recommended amendment of suid Act for that purpose.
1.-Governor may increase number of said corporation to 22; 11 to be of Roman Catholic religion, to form a separate commitiee for exclusive regulation of Roman Catholic schools under Royal Institution ; of these, the Roman Catholic Bishop of Quebec, and his coadjutor, the Speaker of the Assembly, if Roman Catholic, the superior and senior member of Quebec Seminary and thencure of Quebec, shall be members.
2.-The other 11 members of said corporation to be' Protestant, \&tc.; and of them shall be the Lord Bishop of Quebec, the Speaker of the Lower Canada (if Protestant, ) the Senior Executive Councillor (if Protestant), the Archdeacon of Quebec, Rector of Quebec, and Minister of Kirk of Scotland, in Quebec.
3.-All property of whatever kind, left or given, \&cc. \&c. for disposal of either committee, shall be held by corporation, in trust for said committee, and said committee shall have exclusive control over it.
4.-Trustees thus provided for to form a corporate body, with full powers as heretofore, by Act of 41 Geo. III.
5.-Lieutenant-Governor of Upper Canada, the Clief Justices of Lower Canada, Montreal and Upper Canada, may resign, and their successors shall nevertheless be bound as. required.

No. 6.

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\text { 9-Gro. IV., c. } 46 .
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0 Introduced in Assembly, March 1, 1829 ;-ppassed into Law, March 14, 1829. FIRST ELEMENTARYSCHOOL ACT.
Preamble: Whereas it is expedient, \&ic.
1.-Appropriates a number of sums to different schonl institutions already existing, among which sums is one of $2,300 \mathrm{l}$. currency to Royal Institution.
2.-Governor to pay by warrant to any country school teacher (not under Royal Institution), having at least 20 pupils, 20 l. currency per annum, for three years, and a further sum of 10 s. currency per annum for three years, for each gratis scholar: provided, not more than 50 such scholars be allowed for at any time in a school, and that no allowance be made on this score, unless it be eertified by trustees or proprietor that at least 20 such, free scholars are tauglt.
3.-Wherever five trustees may have been appointed for purchase or erection of schoolhouse, Governor may, during said three years, atlow them, by warrant, one-half of money required for such purpose; said allowance to be made to any fabrique which may have purchased or built under existing law ; provided, not more than 50 l. currency be paid for any one school; nor more than 2,000 ., currency, altogether in any one year.
4.-Senior principal militia officer, in every parish, section or township, to convene annually, by notice at church-door or most frequented place, a meeting of landholders at convenient time and place therein, at which he shall preside, and five persons be elected trustees under this Act; vacancies by death or resignation to be supplied in like manner; and record of every such election to be forthwith deposited by chairman in office of nearest notary, who shall be held to deliver authentic copies thereof.
5.-Said trustees to have entire control of the school for which they may be elected.
6. -Trustees, or the proprietor, or master or mistress, where there are no trustees, who may receive public money under this Act, to lay before the three branches of public legislature a statement of the condition of their school, within 15 days from opening of session. cach year, in form of schedule annexed.
7.-Religious communities in country panshes, educating poor children, to receive the benefit of the Act.
8. - Monies expended under Act to be accounted for thröugh Lords of the Treasury.

SCHEDULE (A.)
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No. 8.
10 \& 11 Gro. IV., c. 14.
Introduced in Assembly, March ,1836; passed into a Law, March 26, 1830. Amends Act 9 Geo. 1V., c. 46, and grants further Sums for Education.
Praamble.-Whereas. it is expedient to make legislative provision for elementary' education by appropriation:-
2.-Rector, curate or minister to be eligible, though not a freeholder, ns achool truster $\boldsymbol{p}_{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}$ under Act of last session.
2.-PPrivate schools,'established since 9 Geo. IV. C. , not to receive advantages of said Act as trustee schools.
3.-School téachers receiving money under said Act, to hold a public examination every six months at school-house, giving one week's notice of it at church-door or móst publicplace.
4.-School-houses erected or to be erected in Montreal, Quebec or Three Rivers, to come under provisions of alid Act.

5-Appropriations made: among others, 2,100l. (currency) to Royal Institution.
6.-Three hundred pounds appropriated for sending a person to learn how to conduct ae deaf and dumb institution in the province.

All monies to be accounted for, 8tc.

No. 8.
1 Will. IV., c. 7.
Introduced in Assembly, March , 1832 ; Passed into a Law, March 31, 1831.
Amends two former Acts, and makes further Provision for Elementary Education.
Preamble.-Whereas further appropriation, and also amendment of laws in force is. expedient.
1.- Special granta enumerated, inclúding 2,200l. (currency) to Royal Institution ; an appropriation for a deaf and dumb institution; and also 4,000l. towards paying half cost of school-houses builk under former Acts, but applied for after their appropriation was exhausted; and half the cost of any school-house one league from every other built, \&cc. 8cc., and ground conveyed to trustees, \&cc. before \& February last, if school-house be completed within the present year; with some special school-house grants.
$2,-$ Provision of 9 Geo. IV., c. 46, authorizing payment of 20 l. (currency), \&ec., extending to May 35, 1832 , provided the 10s. payment, \&x.' clause expire (as per Act) January 1, 283 .
3.-All school-payments to be to trustees, or'to majority of them.
4.-Provisions of this Act and of 9,10 and is Geo, IV. to extend to all miasions and-extra-parochial places.
5.-Sixth section of 9 Geo. IV., c. 46, repeuled.
6.--Schools in' Quebec, Montreal and Three Rivers to be subject, in all respects, to Acts aforesaid.
7.--Separate warrants dispensed with; pay-lists of at least 30 schools each substituted
8.-Governor to appoint, by one instrument, ig yisitors ; viz.
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Gaspe and Bonaventure fimouki, Kamouraska, Lislet and Bellerbasse - - . . . 1 visitor.
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Dorchester, E. of Chaudiere, Beauce and Megantic

and to pay said visitors' necessary expenses.
9.-Said visitors, within their respective linits, with the resident county member of the Provincial Parliament, or, failing him, with a justice of the peace or commanding officer of militia therein, and with the rector, cure, \&c. of the parish or township, or, failing him, with the commanding officer of militia therein, to visit each school that may have had or claimed -Government money; to inquire whether school is so established, \&xc. as to have a title to -such allowance, whether teacher is qualified, \&cc. in language of majority, teacher's character, convenience of locality, limits within which no more schools should be established under Acts, whether any schools are too near, proper limits for school districts, correctuess of last year's return of number of children, any false returns, and by whom, nomber and attendance of scholars, progress, books, and any other information as to mode of teaching .and management, schools without allowance and number of their scholars, with rate of tuition and board at such schools; also to inquire into alleged abuses, and all complainte and differences as to payments, \&ce., and to recommend suspension or nonpayuent- 1 , in case of fraud or non-compliance with Act-2, of want of qualification in teacher- 3 , of too great nearness of schools (continuing, in such case, the best); and, further, said visitors to have assistance of all trustees, churchwardens and road officers.
10.-Their report to be made to Governor, and copies to be laid by them respectively before each House, during the first 15 days of its next session.
21.-Form of returns to be furnished them by Gavernor within one month after com.mission issues.
12.-Detailed and verified accounts of all monies expended under Act to be regularly given in.
13.-Application of monies appropriated under Act to be accounted for through Lords of Treasury, and a detailed account thereof to be also laid before each House, within the first , 15 days of the next session.

No. 9.
2 Will. IV., c. 26.
Introduced in Assembly,
; passed into Law, Feb. 25, 1832.
GENERAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ACT.
Preamble.-Whereas it is expedient to appropriate further sums for elementary education, and to make further and môre ample legislative provision for it.
1.-From May 15, 1832, to May 15, 1824, to be paid yearly, as follows, for all elementary schools not in Quebec, Montreal or 'Three Rivers, kept according to this Act, in any sclizool-district approved by school-visitors appointed last year; viz.-


For an elementary school in central situation in each of said districts, 20l. (currercy) per annum ; and also for a separate girl's school in each Roman Cathclic parish in the district where church is situate (where a convent-school, under Jadies of congregation of M . is, it shanl have said allowance), 20 h (currency) per nnnum, provided all girls in said parish be. adinitited at rates hereafter mentioned.
$\therefore 2$--Ten stillings yearly for each district school, to be allowed for prizes to be given by school-visitors for county; said money to be pald to resident member first on return, or falling nim to non-resident ditto, ditto.
3. -Said allowances to commence from $15 \mathrm{May} / 832$; schools receiving them to be kept under regulations of this Act, and their trastees of be elected on or before second Monday in August $183^{2}$.
4.-Heads of families in each district qualifed to vate for members of Parliament to meet on second Monday in June next, and on the gime day in every second year therealter, or on any second Monday from June to August phoresaid, notice in full baving been given at door of parish church after forenoon service, find at most public place in district, by order addressed to a peace officer, and signed by a justice of the peace, or by the officers of militia higheat or next highest in rank in parish, T. or extra $P_{\text {., for }}$ fwo Sunday before meeting. Said justice of the peac or other signer of order to preside, and take and record decision of meeting, as to throe persons (not schoolmasters) to be trustees for two years, from first Monday in June 18 g , till election of successors (not more than three monils after expiration of said term). Minute of election in form specified (Schedule A.) to be deposited with nearest notary or jytice of the peace (failing notary in county); aaid notary or justice of the peace to give aythentic copies when required.
5.--Trustees so appointed and their puccessors for ever authorized to acquire property, \&cc. \&ec. \&c. for use of their respectivg schools; and all trustees holding school-houses, \&c. \&cc. erected, \&cc. by public aid, are to tueliver up to them : provided, all inhabitants of any parish, \&c. have equal right of acces to such schools.
6.-Said trustees and their succeesors for ever to have management of school ; to receive, pay and account for (at meeting of heads of families for choice of trustees) all monies, \&c. in any way belonging to said schyol; to appoint and remove teachers; to hire, build, repair or purchase schoolhouse; to self, exchange, \&ce. any school-house or lot, for the purpose of getting a more central one provided, that full value be received for lot or house alienated; that school be contidued in it till nother of at least equal value shall have been acquired, vested in trustees, ahd ready to receive scholars; and that no such house or lot be in any way alienated withoft consent, in writing, of majority of county visitors, signified in writing in school minute-book.
7.-Vacancies in trust to be supplied as in case of original election.
8.-Teacher must before apponntment produce certificate, signed by curate or minister of most numerous religious denomination in parish, according to last census, and by one justice of the peace in ditto, and by militia officer highest in grade, or by two others, that he is known as of good character, has been examined by them and found capable of teaching reading, writifg and arithmetic, in language of majority of inhabitants. School must have been open 190 days in year, from nine to twelve, and from one to four; and 20 children, at least, from five to fifteen years old, must have been usually taught in it. Not more than 2s. (currency) a month to be charged or paid in school, unless by previous written agreement. A public examination, after at least eight days' notice; to have been held, sud county vifitors, or three of them, to have visted school and certified in form of Schedule (B.) theit belief that provisions of this Act are complied with, \&c. \&cc.
9.-Pupils under five or above fifteen to be taught ohily out of houre above named, and 2 s. (currency) a thonth to be highest rate, unless by previous written agreement.
10.-Teacherp to keep a school journal, to be open to all interested at reasonable hours out of schbol thme, and to be handed from teacher to teacher, in form of Schedule E.
11.-Children to be equally taught in classes, according to age and progress; name of pupils to be written on their books by teacher, with date. Trustees to make regulations not repugnaht to Act, to be in force at least to 15 th'May next following, to be publicly exposed in fchool-room while in force, and to be observed and enforced by teacher.
12. Trustees may admit not more than 10 free scholars into each school, provided such scholars be children of poor persons who have one child at achool for whom they pay.
13.-Teachers to be removed by trustees before expiration of time for which they may have belen engaged, on recommendation of majority of county visitors entered on minute bnok, or after public hearing and decision by trustees on complaint of three electors; said decision duly entered as above, and teacher paid to time of entry.
14.-Legiglative councillors in each county, members of Parliament for ditio, senior justice of the peace and bighest milatia officer in ditto, the rector, \&se, of denomination most numerous in each parish, 8.c. to be county visitors. They, or three of them (or next senior justice of the peace or militia officers liggheat in grade in parish, ${ }^{\text {oltc. }}$ ) shall annually vistt all.clementary schools in county in June and July, or soon after (not in school vacation), enter certificate of visit, in form of Schedule B., in minute-book, giving copies thereof to trustees. Said copies, signed by trustees, to be transmitted with return of school (Schedule D.); also, signed by trustees or majority, to resident member for county, 8c. \&e, who shall make out, up to May 15 each year, a list of schools (Schedule E.), sigued by him, and transmit it to civil secretary; who again shall then have pay list (Schedule F.) made' out, and sums therein specified shall then be paid by receiver-general on receipts of persons nęued, or of those who hold their power of attorney (Schedule G.)
15.-School-visitors to determine differences about school-houses, districts, \&c., to settle limits, lessen numbers, recommend increase of numbers, and convenient site for a superion school in each county.
16. -Till trustees be, elected, \&c. any Royal Institution school already existing, or and fabrique, or proprietor's school heretofore receiving public money, may receive allowances under Act, only coming under county visitors ; where more than one such school in a district, visitors to choose between them. Heads of families may adopt such school for not more than two years.
17.-Copies of Act and Schedules in sufficient numbers, \&cc. to be printed in convenient form, and distributed, \&c.
18.-Acts of 9,10 \& 11 Geo. IV., and 1 Will. IV., repealed.
19. \#- All persons (visitors excepted) to give in full and regular returns of monies intrusted to them under Act.
20. -Monies to be accounted for through Lords of Treasury.
(For Schedules, see Acts L. C. pp. 474, et seq.)

No. 10.
Will. IV., c. 4. ${ }^{\text {a }}$
Introduced in Assembly; passed into Law, April 3, 1833.
Amending Act of $\mathbf{1 8 3 2}$.
Prbamber,-Whereas it is necessary to amend Act of 2 Will. IV., c. 26.

1. -The first section of said Act repealed, from and after May 15, 1833.
2. -From 15 th of May aforesaid, the said section re-enacted with modifications as follow:-

3.-Ten shillings for prizes to be allowed for girls' school as well as for districts schools.
4.-Superiors and professors of colleges and academies, and presidents of all education societies to be county visitors. School-visitors empowered to extend school age beyond 15 years, or to alter school hours.
5.-Returns under $14^{\text {th }}$ section to be made up to November 15 and May ${ }^{\prime}$; 5 , in form as prescribed, and payments to be made with as little delay as possible.

Schools bona gide kept since second Monday in August, though without trustees chosen, may have allowance made them by visitors, if not otherwise disqualified; and any second school in a -district with 35 or more regular pupils may be entered by them on the list, provided the whole number in county be not thereby made too great.
7. -Visitors may increase the number of free scholars from 10 to 15 , provided there be at least 20 paying scholars in the school at the time.
8. -Four pounds (currency) extra to be paid to any teacher who can teach both languages. 9.-Copies of this Act, \&c. to be distributed in sufficient numbers.
10.-Detailed accounts, \&c. to be made by all expending money under Act (schoolvisitors for prizes excepted) up to April 15 and October 15 annually.
11. -Account to be rendered through Lords of Treasury, \&e., and also to be laid before the several branches of Provincial Parliament within the first 15 days of each session.

## No. 11.

## 4 Will. IV., c. 34-

Introducedin Assembly ; passed into Law by Royal Assent in Counc̣il, 'Aug. 15, 1834 Assent proclaimed January 5, 1835.

Preamble-Whereas, \&c.
1.-Wrom May 15 after passage of Act, to be allowed in-

2.-The best teacher in any township, \&c. may have $10 l$. (currency) a year granted him by visitors, in addition to the sum before granted. A class in such school must be taught in French or English grammar, geometry and book-keeping. Where no such school found, a majority of visitors may appropriate said sums (not above 50 l . currency) for any superior institution for education wathin county, where said branches may be taught, and which receives no ippropriation direct.
3.-Visitors may, on proof that, between February 1, 1831 , nnd Janaary 1, 1834, any schoul-house properly placed, has been built by trustees, Atc. and is held under a satisfactory allow said trustees half the cost, not exceeding 50 l . (currency),
4.-Monies to be accounted for through Lords of Treasury, and accounts to be laid before the several branches of Provinciul Legislature, within 15 days of commencement of next session.

No. 12.

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6 \text { Will. IV., c. } 12,
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An Act to provide for Normal Schools.
The Preamble recites the want of able teachers throughout the province, \&ce.
1.-By the first section it is enacted, that in each of the cities of Montreal and Quebec certain persons therein named shall meet ${ }^{\star}$ for the purpose of electing a committee of 10 persons, to whom the formation, organization and management of a normal school shall be intrusted for five years.
3.- Committees to provide placen for the said schoiols in or near the said cities, and to engage for not more than five years teachers competent for the purpose of normal schools.
4.-The course of studies, as far as is consistent with the previous knowledge of pupils, to extend through three years, and to include French and English grammar, with excrecises in writing and composition in both languages, arithmetic and book-keeping, geograply and use of globes, elements of practical geometry, art of drawing, maps and plans; elements of chemistry', as applied to arts and trade; the principles of horticulture and agriculture, an abridged course of mechanies, natural history, ancient and modern history, moral philosophy and the public law of the country, and lastly, and more especially, theoretical and practical lessons on the best mode of conducting a school, and the best method of teaching.
6.-The said normal schools to be exclusively appropriated for the reception and instruction free of expense of such young persons as may be willing to devote themselves to teaching, either in primary or superior schools for five years after the expiration of the period of their tuition (under penalty of refunding to the said committees the whole expenses of their education); and ulso of such schoolmasters as unay wish to complete their studies, and learn the best mode of instructing others; provided, that no une shall be admitted into the said sechools under 14 ycars of age, or who cannot prove his moral character by certificate from a minister of his religion, or justice of the peace, or \&ic., nor unless he can read either French or Englisit, and is coiversant with the elenuents of arithmetic; the books of sutch as cannot afford ihem to be furmshed out of the funds of the school.
7.-Each pupil to obtain certificate of stady for a certain time, and of qualification to teuch, \&ce., and having such certificate to have preference in empldyment at schools receiving Government assistance.
8.-Governor may advance 400 l . to each said committee to enable them to procute professors and to purchase classical booky, maps, instruments furniture and othęr arucles
necessary for school; also to each the following sums per annum for five years, viz. :- $-600 l$. for salaries of professors and assistants, and $250 \%$. for the contingent expenses of the schools, and 120 l . per annum for three years for board and lodging of five or more schoolnasters who shall be anxious to complete their studies in the said normal schools, and thall be totally destitute of means to support themselves there.
9.-Committee to lay a full report of the management, \&sc. of the school before the legislature, attested by the president and secretary of the committee, and by the chief professor.
eto.-Governor may pay the annual sum of 120 l . for three years to the three following communities:-the Ursulines of Quebec, those at Three Rivers, and the Sbeurs de la Congregation de Notre Dame at Montreal, for the board, lodging and/tuition by each, during said term of five or more years. Females willing to devote themselves to teaching, but not able to support the expenses of tuition, and who should after the expiration of the said term, and upon obtaining certificates, enjoy the sime privileges as persons leaving normal schools.

11-12.-Appropriation of monies collected under this Act to be strictly/accounted for to legislature.

## No. 13.

BILL of 1836, passed by Assembly, and thrówn out by Council.
2.-A yearly sum of 20 l . is granted for four years to each of 1,658 elementary school districts (therein apportioned and enumerated), and to each additional and separate school for girls in the schoul districts in each Roman Catholic parish or mission in which there is a church or chapel : provided, that such school for'girls'shall be open for the tuition of all the female children in such parish or mission, at the same rates as the other schools; and that there be not already in such school district a convent for the education of girls.
3.-That in ench parish, township or settlement, the population whereof, according to the last census, exceeds 500 souls, there may be established it the school district in the church stands, a superior or model school, to the master whereof there shall be paid by the re-ceiver-general, in the manner in which the masters of elementary schools are paid, he sum of 50 l. currency per annum, payable half-yearly on the 15 th of May and the 15 th November, provided the majority of the heads of families in such school district shall (at a meetung called in the manner therein pointed out) have voted a sum of at least' sol. currency, for the purpose of making up the sum of 70 l . currency, which shall be the salary of the master of such superior or model school, who, in order to entitle him/to such salary, sball be capable of teaching reading, writing, arthmetic in all its branches, the syntas and grammar of the language of the majority of the inhabitants, the elehents of mensuration, geography, and more especially that of America: provided always, hat such school shall be in the stead of the elementary school for boys in such school district, and shall not be established in any district in which there shall be already an academs, college, or other superior institution receiving aid from the province : and provided also, that such superior or model school shall be open for the tuition of all the children in the other school district of such parish or township at the same rate as fot thot of the children in such school district.
4.-That no master of a superior school shall be entited to the said allownee, unless, before taking charge of such superior or model school, he shall have produced to the trustees of such school a certficate of his good morals, character and sobriety, signed by the rector and by a justice of the peace and the senior militia officer of the parish in which he shall have last resided, or a majority of them, and, also a cêrtificate of his being qualified in the manner hereinbefore required, signed by the superior and director of some college in this province, or a certificate signed by two magistrates and an officer of mulitia, certifying, that such master is known to have gone through a regular course of stuly in some college in Europe or in the United States, which, certificate" shall be enregistered in the minute-book of such schools, and then transmitted to the member for the dounty, whose place it is to make the return for the schools in the county.
5.-That it shall be lawful for the school-visitors in each county to alker the school districts heretofore established, being guided in so doing as much as possible by the population and the number of schools allowed for each parish, townshap or subdivision of the county, as set forth in the schedule of the parishes in each county hereunto manexed; such new dastribution being subject to the approval of the members for the county at the time they make their visit; and for the puposes of this Act, the powers of the members shall, in case of a dissolution of Parliament, continue to be vested in them until/heir successors shall be elected, any law, usuge or custom to the contrary notwithstanding.
6.-Allows 10 s . prize-money to be distributed ly visitors among best children in each district school, and also in each girls' school as aforesaid, to be paid according to the number of such districts, and of such girls' schools in each county, by a pay list on the receiver-
general, in favour of the resident member for the county, the first on the return, or in default of such resident member, to the member not resident who is first on the return, or in his absence to one of the members for the county; and a repott thall be annually made to the legindature of the manner in which such money shall have been employed, and of the effect produced by such distribution.
12. -That it shall be lawful for the heads of familiesin each school district in this province, duly qualified to vote at the elections of members to serve in the Assembly thereof, at any meeting duly notified and held in confurmity to the provisions of this Act, or the majority of them present at such meeting (at which ihe justice of the peace who shall have called sach meetiog, if present, or the militia officer highest in grade, or the senior of those of equal grade present thereat shall preside), to vote any sum or sums of money for the parchase of a lot of ground for the site of a s.shool-house, or for the building or repairing of any school-house, or for the support of any school-house or teacher for such school district; and such vote shall also specially state the greatest amaunt of the expenses which may be incurred in levying such sum or sums, and also the manner in which the repartition or assessment thereof upon the electors qualified as aforesaid shall be made : provided always; that the notice of such meeting shall specially set forth the object or objecta for which such vote is proposed, and be read in an audible voice at the several places of divine worship in the parish or township or extra-parochial place, or other more public place, in which such school district is situate, immediately after divine service in the forenoon, on two Sundays or obligation holidays immediately preceding the day fixed for such meeting, and such notice shall be posted on the door of the school-house of the district in which such meeting shall be called, during the eight days before such meeting: and provided also, that it shall also be otherwise published according to thie provisions of this Act; and at any such meeting it shall be lawful for any six voters qualified as aforessaid, to require the adjouroment of such meeting (which shall be adjourned accordingly by the person pretiding thereat), to the second Monday of the then next month, and of such adjournment due notice shall again be given in the manner hereinbefure provided, and according to the provisions of this Act: provided always, that at such meeting (which may adjourn on the requisition of six voters as aforesaid), the decision of the majority of the persons present thereat shall be final for such year.
13.-That wheu any vote of a sum or sums of money shall have been passed at any such meeting held as aforesaid, the amount and object thereof shall be certified by the person presiding, together with the notice or notices of such meeting, and the manner in: which the rejarition or assessment is to be made, to the scbool trustees for the district, who shall cause a repartition to be made of such sums among the qualified electors residing withiu their school district, in the manner decided upon at such meeting; and such repartition, with a statement of the expenses of making the same, signed by such trustees or a majority of them, shall be published in a manner and form prescribed with regard to the notices of meetings by this Act; and such notice shall contain a statement of the time and place when and where the said repartition will be presented for confirmation before the justice of the peace residing in the conaty, and nearest to such school district (who shall be named in such notice), and that all objections to the same willithen and there be heard and finally determined; and such justice of the peace is hereby required and empowered to hear and determine the same in a summary manner, according to the evidence which shall then and there be adduced before him, on oath, and he is hereby aulhorized and required to administer all oaths, requisite to enable him so to determine, the same.
14.-That such reparition being duly confirmed and certified to be so by such justice of the peace, the amount thereof shall be paid by the persons therein named respectively to the school trustees of the district, within 15 days from the date of such confirmation, or within 15 days after the time fixed by the majority of the inhabitants present at such meeting for the payment of such cotization, or in defaalt of payment by any such person of the sum or of any part of the sum in which he is assessed by such repartition, such sum or part thereof as shall not bave been paid, may be levied by warrant of distress, and by the sale of the defaulter's goods and chatels under such warrant, which may be issued by such justice of the peace, on the inspection of the repartition and certifcate of confirmation thereof, and on the oath (which oath such justice is hereby empowered to administer) of oue of the school trustees, that such sum or such part thereof as aforesaid is then unpaid: provided always, that the delay between the seizure and sale under such warrant shall, be the same as that allowed by law between the seizure and sale under writs of execution issued out of the Courts of King's Bench sitting in inferior term.
28.-All' parties' intrusted 'with the distribution of, money under this Act, with the exception of the school-visitors who distribute the prize-money, to account by vouchers for the same.
The provisians contained in various clanses for the election of trustees and masters, and the qualifications required of the latter, are very much the same' as those of preceding Acts.


Tanliavo dea Ecolea Catholiques du Diocese de Quebec-continued.


## Appendix (D.)

## Enucation Commission.

Sir,
Union-buildings, Quebec, September 13, 1838 .
As it, would be impossible for me to visit in person, within any reasonable period, all the school districts in the Province, 1 am obliged to have recourse to the following means of oblaning the local information indispensable to my inquiry into the state of education.

The inclosed tables, and the explanation of them subjoined to ilns letter, will clearly point out the nature of the information I am in search of, and the form in which it is to be conveyed

I have by this same post written to the gentemen whose names are on the accoutuanying tables, and directed them to assist you in filling them up.

You will have the goodness, before sending in your returns, to subseribe each of your signatures in the space allotied for that purpose on the back of Table No. 1, taking care, when any of you differ as to the correct answer to any particular question, to state the grounds of such difference, and the name of the dissentient, in the manner pointed out in the explanatious; and also, when you are unable to give any answer at all, to state the fact, and cause, of such inability.
In case I should have omitted, from my want of local knowledge, to request the assistance of any person in your neighbourhood, peculiarly qualitied to give the information which I require,-may I beg you to supply the omission, and to ndd such patiy to the others, to whom my circulars are andressed.
1 am aware that complete accuracy in your answers will in many cases be impossible; at the same time I would remind you that those answers will be published, and that they will form part of very important data, as illustrative of the present state of education in the Province, and suggestive of various"improvements for u future system.

I must also request you to use the utmost possible despatch in sending in your returns, as my future operations depend materially upon them.
The address to which they ure to be sent is printed on the outside of the envelope in which this and the other papers will come to you.
$\because$ In'case the accompanying tables should not be sutficient to comprise all the school districts in your

Mr. Joseph Cary, inspector of public accounts, will, upon your application, supply you with any further number of tables you may require.

I have the honour to be,<br>Your obedient humble servant, Arthūur Buller, Chief Commissioner.

Explanation of the accompanying Tableb.
Table, Nu. 1.
In this Table are to be stated,

1. The number of elementary school districts into which the
was divided, at the time of the expiration of the late School Act; viz. in April-1836.
2. The number by which ench of these school districts was ordinarily designated in the school returns made ünder the late Act, as "School District, No. 1," "No. 2," \&ec.
3. The boundaries of each schuol district, as they were then established.
4. The state of the school in each district. Is it now open; and, if so, has it been ever discontinued since the School Act expired, and how long? If not now open, when was it given up?
5. The government of each school. Is it a school under trustees chosen in pursuance of the School Act, or is it a Royal Instutution, fabrique or proprietor's schooll, adopted by the district?
6. The date of the first opening of each school.
7. Whether there is a schuol house in the district; and if there be, what kind of house it is, and its value.
8. Whether there is any land belonging to the school ; and if there be, its extent (including the lot on which the school-house stands), and value.
9. Whether the school has any other property (furniture, books, or any thing else) belonging to it; and if so, of what description is such property, and what is it worth?
10. The present state of the house, land, or other properly, as regards repairs, cultivation, \&e.
11. The person or, persons occupying said house or land, or using or keeping, said other property. The name and address to be given. By what right and in what manier do they so occupy or use it.
12. The person or persons in whom said property, of whatever kinl, is by law vested. Name, occupation (notary, justice of the peace or other public officer?) and address to be given.
13. In what capacity said persons are its legal proprietors; whether as trustecs chosen under the provisions of the late School Act, or in any other capacity.
14. By what legal instrument said property has been conveged to them (i. e. in case-the achool in question is not a proprietor's school).
15. The date of said legal instrumen.
16. In whose hands the said instrument is, Name, occupation und address to be given, as above.
17. The date of the last election of trustees for each school that is under trustees.
N. B.-I'he first of the abrove questions is to be answered in the heading prefixed to the table. The others are to be auswered in the order in which they are put, each in that culumn of the table marked out for it. Lines are ruled across the table, to divide off a conveaient spnce for each school district. If the-spaceadlaysed for any particular answer is found insufficient, the answer can be finshed on the other side of the paper'; or, if nécesp sury, two or more spaces can be taken up with one school district.

In the case of any school district in which there is more than one elementary school to report upon, one space at least should be taken for each school.

Tanke, No. 2.
In'this Table are to be stated the following particulars relatiye to "the teachers of the several elementary schools mentioned in the forarer table, the subjects taugbt in each, "and the'school-houses, where there are any:

## I. Tie Teacher.

1. Nane of teacher or teachers in each'school, in the month of April 1836 , and alsoad the present time (if there be any).
2. Heligion of each of such teachers, whether catholic or protestant.
3. Language of each teacher ; whether acquainted with French only, or with English only, ur with both.
4. General qualifications of ench teacher. Is he well qualifed or inot, to teach what he protesses to teach? In any case where a teacher is unable to write or to read, or writes or reads indifferenily, it is particularly desired that such fact should be distunctly stated. Any other deficiency should also be stated. And in like manner, where a teacher is louked upon as partucularly well qualfied for teaching in general, or for tenchag in any particular bruncl, thint fact also should be stated.
5. How and where each teacher has been educated.

## II. The Subjegts Taught.

1. Number of pupila learning the Prench language. All childiten, whether of French or English families, are to be included as learming Fiench, though they may not learn French grammur, if they are required to learn other lessons, or to tukf' in French. Where French ta Erammar is taught, it is to be stated in the answer to Queston, No. 8, of this table, among the "other subjects."
2. Number of pupils learning the English language. The same remiark to be attended to as in the former column.
3. Number learning both languages. Same remark to be attended to as in the two former columns.
4. Number learning to read English.
5. Number learning to read lirench.
6. Number learning to write.
7. Number learning arthuletic, and the amount of arithmete that is taught.
8. What other subjects are taught, and to how many pupils each is taught. It should also be stated how much is taught on each subject.
g. What moral and religious instruction, and how conveycd. Is the Bible or any portion of the Bible used, as a reading book or otherwise? If so, what version is used, how ofien 18 it used, and is ony explanation given by the teacher? Is any cutechism taught; and if so, what catechism, and how frequently? Are any other rellgious books used? Do the clengy, or any other persons of any denomination, visit the school, to give religious instruction ; and if so, of what donomination, and how frequently ?
9. The school books used.

## III.-The School-house, if any.

1. When built.
2. Whole cost of ground and building. The cost of ground and building to be stated separately.
3. Amount of public money received to defray the expeuse of building.
4. The manner in which the rest of the money was rassed. Any debt still owing on this account to be specified.
N. B.- The answers on the above subjects are to be given each in its proper column, as in the lormer table. Double lines are ruiled across the table, to divide the returna for the several schools from one another. The space allotted to the answers for each school to those questions which relate to the teachers and subjects taught, is furiber divided by a single line, that two separate answers may be givein to each of these questions,- -one for the month of April 1836, and the other for ihe present time. Wherever any space is insufficient, the answer can be finished on the other side.

In the first column in this table is to be written the number of each school district, to correspond with the numbers used in Table, No. 1. Wherever there pay be more than one school in a district, a separate space should be taken for ench school, as in Table, No. a.

> Table, No. 3,

Is to be filled up as follows:-

1. In the first column, the number of each school district is to be set down, to correspond with Tables No. 1 and No. 2.
2. The population of each school district is to be stated, in the next six colunns, viz :-

In the first and second of the six columns, the whole number of inales and females respectively, in each school district.
In the third and fourth, the whole number of persous who are of English and French origin, respeutively.
And in the fifth and sixth, the whole number of Protestants and Catholics respectively.
3. The number of children between five and 15 years of age, in each school district, is to be stated in the same manner, in the next six columns.
4. The number of jersons above 15 years of age, in each school district, who can rend and write sufficiently well for all ordinary purposes, is to be stated in the next two columus; the first column containing the number of males, and the second the number of females.
5. The number of persons above 15 years of age, in each school district, who con tead but cannot write, is to be stated in the same manner, in the two columns next following.
6. The number of children between five and 15 years of age in each school district; who can read and write sufficiently well for all ordinary purposes, is to be stated in the satme manner, in the next two columns.

## 7. And the number of ditto who can read but cannot write, in the two following.

8. In the next eight columns, the number of chuldren in each school district, between five and 16 years of age, actually attending an elementary school, in the month of $\Delta$ pril 1836, when the late School Act expired, is to be stated, viz:-
In the first and second, the number of boys and girls, respectively.
In the third and fourh, the number of English and French orign, respectively.
In the fifth and sixth, the number of Prutestants and Catholics, respectively.
And in the seventh and eghth, the number entered on the school books, as fiee schulas and payum scholas respectively.
9. In the eight columns following, a corresponding return is to be made, of the number of children in each school district, attending an elemeniary school at the preseat tume.
"N.B.-The lines ruled acruss this table, maik off, as in the two former tables, the space to be taken up with the return for each scliool district.

## Table, No. 4.

Is to contain the following genesal statements in regard to the elementary schools in the for each school year, from the year ending in November 1828, to the present year (both inclusive).

1. The whole number of elementary schools in actual operation eaçh year.
2. How many of them received public money each year.
3. How many school houses there were in actunl use each year.
4. The number of masters of elementary schools employed each year.
5. The number of mistresses of elementury schools employed each year.
6. The whole number of pupils entesed on the boohs of the elementary schools for each year, specifying the number of boys and grils, and of free and paying scholars, respectively.
7. The average number of pupils actually attendug sadd schools each year, specifying the number of boys and girls tespectively.
8. The gross receipts of the elementary school teachers for each year, specifying the amount received by them from the public funds, from the scholars, and from other sources.
N.B.-The lines ruled across this table divide off a space sufficient for the returns of each school year.

## Table, No. 5.

Is to contain the same kind of information in regard to any parts of the
that may not be included in the school districts, which is required in Table, No. 3, in regard to the sehool districts.
The first column is to contain a specification of the siluation and extent of each such tract; and the subsequent columns are to be filled up in the same manner as the corresponding columns in Table, No. 3.

Where more than one tract is described in the first column, lines should be ruled across the table, to divide the answers which relate to each, from those referriug to another.

Table, No. 6.
In this table is to be furnshed the following information relative to any other Institutions for Education in the , besides those returned in the foregoing tables:-

In the first column, every such institution is to be named and described; stating whether it is a boys' or gris' school, a common or supenior school, academy or college, its precise locallty and the average age of its pupuls.

Any girls' school in a parish, which has received the public-allowance of $20 l$. (currency) - per annum, under the late School Act, is to be returned in the former tables, as an elementary school, in the school district in which it is stuate; and the questions put in those tables are to be answered in regard to such school, and not those only which are given in this table. Any other girls' school will be returned in this table.

In the subsequent columns successsvèly, will be given the particalars in regard to each, which are indicated in the table itself. Any other partuculars that may suggest themselves, can be stated in the column of "remarks" or elsewhere.

Where more than one Institution is to be reported upon; it would be well to rule lines across the table, to divide the several reports from one another.

It is of course desirable that all the returns asked for in the above Tables, should be rendered as nearly exact as possible. Where for any reason it is not found possible to make them exact, the word "about" should be prefixed to those estumates which are at all conjectural.

In case of a difference of opinion on any point, between the gentlemen to whom these inquiries are addressed, it is desirable that the lact should be stated in the column of "lemarks," or in any other more convenient manner.




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## Copy of a LETTER from the Earl of Durham to the Maquis of Normanby.

## My Lord, <br> Cleveland Row, 31 May 1839.

Ture last portion of the Appendix to my Report on British North America, which I have now the honour of transmitting to your Lordship, consists of Reports from Mr. Buller and Mr. Turtop on two questions of considerable importance, to which I instructed them particularly to direct their attention. Mr. Turton's Report contains the draft of an Ordinance for the establishment of a general registry of lands in the province of Lower Canada, with some explanatory remarks : Mr. Buller's consists of a statement of the steps which he took with a view of effecting the incorporation of the seminary of St. Sulpice of Montreal, and the enfranchisement of that city from the feudal tenure, with the heads of an agreement respecting the most important points of such a measure, to which he succeeded in securing the assent of the parties chiefly interested therein.
The importance of these questions, together with the strong and general desire existing in-Lower Canada for the speedy and satisfactory settlement of them, are so well known to your Lordship, that I need be at no pains in enforcing the necessity of a prompt and full consideration of the Reports which I now transmit, or of the adoption, at the earliest possible period, of the legislative measures requisite for carrying into eflect such of their recommendations as may be judged sound and practicable. I have to regret that the labours of Mr. Buller and Mr. Turton could not, with the utmost diligence on their part, be brought to a close till it was too late for me to take upon myself, as I wished, the duty of proposing to my special council Ordinances founded on their recommendations.

I have, however, within the last few days', received from Lower' Canada the very satisfactory information that the labours of my mission have been continued by my successor, and that his Excellency the Governor-general has, with the advice of his special council, passed an Ordinance for the incorporation of the seminary of St. Sulpice, which I have inserted in this Appendix. It will be perceived that this Ordinance is in all respects framed on Mr. Buller's agreement with the superior of the seminary which precedes it in the annexed Report. By the last clause it is provided that the Ordinance shall be of no force until sanctioned and rendered permanent by the Imperial Parliament, or by such future legislative authority in the province as shall be cmpowered to pass permanent laws. I have received a letter from the superior expressive of the anxiety with which the respectable community that he represents desires the immediate sanction of the Imperial Parliament to a measure which shall put an end to their doubts on the subject. The assent of the present special council, which contains not only those who may fairly be regarded as the true representatives of the British population of Montreal, but also most of those who from property or residence are themselves most interested in the question, may, I think, be considered conclusive proof of a general concurrence, on the part of the public, in the equity and expediency of the course adopted. I have heard of no indications of a contrary feeling on the part of any portion of the population of Lower Canada; I cannot therefore refrain from impressing on your Lordship, in the most earnest manner, the pro' priety of losing no time in at once proposing to Parliament a Bill for giving permanent force to the Ordinance in question. To me personally it will indeed be a source of great

Appendix (E.) gratification, if the attention which, amd all the more amportant subjects of inquiry and more pressing demands on immediate action, could be devoted to this subject by my mission shall have been the means of removing a cause of much harassung doubt and controversy, and of conferming a great practical benefit on the mhabitants of the most populous city of the Province.

I have not received any intelligence of the adoption, by the special council, of any measure with respect to the registration of real property, If the draft of the Oidinanceprepared by Mr. Turton shall meet with your Lordship's approbation, I should recommend that it be sent out to the Governor-general, with mstructions to pigpose it to the special councl, with a clause similar to that $m$ the accompanymg Ordinance reapecting the seminary, suspending its operation until it shall have been sanctioned and rendered permanent by an Act of the Imperial Parlament. In such case it will be advisable that Parliament should give the special council a power of imposing such fees'and fines as may be requisite for establishing a general registry of real property.

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(signed) Durham.

REPORT from the Chief Sechetany, on the Commutation of the Feudal Tenures in the Island of Montreal, and other Seigniories in the Possession of the Seigniory of St. Sulpice of Montreal.

## My Lord,

I have great satisfaction in being able to state that the steps which, in compliance with your Excellency's instructions, I have taken with respect to the enfranchisement of the Island of Montreal trom the feudal tenure, have resulted in a settlement of the procipal points in a manner, which has been considered satisfactoly by the partues most interpsted in the matter.

It is not necessary for me to give for the juformation, either of your Excellency or of Her Majesty's Government, any detalled account of the peculiar circumstances, which distinguish the enfranchisement of the Island of Montreal from the general quesuon regarding the feudal tenures thoughout the province; and which, in that district, render the existence of that tenure peculialy undeairable, and its removal by voluniary arrangement pecuharly easy. The seignomy of Montreal comprises the whole island of that name, and moludes the chty together with the giound, over which it must in the progress of tune extend itself. In such a spot the pernicious influence of these feudal tenures, which in all parts of the province retard the extension of us commerce and the developement of its natural resources, is felt with angmented torce, at piesenting a baruer to the enlargement and improvement of the city. The fines on alienation, whrch impede the thansmission of land, and impose a heavy tux on every improvement, while they are mjurious to the use of land for agriculture, are infinitely more fatial to its being rendered applicable to building purposes. The existence of the feudal icnure has been the occasion of loud and lung complant among the mercantule population of Montral; and bas been percesved to be the man cause of the slow progress both in extent and prospenty of a cuty, which, as well fiom its position at the confluence of the St. Lawrence and the Ottawa, and at the highest point at which the river is navigable from the sea, as from the increasing resuuces of the rich and extensive territories drained by these waters, possesses every capability for belog ere long one of the greatest marts of trade and seats of population on the American contuent. And, however the progiess of Montreal may have suffered from those unfortunate causes, that have litherto opeiated so prejudicially on the general miterests of the Briush coloniea in North America, it may farly be concluded, that if this petuhar obstacle to ths prosperity were removed, the city would receive an mpulse to its improvement, that no other circumstances could entuely counteract.

The possession of this seigmory ly the ecclessastical body of the Seminary of St. Sulpice, fortunately affords tacilites which render it very praciicable to effect a voluntary commutation in the Istand of Montieal, without watngg tot the completion of that general commutation of the feudal tenure, which, it is to be hoped, will before long be carried into effect throughout the province of Lower Canada. The-complete view of this subject, which is given in the fifur report of the Canada Commisstoners, renders it unnecessary that I should enter mito any narrative of the circumstances, under whech the body now torming the semnary becane possessed of its prosent cstates, and of the doubts which exist as to its tile to them. Notwathstanding the arguments, which I bave heard urged on the other side, I have found no reason to question the soundness of the conclusion, at which the Canada Commissioners arrived, aganst the justice as well as aganst the policy of any attmpt on the part of the Croun to dispute the legal utle of the seminary, and to enforce clamis which have practically been long suffered to lie dormant. "Whether or not," say the Commissomers, "the legal tule be in the seminary, the King has done numerous acts which woufd render.it very derogatory to the honour of the Crown to contest it, except
for the attainment of some great pablic good, which could not be gained by any other means." 'The report of the Commissioners, und the treaty which they attempted'to negocinte with the seminary are adchtional and mportant lecognitions on the part of the Crown, of the tite of that body. Nor is the establishment of the semmary in the undisputed possession of this property demanded less by good policy than by equity. The purpases to which its menns are upplied ase those of the most undsputable and cssential public utility. The parochial duties of the whole city of Montreal are gratuitously' discharged by its membere. A considerable portion of its revenues is devoted to the maintenance of large and useful institutions of education; another pürtion supports missionary establishments among the Indians; and after satisfyng the many claims on its chanty; which its generosity has has always bcen in the habit of admittin's as paumount, a scanty pitance is left for the fragal mantenance of the individual members. The functions, which the seminary thus takes on itselt, are such as the Govemment must provide meams for discharging, wete it to deprive the seminaly of the power; and it is difficulay to conceive that a phovision so satisfactory and so economical could be made in aly other way. Without, the efore, producing the slightest practical advantage, the atiempt to entonce the alleged legal rights of the Crown, would, if successful be regarded as a wanton attack on a most respectable body of the clergy of the whole of the ancient, and of a large proportion of the emgramt population of the province. It would be regaded, not without justice, as an attack making as little gratitude as prudence on the part of the Briush Government. For during the recent thoubles, as well as in preceding periods, the seminary of Montreal has been conspicuous among the clergy of the province by its zealous and unshaken loyalty. To its efforts, and the exercise of its influence at the most alarming crisis, we may aitribute the security of the city from some of the formidable dangers which menaced it.

The doubts, however, whech hang over the fulle of the seminary, necessarily render that bodv desirous of obtamug a formal recognition or confirmation of its rights, which may secure it not only aganst adverse claims on the part of the Crown, but aganst the resistance to lis just demands, on which some of its tenants have occasionally ventured, relying on tis unwilingness to enforce them by a suit at law, in the counse of which its whole proprietary rights might be called in question. And though tor the reasons on which I have dwelt, nothng could be less advisable than any atempton the part of the Crown to enforce us own dommit clams, or to exhibit any uywilingness to recognize those of the semmary, it is not inconsistent with equity or sound policy - hat it should take adivantage of the occasion of giving a new name and ute' to this propetty, tomake such stipulation for an alteration of its mischievous meidents, as the public interest demands. The Crown has, therefore, while it has shown the greatest readiness to confirm the seminary in the possession of its present estates, stupulated that the concession on tis part shall be accompanied by tive enfranchsement of the Island of Montreal from its leudal burdens. To this conditery the semmary has in the most ready and generous manner acceded. The terms propised by it to the Canada Commissoners appeared to them so liberal that they unhestanngly recommended their adoption in the report, which I have quoted above. And your Excellency was so much of the same opinion, that in complance with your instrucuon I made the recommendations of the Commissioners the basis of the plan by which i proposed to eftect the commutation.

Your Excellency is aware of the objections which were ratsed to the plan, when it became generally known that it was to be bised upon the recommeulation of the Canada Cominisstoners. I need not now recall to your Excellency's recollection the unreasonable nature of the demands urged by some of the mhabitants of Montreal in a pection presented on your return foom the Upper Province at the end of July, nor the infemperate language in which that document was couched. I allude to it only for the purpose of noticing the fact that, while the greater part of the Eughsh mhabitants of Moutreal disclamed any participation in the desine which some of the petutioners seemed to entertain that the Crown should aval itselt of its alleged legal rights to umpose the hadest terms on the seminay, it appeared to be the general wish that some alteration should be made in the terms proposed, and that the Government in giving the semmary an mensputable title to its possesstons, should supulate for their due apphication to purposes of public unhlay, and guard aganst the accumulation of a large landed property giving great political influence over the cily of Montreal in the hands of an ceclesmastical corposation. The seminary objected to many of the proposals made by the other party, as wantonly interfering with its ecelestasucal independence and dignty, and unduly curtaing the amount of ins tuture revenues. It is not till very recently that thave been enabled to get the consent of the seminary to the heads of an Ordmance which, I am happy to say, has been also agreed to by those who may tarly be legarded as represcuting the feelmgs of the British party on this point. I submit these heads to your Escellency, feeling thrit, in the present state of ffars, it would be useless to seduce them into the form of Ordinance, Letters Patent, or other formal and conclusive document.

It is proposed,-

1. That the superior and ecclesaasturs of the semuary of St. Sulpice of Montreal be formed into a corporation, for the purposes to be specified in the Ordinance, Act of Parhament, or Letters Patent: Provided that the rules of management of the corporatoon be not valid without confirmation by the Government.
2. That their utle to therr three piesent seignories be confirmed and acknowledged by the Crown on the conditions annexed.
3. That with respect to present arrears of "lods et ventes," calculated by the seminary at $44,000 \mathrm{l}$. for the Island of Montreal, and $\mathbf{1 2 , 7 0 0}$. for the, other, two seignories, and also with respect to all fines that may atcrue in future, they shall not demund for each mutation more than one-twentieth of thip value on each lot having buildngs, and beng with the buidngs of the value of bool. and upwards, withu the city of Montreal, or more than one-sixteenth where the land is outside the cny, on where with the baidengs on it , it is of less value than 500 l .
4. That these arrears be pad within seven years without interest, in seven annual instaments; any dekult for three months atier demand, to render the whole of the remander exighle mmedately.
5. That the seminaty be bound to commute, on demand, all its seignional rights, provided that nos censtane shall be entited to demand commutation until he shall have pard up all his arrens of sergnorial ches.
6. That the cens et rentis be commuted by payment of the capital represented by thein at the legal rate of imerest.

That the lods et ventes of any lot within the city of Montical, and having buildings on it, and beang with such buildings of the value of 500 l . and upwards, shall for the first seven years from the date of the letters patent be commuted for a prayment of not more than one-twentueth of the value of such lot.
At the end of seven years and before the end of fourteen from the same date for a payment of not more than one-erghteenth.

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That the lodset ventes of any lot withn the city, the buildings on which are of less value than 500 l, and more than 100 . shall durnig the first-of-the above-mentioned peiciods be commuted for a payment of one-siateenth.

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That the lods et ventes of any lot outside the city, or of any lot whinh being withon the ctiy shall not have buidngs of the value of 100 . theicon, shall during the first of these peiods be commuted for a payment of not more than one-twelth.

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7. That, whese the amount of such commutation cannot be settled by voluntay agreement, both pallics are to appoint an arbitathor: one of the juclges nomioating instead of the seminary, if it neglects to do so; and Ghe Cout of King's Bench to nommate a third. That these three ate to sette the amounts of commotation and arrears. That the dwand be final, and that the expenses of arbitration be borne equally by the paties.
8. That this award and payment of such sums, shall operate as a final commutation" of all seignorial dues, and the land be henceforth hetd in "franc aleu roturer," whoh is never again to be conventible into a teudal tenure. The right of the semmary to its pivileges tor all arrears remaning the same as af there had been no change of tenure.
9. That the amount of commutation shall be fixed as a redeemable quit-ient, (rente consthuée rachetable) on the property.
10. That the farm of St. Gabiel stoll be sold by the scminaty, and if not sold within 20 years, shall fall within the provisions of the mormann laws, and go two the Ciown.
11. That the mones recemed for the arrears, commutation, and farm of St. Gabriel, shall be invested only in the public securitues of the United Kingdom or its colones, with the exception of a power of holding $30,000 \mathrm{l}$. worth of property producher ancome to the semmary, whith it shall be permited to invest in any land winthin the province, eacept the farm of St. Gabiel.
12. That the semmary shall lay betore the Governor a detated statement of ts estate, debts and expenditure, as often as the Guvernment shall requie.
13. That the semnary shall contrnue subject to the same powers of visitation m temporal matters as weie possessed by the kings of France, or are now possessed by the Crown of England.
It is not necessary for me on the present occasion to enter into any detailed explanation of the objects whith which the various clauses of the agreement have been framed. In framing the terms of a formal and complete agreement with the semmary, it becane necessary to enter into details which had not come under the attention of the Conmisstoners; and many of them had reference to ponts of considerable delicacy and difficulty. On others, which had been adverted to by the Commssioners, I found that it was necessary to make some alterations in order to meet, as well my own, and I believe your Excellency's views of what he public interest demands, as those of the persons who represented on this occasion the views of the public as contracung with the semmary. On sume of them I have not thought it necessary to enter into much explanation, but have contented muself with merely pointiug out the general nature of the provision to be made. Your Excellency will perceive that some of these points reler to the general constitution and managenent of the seminary, and others to the precise terms of the pecuniary arrangement to be made.
I feel that I have acted in perfect accordance with you Excellency's own views, as well as those of the Canada Commissioners in layng it down as "general rule of conduct in
this matter, that the occasion of the proposed commutationtwas not to be seized for the purpose of enforeng with regard to the seminary of Montreal any regulation not called for by the actual arrangement itself, and which would introduce a practice at all different from that adopted with respect to the other ecclesiastical and educational institutions of the plovince. The semmary of Montreal will, in spite of any arrangements now adopled with ieference to itself alone, be liable to any general emacturent whech the Legrlature may hereafter find it necessany to adapt with respect to such institutions. The Commissioners in their report have in my opimon very justly remaked that "beciuse the semburay of Montreal has consented to an urgently requied improvement, there is no reason that further alterations, which, if good, are equally to be wished in every other relugious semnary, should be exclusively urged upon this one: nor would it be consistent with the common rules of pradence that am aprangement so long desired in respect to the property of Montreal should be subjected to the risk of being mdefinitely postponed, or even of failing, by adding to it further reforms never coupled with it till it seemed on the point of succeedlug." It will be seen that it is proposed that the uses of the property now in the hands of the semmary, and which have been regulated by the good feeling of that body, and the custom to which it has conformed, should be spectifed in the public act, by which its title is confirmed. As a fuither means of control over the management of the unstitunon, it has been agreed that ussules of management should not be valid without confirmation by the Government. It is also provided that the semmary shall, whenever the Government shall require, lay before it a detaled statement of ats pecunaily affars. The seminary preferred making this accountabilty dependent on the demands of the Government to a pentodical account, which had been proposed on the other stde; and to this plan, which the gentemen of the bolly represented as conformable to their own views and ancient customs, there seemed to pxist no objections that rendered it at all advisable to insist upon a peroodical accoumt. The semunary objected to the creation in thein case of new and peculial-powfis of visitation. But the highest legal authorties of the province were of opinion that the powers of visitation bitherto possessed by the Crown of France and Eugland were quite sufficient for all usefisl purposes. And a clause to this effect has been mserted with the entire consent of the semmary.

The British'population of the piovince appeared to be very drasous that the seminary should henceforth cense in gieat measure to appear in the chatacter of a landed proprietor; and above all that it should not contmue to possess a large extent of land in the city. In the general objections to the possession of large landed poperty by ecclesiastical corpotations, objections of which the force has been long recognized by the mortiman laws, not only of our own but of every civilized European country, I could not but entirely comcide; and I felt anxious that in making thes agreement with the seminary provision should be made that it should ecase to hold such portion of its present lands as lie in the ummediate neighbourhood of the city of Moutical; and that the funds arising from the sale of their lands and the commutation of its feudal rughts should not be remvested in lands. The opposition of the seminary, which at first extended to any stipulation of the hind, reduced itself by degrees to narrower limits; and I found that it would be satusfied, provided it wete permitted to hold so much land as would suffice for the various buldiugs required for its educational estabhshments, together with some houses in the eity, which would probably serve for little mone than the accommodation of its professors and wher persons connected with it. It has been determined, therefore, that the farm of St. Gábuel. whelh is the only rateusive landed estate possessed by the seminary in the Island of Montreal, and whech must very soon be required for building in the event of any extension of the city, shall be sold; and that all the money recenved by way of arreas and of commutation, together with that arisug from the sale of the farm of St. Gabuel, shall be invested in the public securties of the United Kingdom or tis colonies, the seminary being pernitted nevertheless to acquire or to tetann 30,000 . worth of land in the province.
It now only remains for me to notice the provisions which have been made with respect to the pecunary terms of the commutation. With respect to the rate, at which the arrears for past mutations are to be collected, no change is to be made in the tems proposed by the Canada Commissioness; and it is merely stipulated that the seminary when possessed of an indsputable tule shaill contunue to make the same moderate claims as herefofore. Great alarm appeared to be entertamed by some of the mhabitants of Montreal as to the amount of these arrears, which sonte of them calculated as likely to amount to no less than 150,000L. But this catevdation was founded on no aceurate, or even intelligible data; and as the time to which I was limited, drd not suffice tor the preparation of completely correct infurmation by an inspection of the books of the seminary, I was obliged to tuke the amount as'stated by the superior in his communications with me. This amount I have specified in the agreement, at 44,000 l. for the Island of Montreal, and 12,7ool. for the other two seignorres, being altogether 56,7001 .; and, as this is the statement of the semmary Athelf, I thins it would not be bearing untanly hard upon that body if the total amount to be received for arrears should be so limited in the Act of incorporation.
In the proposal made by the seminary to the Canada Commissioners, and adopted by them, the terms proposed for the commutation of the lods et ventes differed in some respects from those proposed for the collection of the arrears. With segard to the latter - it was clearly advisable that there should be no deviation from the loing establshed custom. The seminary has been-m the habit of dividing the lots in the seignory of Montreal into two classes, the first consistung of those within the city, and having in then buildings of the value of 500 l . and more ; the second comprising all lots outside of the city, together with
those within it, which bear buldings of less value than $500 \%$. On the first class it has been in the habit of taking one-twentieth, on the latter one-sixteenth of the whole value of the property as the fine or ahenation; the legal claim being one-twelfit in both cases. To these rates it it settled in the present agreement that the seminary shall adhere in the cols lection of its arrears. The principles on which the semmary proposed to commute the tenures on the first or more valuable class of its property, was that of taking the amount of one fine as a perpetual enfranchisement for all future demands; and the "grent moderation of this proposal must be very cheeifully acknowledged. But to the second or less valuable class of its property the semuniry did not feel inched to extend terms quite so favourable. In the report of the Canada Commissioners it is stated thit the semmary proposed to require 5 per cent. On the first class, and 12 per cent on the second. I have however reason to believe that in the latter part of this clause there was an accidental numerical mastake, and that instead of $12 \downarrow$ per cent. the seminary in fuct meant only to demand onetwelfith or $8 \neq$ per cent. This at least was its propusal to me.

It must he owned that the terms proposed even with regard to the second class were singularly moderate; and that the semmary when it proposed to enfranchise its censitaires from.all future liabilities on the payment of the amount due on one alienation, could not be thought very harsh in urging that on the unimpioved portion of its property it would insist on taking this one fine at its full legal amount. The one-twelth proposed with respect to the second class 1a, after all, the legal fine due on all on the accasion of every alienation, and is generally received without deduction by all other seigmors in the province. It will not however be matier of surprise chat the establishment of such a distinction between the two classes of properties excited discontent among the holders of the less favoured class; and, as this was composed of the poorer and moie numerous body, I ventured to represent to the seminary that the establishment of such a distinction would enlist the syonpathies of the commumty againat the arrangement; and to recommend that mboth cases the price of the commutanon should be fixed at the amount of the fine which had hitherto been taken. The seminary stated that it was quite ready to apply this prinepple equally to all lots on which there were buildings; but that on mere agicultural or unimproved lots, on which very hatle increase of walue had heen effected by the application of capital, it thought it quite fair and necessary to take the full legal amount of one fine. Adhering to sts old classificatom, it had demanded this larger amount on all lots containing buldings of less value than 500 l . ; but it assued me of its perfect seadmess to accede to any new scale by wheh a distinction could be made betueen the less valuable class of buildings on the one side, and, on the ohher, land bearing no buildings, except such as it was upprehended might be raised on absolutely unimproved proplerty in order to escape the bigher rate of commutation. It appeared on discussing ibss point that $100 l$. would be a tair value to take as the critenou of boná fide buildugs, and that no one would for the purpose of evasion erect a buidhas of greater value on ummproved lanit. With this view the luts have been divided intu three classes to be sulyected to different rates of commutation. The two first are the different classes of lots within the chty : the first class being that havag buildings above $500 \mathrm{l} . \mathrm{m}$ value, the second those of less than 500 l . and more than 100 l . On both of these the commutation is proposed to be fixed at the rate lintuerto adopted with respect to tines, at one-twentieth of the value for the first, and one-sisteenth for the second. The third class is to comprise all of what may be regarded as unimproved lois, that is of all lots outsule of the city, and any within it, on wheh theic shall not be-a bundang of the value of $100 \%$. On thas the price of commutation is to be fixed at-onentwelfth.

Südrare the terms agreed upon for the first perood of seven years after the adoption of a measure for comuntation. The agreement contams provisions for a varation of the rate of commutation, if delayed beyond that pernd. If not concluded in the first period of seven years, the terms are to be raised during a second of the same duration; and didayed beyond 14 years, the rate is to be still further mereased.

An important improvement on the agreement sanctioned by the Canadi Commissioners will, I thimk, be found in the provision respecting the nature of the change lor whin ibe present liabilities are to be commuted. The Commisconers propose, that "a sliould be allowable by mutual agreement to charge the whole of the commutation money as a mortgage on the property, or to convert it into a quit-rent, but not without the tree consent of buith partues." It appeased to me very desirable that every facility and inducement should be given to the immedrate completion of the commuration; and that m cases in wheh the censitare might not possess the means of paying the whole amount of the purctrase-money, he should be able to effect the commutation by sething its amount, and fixing the mierest thereot as a rent-charge on the property. Thas proposal met with the approval of all parties, and on the foregoing agreement it is accordingly provided, that the ginount of commutation shall be fixed on the property as a redeemable quit-rent, or rente constituée racketalle.

The terms thus settled met with the entne concurrence of the seminary. Messrs. M'Gill and Moffatt, though more lavourable to a draft of an Ordinance originally prepared by themselves, signified their entire readiness to assent to the foregoing agreement; and it met also with the concurrence of Mi. Adam Thom, who had at first supported vicws more near those'of the strongest opponents of the seminary. It appears most desirable that no time should be lost in definitively adopting and carrying into effect the settlement of this question. The only difficulty arises from the want of any sufficient legislative power in the province, to give the force of law to the agrement. It is a matter of doubt, whether in the present state of its title the seminary could make such a valid surrender as would be required as a foundation for a fresh grant on the conditions agreed in Letters

Patent from the Crown. An Ordinance passed under the present limited power of the Governor'and council, would only be valid for three or four years, and consequently no one would commute under it. It is certainly' not desirable, that the Imperial Parliament should undermke the task of legislating at a distance on a subject requiring so much local knowledge. The only cóurse that remains is, that the Imperial Parliament, should pass an Act, giving the force of permanent law to any Ordinance passed by the present legislature of Lower Canada, for the incorporation of the seminary of St. Sulpice of Montreal, and for the commutation of tenure in the seignories now posseased by that body. Instructions might then be sent out to propose to the special council an ordinance founded on the forgoing ugreement.

In bringing these remarks 10 a close, allow me to impress once more on your Excellency the imporinnce of taking advantage of the present disposition on both sides to secure to the public the great practical benefits, which must result from an equitable settlement of this question. Your Excellency will, I am sure, see the necessity of removing froun this distracted community, one even of the minor causes of difference.

I have, \&c.

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\text { Quebec, } 31 \text { Octoker 1838. } \quad \text { (signed) Chs. Buller, Chief Secretary. }
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LETTER of M. Quiblier in nnswer to Honorable Chs. Buller's Letter of 21 ult., requiring information on several points relatung to the Seminary ${ }_{i}-(3$ Enclosures.) Monsieur,

Séminaire de Montreal, 5 Septembre 1838.
Dans la lettre que vous m'avez fait l'honneur de in'ecrire en date du 25 du mois dernier, vous me demandez, pour l'nformation de son Excellence le Gouverneur-général;

- 1. Un état descouvres auxquelles les fonds du séminnire sont maintennnt consacrés./

2. Un état des produits des moulins, des droits de mutations et des rentes, pendańt les cinq dernieres quinées, dans chacune de nos trois seigneuries, Ile de Montréal, St. Sulpice et Lac ded deux Montagnes.
3. Un rapport d'etaillé des lods et ventes dûs, des dates de chaque mutation, des noues des vendeurs et nequéreurs, et des propriétaires actuels. Mais dans votre lettre du 31 dernier, vous m’avez permis de la part de son Excellence le Gouverneur-général, de me fenfermer dans un rapport sommaire des lods et ventes arriérés.
En réponse aux susdies questions, je prends la liberté de vous reférer nux/trois rapports, ci-inclus, dont le nombre correspond au nombre respectif de chaque question.
Avec la melleure volonté et le travail le plus scrupuleux, il n'a paséré possible de parvenir à quelque chose de plus exact. Je désire vivement que ces renseignements puissent satisfaire son Excellence Le Gouverueur-general, et accélérer la conclusion de cette affaire importante.

J'ai l'honneur d'être, avec une haute considération, Monsieur,
Votre très-humble et tres-obéssant serviteur,
Honorable Charles Buller,
Quiblier, Supr.
Secrétaire-en-Chef, \&c. \&cc. \&cc.
Enclosure, No. 1.
Lues courres dont lée séminaire est chargés sont,

1. La desserte de la paroissée de Montréal, composée d'envirou so,000 catholiques, dont ${ }_{3}$ Irlandais, Anglais, Ecossais, pour lesquels le seminaire entretient habituellement 15 à 18 prêrres. Le séminaire regoit de plus tous les pretres du diocèse de Montréal et des autres pays, qui veulent y prendre Plospinalité.
2. La mission du lac des dellx Montagnes, pour linstruction des sauvages Iroquois et Algonquins, pour lesquels fe sénuinaire entretient 2 et assez communément 3 prêtres; une école pour les garcons et 2 écoles pour les filles.
3. Le petut séminaire ou collége, ou il y a habituellement 5 prêtues et 15 maitres, on l'on enseigne le Françass, J'Anglais, le Grec, le Latin, les belles letres, la philosophie, les mathénatiques, sec. \&cc. Plus de 150 pensionnaires et plus de 100 externes fréquentent l'érablissement.
4. Les écoles de la paroisse qui sont tenues par une trentaine de maitres ou de maitresses, et dans lesquelles près de 1,400 enfans reçoivent une éducation presque toute gratuite.
5. Une salle fondée à l'Hôpitul-général des Sceurs Grises pour 6 paûvres vieillards invalides qui sont nourris et entrelenus aux frais du séminaire.
6. Une autre salle tondée au unême hôpital pour 40 orpheliness Iriandaises, nourries, instruites et entretenues aux frais du séminaire jusqu’à ce qu'elles solent placées dans des familles hounêies.
7. On'ajoute cette année un etablissement de Frères des écuies chrétieunes, dejà fréquenté par plus de $=60$ jéunes garcons, à qui on enseigne gratuitement la lecture. l’ecriture, le calcul, le grammane, la géographíe, les elénens de la géométrie et du dessin hueare, \&c. Sce.
8. Les aumónes publiques et serrettes, souscriptions et anéliorations publques absorbent ce qui reste de revenus npres les clarges remplies.
$\|$ est à remarquer que les susdites ceuvres auguinenteront en proportion de la population.
Montréal, 5 Septembre 183 S.
Quiblier, Supr.

Enclosure, No. 2.
Produrt des Seigneuries de Montreal, de St. Sulpice et du Lac des deux Montagnes pendant les cinq dernières années.

1. Seigneurie de Montreal.

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | f. | £. | £. | £. |
| 1833-- | - 3,095 | - 2,249 - | - 652 | - - 5,996 |
| 1834 - - | - 3,028 | - 1,695 - | - 480 - | - - 5,203 |
| 1835- - - - - | - 3,072 - | - 1,873 - | - 360 - | - - 5,305 |
| $1836-$ - - - | - 2,369 - | - 1,783 - | - 607 . | - - 4,758 |
| 1837 - - - | -. 3,222 - | - 1,905 - | - 578 - | - - 5,705 |
|  |  |  |  | 26,967 |

2. Seigneurie de St. Sulpice.

3. Seigneurie du Lac des deux Montagnes.


Montréal, 5 Septembre, 1838.
Quillier, Supr.

Enclosure, No. 3.
Dans le rapport fait aux commissaires en 1836, les arrérages de la seigneurie de Montríal ont eté estimés ì 34,000 $l$. de bonnes dettes.

Les arrérages des troıs sengneuries peuvent ètre estimées maintenant comme suit:

## Ile de Montreal.

D'apres un relevé assez correct des mutations, les lods et ventes dûs dans la ville et les faubourgs de Montréal depuis 1807, jusqu'à 1838, sont de 62,143 l., suvvant le taux légal. De cette somme, il faut dédure,
$1^{\text {º }}$. An moins $\mathrm{r}^{\text {max }}$ pour non valeur.
$2^{\circ}$. Le séminaure ne prenant ordınairement que le $20^{m e}$, au lieu du $12^{m e}$ alloué par la loı, il faut déduire encore ${ }^{\text {gnme }}$, ce qui réduiroit la somme cidessus en bonnes dettes a environ - - - - - - - - - - - . $\begin{aligned} & 31,000\end{aligned}$
Nous n'avons pas de relevé exact de l'lle et des deux autres seigneuries; mais en calculant pur le nombre des terres de chaque seigneurie, les arrérages sont a peu piss comme suit, deduction faite des non valeur et des gráces ordinaires
En la seigneuric de St. Sulpice - - - - - - - - $\quad$ - 3,000

En a seigneurie de S. Sulpice - - - - - - - - 4, 000
En la sergneurie du Lac - - - . . . - . 7,800
\&. $5^{6,700}$
Montréal, 5 Septembre, $183^{8}$.
Quiblier, Supr.

Cher Monsieur,
Séminaire de Montrenl, ${ }_{15}$ Septembre 1838.
J'ai eu l'honneur de recevoir votie letre du 10 dernier, dans laquelle vous me demandez, 1. Quel est le montant total des luds et ventes pendant chacune des cinq dernieres annees dans la cité et les faubourgs de Montréal? 2. Quel est le montant annuel des meme lods et ventes pour le reste de la consive de notre seigneurie de Montréal ? 3. Quel est le montant des cens et lentes dans toute la selgneutie de Montréal, pour chacune des cing dernières années, et aussi quelle somme en a été collectée? 4. Enfin, d'après quelles règles nous regardons comme mauvaises dettes certains arrérages de lods et ventes?
Pour donner l'état mentionné par la première question, al faudroit parcourir et relever cinq volumes in folio du terrier de la ville et des faubourgs, et revoir tous less comptes; ce qui dieumanderoit le travail assidu de deux personues habiles pendant plusieurs mois.
L'état auquel a rapport la $2^{\text {do }}$ question est encore plus difficile et plus long; les notaires dans la campagne ne font pas exactement les retours de leurs actes; 11 arrive qu'un grand nombre de mutations nous deneurent inconnues pendant plusieurs années. Un nouveau terrier pourroit seul nous fournir les moyens de parvenir, à cet égard, à des renseignements exacts.
Il n'est pas impossible, cependant, si l'on veut, de savoir quel est le montant approximatif des revenus de la seigneuie de Montréal, pendant chacune des cinq dernères années.

Les arrerages de lods et ventes dans la ville et les faubourgs pendant les 30 dernieres années moniant en bonnes dettes à 31,000 l, ce qui piésente par an E . 1,033
Les arrérages de lile $\mathbf{1}_{3,000}$ ì. par an $\quad$ - $\quad-\quad-\quad-\quad-\quad 433$ f. 1,466
La recette réclle des cinq dernières années y compris les moulins, ayant été
d'environ $26,767 \mathrm{l}$; c'est par an
Ainsi le revenu annuel de la seigneurie de Montréal peut-être évalué à ' $-\quad \underline{\text { - } £ .6,859}$
Il monteroit plus haut si les lods et ventes étuient exigés selon la rigueur de la loi.
Il n'est plus facile de répondre à la première partie de la $2^{\mathrm{e}}$ question. Les rentes annuelles de toute la seigneurie de Montreal, y compris la ville et les faubourgs, sont de 2,000 minots de bled et $100 l$. en argent. Mas il m'est absolument impossible de spécifier ce qu'il en a ćté perçu chaque année. Dans noslivres de fecette, nous portons simplement ce qui est payé sans mentionner si c'est pour arrérages pour lods et ventes op pour rentes courantes. Les ceasitaires aiment mienx n’avoir qu'un compte ouvert. Pour obtenir une distinction détaillée, il faudıoit ıevoir et relever tous les comptes des particuliers, pendant cinq ans; ce qui seroit un travall presque immense. Pour repondre à la $4^{\text {me }}$ question, je prendrai la liberté de vous faire observer, $1^{\circ}$. Qu'un certain nombre de lods et verties sont frappés de prescription et cessent d'être exigbles en loı, quoique ils soient dûs en équité. $2^{\circ}$. Un certain nombre de terrains sont tirés au sort, et la valeur de quelques uns ne pourroit compenser les frais judiciaires, si l'on repétoit en lot les lods et ventes. $3^{\circ}$. D'autres terreins tombent entre les mains d'acquéreuis très pauvres, ou subissent de si fréquentes mutations qu'on ne pourrot en exiger les droits rigourensement dûs sans plonger ces infortunés dans la derniere mısère.

Vollà les principales sources de ce que nous appelons mauvaises dettes.
Agréezl'ex pression de la haute considération avec laquelle j'ai l'honneur d'être, Cher Monsieur, votre très-humble et tiès-obéssant serviteur,
A l'Honorable Charles Buller,
Quiblier, Supr.
Secrétaire-en-Chef, \&c. \&c. \&c.

ESTIMATE given in by M. Quiblier, Superior of the Seminaiy, of the probable Amount to be received for Commutation of the Tenures in its Three Seignories.
Le taux fixé par la loi, pour les changemens de tenures en franc alleu roturier, est de la cinquième partie de la valuer de l'inmeuble, ou du quint.
La Couıonne en affranchissant ses censitaires n'a exigé que le dixième.
Le séminarre en proposant un pel affranchıssement a demandé le douzième de là valuer des propriétés en général, et a consentı à se contenter du goé de la valuer des propitétés de la ville, bâtues pour un montant d'au mons 500 l : Cette disunction a ćté fatte en faveur de lindustrie et du commerce qui ont crée de parelles'améliorations.

Aucun autre seigneur ou établissement ne pourioit transiger à un taux si modéré. Les censtaares du sémınaire de Montréal sont, sọus ce rapport, les plus priviléglés du Canada.

Quand le séminaire a fait des propositions aussi faciles, il s'est fondé sur les estimations suivantes, assez exactes alors, mais devenues au-dessus de la vérité pour l'état actuel des affaires.

L'Ile de Montréal, non compris l'espace occupé par la ville, est diviscée en 1,300 terres dont la valuer moyenne, estimée pour chacune, d'environ 4,00 l. donneroit un montant de - . - f. $^{220,000}$
En traitant avec les Commissaires royaux, nous avions estime la valeur de la ville et faubourgs d'environ - - - " $\quad$. $1,480,000$

Le fief de St. Sulpice est divisé en 700 terres, dont la valuer moyenne, estimée pour chacune a 125 l., monteroit à - - :- $£ .87,500$
Le fief du Lac des deux Montagnes est divisé en 1,23o terres, dont la valeur moyenne, estimée pour chacune ìmool. monteroit à $\mathbf{f . 1 2 3 , 0 0 0}$

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\text { Total des trois seigneuries } \quad-\quad-\quad-\frac{210,500}{-(2,210,500}
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Si ces propriétés étoient vendues par le sheriff, elles ne monteroient pris nux deux tiers de la susdite valeur.
Il faut aussi avoir égard aux grâces que nous serons obligés de faire; aux pertes inevitables dáus le gestion; aux' estimations"qui seront toujours au dessous du prix véritable.
Les revenus du séminaire n'étant plus de nature à augmenter, il faut aussi qu'il soit rendu capable d'accomplir facilement toutes ses ceuvres.
En suivant le taux du séminaire, environ un million payeroit le 20 me ,
c'est-i-dire - . - - . . . . . . . . 60,000
Le reste, $1,210,500$ payeroit le 12 me , c'est- a -dire - - - . - 100,875
Total - - - $-\mathbf{x} .150,875$
dont la rente à $6 \mathrm{p} . \%$ et en ne supposant sucune perte, fourniroit au séminaire un reveluu de 9,000 l.*

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# Ordinance of the Governor-General and Specinl Council of Lower Canada, for incorporating the Seminary of Saiut Sulpice of Montreal. 

## Cap. $L$.

An Ouminance to incorporate the Ecclesiabtics of the Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Montreal, to confirm their Title to the Fief and Seigniory of the Island of Montrealy the Fief and Seigniory of the Lake of the Tuo Muntains, and the Fief and Seigniory of Sunt Sulpice in this Province; to provide for the gradual Extinction of Seigniorial Rights and Dues, within the Seigniorial Limits of the said Fiefs and Seigniories, and for other purposes.
Whmaeas the Licclesiustics of the Seminary of Saint Sulpice, established at Montreal in this Province, have, since the Capitulation made and signed at Montreal aforesaid, on the cighth day of September, which was in the year of our l.orl one thousand seven hundred and sixty, held, possessed and enjoyed, and do still hold, possess and enjoy, the fief and seigniory of the Island of Montreal and its dependencies, the "fief and seigniory of the Lake of the Two Mountains, and the fief and seigniory of Saint Sulpice, and their several dependencies, all situate in the said District of Montreal :-And the said Ecclesiastics have alleged, and do allege, that they so as aforesaid have held, possessed and enjoyed, and still do hold, possess and enjoy, all and singular the said fiefs and seigniontes, and their dependencies, rightfully, and as the true and lawful owners of the same: And whereas doubts and controversies have arisen touching the right and title of the said Ecclesiastics, of the said Seigniory of Saint Sulpice of Montreal, in and to the several fiefs and seigniories, and their dependencies, of which they have, as aforesaid, been in possersion since the said capitulation, and it has been contended that all and every the said fiefs and seigniories became, by the conquest of this Province by the Britislı arms, vested, and still remain vested in the Crawn: And whereas Her Majesty, desirous that all such doubts and controversics should be removed and terminated, and that Her fatthful subjects holding lands within the seigniorial limits of the said fiefs and seigniories, should be enabled to effect and obtain the gradual extinction of all seigniorial rights, dues and dutics, payable or performable for or by reason of such their Jands, has of her own mere will and proper motion, graciously signified Her Royal pleasure, that the right and title of the said Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Montreal, in and to the said several fiefs and seiguiories, should be absolutely confirmed, under and subject to the terms, provisos, conditions and limitations, hereinafter contained and expressed, which said terms, provisos, conditions and limitations have been fully and formally agreed to and accepted by the said Ecclesiastics of the said Seminury of Saint Sulpice of Montreal: And whereas, for fultilling Her Majesty's gracious pleasure and intentions in the said behalf, and for other the purposes aforesaid, it is expedient and necessary that the said Leclesiastics of the Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Montreal should be constituted an ecclesiastical corporation, or body corporate and ecelesiastical (communaure cecléstustique):-Be it therefore ordained and enacted by His Excellency the Governor of the Province of Lower Canada, by and with the advice and consent of the Special Council for the affuirs of the said Province, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the nuthority of an Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, passed in the first year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled, "An Act to make temporary Provision for the Government of Lower Canada," and it is herchy ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That Joseph Quiblier, Jacques Guillaume Roque, Jean Louis Melchier Sauvage du Chatillonet, Jean Richarl, Joseph Comte, and others, who now are members of the said Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Montreal, and compuse the hody thereof, and their ecclesiastical successors, named and uppointed by and according to the rules and regulations which now are, or hereafter may be, in force for the " government of that institution or body, shall be, and they are hereby made, constituted and declared to be an ecclesiastical corporation or body corporate and ecclesiastical (communaute ceclésiastague) in name and in deed, by the name of "The Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Montreal;" and that by the same name they shall have perpetual succession, by admitting and electing new members, according to the rules of their foundation, and the practice by them heretofore followed, and shall have a common seal, with power to atter, break and make new the same, when and as often as they shall judge it expedient so to do; and that they and their successors by the same name may sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, answer and be answered, defend and be defended, in all courts of record and places of judicature and jurisdiction within the said Province, and do, perform and execute all and every lawiul acts and thange, in ns full and ample manner and form, to all intents, constructions and purposes, as any other ecelesiastical corporation or body corporate and ecelesiastical by law may or ought to do: Provided always, That no rules, bye-laws or regulations for the temporal government of the said corporation or its successors, save only those which are now followed and in force in the said semmary of Saint Sulpice of Montreal, Whall be vald, binding or effectual, until they shall have heen laid before the Governor, Lieutenantgovernor, or person administering the government of this Province for the time being, and shall have been by him expressly approved, confinmed and patifod.

1I. And be it further ordained and enacted by the nuthority afuresaicl, That the sight pnd title of the said Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of Sumt Sulpice of Montreal, in and to all and singular the said fiefs and seigniories of the Island of Montreal, of the Lake of the Two Mountains, and of Saint Sulpice, and therr several dependencies, and in and to all seigniorial nnd feudul rights, privilcges, dues, and duties arising out of and for the same, and in and to all and every the domain, lands, reservations, buildings, messuages, tenements, and hereditaments within the sadd several fiets and sengniories now held and posesesed by them as proprietors theteof, and also in and to all monies, debts, hypothèqucs, and other ienl securities, arrears of lods at ventes, cens et rentes, and other seignorial dues and duties, payable or performable by reason of lands holden by cemstaircs, tenants, and others, im the said several fiefs and seigniories, goods, chattels, and moveable property, whatsoever, now due, owing, belonging, or accrued to the said Ecclesiastics of the said Seminary of Suint Sulpice of Montreal, or which may hereafter become due and owing, or accruc and belong fo them, or to the said ecclesiastical corporation, hereby constututed, or their successors, by reason of any lands and tenements holden
of the respective censives of the said several Gets and seigniories, with all and every the rights, privileges, and appurtenances thereunto respectively belonging or in any wise appertaining, shall be, and they are hereby confirmed nnd declared, good, valid, nad effectual in the law, as fully, in the same mauner, to the eame extent, and for the sume objects, intents and purposes as the Eeclesiastics of the Seminary of the Fauxbourg Saint Germain Lez Paris, or the Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Montreal, according to its constitution, before the eighteenth day of September, in the year one thousand seven hundred and filty-nine, or either or both of the said seminaries might or could have done, or had a right to do, or might or could have held, enjoyed, or applied the same, or any part thereof, previously to the last mentioned period. And firther, That all and singular the snid fiefs and scigniories of the Island of Montreal, of the Lake of the Two Mountains, and of Saint Sulpice, and all and every the said domain, lande, buildings, messuages, tenementr, and hereditaments, scigniorial dues and duties, monies, debis, hypnthèques, real securities, arrears of lods et ventes, cens et rentes, nud othor seigniorial dues, goods, chattels, and moveable property whatsoever, shall be, and the same are hercby vested in the said corporation of the Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Montreal, hereby constituted, and their successors, to be had, held, posseesed, and enjoyed by the said Ecclesisstics of the Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Montreal, and their successors, as thic true and lawful owners nad proprietors of the same, and of every part and parcel thereof, to the only use, bencfit, and behoof of the said seminary or corporation, and their successors, for ever, according to their rules and regulations, now being or hercafter to be in force, subject, however, to the terms, comitions, provisos, and limitations, touching and concerning the sume or any part thereof, hereinafter enacted, expressed, and contained.
III. And be it further ordaned and omacted by the nuthority aforesnid, That the said corporation of the Eeclesastics of the Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Montrenl, hereby constituted, and therr auccessors, shall be, and they are hereby held and bound, whenever thereunto required by any of the censitaires, or other person or persons, or body or bodies politic or corporate, who now hold or who may hereafter hold nay real or immoveable property, ì tatre de cens or ent roture, within any one or more of the suid fiefs nud seigniories, to consent to grant and allow, to and in favour of such censitaire, person or persons, or bolly or bodies corporate or politic, requiring the same, a commutaton, release, and extinguishment of and from the droits de luds et ventes, cens et rentes, and all feudal and seigniorial burthens whatsoever, to which such censitaire, person, or body corporate, holding real or immoveable property in uny one or more of the said fiefs and seigniories, his, her, or their heirs, successors, or assigns, and such real and immoveable property, so by him, her, or them held, may be subject or liable to, and in fayour of the said E.cclesiastics of the Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Montreal, or their successors, for a certain price, indemnity, and consideration in that behalf, agreed upon, or to be fixed, ascertained, and determined in manner hereinafter provided, which shall be paid to the said Ecclesinstics of the Seminary of Snint Sulpice of Montrenl, or their successors, by the censitaire, person, or body corporate, requiring such commutation, release, and extinguishment, in manner, as hereinafter is directed: Provided always, That no such censitaire, person, or body corporate or politic, shall be entitled to, or demand any such commutation, relense, and extinguishment, in the behalf uforesaid, until he, she, or they shall have duly paid to the said Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Montreal, or their successors, all arrears of seigniorial rights, dues, and duties, which he, she, or they owed, or may owe, or with which the said land or immoveable property, in respect whereof such commutation, release, and extinguishment, may be sought or required, had been, was, or tray be then chargeable, or shall have otherwise satisfied them in that behalf by any mode of adjustment agreed upon and concluded.
IV. And be it further ordained and enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the price, consideration, and indemnity, to be paid by any censitarre, person, or body politic or corporate, for such commutation, release and extinguishment, with regard to his or their land, or immoveable property, situated within any one or more of the said fiefs and geigniories, to be paid by him, her or them to the said Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Montreal, or their euccessors, shall be at and after the rates following : (that is to say) That the said comnutation of all cens ct rentes, within all, and every, the said fiefs and seigniories, shall be had and oblained on the payment of such capital, or sum of money, as thie sadd cens at rentes, reckoned at the legal rate of interest, shall or may represent ; that the said commutation of the droits de lods ct rentes, upon or in respect of any lot, plece or parcel of land in the said fief and seigniory of the Island of Montreal, upon which there shall be buildings of the value of five hundred pounds currency, and upwards, shnll be had and ubtained for and during the first seven years which shall elapse after this present Ordinance shall come into effect in this Province, upon payment of not more than one-twentieth part of the value of such lot, piece, or parcel of land and buildings, and at any time at and after the èpiration of seven years subsequent to this Ordmance so coming into force and effect, and before the expiration of fourteen years from the said time, upon payment of not more than one-eighteenth part of the value of such lot, piece, or parcel of land and buildings, and at any time ofter the expiration of fourteen years from the said time, upon payment of not more than one-twelfh part of the value of such lot, prece, or parcel of land, and buildings ; that the said commutation of the said droits de lods et ventes, upon, or in respect of any lot, piece or parcel of land, situated wathin the said city of Montreal, whereupon there may be buildings of which the value shall be less than five hundred pounds, and more than one hundred pounds currency, shall be had and obtained for, and during the said first period above mentioned of seven years after the coming into force and effect of this Ordinance, upon payment of not more than one-sixteenth part of the value of such lot, piece or parcel of land and buildings, and at any time after the expiration of the said seven years, aubsequent to the coming into force, and effect of this Ordinance, and before the expiration of fourteen years from the said time, upon payment of not more than one-fourteenth part of the value of such lot, piece or parcel of land und buildings, and at any time after the expitation of fourteen years from the said time, upon payment of not more than one-twelfh part of the value of such lot, piece or parcel of land and buildings; that the said commutations of the sadd lods et ventes upon, for or in respect of any lot, piece or parcel of land, situated without the said city of Montreal, in any of the said fiefs and seigniories of the Island of Montreal, Lake of the Two Mountains, and Suint Sulpice, or for or in respect of any lot, prece or parcel of land within the said City of Montrent, upon which there shall not be buildings of the value of one hundred pounds currency, shall be had and obtuined for and during the said first period of ecven years after the coming into force and effect of this

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Ordinapce, upon payment of not more than one-twelfh part of the value thereof, and at any time after the expiration of this period of seven years subsequent to the coming into force and effect of this Ordinance, and before the expiration of fourteen years from the said time, upon payment of not more than one-tenth part of the said value, and at any time after the expiration of fourteen yenrs from the said time, on the payment of not more than one-eighth part of the value of such lot, piece or parcel of land and buildings.
V. And be it further ordained and enacted by the anthority aforesaid, That in all cases where the said Ecclesinstics of the said Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Montreal, their successors, and any of the said censitaircs, or other person or persons, body politic or corporate, so requiring a commutation, release and extinguishment in manner aforesad, shall not, by voluntary agreement, settle and determine the value of any such lots, pieces or parcels of land and property, with reference to which the said price, consideration money and indemnity, according to the rates hereinbefore established, shall be reckoned, such value thereof shall be fixed, ascertained and determined, by the award of arbitrators, in manner following: (that is to say) the said Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Muntreal, or their successors, shall, and may nominate, and in their default so to do, one of the Justices of the Court of King's Bench, for the district of Montreal, shall, and may on their behalf nominate an arbitrator, being an indifferent and disinterestéd person, and the said censitaire, person or persons, or body corporate or politic respectively, shall and may nominate and appoint one other arbitrator, being also an indifferent and disinterested person; and the said Court of King's Bench for the snid district of Montreal, upon a petition, or summary application to it made in that behalf, shall, and may nominate one other arbitrator, being also an indifferent and disinterested person, which said three arbicrators, after having been previously sworn before any one of the Justices of the Court of King's Bench for the said district of Montreal, hereby authornzed to administèr such onth, well, truly and honestly, to execute the trust and duty or arbitrators as aforesald, and after notice to the parties respectively of the time and place of their mecting, shall proceed to fix; ascertain and determine the value of the lots, pieces or parcels of land and property, in respect whercof such commutation, release and extinguishment shall be required: Provided always, That the costs und expenses of buch arbieration shall be borne by the parties in equal shares, and that the sad arbitrament and award of the said arbitrators, to be named and appointed as aforesaid, or of any two of them, in and respecting the premises, shall be final, and the same shall be duly returned into, filed and enrolled in the said Court of King's Bench for the district of Montreal, and shall by such court be duly confirmed.
VI. And be it further ordained and enacted by the authority aforesaid, That upon the rendering and confirnation of the said award, in the behalf and in manner aforesaid, it shall be lawful for the censtuzre, person or persons, or body corpnrate or politic, requiring such commutation, release and extinguishment of all seigniorial and feudal rights and burthens as aforesaid, to pay, or offer to pay, to the said Licclessastics of the Semnary of Samt Sulpice of Montreal, or their successors, an and for the price, consideration money, and indemnity for the said commutation, release and extinguishment of all seigniorial and feudal rights and burthens, such part of the value of such piece or parcel of land and property, fixed and determined by such award, as according to the rates mentioned in the fourth section of thus present Ordinance, should be due and payable in that behalf, or to declare his, her or their option to the said Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Montreal, or their successors, that the said price, consideration money and indemnity, provided the same shall amount to not less than one hundred pounds, shall be and reman upon and shall charge and affect such lot, piece, parcel of land, or property at, and for a redeemable quit-rent (à rente constztuéa et rachetable), according to the laws of this Province; and that any option in the said behalf so made and declared, shall have the full effect in law, of charging and affecting such land or property, for zuch price, consideration money and indematy, at a redeemable quit-rent (a rente constatuée ot rachetable), to all intents and purposes whatsoever.
VII. And be it further ordained and enacted by the authority aforesaid, That from and after the voluntary settlement and adjustment, between the parties touching the said price, consideration money und indemity, or from and after the parment, or tender of payment to the said Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Montreal and their successors, of the said price, considerattion moucy and indemnity, reckoned according to any such awarù in that behalf, or from and after a deelaration signified to the said Ecclesiastics of the Semmary of Saint Sulpice of Montreal, or thair successors, by the said censtaires, person or persons, or body politic or corporate of hif, her or their opton, that such price, consideration money and indemmty, reckoned according to such award, shall be, and remain upon, and charge, and affect such lot, piece or parcel of land and property, at, and for a redectable quit-rent (d rente constatuie et achetable) in manner aforesaid, all and every the drouts de cens ct rentes, luds et rentes, drout de banalíć de moulin, droit de retratt, and all other feudal and seigniorial rights whatever of the said Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of Saiat Sulpice of Montreal, and ther successors, upon, for or in respect of the lot, piece or parcel of land or property, as to and concernugg which such commutation, release and extinguishment may be sought and requred, shadl be and be held to be, taken and considered for ever commuted, released and extinguished; and such lot, piece or parcel of land shall be holden and be deemed and considered as holden thenceforth for ever, by the tenure of Franc Aleu Ruturie, according to the laws of this Province, and shall never again be granted, surrendered or holden by any feudal tenure whatsoever: Provided alwaye, That nothing herembelore contained shall extend or be construed to extend to the drozt de banalité out of the linuts of the City of Montreal, till the major part of the censtaires in each of the several liefs and seigniories aforesaid shall have commuted, nor to discharge the lots, pieces or parcels of land, the tenure whereof may be so converted into that of Franc Aleu Roturncr, from the rights, hypothecs, privileges and demands of the said licclesiastics of the Semmary of Saint Sulpice of Montreal, and thar successors, chared in and upon the same for the security and recovery of the puce, consideation money, and indemnity which, by reason of the adjustment with the ceasitate, or person who required such commutation, relcase and extinguishment, may remain as a charge and mecumbrance of such land or property, at a redeemable quit-rent as aforesaid, or for the security and recovery of any arrears of seignorial dues accrued before such commutation, release and extugguishment, may have been required, or in anywise to destroy, alter or affect the remedies and recourse at lau, which the said Leclesiastucs of the Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Montreal, or there successors,
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Appendix (E.) might lawfully have had or have taken for the recovery of the same, if such commutation, release and extinguishment had not been made and obtained, but that all and every the lawful rights, hypotheqtes, privileges, actions, demands, recourse and remedies in that behalf of the said Eccle, siastics of the Seminary of Saint 'Sulpice of Montreal, and of their successors, be and the same are hereby saved and maintained.
VIII. And be it further ordained and enacted by the authority aforesaid, That if the anid Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Muntreal, or their successors, shall refuse or neglect to make and exccute to and in favour of any censitaure or other person, or body corporate or politic, who shall in manner aforesaid have paid or tendered payment to them of the amount of the said price, consideration money and indemaity, according to any such award made in due manner, or who shall have declared his, her or their option to the said Ecclesiastics of the said Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Montreal, or their successors ; that such amount should remain upon, and charge and affect' the lot, piece, parcel of land and property, and for a redeemable quit-rent, according to the provisions in that behilf hereinbefore contained, an instrument in writing before two notaries, or a notary and two witnesses, selting forth such commutation, release and extinguishment, of all scigniorial and feudal rights, dues and burthens, and the terms aud conditions thereof, according to law, and the respective rights of the parties, it shall and may be lawful to and foresuch censilaire, person or persons, or body corporate or politic aforesaid, to implead the said Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Montreal, and their successors, in the said Court of King's Bench for the district of Montreal, for the purpose of compelling them to grant to the said censitairc, person or persons, or body corporate or politic aforesaid, such instrument in writing as aforesaid, setting forth such commutation, release and extinguishment, accurding to law, and the respective rights of the parties ; and upon their default so to do, it shall be lawful for the said Coirt of King's Bencl, and they are hercby required, by their judgment in that behalf, to award and adjudge to such censilaire, person or persons, or body corporate or politic, the full benefit of such commutation, release and extinguistmeht, for and in respect of -ach-land or property, according to Ins and the respective rights of the partics, with lawful costs of suit.

1X. And be it further ordained and enacted by the authority aforesald, That the said Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Mlontreal, nind their successors, shall not, for arrears of luds et ventes, accrued to them at the time of the coming into force and effect of this Ordinance, or hereafter to accrue and become due to them according to law, for each mutation in the ownership of any lands and tenements situated within the said City of Montreal, and of which, and of the buildings erected thereon, the value shall be the sum of five hundred pounds currency and upards, demand and exact more than one-twentieth part of the price and consideration for each sale or conveyance of any such lands and tenements, nor shall they for each und every mutation in the ownerslip of any lands or tenements situated in the censite of the said three fiefs and seigniories, and out of the limits of the said City of Montreal, exact or demand more than one-sixteenth part of the price and consideration of the sale and conveyance of such last-mentioned lands and tenements; nor shall they, for each and every mutation in ownership of any lands or tenements situated within the limits of the said City of Montreal, of which, and of the buildings thereon erected, the value shall be less than five hundred pounds currency, exact or demand more than one-sixteenth part of the price or consideration for each sale or conveyance thereof; and further, that all and every such arrears of lods et centes accrued at the time when the present Ordinance shall come into force and effect in this Pruvince, according to the respective rates aforesaid, shall not be demandable from any person or persons, owing the same personally or hypothecarily, nor shall any such person or persons indebted as aforesaid to a greater amount than forty-one pounds, be compellable to pay the same to the said Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Montreal, and their successors, except within seven years from the day when this Ordinance shall so come into force and effect, in seven equal and annual instalments: Provided always; That in default of any person or persons ta pay any such instalment or instaments after the same shall become due, and after thrce months' notice, and a notarial demand, signified to him or them in that behalf, the whole of such arrears of lods et tentes, according to the rates aforesaid, or the remaining unpaid instalments thereof, shall become, and be immediately payable to and demandable by the said Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Monireal, or their successors, from, and shall be paid to them by, the person or persons who shall owe the same: Provided also, That in case the said Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of Montreal, or their successors, shall, before the time when this Ordinance shall come into force, have been obliged to make and bile any opposition afin de conserter in any court of judicature in the said district of Alontreal, with regard to the lands or tenements charged and encumbered with, and for the payment of any such arrears, or to the proceeds of any judicial sale thereof, or to applications for judyments of confirmation of title of any such lands or tenements, then and in such case the Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of Sant Sulpice of Montreal, and their successors, shall be entitled to judgment for, and to receive, such part only of the price and consideration, for each and every mutation in the ownership of such lands or tenements as is heren provided, according to the value and locality thereof; but the amount for which such judgment shall be rendered, shall be payable at the time when it would have been payable if this Ordinance had ndt been passed: Provided, however, That any judgment for any such arrears which shall have been rendered before this Ordinance shall come into force, in favour of the said Licclesiastics of the Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Montreal, may be executed according to the tenor thereof, as if this Ordinance had not been passecl.
X. And be it further ordained and enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the lot, piece or parcel of land called the farm of Saint Gabriel, situnted within the said fief and seigniory of the Ibland of Montreal, lying on the west side of the lower road to Lachine, containing about two handred and seventy arpents, being one of the domain lands, farms, tenements and hereditaments, secured and confirned to the said Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Montreal, and their successors, by the second section of this Ordinance, shall, within the space of twenty years, after the period when thas Ordinance shall come into force or effect in the said Province, be, by the said Ecclesiastics, alienated and disposed of, in Franc Aleu Ruturier, for ever, in such parts and parcels and for such prices, terms and considerations, as to them may seem most meet and advantageous; and for the making of any such alienations and conveyances, the said Ecclesiastics of the

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Seminary of Snint Sulpice of Montreal, and their successors, are hereby fully and duly. licensed and authorized; and that if at the expiration of the said twenty years, the said farm of Saint Gabriel, or any parts or parcels thereof shall yet remain not alienated, or disposed of, then, and in that case, the said farm of Saint Gabriel, or such parts or parcels thereof, as shall so remain not alienated, or disposed of, as aforesaid, shall, by the mere lapse of the said period of time, and by operation of law, fall within the provisions of the laws of mortmain, and be forfeited to, and be vested in Her Majesty, her heirs and successora, and be re-united to the domain of the Crown for ever.
XI. And be it further ordained and enacted by the authority aforesaid, That all and every the monies which may arise from the commutation, release and extinguishment of the seigniorial rights and burthens, for and in respect of lands, tenements and property, within the censuze of the said three fiefs and seigniories, and all monies which shall be received and gotten in, by reason of the sale, alienation or disposal of the said farm of Saint Gabriel, or of any parts or parcels thereof, and which monieg, as aforesaid, may be disposable after the necessary expenditures for the uses and support of the said institution shall have been provided for, shall, by the said Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Montreal, or their successors, be invested in the public stocks of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or of its colonies, or dominions, or in the chartered and incorporated bodies in the said colonies and dominions, and not otherwise; and that the rents, revenues, dividends and profits of the monies so invested, shall bo had, taken and received by the said Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Montreal, and their successors, to be expended in and about the support aud management of the said institution, and in promoting its objects according to law : Provided always, That out of the said monies which shall so arise, or shail be, as aforesaid, received and gotten in and collected, it shall and may be lawful for the said Ecclesiastics of the Seminury of Saint Sulpice of Montreal, and their successors, to apply, andinvest a sum or sums of money, in the whule not-oxeeeding the sum ot thirty thousand pounds currency, in constitutions de rentes on immoveable property, or in the purchase of houses, lands and tenements, and immoveable property, situated within this Province, in order to create and produce income to the said Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Montreal, and their successors ; Provided always, That in addition to, and over and above such real property, producing income, which the said corporation are hereby authorized to purchase and hold, to the value of thirty thousand pounds, as aforesaid, and no more, they may likewise purchase and hold any other real property, houses, buildings or tenements, destined for and appropriated to purposes of religion, charity or education, and producing no income, which may be necessary to accomplish the purposes for which the said corporation was originally instituted and endowed.
XII. And be it further ordained and enacted by the authority aforesaid, That it shall be iucumbent on the said Ecclesiastics of the Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Montreal, and their successors, from time to time, when, and so often, as they shall be required so to do, to lay a summary statement of the estate, income, debts and expenditure of the said Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Montreal, before the Governor, Lieutenant-governor or person administering the government of this Piovince.
XIII. And be it further ordained and enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said Ecclesinstics of the Seminary of Saint Sulpice of Montreal, and their successors, as to tempornl matters, shall continue and be subject to the same powers of visitation, as in the like cases were possessed and exercised by the Kings of France, before the conquest of this Province, and are now possessed and exercised in that behalf by Her Majesty in right of leer Crown.
XIV. And be it further ordained and enacted by the authority aforesaid, That nothing in this present Ordinance contained shall extend or be construed to extend, to destroy, diminish or in any manner affect the rights and privileges of Her Majesty; her heirs and successors, or of any person or persons, society or corporate body, excepting such only as this Ordinance may expressly and especially destroy, diminish or affect.
XV. And be it further ordained and enacted by the authority aforesaid, That this Ordinance shall be taken and deemed to be a public Act and Ordinance, and as such shall be judicially taken notice of, by all Judges, Justices of the Peace; and all others whom it shall concern, without being specially pleaded.
XVI. And be it further ordained and enacted by the authority aforesaid, That this Ordinance shall have no force or effect, and shall not be taken, and deemed to be in force and effect, unless, and until it ulall be sanctioned, and rendered perpetual by an Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or by other legislative authority, competent so to do.
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Oldained and enacted by the authority aforesaid, and passed in Special Council, under the Great Seal of the Proyince, at the Government House in the City of Montreal, the Eighth day of April, in the Second year of the reign of our Sovereign Lady Victoria, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen Defender of the Faith, and so forth, and in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine-

By His Excellency's command,

W. B. Lindsay, Clerk Special Councrl.

# REPORT from Mr. Turton, on the Establishment of a Regrstay of Rral Property in Lower Canada. 

## My Lord,

I Have the honour to transmit to your Excellency the draft of an Ordinance for establishing a registry of real property in the province of Lower Canada.

The great object of a Registry Act in a newly-settled country, where capital is not extensive, and the first object of investment is landed property, ought to be to make lands an available capital for agricultural improvements and commercial enterprise. If lands could be made equally available, equally convertible into-money, with bills of exchange, or other mere money securities, the merchant would not hesitate-to-investa portion of his capital in land, as readily as other commodities, whilst the agriculturist would not be prevented from embarking in commercial speculations by the want of a capital to meet the emergency of a sudden call to which they might expose hitn. When the two branches of agriculture and commerce are widely separated and in distinct hands, as in England, that lands should be unavailable as capital is of secondary importance; but in a new country, where the tiwo interests are more closely blended, and almost inseparable, the importance of giving every facility to the transfer, and, as it may be termed, the negotiability of landed property, is of much moment.
To effect this entirely is out of the question; but to facilitate the speedy sale of land, and the raising of money upon it, by laying open to intended purchasers or incumbrancers the charges which may affect it, will go far towards effecting this olject. This may be done under any system of law, and is the proper office of a Registry Act.
It is with this view that the draft of the accompanying Registry Bill was prepared, and not for the mere purpose of obvinting those inconveniences which arise from the old French law. Its "feudal tenures," its "privileges," and "hypotheques" offer in themselves great obstacles to the use of land as a security for loans, or even as a safe investment of money; but the object in view has been to frame such a Bill as shall be applicable to any system of law-which, as founded on the abstract principle, that "all charges on land, of whatever nature they may be, ought to be registered, in order to their being known to intended purchaiers or lenders of money upon the security of such lands," should equally apply whether or not any changé should take place in the law which now prevails in Lower Canada. If this principle be incorrect the, Bill is founded on error ; if in any respect the Bill does not carry out this principle it is defective.

As founded on this principle it avoids all allusion to the ancient French law, or any other system of law, as far as possible. As more especially called for by the commercial and British community, it adopts English language and expression rather than French. As founded on no particular system of law, it has separated entirely the general question of the French law, and all alteration which may be desirable therein, from the question of registry : although it is beyond dispute that to make any registry system in Lower Canada of practical benefit or advantage, certain changes must be effected in the French law as it at present prevails there. The Code Napoleon, when it adopted a system of registration, found it necessary to adopt various modifications of the law previously existing in France.

Such changes in the present law of Lower Canada as are immediately and pressingly called for to make the registry system work with advantage, form the subject of a separate and distinct Bill, which it has been thought more convenient to offer separately, though in fact forming a part of the registry system. They ought to be judged of and weighed together, and it must be recollected that the second Bill proposes no changes which are not considered necessary with reference to the registry-all other changes being left for separate consideration.
Such are the general objects of the Bill. It has been objected to by almost every Canadian who has been consulted, and has given any opinion upon it, as making alterations of great extent in the French law. It is sufficient to say, in answer to this objection, that it is not true; the present Bill, as altered from the original draft, makes scarcely any alteration. The original draft submitted to the parties made none. It may be added, however, that no one individuar pointed out a single alteration that it would effect, or any disadvantage that such supposed alterations might be expected to produce.

The only objections made by the English party were, that it did not go far enough, and that those alterations of the French law which it was intended to make were not included in the Registry Bill, but that the two subjects were to receive separate consideration. It may be proper to observe that one or two English seigneurs made the same objections as the Canadians, but without pointing out any one distinct alteration which the Bill as submitted to them would make. The seigneurs generally objected to the expense and inconvenience of
registering their claims for cens et rentes, or other seigniorial petty dues. The chief alterations from the original draft now introduced have been made to obviate this latter objection, which was thought a reasonable one. Most of the others were introduced on the recommendation of Mr. Valliere St. Real, the judge of Three Rivers, than whom there could be no better representative of the Canadian interests; others were made on the suggestion of some of the English party, and with the assistance and advice of Mr. Buchanan and Mr. Badgeley of the Montreal bar.

In the details of the Bill there are two points which it may be proper to notice more particularly. There is a difference of opinion whether registration ought to be compulsory and the securities rendered void if not registered within a certain period from their execution, or whether the securities if not registered should only be void against third parties. The latter course has been adopted in the proposed Bill. Agan it has also been a disputed point whether notace of ap instrument by a third party ought to supply the defect of registration. The English law, so far as the registry system has been adopted in it, maintains, on the authority of Lord Hardwicke, the affirmative of this proposition; and in this is followed by that of New York, and some others of the American States. The Code Napoleon, and various other codes (that of Louisiana, for instance, which is chiefly founded on the Code Napoleon) hold the contrary doctrine-most of them with some modification. The present Bill adopts in most respects the doctrine of the Code Napoleon.

On the first point it has been considered sufficient that the registry should protect thrd parties- that as between the two orignal parties there can be nu necessity for registration, each being cognizant of the transaction; and if they have any objection to registration the public has no interest in it, or in their concerns, further than to prevent fraud. By the proposed Bill a party entitled may make registry at any tıme he pleases. If he omit to do so and an innocent party lends money upon the faith of there being no prior incumbrance, such innocent party will have a prior security if he register it. If therefore any fraud is committed, or permitted, by the omission to register, the person who is in fault will alone be the one to sustain the loss. This is sufficient for the protection of the public; and the legislation and interference with the concerns of individuals, will not extend beyond the mischef to be remedied, and the public good to be effected. One strong case of a fraud perpetrated, and heavy loss sustained, under the compulsory system of registration in the townships has already occurred."

As to the second point, it has been very generally admitted that allowing any substitute for the registry has been productive of much litgation, and is of doubtful advantage. As notice of a former deed is generally the subject of mere viva voce evidence, it substatutes oral testmony for a solemn written instrument; and there are few systems of law which approve the principle, whilst they adopt it as introduced by a great Enghsh lawyer. It has been alleged that there are facilties for procuring oral evidence of disputed facts in Lower Canada which would make such a principle highly objectonable; and though this might hardly furnish a sufficient reason alone, it may not be improper to be' weighed with others as a ground for rejecting a princıple of a somewhat doubtful nature. It has accordingly been determined to propose that actual registry shall be held absolutely necessary, and that notice of a prior nstrument shall not supply the omission to register it, unless the person to be affected by such notice was one who was employed to effect, and ought to have effected the registry, or was guilty of direct fraud; or unless the deed was one of actual and positive sale. The reason for making a distinction between securities for loans or condituonal sales, and deeds of absolute sale is, that in the one case the person to take the benefit of the security may have chosen, to look to the mere personal security, or to some other security, or may have received back the amount; or the condition may not have been performed, or may have been released or satisfied. But a man who, knowing of an actual positive sale, nevertheless enters into a bargain for a re-sale to him by the same party of the same property, enters into a conspiracy with the vendor to defraud the first purchaser, and voluntarily purchases that which he knows the other party not to be entitled to convey. This distmetion has been drawn without the knowledge of ats being sanctioned by precedent in any code, but it has received the approbation of lawyers of eminence, both in Lower Canada and New York, and has not been questioned by any one.

Subject to much consideration and consultation with those in this country, who have taken an interest in the subject of a registry, it has been decided that registry alone shall nether confer title nor be evidence of title. A man who has no title, and never had a title, can confer none. But a man who has had a title, and has purpoited to convey that partally or wholly to another, may possibly have a right to make another conveyance of the same property. The registry, therefore, is only made evidence of piority of title from the same party: As between all claiming under A. the registry of convcyances fiomin will be conclusive

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clusive evidence; but if nnother claims to be entitled from $Z$. the question will be, whether A. or Z. had the title to the property, not who had the prior registry.

It is believed that with these observations the general nature and purport of the Registry Bill, as prepared for passing as an ordinance by the Special Council, will be aufficiently apparent from the Bill itself.
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(signed) Thot E. M. Turton.
Quebec, 20 October 1838.

## DRaft of an Ordinance for establishing a Rroibtry of all Titles and Incumbrances affecting <br> Lands in the Province of Lower Canado.

## Preamble.

Alt sales and alienanons of and charges upon lands which chal not have been registered as liereinafter provided, to be void as against sabsequent bona fide purchasers or incumbrancers, fur 4 valuable consideration duly registered.

Registry offices to be established in every county in the province for registering all tules and chargen howsoner arising.

Who may cause registry to be made.

Whereas the registration of all titles to immoveables and of alienations thereof, and of all charges and incumbrances thereon in this province is likely to encourage and promote the introduction and investment of capital, by facilitating and rendering more secure all pecuniary transactions relating thereto, and by the prevention of all secret and fraudulent conveyances thereof or charges thereon: And whereas the value of all lands in this province will be thereby greatly increased:

I, Be it therefore ehacted, $\& c$. That from and after the day of
all alienations of, and all charges and incumbranicea whatsoever on, or in any manper affecting any immoveables within this province other than as hereinafter expressly excepted, howsoever such immoveables may be holden, or such charges or incumbrances be created or arise, which shall not have been registered in the manner hereinafter provided and directed, shall be deemed, holden and taken to be null and void and of no effect whatsoever, as against any subsequent bonâ fide purchaser or incumbrancer for a valuable consideration, whose title or right, charge or incumbrance shall have been duly registered, according to the provisions of this Ordinance.
II. And be it further enacted, That the following charges are and shall be excepted from the necessity of registration, and wholly exempted from the operation of this Ordinance:

1. Arrears of cans et rentes due for any period not exceeding five years, and seigniorial dues and services other than arrears of lods et wentes.
2. Costs of suit (frais de justice).
3. Funeral expenses and those of the last sickness.
4. Servants' wages for any period not exceeding two years,

III, And be it further enacted, That there shall be eatablished in every county throughout this province now existing, or which may hereafter be created or made, at such central places in such counties respectively as the governor or person administering the government of this province, by proclamation, may from time to time appoint, registry oftices for the, registration of all titles and claims to, and of all charges and incumbrances on any immoveables whatsoever, excepting as is hereinafter excepted, Jying within such counties respectively, whether such title or claim, or such charge or other incumbrance shall originate or be evidenced by any notarial act, or other deed or instrument, conveyance, assignment, gift, appointment, marriage contract or settlement, or by the legal nghts of mariage, or by devise oqr.by the operation of law, by judicial proccedings or otherwise, or by the act, or the neglect or defafit of any party or praxties interested therein or entitled thereto.
IV. And be it further enacted. That whenever any person or persons whosoever, or bodies politic or corporate, ghall or may have or claim to have, whether in his or their own right, or as legally representing the rights of others, and shall seck to preserve the same against any subsequent bona fide purchaser or incumbrancer, any title or claim to any immoveables, or any charge, or incumbrance thereon, howsoever the same shall be derived or be created or arise, any such person or persons, bodies polutic or corporate, shall and may at any time or times after the day of cause the act or deed in law or instrument in writing, under or by virtue whereof he or they may have or claim to have such title, claim or incumbrance to be registered in the manner hereinafter directed, in order to the more perfect knowledge of the same; and no person shall be capable of enforcing any such title or claim, charge or incumbrance against third parties until the same shall have been duly registered according, to the provisions of this Ordinance; save and except so far as to enforce any judgment or other judicial proceeding by process of execution, interlocutory or final, in due course of law, according to the course and practice of the court from or out of which such judg. ment or other judicial proceedings may emanate.
V. And be it further enacted, That the registration of any deed or instrument whereby any immuveables shall have been alienated, charged or incumbered, whether such registration shall be made by any purchaser or incumbrancer, or by any vendor or other bailleur de fonds, or by the lender who shall have furnished the monies paid, and by the same contract shall be subrogated into the right of the vendor of any immoveables, shall, when once made, extend to the preservation of all rights appearing by such decd or instrument; and the register with whom such registration shall be made shall be bound, on pain of all damages and interest towards third parties, to enter in his registry with due references thereto, according to the provisions of this Ordinance, all charges on such immoveables resulting from such deed or instrument, as well on behalf of the person making such registration as on behalf of all other persons, whether purchaser or incumbrancer, or vendor or other balleur de fonds or lender of monies as aforesaid.

VI．And be it further，enacted，That in all cases where any alienation may have been effected，or How the registration any charge or incumbrance may have been created，by virtue of any judgment，recognizance，acte of shall be made． curatelle or tutelle，or of any record or other proceeding in any court of judicature，such registration Judicial Acts． shall be made by fliling with the registrar for the county within which the immoveables intended to be thereby affected may be situate an office copy of every such judgment，sale，recognizance，acte of curatelle or tutelle，record or other proceeding of any court of judicature，whereby or under and in virtue of which such alienation may have been effected，or by which such charge or incumbrance may have been or may be supposed to have been created，with a sufficient description of the person or persons whom by such registry it is intended to affect，and a specification of such immoveables within the district of such registry which such judgment，recognizance，acte of curatelle or tutelle， recotd or other proceedings of any court of judicature affects or is intended to affect；provided always，that if any such charge or incumbrance shall be general in its terms and nature（such charge or incumbrance having been ereated before the passing of this Ordinance，or being such as may here－ after be allowed by law to be general）then it shall be a sufficient specification，if the party entitled to such charge or incumbrance shall insist thereon，to state that suchi judgment，recognizance，acte of curatelle or tutelle，record or other proceeding of any court of judicature，affects all immoveables within the district of such registry then belonging to，or which may be subsequently acquired by，the person in relation to whom such registration shal be sought，and such office copy of any judgment or other judicial act or proceeding shall require no firther proof to be admitted to registry．
VII．And be it further enacted，That all letters＇batent and grants of seigniories or other grants from the Crown，or conveyance of seigniories or hifs to individuals，may and shall be registered， either by filing with the register where the immovedtles may＇be situated a copy of the original letters patent or grant，certified by the provincial secretary to be a true copy thereof，with the date of the entry thereof in his office，or by the acts of fealty aind homage of any seigniory certified in like manner，or otherwise by a minute or memorandum of the principal contents of such letters patent， grants or acts of fealty and homage，that is to say，the nakies of the parties，the nature and extent and subject matter of the grant，and the amount and nature of the rentes or other dues or duties reserved thereby，and the dates and execution of such letiers patent，grants or acts of fealty and homage，certified in like manner，and such registration may be made in enther of such modes＇，at the option of the party requiring such registration，and with such certificate of the provincial secretary， shall be made without further proof being required．

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VIII．And be it further enacted，That in all cases where any title，claim，charge or incumbrance may be derived from or under，or may have been created by any act or instrument passed before notaries or before a notary，and witnesses，the registration shall be made by filing of record with the register for the county within which the immoveables intended to be thereby affected may be situate a notarial copy under the hand of and certified by the notary before whom it was acknowledged of every act or instrument by which such title，claim，charge or incumbrance may have been or is sup－ posed to have been created，or is or may be evidenced or corroborated，affirmed or supported，in any－ wise howsoever，which notarial copy shall require no further proof to be admitted to registry．

IX．And be it further enacted，That the mode of registering every title or claim，charge or incum－ brance，under any will or testamentary instrument shall be by filing with the register of the county where the immoveables affected by such will or testamentary instrument may be situate a copy of such will or testamentary instrument，and the registration of such will or testamentary instrument shall take place in manner herein provided for notarial acts or instruments sous seing privé，or other instruments，according to the nature and quality of such will or testamentary instrument．

X．And be it further enacted，That in all cases where any title，alienation，charge or incumbrance may have been or may be supposed to have been created，by or under any instrument under signature， whether exccuted as an English deed under seal or without seal，or in any manner as an instrument commonly termed sous seing pruve，the registration shall be made by filing of record with the register where the immoveables to be affected thereby may be situate a true copy of every such instrument sous seing prive，with a statement of the party by whom such registration is requred，that the same is in fact a true and exact copy of every such instrument sous senng prive；and that the same was duly executed by the party whose instrument it purports to be，and a statement of the address and calling of each of the subscribing witnesses to such instrument to the best of the knowledge and belief of the party so requiring such registration．

XI．And be it further enacted，That in all cases where any title or claim，charge or incumbrance may have been，or may be supposed to have been created by，or to have risen from the operntion of the law（as by prescription or otherwise，）or by or from the act，neglect or default of any party or person whatsoever，and shall not be evidenced or supported by any written ingtrument whatsoever， or only in part evidenced or supported by written instruments，not sufficient fully to testufy the same， the registration of such＇title，claim，charge or incumbrance shall be made by filing of record with the register of the county where the land so affected thereby may be situate，all such written instru－ ments or documents，if any，as may be in the power，custody，control or procurement of the person requiring such registration，together with（or if no such written instruments or documents shall exist， then by filing with such register）a full，true，correct and detailed statement in writing，by way of memorial，of the nature and amount of every such supposed charge or ancunbrance，the circum－ stances relating thereto，and the manner in which the same，or any part thereof，may have uccrued or been created，so as to show distinctly the nature，extent and amount of the claim made by the person or persons so registering the same，to the best of his，her or their knowledge thereof，or in cases in which the exact amount－of such charge cannot be ascertained at the time－of such regis－ tration，then the approximate or probable amount thereof，so far as the same can be then ascertained or appreciated；together with a distinct statement or designation of the person or persons，and of the lands intended to be affected by the same；and in case no acknowledgment by the parties to be affected by such registration as is hereinbefore provided，shall be filed with such statement，showing the amount and nature of such charge or incumbrance，and if the whole of the documents，state－ ments，memorials and accounts in thie custody，power or procurement of the party requiring such registry，relating to any such charge or incumbrance，or supposed charge or incumbrance，with such statement in writing by the party requiring such registration，so far as the party may be enabled to

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## Appendix (E)

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The preservation of privileges.
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Privileges of co-beirs or co-partitioners.

XV1. And be it further enacted, That every co-heir or co-partitioner may preserve his privilege on the property in each share, or on the property in licitation, for the difference on the shares (soulte ou tetour), or for the price of the licitation, by causing the registration to be made within sixty days from the date thereof, during which sixty days no mortgage shall be constituted upon the property charged with such difference (soulle ou retour) or adjudged by licitation, to the prejudice of the creditor of the difference (soulte ou retour) or of the price.
XVII. And be it further enacted, That architects, builders, masons, and the workmen employed to build, rebuild or repair houses and other buildings, and entitled to any privilege in respect thercof by the laws of this province, and persons who have lent the monies to pay and reimburse them, the application of which was established, shall prescrve their privilege, on causing registration to be made within sixty days from their respective dates; first, of the agreement or eatimate made for the said works; and secondly, of the proces werbal of the reception thereof.
XVIII. And be it further enacted, That creditors and legatees praying for the separation of the patrimony of any deceased person from the property of the heir of such person, shall preserve, as against the creditors of the heirs or representatives of the deceased, their privilege on the immoveables of his succession, on registering their claims according to the provisions of this Ordinance on all such immoveables within six calendar months from and after the opening of the succession; and that before the expiration of such term of six months no mortgage shall be constituted With effect apon-such-immoveables by the heirs or representatives of the deceased to the prejudice of his creditors."
XIX. And be it further enacted, That all privileges liable to registration by virtue of this Ordinance which shall not have been duly registered within the respective periods hereinbefore piovided, shall from and after such respective tumes lose their respective priorities, and shall from thenceforth operate as mortgages only; and shall take effect as such mortgages from the period of their registration, according to the provisions of this Ordinance, as all other mortgages.
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supply the same, shall not be sufficient to afford a distinct intimation of the nature and extent, other than the precise amount of such charge or incumbrance, and of the immoveable property affected thereby, to all suak persons as may ufterwards have occasion to inquire into the same, every such charge or incumbrance, or supposed charge or incumbrance, so defectively registered, shall 'be deened, holden and taken to be null and, void to all intents and parposes as against any sabsequent bon fide purchaser or incumbrancer for a valuable cansideration, whose titte, charga or incumbrance ahall have been duly registered sceording to the provisions of this Act, in thegame manner as if such charge or incumbrance to defectively registered had never been made or created.
XII. And be it further enacted, That in all casen of persoms holding or claining under any lease for years, the mode of regiatration ahall be by filing an abstract or memorandum of auch lease, containing the name and residence of the lessor, the nume and residence of the lessee, the term for which the lease was made, stating the period of its commencement and termination, the nature of the rights demised, the rent or other dues, or duties or rights reserved, and a description of the immoveables comprised in such lense, and the boundaries thereof, and a solemn atatement of the cruth of the facts contained in such abstract, to the heat of the knowledge and belief of the party requiring such registration.

- XIII. Provided nevertheless, and be it further enacted, That nothing herein contained shall extend or be construed to extend to rendering it compulsory on any person holding and being in the actual ponsession of any inmoveables, under a lease of not exceeding three years from the commencement of such term, to make registration of such lease; but all persons whosoever, parties to such lease, shall and may enjoy, hold, aue and prosecute all claims arising out of such lease, whether registered or not registered, as if this Ordinance had not been passed.
XIV. And be it further enacted, That the privilege of seigneurs for lods et ventes on any immoveables within their respective seigniories shall ouly be defeated by a certificate of the seigneur, that all lods et ventes on any immoveables alienated, charged or incumbered, have been paid, satisfied or diacharged, up to a day to be named in such certificate; and all seigneurs shall be bound by law, upon the request of any person in possession of such property, or having any charge or incumbrance thereon, to grant a certificate under the hand of any such seigneur, staling the name of the proprietor of such immoveables in the books of such seigneur, and whether any, and if any what lods et ventes are due in respect thereof; and any person interested therein may register such certificate according to the provisions of this ordinance, and until such certificate shall be duly registered, and as to all lods et ventes mentioned in such certificate, the privilege of any seigneur, in reapect of lods et ventes due to him, shall continue as it existed before the time of the passing of this Ordinazce.
XV. And be it further enacted, That the privilege of the vendor, or other bailleur de fonds, or lender, who shall have furnished the monies paid, and who shall be subrogated into the right of the vendor, may and shall be preserved by registration at any time within sixty days from the time when the title deeds conveying such immoveables was executed, during which period no other charge or incumbrance created on such immoveables shall be effectual against the claim of such vendor, bailleur de fouds, or lender, aforesaid.

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XX. And be it further enacted, That whenever the authenticity of any instrument whatever, preseuted for registration, and the right of the party presenting it to have the same registered, shall be admitted by the person execuing such instrument, the same shadl and may be forthwith regis- tered by the register to whom the same shall be presented without further proof; and such admasion shall and may be made by the person being the party to be affected, or if more than one person shall execute the same, and shall be afficted thereby, then by any one such person; and such admission shall and may be made either in person to such register or under power of attorney, duly authenticated befoie a justice of the peace or notary public, or before one of the judges of the superior court of the district, and such power of attorney shall be filed with such instrument so registered; but if any instrument, not being a notarial instrument, or the record
or other proceeding of a court of law duly authenticated according to the usual course and practice of auch court, hereby diracted to be registered without any further proof, shall be presented for registration, every such instrument shall be accoupanied by a solemn declaration, to be filed with such register, signed by the party demanding such registration, containing a statement of all facta necessary to be atated, acconding to the provisions of thia Ordinanoe, and of the authenticity of such instrument and the truth of auch facts, according to the best of the belief of the party reeking such registration.
XXI. And be it further enacted, That in all cases in which any solemn declaration is required by this Ordinance to be made, or any acknowledgment to be given, such declaration may be made or acknowledgment given by the party required to make or give the same in person to the reginter, or by any other person under power of attorney, duly authorized for that purpose, before any judge of the superior court of the district where the same is to be usad or thled, or before any justice of the peace for such district, or before the register wilh whom such document is to be filed, and such judge or justice of the peace or negistar shall satisfy himself, by the affidavit of the party or others, before accrediting such declaration or acknowledgment, of the identity of the person making such declaration or acknowledgment, and of the authenticity of the pawer of attarnoy under which any attorney shall act in such matter; and any person who shall knowingly and wilfully, with any corrupt or fraudulent purpose, or with the intention of injuring or defrauding any other person, make or declare to be true any false statement in and by such solemn declaration, or knowingly and wilfully, with such intent as aforesaid, acknowledge any instrument or matter to have been duly executed, contrary to the fact and without lawful authority, or falsely personate any other person in making such acknowledgment, every person shall be therelly taken and deemed to have been guilty of a misdemeanor, and being thereof lawfully convicted, shall be frable to suffer the like pains and penalties as by law are inflicted on persons convicted of wilful amd corrupt perjury.
XXII. And be it further enacted, That in all cases in which any title, claim, charge or incumbrance, not created or derived from some judgment or other judicial act or sale, or by letters patent cr grant from the Crown, or under some notarial act, shall be required by any person or persons having or claiming to have such title, claim, charge or incumbrance, to be registered by any register, such person or persons shall, before the same shall be so registered, make and deliver to such register a solemn declaration that such his or their interest, title, claim, charge or incumbrance, to the best of his belief, is just and true, and sign and deliver to such register a requisition demanding such registry, and stating whether or not such title, claim, charge or incumbrance is admitted or denied by the person in possession of the property whereto or whereon, or in respect whereof such title, claim, charge or incumbrance exists or is claimed, and in and by such requisition he shall elect, and all persons whosoever requiring a registration shall elect a domicile in the place wherein such registry shall be made, or within three miles thereof, where he or they may be summoned or called upon to support or defend the same, which said declaration, requisition and election of domicile shall be in the form or to the effect of the formula contained in the schedule to this Act.
XXIII. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for any person who may have elected a domicile, on obtaining registration, or for his representatives or assigns, at any time thereafter, by an authentic acte, to change the domicile so by him elected, on naming and electing a new domicile within the same limits as such former domicile, and causing the same to be entered and registered by the register with whom such former registration shall have been made, who shall thereupon make a marginal note of and reference to such new domicile, at the page in the books of registry where such preceding election is entered.
XXIV. And be it further enacted, That in all cases where the person or persons whose names appear upon any instrument, other than notarial or judicial, presented for registration, as the executing parties thereof, shall not be personally present, or appear by attorney duly authorized to acknowledge the same as herein provided, the register with whom such instrument shall be registered shall forthwith, and within seven days after such registry at the farthest, cause notice to be given to the executing parties of such instrument, and to any party appearing on the face of such instrument to be affected thereby, residing within his district, of the presentation of every such instrument for requstration; and such notice shall be given in writing by such register, at the place of residence of the party to receive the same within the district of such register, and shall be affixed on the church door of the parish wherein the lands whereto such notice shall relate may be situate, unless the party receiving such notice shall request such register, in writing, to abstain from affixing the same; and in case any party to receive such notice shall have no place of residence within the district of such register, it then shall be sufficient to give euch notice on the door of the paxish chutch, or if there be no church, on the door of the registry office wherein such lands shall be situate aforesaid.
XXV. And be it-further cnacted, That from and after the passing of this Ordinance, the registration of any instrument of transfer (acte translatif de propriéte) shall be tantamount to and operate as delivery or tradition.
XXVI. And be it further enacted, That no registration shall confer any title upon, or confirm any title derived from, a person who may not have any just title or claim at law to the immoveables so negistered at the time of such"registry, and who never had any just tide or claim at law thereto, save and except as against prior purchasers and incumbrancers not rogistered claiming under the same person; but all purchasers and holders of security on immoveables shall be held, and bound to satisfy themselves of the right and title of every vendor and incumbrancer to alienate or incumber such immoveables, as they would have been if this Ordinance had nut been made and passed, save and except as to all prior sales or incumbrances by the party selling or incumbering such immoveables, of which such registry shall be conclusivg evidence.
XXVII. And be it further enacted, That no notice on the part of any subsequent actual purchaser or incumbrancer, for a valuable consideration, of a prior conditional sale or iucumbrance not registered, shall vitiate or render void such subsequent purchase or incumbrance, duly registered, if made for a valuable consideration, unless such subsequeut purchaser or incumbrancer was a person employed to effect the registration of such first conditional sule or incumbrance, and shall have

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neglected so to do, or unless he shall be a person who by any tault, negligence, fraud or'misrepresentation prevented such registration from taking place or being duly made, or fraudulently combined or conspired with any person or persons to prevent, obstruct or delay the same: Provided always, That evidence of such notice and other circumstances as above shall be regulated by the law of this province, as it stood at and before the passing of this Ordinance: and provided also, That no subsequent purchaser, with actual notice or knowledge of a prior absolute sale to any other personfor a good and valid consideration of the same property, shall be entitled to avail himself of such subsequent purchase, by reason of the want of a due registry of such prior sale, until after he shall have given or caused to be given public notice to such prior purchaser to register such his prior purchase, by public advertisement in the Quebec Official Gazette twice in one calendar month, if such prior purchaser shall be living in this province, or'six several times in the said Gazette in the course of one year, and also by a written notice during such year on the door of the registry office where such lands may be situate, if such prior purchaser be living in any other part of the world.
XXVIII. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for any person having conditionally sold or incumbered any immoveables, which conditional ala or incumbrance' may not have been duly registered, subsequently to sell or incumber the same, subject to such prior clnim, and in such case, such conditional sale or incumbrance as against such'subseguent purchaser shall remain good and valid for the amount inentioned in such subsequent sale or incumbrance due thercon, and subject whereto such immoveables may have been sold or again incumbered, and the amount thereof in such case, in pursuance of such subsequent sale or incumbrance, may be enforced, with all interest due from the period of such last ale or incumbrance, not exceeding the 'usual period of prescription relating to such cases by the laws of this province and according to the provisions of this Ordinance, when and as soon as such original conditional sale or incumbrance shall have been registered in manner hereinbefore provided.
XXIX. And be it further enacted, That if any one having before conditionally sold or in any manner specially incumbered any immoveables, and received the consideration thereof, which conditional sale or incumbrance may not have been duly registered, shall subsequently sell or incumber the same, or any part thereof, to any other person, without disclosing at the time and in the instrument of such subbequent sale or incumbrance, such prior conditional sale or incumbrance not registered, and reserving the right of such prior conditional sale or incumbrance, every person so making such second sale or incumbrance shall thereby, notwithstanding any terms or conditions in the original contract to the contrary, render himself subject to an immediate action at law, at the suit of such prior purchaser or incumbrancer, for the full amount of such original consideration, and of any interest due upon any incumbrance, and of all damages which such incumbrancer may sustain by reason of such subsequent sale or incumbrance.
XXX. And be it further enacted, That from and after six calendar months after this Ordinance shall come into operation, every alienation of or charge or incumbrance upon or in any manner affecting any immoveables in this province, of whatsoever nature or description the same may be or howboever the same may be cvidenced, arise, be created or originate, other than the privileges duly registered, in manner hereinbefore provided, shall take effect and have priority, according to and from the period and in the order of such sales and incumbrances being duly registered in manner in this Ordinance provided, and not otherwise, save and except as herein expressly excepted and directed.
XXXI. And be it further enacted, by and with the authority aforeaaid, That it shall and may be lawful for the Governor, Licutenant-governor or person administering the government of thas province for the time being, by warrant or commission under his hand and privy seal, and recorded in the oflice of the provincial secretary of this province, to nominate and appoint, from time to time, one or more fit and proper person or persons of integrity and ability to be provincial register of this province, who aball have, under such Governor, Lieutenant-governor or person administering the government of this province, the general superintendence, control and direction, subject to the provision of this Ordinance, or of any other Ordinance or Act which may hereafter be pansed by competent authority, of all registry offices throughout this province, whose duty it shall be to make frequent visits to such registry offices, and to see that the books and entries therein are properly hept and made, and the duties thereof properly, regularly and systematically performed, and to make reports thereon to such Govemor, Lieutenant-governor or person administering the government of the province, to be laid before the, legisative authority of the province in each and every year; and such provincial register shall have the power of appointing a deputy, or superintendent of registers, in each of the diatricts of this province, for whose conduct and performance of the duties entruisted to him in the supermstendence of the raspective registry offices their reapective districts the said provincial register shall beanswerable.
XXXII. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for such Governor, Licutenantgovernor or person administering the government of this province, by warrant or commission under his hand and privy seal, recorded in the ofice of the provincial register, to appoint some oue or more fit and proper person or persons of integrity and ability in each and every county throughout this province, to hold and exercise, jointly if more than one shall be appointed, in each of the said counties respectively the office of county register for each of such counties; and such said county register shali hold and exercise the office of county register in a public office to be established for that purpose, in the town or place where the court of circuit shall be usually held within the county for which he shall be appointed to act, or at such other central and convenient town or place in such county as shall, by proclamation from time to time, as circumstances may require, be appointed for that purpose by the said Governor, Lieutenant-governor or person administering the government of this province as hereinbefore provided: Provided nevertheless, That it shall and may be lawful forthe Governor, Lieutenant-governor or person administering the government of this province, in case any county shall appear to him to be inconveniently large for one registry office, by proclamation, to divile such county, for the purpose of this Ordinance, into one ormore counties, as shall appear to him the most convenient for the inhabitants thereof, and to appoint one or more registers for cach of. such subdivisions as for the whole of a county.
XXXIII. And be it further enacted, That the original warrant or commission of every person so appointed such county register shall be forwarded to the person so apponted, and remain in his office,as his nuthority, whilst he shall continue such register, and be at all times during the hours of office, open to the inspection of all persons whomsoever: And every such provincial register or county register, or any person claiming to be, or to be entitled to be, such register, shall be removeable at the pleasure of the Governor or person administering the government of this province, by day warrant or other act of revocation, under the hand and privy seal of the said Governor, or person administering the government of this province, to be likewise recorded in the office of the said provincial register, and the original thercof shall be forwarded to the person so removed at the office of the registry, or where he claims to be register, who ahall forthwith give up charge of his said office and of the seal of office thereof, and of all registers and documents therein to such persons as shall by the Governor, or person administering the government of this province, be appointed or named to receive the same; and if any person so removed or ordered to give up such charge shall refuse or neglect for the space of four days next after the time when he shall be required so to do, to deliver up such office, or the books, papers or documents therein contained, or any of them, or shall have at any time wilfully mutilated, destroyed or allowed to be mutilated or destroyed, any such books or papers, or if after the expiration of such four days after he shall have received the warrant of removal, (he not having then delivered up such office,) any such books or papers shall be mutilated or destroyed, whether by fire or other accident, such person shall forfeit for every such book, paper, document or instrument which shall be so mutilated or destroyed, and for every subsequent day that he shall continue in possession of, or refuse or neglect to deliver up such office or any such books, papers, documents or instruments, the sum of five pounds currency, to be sued for, recovered and applied as hereinafter provided, and for the amount thereof so far as such recognizance as hereinafter is provided shall extend, the same shall stand and be a security; and such person so filling or having filled the office of register, and so as aforesaid offending, shall be considered as having for every such offence committed a misdemeanor, and may be prosecuted accordingly in the superior court of the dustrict whereini such offence may have been committed, and being thereof convicted, shall be subject to such reasonable fine and imprisonment as the court in its discretion shall award.
XXXIV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that every provincial register and register for any county, before he enters upon the execution of his office, shall take and subscribe before a judge of the superior court for the district wherein his registry office shall be situated, or before one of the judges of Her Majesty's Court of King's Bench for the district of Montreal or Quebec, an oath of office in the following words, 'that is to say;

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do solemnly swear, that I will faithfully, diligently and impartially, to the best of my understanding and ability, execute the office and perform the duty directed and required to be by me done as provincial register, or register in and for the county of or district, (as the case may be,) of
under and by virtue of an Ordinance made and passed by the special council for the affairs of the province of Lower Canada, in the year of our Lord 1838, intituled, 'An Act or Ordinance,' \&c."
And every county register shall take the like oath before some judge of Her Majesty's Court of King's Bench, or justice of the peace for the district wherein his registry office is situate: And every such provincial oi other register, before he entets upon the execution of his office, slall also enter into aud ncknowledge a recognizance unto Her Majesty, her hers and successors, with tow good and sufficient sureties, before one or more of the judges of the superior court of the district wherein his registry office shall be situated, in the following sums, that is to say; such provinctal register in the sum of pounds, and each surety in the sum of pounds, such county register in the sum of pounds, and each surety of such county register in the sum of pounds, condtioned for the true and faithful performance of their duty as such registers respectively, in the execution of therr said offices, in all things directed or required by this Ordinance ; and two office copies of auch recognizance of every such county register shall be forwarded within two days from the acknowledgment thereof to the office of the provincial register, by the prothonotary of the court before which, or a judge of which, such recognizance was acknowledged, under a penalty by such prothonotary of five pounds for every day's default after such two days, one copy whereof shall remnin in the office of such provincial register, and the other whereof shall be registered in the office of the register acknowledging the same; and such recognizance shall bind the immoveables of the person acknowledging it from the day of such acknowledgment : And such oath of office so taken and subscribed by such county registers shall be forwarded to and remain deposited of record in the office of the provincial register of this province; and every provincial. or other register, who shall take upon himself to act as such register before taking, subscribing and recording such oath of office, as nforesaid, and before entering into and acknowledgng such recognizance as aforesaid, unless by the direct authority of the Governor, or person administering the government of the province, shall forfeit and pay for every act done by hing as such register the sum of five pounds carrency, to be sued for, recovered and applied as hereinafter provided : Provided nevertheless, and be it further enacted, That when within the space of three years from and after the death, removal or resignation of such register, no misbehaviour shall appear to have been committed by such register, in the exccution of his office, then and in such case, and from thenceforth such recognizance so entered into and acknowledged shall be void and of no effect to all intents and purposes whatsoever, and neither Her Najesty or any other person shall from thenceforth have any claim in respect of any after discovered fraud, neglect or misconduct of such register, or of any damage or injury sustained thereby, save and except that any person whosoever who may sustain any loss or injury by the act, neglect, fraud or default of such register, may at any tme within the period allowed by law as to prescription, proceed by personal action against such register, for the recovery of all damages by him sustained thereby, or such person at any time within three years from the death of such register, but not after, may proceed against his herrs and his unencumbered property, for the recotery of such damages.

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XXXV. And be it further enacted, That a certified copy, under the hand and seal of every such provincial or county register of any document or writing by this Ordinarice directed to be recorded in the office of such provincial or county registers respectively, shall be received in evidence in all courta whatseever in this province, and shall be evidence of the existence, nature and contents of the registry, and shall also be evidence of the instrument whereto it relates, in case of the loss thereof ; and in cases where such registration was made upon the admission of any party to be affected by such registration, such certified copy shall he evidence also of the signature of the jarty or parties, and of the execution of, buch document or instrument of admission, in like manner and to the, mame extent as if the original document had been produced and proved: Provided novertheless, That such evidence shall be open to be rebutted bytproof that any fraud, imposition, forgery or false personation was practised in obtainiag such regiatration; and provided also; that to evidence shall be allowed to be given to rebut the legal effect of such registration, unless fifteen days' notice of the intention to produce such evidence shall be given to the adverse party before the day appointed for commencing the enquate: : And every certificate produced in any court of justice, under the hand and seal of office of any register, shall be received in evidence. withnut turther proof.

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XXXVI. And be it further enacted, by and with the authority aforesaid, That every register shall keep such number of fit and'proper and well-qualified clerhs for the execution, of the duty of such regsatry office as the business therein shall from time to time require, so as the registry of every instrument presented for registration shall take place with every possible despatch; and such register shall be held responsible for the due, caroful and expeditous, perfarmance of such duties as shall be committed to him by this Ordinance, whether such shall be performed by, him, or by him committed to the charge or execution of, or shall be performed by such clerks, and for any default, misfeasance or nomfeasance by such clerks respectively; and such register shall not allow any fee, gratuity or emolument whatever to be taken by auy clerk, in his office, in respect of ary duty imposed upon such register, or his clerks, by this Ordinance, under any colour or pretence, or in consideration of greater expedition, or of any service rendered, or of any matter or thing done in connexion with his said office, or other pretence whatzoever beyond or over and above or other than such fee or fees as shall be fixed and allowed for the same by law, or to which he may become entitled by any future Ordinance or Act: And in case any clerk or other person in the office of any register, shalt exact, take, demand or receive any sum of money whatsoever, or any article or thing of value, for the performance of any duty so imposed upon such register, contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance, other than as may be allowed by any future Ordinance, Act or law, every such clerk or other person shall be taken to be guilty of a misdemeanor, and being thereof lawfully convicted in any superior court in this province, may be punished by fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the court ; and every such clerk or other person, and every register in whose office or in respect of whose duty the same shall be taken, shall respectively forfeit and pay for each such offence double the amount and value so received by such clerk or other person for such duty or under any such pretext as aforesaid, and also be liable to the penalty of five pounds currency, with treble costs of suit, to be recovered and applied as hereinatter provided: Provided nevertheless, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent any register frum abandoning or relinquishing to any person, at his free will or pleasure, if he shall desire so to do, all or any fee, remuneration or reward to which he may be by law or may become by any future Ordinance or Act entitled, so that the abandonment and relinquishment of any such fec, remuneration or reward, shall in no wise remove or affect the liability of such register to the due and full performance of the duty in respect of which he would have been entitled to, receive such fee, remuneration or reward.

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XXXVIII. And be it further enacted, and it is herely declared, That no register can or shall be entitled by law to take or receive any fee, remuneration or reward for any act, matter or thing by him done or to be done under this Ordanance, save and except as hereby expressly sanctioned and authorized, or such fee, remuneration or reward as shall or may be fixed and prescribed for the same by Act of the Imperial Parliament of Great Britain or Ireland, or by some Act or Ordinance of this province, under due authority which may be herenfter passed for the same, or such fee, remuneration or raward as may be fixed and prescribed in some schedule or tariff of fees, duly authorized by such future Act or Ordinance, and save and except also that the registers or registrars' of the counties of Drummond, Sherbroohe, Stanstead, Shefford, Missisquoi, Ottawa, Beauharnois, Megantic, Two Mountains and Acadie, shall and may accept, take and recesve all such fees, emoluments and rewards as are now authorized to be taken under and by virtue of the several Acts of the parliament of this province raade and passed and now in force relating to the establishment of registry oflhces in and their extension to such several counties or any of them.
XXXVIII. And for the more sure performance of the duties of the office of such county registers, and to prevent as far as possible any interruption therein, be it further enacted, by and wath the authority aforesaid, That every county register shall, withm one calendar month next after the receipt of his appointment us such register, appoint some fit and proper person to be deputyregister of such county during the pleasure of such county reyster, who having taken the same oath in substance as his principal before some justice of Her Majesty's Court of Kiog's Bench, provincial judge or justice of the peace, shall be considered as the head clerk of such county regiater, and whose name shall be fixed up in large and legible letters in the office for which he shall be appointed such deputy-register; and as often from time to time as such deputy-register shall die or be removed from office, or become incapable of efficiently executing the office, another shall be appointed in his place by writing under the hand and seal of the register of such county, and all such appointments or removals shall be certified under the hand and seal of such county regster, and forwarded within three days from the time of such appointment or removal to the provincial register and recorded in the office of the provincial register, and be open to the inspection of all parties, in like manner as the appontment of such register; and such deputy-register, in the absence of the county register, shall perform all the duties of the said officey and in cosse of the death of the county register, shall perform all the duties of the said office, using the seal of such deceased register where necessary, and shall give immediate notice to the provincial regster of the death ot such county register, and from the period of so giving notuce, shall receive all such fees, remuneration and emoluments, as such register, if living, wrould have been entitled to, and slaill be subject
to the name penalties, save and except as to the acting before taking such oath, and before entering into such recognizance as is hereinbefore provided, that such register would be liable to if living, until a new register be duly appointed and sworn.
XXXIX. And be it further enacted, That every county register shall provide some fit and proper house or place for the transaction of the business of his said office, and the safe custody and keeping of the registries therein, regard being had to the preservation of all such registries from the danger of fire, until some proper and suitable building shall be provided for such purpose by the Governor or person administering the government of this province, and such office shall be open for the transaction of the business of registration therein from the hour of nine in the morning until twelve at noon, and from the hour of two in the aftermon until the hour of five, on every day in the year, Sundays and such holidays as with reference to the religious rites and customs of the inhabitants of this province may be fixed for that purpose, by the Governor or person administering the affairs of this province, only excepted; and the office of the provincial register shall be open for the transaction of the business of his office under this Ordinance on the same days as the uffice of such county registers, from the hour of ten in the forenoon to the hour of four in the afternoon of euch and every day.
XL. And whereas'it is expedient that when registry offices shall be fully established in the several counties of this province, the several registers thereof shall be remunerated by fees to be paid for the work which may be transacted in their several offices by the parties making registry therein, according to a regular tariff of fees to be established by the Governor or person administering the government of this province, by and with the advice of the execative council; but no power at present exists to establish such fees or tariff by legislative authority, save and except so far as the same may be taken under the existing Acts of the legislature of this province relating to registry offices in the counties of Drummond, Sherbrooke, Stanstead, Shefford, Missisquoi, Ottawa, Heaur harnois, Megantic, Two Mountains and Acadie: And wherens it is not expedient that the henefit which is expected to arise from a system of registration should be postponed until such power may exist ; Be it therefore further enacted,' That it shall and may be lawful' for the Governor or person administering the government of this province, from and out of any unappropriated sums of money in the hands of the receiver-general, from time to time, by warrant under his hand, to pay such reasonable salaries and allowances for two years from the period of this Ordinance coming into operation, as may be necessary for the remuneration of the several registers, and the establishing and maintenance of their offices and the expenses thereof, and for the other purposes of this Act: Provided nevertheless, That such sums of money shall not exceed in the whole the sum of currency annually.
XLI. And be at further enacted, That every county register shall keep in his office one general book of registry, in which shall be entered at length in the order in which they shall be presented for registration, all instruments entitled or hable to registration, and shall keep one other book of registry, to be called The Book of Requisitions, in which shall be entered, day atter day successively and in numerical order ${ }_{2}$ without any blank or interlineation, all requisitions far registration of any ducument or instrument presented for that purpose, and in the order in which such requistions shall be received and come to the hands of such register, in which entry, shall be specified the number of documents and their respective natures, whether judgments or other judicial acts, letters patent or grants from the Crown, acts of fealty and homage, notarial acts, claims frum inheritance or wills, instruments sous scing prive or claims from operation of law, or leases or other evidence of title, charge or claim which the party may desire to register, with the day of the month, week and year, and the hour of the day in which the same shall be presented for registration, and the name, addition, address and dumicile of the person presenting the same to be registered, and of the person or persons in whose behalf such registration may be required, and whether such person or persons uppeared persunally or liy attorney, and if by attorney, the name, address and domicile of such altorney, and in which entry shall ulso be specified by general description and by the name of the town, township, seigniory, parish or extra-parochial place or village where siluate the lands intended to be ther by affected, all which particulars shall be supplied in writing by the person appearing and requiring for himself or any other person such registration. A copy of which entry with the number affixed thereto in the said book shall be delivered to the person presenting such documents for the usp of the person requiring such registration, together with a certificate that suchi documents have been duly registered (when such is the case), and the number of such registry in the principal book or booka of such registry, and which certificate shall be signified by the regster at the foot of the-copy of such entry.
XLII. And be it further enacted, That all documents, instruments or papers relating to the same lands and to the same act of registration shall be kept by the county register by whom the same may be registered, in one packet under one number, and shall be entered under the same number in the several principal books of registry, which number shall be the same as that under which the requisitions for registry shall be entered and made in the book of requisitions; and every registry when made and perfected shall be taken to have effect and rank in priority of time, subject to the rights of privileges if preserfed in manner and within the respective times hereinbefore provided, according to the number under which it may be entered in such bouk of requisitions, save and except where it may be otherwise expressly provided and enacted by this Ordinance.
XLIII. Provided nevertheless, and be it further cnacted, That when two or more requisitions for registration from different parties shall be made at the same precise time, that is to say, by the same post or otherwise, the documents or instruments which may be first in order of date shall be the first entered in the said book of requisitions; and where two or more may be of the same date and to different parties, then the same shall be entered of the same number, but with letters in addition to disuinguish them, and their respective priorities as between each other shall depend upon the priority of the execution of each respectively. Provided also, That no document or instrument which shall hava been antedated at or after the time of its execution shall receive any priority of registry from or by reason of any much prior entry in the said book of requisitions, but all such documents or instrus.

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ments received at the same time before actual entry of any other requisition fuy-reptstration shall rank in priority of date, according to the priority of their actual execution.
XLIV. And be it further enacted, That every county register shali transmit monthly an exact copy of all requisitions received within the month preceding, and of the entry thergof in the order and manner in which the same shall be entered in the suid book of requ/sitions to the provincial register, who on receipt thereof shall cause the same forthwith to be entereli in the like order and under the like numbers in a book of reyistry in bis office relating to the county from the register of which such requisitions shall be received, with proper alphabetical indexes to all such hooks, which lastmentioned book and indexes shall be open at all hours of business to all persons desiring to make search in the office of the provincial register concerning such registry in the county to which such books may respectively relute.
XLV. And be it further enacted, That every county register shall, over and above such other books of registry und requisitions, keep a bonk of indrx, wherein shall be entered in alphabetical order (according to the names of the owners or proprietors of any lands or immoveable property in any manner ahenating or inpumbering the same, or whereon any incumbrance may be charged (references to every entry of registry in the other books of registry, with the numbers of such entries respectively as numbered in the said books, and the pages of the book or books wherein all such entries respectively may be made, and the name of the city; town, township, seigniory, parish, extra-parochial place or villuge within which the same may be situated, and of the person or persons to be aftected by such registry or registrys, so far as the same may appear from such requisition and documents presented for registration, so as at nll times to give a perfect and ready reference to every entry of registry, and every requisition of registration made in such books, as the sume may be made from time to time.

XLYI. And be it further enacted, That every such county register slinll, over and above all other
County ragister also to keep a registry, with an alphiabelical list of all places wellinh his county, and yuth refercounty, to oll emilices rolacing to lands withur such placees made in hus books. books by this Ordiannce required by him to be kept, keep a book containing an alphabetical list or calondar of all townships, seignories, parishes, extra-parochial places und villages within the county or division for which such register shall have been appointed to act, with distinct reffrence under the respective heads of such several towns, townships, seignories, parishes, extra parochial places and villages to all and every ofsuch entries in the registry books kept by such register relating to any immoveables lying within such several towns, townships, seigniories, parishes, extra-parochinl places and villages respectively, and the numbers of such entries respectively, and setting forth the names of all parties to the same, and the parurular land to which the same relates, so that by the aud of such two books of reference or index as aforesad, any person acquainted with the name of the owner or proprietor, or the deseription or locality of the property respectung which he seeks such mformation, as it is the intention of this Ordinance to afford, through the means of a registry, may readily discover the matter which he shall desire to know.
XLVII. And whereas uniformity of books both of registry and index will greatly further the general objects of this Ordinance, and tend, to prevent interpolation, alteration and fraud in such beoks $\mathrm{s}_{2}$ be it therefore further enacted, That the provincial register shall supply to every coupty register all such books of regiatry, requisition und index as may be required for all entres herely dirgeted to be made, which books shall be prepared, bound, iuled and lettered in an unitorm namer before delivary by such provinciad register, and marked and signed by him, 60 fir as is possible to prevent any alteration, interpolation, extraction or forgey of any part of such boohs withbut discovery ; and all such books and all other mmutes and entries whatsocver in the office of such registers, and all papers and documents whatsoever which may be filed with or kept fy them in the courbe of the execution of their duty, shall at all times be kept and arranged in such a manner, and with all such necessary' references from one to the ouher us may afford the greatest possible fachity of search and reference, and such is to emable every such egister or any other person who may be desirous to search and to discover what charges or incumbrances may be in existence respecting any particular estate, the local description of which he may be in possession of, or against the real estate or 1 mmoveable property of any person or persons, whose names and desgnation he may know, to discover and ascertuin whether any such do or do not exist, and if any such do exist, the nature and extent thereof and the descri, the same may lofounded or depend, and so as to enable every such register to certily the same, and the particulars thereof, so far as the same may appear from any documents or instruments registered with him.

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XLVIII. And be it further enacted, That the provincial register shall likowise supply to each and every register who shall be appointed for any county or division of a county under thas Act an official seal of office, with the name of such register and his office and the date of his appointment engraved thereon, with such other device as shall be common to all county registers and shall be determined by the Governor or person administering the government of this province from time to tume; and no other seal of office shall be used by nny such register; and every such official book supplied by the provincial register shall be sealed with the seal of office of such provincial register, and also with the seal of the county regiter, to whom the same is forwarded or ty whom the same is used, before any entry shall be made therein; and if any person shall forge or counterfeut any such book, or any entry which ought to be or which by lav could be contained in any such book, or may such seal of office of any such register or county register, and the impression thereof, or shall without the authority of the register or deputy register of the office whereto such seal whall belong, affix any such genuine seal to any document, instrument or certificate, or if any person shall forge or counterfett the signature of the provincial register, or any county register or deputy'register, or if any person slall steal, take or carry away any such bnok or seal of office, any such pereon so offending and being thereof convicted before any superior criminal court of Her Majesty in this province, shall be taken and deemed to have commatied felony, and shall be liable to be transported to one of Her Majesty's penal colonies for life, and shall also be liabletiftaw for any loss, injury or damage which any person may sustain by reason of any such act done or committed by any person so offending, whether such person may or may not have been thercof criminally convicted: Provided nevertheless, That no oxecution for, sach damages in any civil action shall in any degree bar or prevent the criminal conviction and punishment of any such offender.

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XIIX. And be it further enacted, That the provincial register and every such county register snall grant every fucility of search, and afford every information in hus power to persons seeking to ascertain through the means of the registry books in his charge, any matter or thing therein conthined; and eviry such county register when and so otten as he shall be thereto required, by any person, who shall pay to him the sum of two shillings currency for every such search, shall make search, from and for such period not excceding the period of thirty years, as he shall be required by the party seckung such mformation, concerning all titles, alienations, charges, mcumbrances and chaims which shall or may at any time theretofore during such period have been registered in his office, relating to any immoveables within the circle of his registry, and every such county register shall, when thereto iequired, by such person as shall have paid to him for every such search such sum of two shillings currency, and who shall also tender, offer, and undertake to pay to him the sum of ono shilling currency for every separate registration which shall appear to have been made in such book of registry, relating to such immovenbles, during the period of such search, or if no such registration shall have been made during such period, the sum of two shillings currency for such certificate, certified under the official signature and scal of the office of such register, whether at the time and on the day of the date of such certlicate, or whether at any time after the commencement of the period to which such search shall relate, and which shall be named or specified in such certificate, any title, alienation, claim, charge or incumbrance, affecting any such lands or immoveable property, is or has been registered in his office; and if any such there be, what is the nature and extent thereof, and the nature und deseription of the security; instrument or document whereon every such title, aliemation, claim, charge or incumbrance may depend, or be founded, as the same may appear from the official books of such county register, and every such certificate shall be received in every court of justice in this province without further proof, and shall be admitted as evidence of the facts contained therein, so far as such county register is required by this Oidinance to certify the same : Provided nevertheless, That if any such county register shall have omitted to include in his certificate any document or instrument of title, alienation, clam, charge or incumbrance, which at the time of his granting such certuficate was registered in his sadd office, proof of the registry thereof at that time may br adanitted by the court, before whom such certifcate may be produced, in opposition to such certificate.
L. And be it further enacted, That if any such county register shall knowingly ànd wiffully, with intent to defraud or injure any person whatever, give any false certicicate to any party applying for a certificate of nny title, alienation, claim, charge or incumbrance, every such register shall be taken to have committed felony, and being thereof convicted, may be sentenced to transportation to one of Her Majesty's penal colomes, for any period not exceeding fourteen years, and every such register who may give any such false certificate, whether with fradulent intention, or through inadvertence or negligence, or otherwise, shall be liable to all damages sustained by any person by reason thereof, whether le may have been criminally prosecuted and convicted or not: Provided nevertheless, That no execution for such damages in any civil netion, shall bar or provent the criminal prosecution and conviction of any such offender.
LI. And be it further cnacted, That no claim for any accruing intereat on any security for money, or any claims for rent of any description upon any ummoveables shall be a charge or incumbrance upon any immoveables, alter the period of registration ${ }_{5}$ although-the-security on which such claims may be reserved may be duly registered, beyond a period of tive years, but all such clams shall be absolutely mull and vord as against subsequent bond fide purchasers or mecumbrancers for a valuable consideration beyond such period of five years, unless registered afresh as a puncpal and integral sum and charge, with the assent of the person subject to the payment thereof, or accompanied by the declaration hereinbefore directed and required for the registration of instuments sous scing privé.

LIl. And be it further enacted, That whenever any charge, incumbrance, or claim affecting any inmoveables, which shall have been duly registered accordng to the provisiois of this Ordinance, shall have been wholly or in part paid off, satisfied, or discharged, whether such charge, incumbrance or claim shall consist of principal money, interest, lods et ventes, or rent of any description, or otherwise, it shall and may be lawiul for the person whose property shall have been so affected, to demand of and from the party or partes in whose favour any such charge, incumbrance or claim may have operated, a release or discharge of such charge, incumbrance or claim, to be addressed to the register of the county in whech the same may have been registtred, to the effect that such payment, satisfaction and discharge, whetier wholly or in part, and if in part to what extent, have been made; and the register to whom such release or discharge shall be addressed, on proof of the authentucity thereof by affiduit, shall file the sume of record, and preserve the same in the same packet as the documents $\overrightarrow{\text { relatiagg to the origind registration, and enter a minute thereof or a reference thereto in the margin }}$ of the several books of registry, and the indexes thereto; in the same page in which such charge, incumbrnnce or claim or reference thereto was originally entered, so that the same may be manfest upin the inspection of such registry, to all persons whomit may concern; and such register shall also transmit a copy of such release or discharge and munute, to the provincial register with the next monthly report to be made by hum, according to the provisions of this Ordinance, who shall forthwith, in like mammer,- cause-such munute to be entered in the books of regiatry in his office, relating to such county, in the place or places where the original entry or entrics of such register may appear.
LIII. And be it further enacted, That when any duly registēred ctrarge; incumbrance or claimaffecting any immoveables in this province, shall have been so paid off, satisfied or discharged, enther wholly or in part, or where any such duly registered judgment shall have been reversed either wholly or in part, and the perbon or persons in whose favour the same may have operated, upon heing requested so to do, by or on behulf of the person whose mmoveables may have been so charged, incumbered, or affected, shall refuse or neglect to grant, at the proper costs and charges of the party applying for the same, such release or discharge as is horeinbefore mentioned, of such partial or total payment, sutisfaction ar discharge thereof, or if any scigneur shall refuse, nfter request duly made, to grant such certificate relating to uny lods et ventes upon any immoveables withm his seignory as hèrembefore provided, it shall and may be lawful for the persons so-as aforesadd entitled to such release, duscharge or certuicate, to bring a summary action or suit in, or to move any of 'Her Majesty's
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mperior courts in the district where the immoveables may be situated, or where the party whose duty it may be to grant such release, discharge or certificate, shall reside, to compel the execution and delivery of the same; and such court shall have power and authority in every such case to inquire summarily into the same, and to do justice in a summary manner between the parties, and, if justice shall require, to award the grant and execution of such release, discharge or certificate, and for that purpose to summon all witmesses and examine the paries and witnesses vivd roce in open court, or on affidavit, as the court may think fit, and to award such damages as to the said court shall seem just and reasonable, and to give such costs to either of the parties as the court in their discretion shall think fit; and in acase such court in its judgment shall award the grant and execution of such release, discharge or certificate, either wholly or in part, such judgment may be filed with such register, and shall have the same effect as any such release, discharge, or certificate, and a minute thereof shall accordingly be made by such register, in the said books of registry.
LIV. And be it further enacted, That in making registration of any instrument, and before completing the same, it shall be lawful for any register to correct or erase any error made in writing the same, or to make any necessary addition thereto, either in the body of such registry, or in the margin of the page wherein such error may occur, signing his initials in the margin to each such marginal correction, and noticing at the foot of the Act of Registration, the number of words erased, and of marginal ndditions or corrections.
LV. And be it furtlier enacted, That it shall not be lawful for any court whatever to direct to be made, or any register to make, any erasure or obliteration in any registry book, after any registration shall be completed, but in all cases in which any false or fraudulent registration shall have been made, and in all cases in which it shall at any time appear that any defective or imperfect entry has been made in any registry appointed by this Act to be kept, whether any such defect or imperfection shall consist of a misdescription of the property, or of the amount of charge, or of the parties concerned in the matter to which such entry shall relate, or of an insufficient dencription of any of the above, or of a matter of date or of any inaccuracy whatsoever, or whenever any judgment or instrument, whereon any charge or incumbrance may rest or depend, shall have been vacated, or shall be otherwise invalid or null, it shall and may be lawful for the register, or for any party interested in such registration, or who might be affected thereby, to move the Court of Queen's Bench, or the Provincial Court of the district within whtch such registry office shall be situated, or to a judge thereof in vacation, upon affidavit, setting forth all essential particulars, and annexing a certified copy of the entry in question, to annul or rectify the same, as the case may require. And it shall and may be lawful for the said court or judge, upon such application as aforesaid, to take cognizance of such matters, and the said court or judge shall have full power and jurisdiction upon sufficient cause shewn, to call before it or him by rule to appear and shew cause, all such parties and witnesses as to the said court or judge shall appear to be interested in such registration, or in the determination of such case, or able to contribute to the elucidation of such matter, examining the said parties, or any of them, and such witnesces', either upon affidavit or virä voce in open court, or by both or either of suth means; as to the said court or judge shall appear advisable, and to determine the same in "a summary way. And it shall and may be lawful for the said court or judge, on any such application, to order that any register shall forward to the said court, certified under his signature uad-seal-of offer; an exact copy of uny entry or entries in the books of his office. And the said court or judge shall have power, and is hereby authorized in all cases of such applications, in which it shall fully appear to the satisfaction of such court, that any false or frandulent or undue registration, or any defective or imperfect entry has been made in any such registry, to adjudge and order that such filse or fraudulent or undue regis. tration shall be annulled, or to direct and adjudge that such further entry or addition shall be made in every such book of registry as shall amend any such 'defective or insufficient entry and nemove its defect, $s 0$ that the sad entry may correspond in all easential particulars with the specific transaction to which the same may profess to have reference, according to the true intent and purport of this Act; and every such judgment or adjudication, daly certified by the prothonotary of the naid court, shall be forwarded by the party in whose favour it shall be given, or by any pariy to the suit to, and shall thereypion be entered by'the register to whose office the same may relate in the book of requisitions, in the order and of the proper'following number, according to the time when it may be received, ns if the same were an original requisition for registry; and a reference shall be made in every entry in the books of such registry relating to the immoveables affected thereby, to such correctional entry of such' ${ }^{\prime}$ dugment or aujudication, so that any'person secing any entry of the original registration may at once see the coitrection or alteration thereof: Provided nevertheless, That whenever any such judgment or order may be given by a single judge in the vacation, such judgment or order shall be open to an appeal to the full court, withu one calendar month from the date of such judgment or order, by entering the same with the prothonotary of such court.
LVI. And be it further enacted, That on any such application or action as hereinbefore provided it shall and may be lawful for the said court to award to either party such costs as may be thought just and proper by such court, to be paid by that party whose falsehood or fraud, error or neglect, shall have occasioned such suit or proceedings, or agaunst any party bringing any suit or proceeding without just or sufficient cause.
LVII. And be it further enacted, That if for the attainment of the ends of justice it shall appear aecessary to the court wheren any cause or proceeding may be pending in this province to require the attendance of any register or deputy-register with his original books of office, and that such ends cannoz be attained by the production of certified copies of any entries in uuch books, and by the orginal papers in such registry office, or by the appointment of experts-or-examiners, it-shall be lawful for such court to require the attendance of such register with his books, giving not less than 15 day's' notice to such register of his attendance with his original books being required, who shall thereupon instantly communicate the fact of his having been so sumnoned to the provincial register; and thereupon, if it shall appear to such register so summoned and to the provincial register that serwus interruption to the business of the office shall be apprehended, to the detriment of the public interests, it shall be lawful for the said provinctal register to onder such register so summoned to close the books of his office on the day on which he shall quit his office to attend such court, and thereupon to open a fresh set of books on such day for the busifegs of wuch office, entering such
order in the last page of such books mo closed, immediately under the last entry therein, and at the commencement of such new books which may be thereupon opened, before any other entry shall be made therein, together with a memorandum of the name and date of the last registration of such books so closed ; and no other entry whatever shall at any time after be made in any of such books so closed, save and except such correctional entrics as may be made under and in pursuance of the provisions of this Ordinance.
LVIII. And be it further enacted, That no county register shall be liable to any punishment for not attending as a witness in any civil court of justice in this province relating to any matter arising out of or connected with the business of his office of register, unless previously to his leaving his said office there shall be tendered and offered to him the amount of his expenses of travelling, at the rate of one shilling per mile, going and returning from the place of his office to the place where the court is to be held, and unless the party requiring his attendance shall undertake to pay to such register the sum of ten shillings currency for cach day or portion of a day during which, travelling at the rate of 30 miles a day, he may be uecessarily absent from the duties of his said office.
LIX. And be it further enacted, That in all cases wherein the original minute or entry, or any documents, iustruments or papers which may have been filed with any of such county registers, or any minute or entry in the office of the provincial register, shall have been destroyed by fire or other unavoidable accident, ur shall be in a state of great decay, it shall be lawful for the provincial register to direct fresh registries to be made out from the entries remaning in his office or in the office of the county register, as the same may be; or if any original judgment, act, deed or instrument from which the copy destroyed was taken shall be in existence, from such original judgment, act, deed or instrument, in new books of registry, so far as such remaining entries or original documents may enable the same to be done; and such new books of registry shall reman in the office of such register or provincial register, in lisu of the books so destroyed, or together with; ;iztch books in such state of decay, and rhall be taken and received in all courts and places as prima' facie evidence of the contents of such former books ; and it shall be the duty of every register or provingidi, register in whose office such books or entries may be destroyed or decayed to make and perfect inll such new entries and . kooks of registry to the best and utmost of his power ; and for that purpose to make all necessary searches and to procure all such documents as may be necessary or useful and procurable without any fee, remuneration or reward to be therefore paid such register.
LX, And bie it fitther enacted, That when any oath is required hy this Ordinance to be taken, the same may be alministered in that form which the party to take the same may declare to be most binding on his conscience ; and any Quaker or other person who may have an objection, founded upon religious scruples, to take an onth, shall be permitted to mule a solemn affirmation in lieu thercof: Provided nevertheless, and be it further enacted, That when any person taking any oath either on the Holy Evangelists or in any other form, or making solemn aftirmation in lieu thereof, under this Ordinance, shall knowingly and wilfully make any false statement therein, with intent to injure or defraud any person whatever, every person making such false oath or affirmation shall bo taken to be guilty of wilful and corrupt periufy, and-hemg thereof convicted, shall be liable to suffer the same pains and penalties which now are by law inflicted on persons"guilty of wilful and corrupt perjury.
LXI. And be it further enacted, by and with the authority aforesaid, That ifany person or persons shall at any time fraudulently forge or counterfeit any act, deed, instrument, or paper, whatsoever, or any copy, abstract, mimute or entry which shall or may at any time hereafter be filed or registered or be presented for alut purpose with or to any of the registers to be appointed under or by virtue of this Ordinance, for which no other punishment is provided by this Ordinance, duch person or persons upon'being thereof lawfally convicted, shall incur and be liable to such pains and penalties. as by the laws of this province are now imposed upon persons for forging and publishing false deeds, charters, writings and wills.
LXII. And be it further enacted, That all offences against this Ordinance may apd shaill be prosecuted, and all penalies for any offence or omission of every duty under this Act for, which no other remedy is provided, may and shall be sued for in Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench, in the district where such offence, or wherein any portion thereof may have been committed, or wherein such omission of duty may have nccurred, and all pecuniary penalties which may not be otherwise disposed of by this Ordinance, shall go one-half to the parson who ahall sue for the same and the other half to Her Majesty.
LXIII. And' be it further enacted, That this Ordinance shatl have come into operation, on the day of
and that every person seeking to avail himself of the benefit of this Ordinance and to register his title, or to preserve the priority of any alienation, claim, charge or incumbrance, then existung, relating to any immoveables in this province, shall and may cause the same to be registered in maumer herein provided within the several times followiug, that is to say: every such person who, at the time when this Ordinance shall come into operation shall reside in or come into any part of the continent or islands of North America, shall cause such registry to be made within the space of six calendar months, and if such person shall reside in any other part of the-world within 10 calendar months, rext after the coming into operation of this Ordinance; and in default hereof every such alienation, claim, charge or incumbrance, shall only rank in priority from the period of its being registered in manner herein provided (subject nevertheless to the proviso hereinhefore contained, as to chargēe and incumbrances having special priviLege), and shall be absolutely nuh and void as against subsequent boná fide purchasers, or incumbrancer for a valuable consideration; but, if registered within such period as uforesaid, every alienation, claim, charge or incumbrance which may be in existence at the tume of this Ordinance comong into operation, shall tuke effect and have priority from the date of its actual commencement, in the same manner as it would have done in case this Ordinance had not been passed: and until' the expiration of such six months, every register shall cause all entries relating to any such title, alienation, claim, charge or incumbrance whereto any person may be entitled at the time of this Ordinance coming into operation to be made in a separate and distanct set of booka to be provided by the provincial register as other books of registry under thit Ordinance, which booke

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$10 \& 11 \mathrm{Geo} .4, \mathrm{c} .8$, s. 13; 1 Will 4, c.3, and 4 Will 4., astaras cxtending 10 \& 11 Gev 4, c 8, s. 13, to uther comatics, conthaned, and the remanader of such Acts and 2 Will. 4. c. 7 , repeated apol susprod. ed duriug the c.un-
thall be closed at the expiration of such six months, save and except as to any claims to such registration which may be thereafter made by parties who may not at the time of chis Ordinunce coming into operation be residing on the contintent or islands of North America; and all entries relating to subsequent registrations of any such title, alienation, claims, chagges or incumbrances existing at the time of this Ordinance coming into operation by any person entiled to such registration within the time hereby prescribed, shall be made in the same books, numerically, and from time to time, as the requisitons for such registrations may be received, and subject to the severul rules and provisions, whether as to the natuie of the bnoks or the forms to be observed, hereinbefore provided and enacted for other registiations.
LXIV. And be it further enacted, Thut if upon this Ordinance coming into operation any claim to such registrations according to the priority of thrir respective dates, shall appear to any such county registar or the provincial register to be of a doubtiul mature, either na regards the place of residence of the party claiming regestration, or as to the period of time when any such tutle, alienation, claim, charge or incumbrance, miay have commenced or accrued, such claim to registration shall nevertheless be received and entered in the book of requisition in the order and of the number in which it shall be received; but it shall be lauful for any such register to require such person to apply in the manner prescribed and according to the provision hereby made for annulling or ractifymg any fulse, fraudulent or defective registry to Her Majesty's Court of Queen's. Bench for the district within which the inmoveables to which such claim tor registration may apply may be situate; and such court shull have the like jurisdiction and powers in all doubtful cases of such registration to mquire into, adjudge and determine such cases as are hercly provided and given in cases of false, fraudulent or defective registry, and to issue a docree or mandate thereupon directory to such register to admit or reject such claim to registration; and such chaim, when admitted, slall have and take effect from the time when such clam to registration was teceived: Pıovided never theless, That ull cases whatsoever of registration determined by such courts shall be open and subject to the like appeals and on the same terms, rules and conditions as are now by law applicable to other cases determined by such courts, save and except as in and by this Ordinance otherwise expressly provided.
LXV. And whereas it is inexpedient at present to make further alteration in the system of registry which now prevails by law in the inferior district of Gaspi, than to secure uniformaty of registry throughout the province, be it therefore further enucted, That for the purposes of this Ordinance, the sad inlerior district of Gaspé, consisting of the two counties of Guspe and Bonaventute, shall be deemed and taken to be but one county, and that the prothonotary of the provincial court for the said inferior district of Gaspí, for the time being, shall be and continue the registrar or register for the said two countres of Gaspe and Bonaventure, and shall execute the office of such registrar or register, at his office of prothonotary of the said court, and that the several rules, regulations, enactments and provisions of this Ordinance thall be taken and held to apply in all things to such prothonotary, so far as the execution of lus duties as such registrar or register may extend, in the same manner as to any such county registers appointed as hercinbefore provided.
LXVI. And be it further enacted, That so much of an act of the legislature of this province passed in the fouth year of the reign of his late Majesty George the Fourth, intitutled, "An Act to render valid certain Acts, Agreements in Writing, und Contracts of Marrage (Cuntract de Martage sous seng privé) heretofore executed in the inferior District of 'Gaspé, and to provide for the waint of Notaries in the said inferior District," as enacts that the prothonotary of the court of the said inferior district for enrolling every will, act, or agreement in writing, inventory, partage, donation, contact of marriage (contract de marage sous seing privé) if the same do not exceed one hundred words, shall be entitled to demand and receive the sum of two shillings and siapence currency, and for every hundred words exceeding one hundred words, at the rate of sixpence currency: and for every certufied copy of any entry from such book or register, at the rate-of one shilling currency for the first hundred words, and six pence currency for every hundrad words exceeding the first hundred words, and which said Act was further contmued by an Ordinance of the special council of this province, made and passed in first year of the reign of Her present Majeaty, intituled, "An Ordinance to continue certain Acts of the Legislature of thas Province, relating to the establishment of Registry Offices," until the first day of November, 1842, shall continue in force, and is hereby continued in force during the continuance of this Urdinance.
IXXVII. And be it further enacted, That the registry books by this Ordinance directed to be kept by county registers, and which shall be kept under the nuthority hereof by the prothonotary of the said court of the inferior dostrict of Gaspe, as such regastrar-or register, shall be tyken and hedd to be such book and register, as in and by the said Act of the fourth year of the reign of has sad Majcsty, King George the Fourth, is directed to be kept by such prothonmary, and that all certificates which the said prothonotary may give under his hand and scal of office as such register of Gaspé, shall be held and taken to be, and shall be received in all courts of law, and have the lihe force and effect; as the certuficates heretofore given under the said Act of the fourth year of the reign of hrs sald Majesty, King George the Fourth.
LXVIII. And be it further enacted, That so much of the said Act passed in the fourth year of the reign of his sad Majesty, King George the Fourth, as is not hereby expressly contmued, shall be, and the same is hereby suspended and repealed during the continuance of thas Ordinance, from and after the day of this Ordmance coming into operation.
LXIX. And be it further enacted, That so much of an act of the legislature of this province. passed in the tenth and eleventh years of the relgn of his late Majesty, King George the Fourth, mituled, "An Act to estublish liegietry Offices in the Counties of Drummond, Sherbrooke, Stanstead, thefford, and Mussiskoui," as provides that every registrar appointed under the said Act, as often as he shall be required, shall. make scarch of all acts, deeds or instruments in writing, enregistered in the offices established under the said Act, and gue certificates to nny person respecturg the same, under his hand if required, and that every such registrar shall te eutitled to demand and reccive forthwith, for the entry and registration of any such act, deed or mstrument in demand and receive forthwith, for the entry and registration of any such of two shilings currency, and no more, provided the same docs not contane
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over six humired words, and that if there be more than six hundred words, then and in that case there shall be allowed a sum not exceeding sixpence for every hundred words above six hundred; and that for every search in the said office, without a certificate being required, and where the names of the parties to the ast, deed or instrument in writing are given, the registrar shall be entitled to demand and reveive one shulling currency, and no more; and where the description of the immoveable poperty is given with a certuficute thercof, the sand registrar, or his deputy or clerk, shall be entitled to demand and receive one shilling currency for every search and certificate, and no more; and that for every centificate of tegistry, the sald registrar, his deputy or clerk, shall be entilled to demand and receve one shilling currency, and no more: and so much of an Act of the legislature of this province passed in the tirst year of the reign of has late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled, "Au Act to amend an Act passed in the eleventh year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled, 'An Act to establish Regiatry Ofices in the Counties of Drummond, Sherbrooke, Stanstead, Shefford and Missiskoui, and to extend the Provisions of the said Act,'" as extends the sand 'provison of the Act passed in the tenth and eleventh years of the reigu of his sard Majesty Kung George the Fouth, hereinbefore recited, to the countres of Ottawa, Beauharnois and Megantic-and so much of an Act of the legislalure of this province passed in the fourth year of ther reign of his late Majenty King William the Fourth, intituled, "An Act to extend the Provisions of the Act to establish Registry Offices in the Counties of Drummond, Sherbrooke, Stanstead, Shefford and Nissisquos, to Lands held in free and common Soccage in the Counties of the Two Mountains and Acadie" as extends the said Provision of the Act of the tenth and eleventh years of the reign of lis said Majesty King George the Fourth, hereinbefore recited, to the counties of Two Mountains and Acadie, shall be and the same are heraby extended and contunued during the continuance of this Ordmance, and the several registers of the suid several counties of Drummond, Sherbrooke, Stanstead, Shefford, Missiskoui, Ottawa, Beauharnors, Megantic, Two Mountans and Acadie, who may be appomted under this Ordmaneer. shall continue to have and enjoy all such fees and emoluments as are sanctuoned and authorized by such several Acts. And be it further enacted, That the whole of the rest of the said several Aets of the tenth and eleventh years of the reign of his said Majesty King George the Fourth, the first year of the reign of his said Majesty King Wilham the Fourth, und the fourth year of the ieign of his sadd Majesty King William the Iourth, and also an Act of the legrslature of this province passed in the second year of the reign of his said late Majesty King Wilham the Fourth, intituled, "An Act to extend the Period lanited by an Act passed in the first year of his Majesty's reggn, chapter the third, for enregistering certain Acts or Deeds in Law, of Instruments in Writing therem mentioned," chail be and the same are hereby severally suspended and repealed dusing the continuance of this Ordinance from and after the day of its coming into operation.

LXX, And be it further enacted, That whenever the papers of any notary, owing to his death or otherwise, shall be deposited with the prothonatary of any of the superior courts of this province, and any act may be sequired to he done, or any certificate to be given relating thereto, by such notary, such act may be done and such certificate may be given by sucla prothonotary, and shall have the like force and effect as if the same had been given by such notary.
LXXI. And be it further enacted, That if any register appointed under the provisions of this Ordmance shall neglect to perform has duty in the execution of the duties of the said office, according to the rules and directions in this Ordmance contained, or shall commit or suffer to be commutted any undue or fraudulent practice in the exceution of the duties of the sad office, and be thereof lawfully convirted, no other punishment being expressly imposed by this Ordnance for such offence, then such register shall forfeit his satd office, and pay treble damages. wuh full costs of sutt, to every peason or persons that may or shall be mured thereby, to be racoveied from the sad register or liss deputy or clerk, jointly or severally, by action in any of Her Majesty's superior courts in thas province.
LXXII. And be it further enacted, That whenever the term "inmoveables" may be made use of in this Ordinance, it shall be taken and held to mean not only lands, houses and tenements, according to the existing laws of thes province, und according to the laws of England, but shall also be taken and held to mean and shall comprise all immoveables and leasys of immoveables for a term exceeding three years, and chattel interests issuing trom or consising-h the enjoyment of any immoveables.
LXXIII. And be it further enacted, That whenever the terms "charge or incumbranee" may be made usè ofan this Ordmance, the same shall be taken and held to include all preveleges, hypotheques,
 or salall be held en fief, or in en roture; and in such parts of the sald province as may or shall be held $m$ fiee and common soccage or other Enghsh tenure, the said term shall be taken and held to mean every desciption of mortgage, hen or other clarge or necumbrance to which lands in free and common soccage can or may be subject. -
LXXIV. And be it further enacted, That whenever this Ordinance in treating of any person or party, or body, matter or thing intended to be affected by its provisions, may have used words importing the the singular number or the masculine gender only, yet such words shall be understood to include several persons or parties as well as one person or party and several bodes as well as one body, and bodies corpurate as well as mdividuals, and several matters as well, and things as well as one matter and thing, and females as well as males, unless it be otherwise specially provided, or thete be something in the subject or context $r$ pugnant to to such construction.
LXXV. And be it further enacted, That whenever the term Queen's Bench may be made use of this Urdinance the same shall be taken to mean and desjenate the Courts of Her Majesty in the Term Queen's Bench province usually designated as the Courts of King's Bench.
LXXVI. And be it further enacted, That this Ordinance shall be taken and deemed a public Act, Ordinance to be a puband shull be taken notice of as such in every court in this province without being specially pleaded. He nt.

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## Ajppendix (E) FORM of Dgolaration required by Section 15 , to be made by persons demanding Registratiod

 of any title, claim, interest or charge upon immoveables, not derived from some Judicial or Notarial Act.I, cor we, if more than one, A. B. do hereby demand to have duly registered, according to the provisions of the Ordinance in that cake made and provided, all that my (or our) right, claim, title, interest, charge or incumbrance, upon--रhere describe the property by its name and localities, and state the name or names of the owner or reputed owner and occupier)-whereof the particulars in due form prescribed for registration, have been this day delivered to the register for the county of at (the place where the office is situate.)
And I do hereby solemnly declare, that such right, claim, \&c., an aforesaid, is, to the best of my belleff, just and true, and that I (or we) do lawfully possess, such right, claim, \&c., as is hereby required top be regittered.
And I (or we) do further solemnly declare, that auch right,telaim, \&ce, which I (or we) do hereby require to have registered, is admitted to be just and true (or denied to be just or true) by E. F., the person in possession of the property aforesaid, in respect whereof auch registration is hereby required and demanded.

And I (or we) do further declare, that I (or we) elect (here state the name of the person, and describe the place and situation of the dwelling, office, or inhabited building to which letters may be tent by post or otherwise,) as my (or our) douicilo for the purposen required by the said Ordinance.

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(signed) A. B.
To the register, or person holding the office of register for the (county or subdivision) at

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[^1]:    - There have been so many complaints of the past unfaimeses of the divisions of districtot, that I should recommend, as I have before said, tho firat arrangementa of this deacription to be mode under the immediater superintendence of an Education Commisaion.

[^2]:    * Mr. Dunkin, in his 'report, which I had not recqived when the above was written, estimates the probable futuro"income of the Jespita' estates at a far higher aniount,-See Appendix (A.) p. 100.

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[^3]:    Office for the Managenent of the Jemnita Estaten,
    Quetee. 5 October 1838.

[^4]:    -This and the following ámounts, being taken from the Recciver- Ocnéril's books, are all nominally terthmg, though not
    
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[^6]:    - The receipts of the estates (after the deduction of an allowance of 10 per cent to the agents for collection) were deposited mnder the carlier commisuions in the hands of a "treasurer of the Jesuits" eatates" fot safe keeping and aishorsement. This office was for'a number of years held by the receivers-gemeral of thenprovince; first, by Mr. Heriry Caldwall, and on his death, by his son, Blr John. Caldwell. ' After the discovery of Siir John's defalcations (from which, tas will be seen presently, the nevenue of tho Jesuits' estates as well ws the general revenues of the province suffered) the treasureralup of the Jesuits estates was held by one of the commissloners, the Hon. H. W. Ryland. Shortly after the appointment of the How. John Stewart as sele "commissioner, the' revenues of the estates were again deposited with'the receiver-general, and the office of ztreasuret of the estates was abolished.

[^7]:    *There is an ambiguity in the use of this word "alienations," which I would gladly avoid, could I think of any other word, the use of which would bo free from the objection. In the tables ( $\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{c}}$ ), ( C .) and (H.) it in used to signify any such disposition of a part of the estates (whether profitable or not) as withdraws it, for a time or permanently, from the direct control of the commissioner. In this sense, oven the lands, mills, \&ec. under lease, are for the time "alienated," though not unprofitably; the "conceded" lands are permanently. "alienated," (inasmuch as after the conccsaion they are uo longer under the commissionor's control, and except by legal process for non-payment of dues, or by re-purchase, cannot be brought again into his hands,) though still not unprofitably alionated; lands sold on coustitut (in other words, on bond and raortrage, the purchaser engaging to pay a fixed rata of interest on the purchase money till such time as he may ehoose, br as may be appointed in the articles of contract, for payment of the principal,) come under the same designation. Grants to chinches, \& \& .' \& \% ; and auriere, fiefs, are "alienations also; but in the stricter sense of the term they are permunent and unprofitablo.
    It is to this latter class of alionations that I refer, in speaking of the alicnations from the estates since 1800 as of "small extent." Lcases, concessions and sales are not the kind of alienation here intended.
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[^8]:    * I have had some doubt as to the place in which this property ought to be elassed, whether as a distinct' seigniory, or not. It is certainly not a part of any other seigniory; and I find it moro than once spoken of as a seigniory, in reports on the subject of the estates. Its extent, it will be seen, is trifting, and its value morely nominal.
    + Perlapts this property would be better called a seigniory, though I have nowhere seen that name given to it. Like lsle aux Reaux, its value is merely nominal; nud it matters little where cither is classed.
    $\ddagger$ For evidence of the correctness of the amounts stated in this part of the roport, see the tables (F.) and (G.). in loc. I give, in this passage and those which follow, round numbers only, -the round numbers nearest the truth. It wilh he seenprecently, that the incompleteness of the surveys does not warrant any pretension to much greater accuracy.

[^9]:    * These amounts cannot be far wrong, though they may not be exactly in accordance with the books of the estates. These, for reasons already given, I have not been able to consult.
    + Here, as in many other places, I quoto tho sums total given in my own tables (F.) and (G.) not those' - which appear on the face of the commissioner's returns. The reason will appear presently.

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[^10]:    - Rather more, in point of fact; for the calcalation of the gross compated revenue for 1836-9, made in the text, I have not taken into account the receipts to bo drawn from asscspamenta on the censitaires to meet particular expenses, such as surveys. These receipts during the six years ending in 1837, amounted on an average to 436.4 s .10 d . yearly, and form part of the gross sum of $3,190 \% .7 \mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{~d}$., tho total ycarly reccipt returned for that period. Adding the same amount to the computed revenue for 1838 , 9 , wo have if total of $\delta, 4486.10 \mathrm{a} .94 \mathrm{~d}$, and consequently in difference betwecnit and the sapposed average rential for the six years of $8831.38,8 \geqslant \alpha$ (ñot 8362 l. 181.1014 .)

[^11]:    - In the tables (F. 2.) and (G.2.) these exponses are calcolated for the soveral properties at exactly this rate, and the consequence is, that their sum total, as shown by these tables, is 3 s. $\overline{3}$ ad. currency more than the truth, being $2,238 I_{n} 68.91 d$. instead of $2,238 \mathrm{l}$. 2 s . 5 f $d$.

[^12]:    *The return (A. 1.) gives 152 arpents as the extent of what are there called Now Concessions; while tho specification of them in (C.1.), makes the extent only 135. I have takent the larger number, as porhaps the one which includes roads, and with the 200 unsold arpents, makes up the whole extent of the domain.

[^13]:    - "Seven years" is the term specified in the return; but from the date givin in another columá of the return, it would sceni to he for 10 y years.

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[^14]:    *"Seven years" is the term speecified in the return, bat, from the date given in another columan of the return, it would seem to be for 104 years.

[^15]:    - See accompanying paper, mariked (I.) Thereturn (A. 1.) as first rondered to the commisaion, stood, as is there stated, differing in a few particulars from its presont form. Having remarked a number of its defects (as pointed out in this report), 1 drew the attention of tho commissionur to them, and suggested their correction. Tho return was altered by him, 10 as to read as it now does; its errors and omissions, by some unaccountable misunderstanding, being almoat all lofit uitouched; and tho fowr changos made, in almost every instance (as in the case of this scigniory), adding to their number. These changes werc made only. a few days before the inquirics of the commission closed, too late for further conference with the commissioner on the subject.
    †These'amounts'appeas, on the face of the return (C.7.) to be the actual extent of the concessions theinselves, and not the gross cxtent of the tract they cover' roads, \&c. included. In the preceding seigniories, the return is obviously of the latter clasg. I do not know that this is not, and tharofore have made no allow. ance for tho supposed difference of the returns in character, in the tables (F.1. 2. and'3.) If the 66,439 arpents be the net and not the gross extent of the concessions, the unalicnated tract should be set down at somewhat lew than the estimato in the text.

[^16]:    - This division is not pexfectly exact, either in this or in the other seiguionies, but it is as nearly correat an it wes worth while to make it.

[^17]:    - I am obliged to give these catimatos and the skatch illustrating than, from recollection only of the MS. siap of the selgniory, which was retumed to the commigsioner befor I left, Quebec.

[^18]:    *The numbor of censitaires on thicse concessions is not retarned; and the number 25 is conjectured, therefore, from the average of the other concessions.

    + Number not returned, but the estimate is probably within the mark.
    $\ddagger$ This numbor is in part conjectural; tho returns not stating how many consitaires hold the old concessions. The number supposed in the text is below the average of the othor old concessions.
    $\|$ Thete numbers are from Tables (F.) and (G.); and the nominally productive properties of the Iole aux Reaux, the Isle de St. Christophe, and the concessions in the city of Aloutreal are omitted.

[^19]:    - Upon lods et ventes, as already stated, theio is ovory reason to believe the amount greater.

[^20]:    - I luve not a copy of the bill by mo, and my notes do not mentiou the rate prescribod; but my impression

[^21]:    - For all municipal purposes, the territorial extent of the " township" as at present measured in Lower Cansin, " 100 squaro milcs, is most inconvenlently large. Thirty-six equare miles is the average in the state of New York; and it is in every way a much bettor ono.

[^22]:    - I have not a cony of the report by me at present, and give this sum from momory. It is possible I may err, but I belicva I do not.
    f The extensivo buldings of the seminary of Quebec, a very flourishing college, under the direction of an incorporated socicty of human Catholie clergymen, and in every respect one of the best inistitutions in the province, are within a stone's throw of the old Jesuits' college.

[^23]:    - In this valuation it would be necessary to include both land and barrack, as both are equally the property of the estates, and to value them not at the rental which would readily he paid for a barrack, but at such a price as, with all reasomable effort for the purpose, it might be supposed thoy could be made by the administrator of the estates to fetch, were their occupation as a barrack out of the question. One of the buidings on the ground (astore-house) has heen crected with Govermment money, nnd this would have to be exeepted from the proposed valuation. It is not easy, by the way, to see what could be dono with this building, wero the restoration and not the purcluse of the college determined on.
    + Mr. Kimber enys that another piece of land at some distance up the Saguenay, also within the IIudson's Bay Company's tract, was held by the Jesuits. If so-and the facts of the case ought to be ascertained-the same remarks are applicable to it as to the land at Tadoussac. No mention is made ly Mr. Stewart of any such property.

[^24]:    * The general principle on which 1 have msisted, in spenking of these four properties, would purlaps rightfully admit of apphration to the "free grants" made by the Crown in La Vacherie and the city of Quebec mentioned on pp, 134-6. Her Majesty's Govermment has neknowledged, in the words of Lord Goderich's despatel, "that the Jesuits' estates were, on the dissolution of that order, appropriated to the education of the people," and "that the revenue which may result from that property (thic estates) should bo regarded as inviolably and exclusively applicable to that purpose." After such an admission, the honour of thic Crown surely rejuires that all past missapproprintions of particular portions of the estates be as far as possible recalled, or made up for. It is not enough that this be pytually done by the adoption of a general policy favourable to education, and the grant (as de novo) of a fund from the Crowu land, or any other revenue, in support of it. The restitution should be openly acknowledged as such, or the conduct of the Imperial Govenument will still remaun open to the complaints so often and so effectively made against it on this account. It is easy, by carrying out the pruciple above suggeated, to render thas compluint for the time to come imposible, but it cannot be done otherwise. .

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[^25]:    - Provincial, not real stcrling.
    + In the axx ycars and a lulf from 10 Octoluer 1831 to 10 Aprii 1838, thore havo been four guch payments, arnountirg in all to $\%$ 3/. 18e. 71d. currency. This amount is not included in the returns of the repenne of tho estates made by the commissioner, nor yet in the tables (F.) and (G.) or in the amounts quoted in the preced ing chapters of this report; the two latter proceeding wholly on the data furnished by the former. Tho amount in question was too small to requiro such repeated mention as would have been necessary for this parpose in the report; and it was impossable, from the want of precise information about it, to mako-it appear on the tables.

[^26]:    * Thore remains still a heavy balance due from the estate of Sir John Caldwell; but from the amomut of the heavier unsatisfied claims of the province, it is not at all likely that any part of it will ever be realised.

[^27]:    - These three nmounts are not correctly copied in the despatch and report. The meaning is not, howover, therefore the less clear.

[^28]:    *This sum may appear too high at first sight, In riew of the priesent trifing incomo of the estates; but the cxtent of the unsold land must be remembered. The estimate procceds, on the supposition that in 20 years most of this will have been sold, and further, that for the othor very valuable propertics as yet unproductive to the cstates, a fair productive equivalent shall havo been rendered, With this understanding, I fully believo the entimate to be a good deal lower than I might woll have been warkanted in making it.
    $\pm$ These extimates includo all current expenser, and not morely the allowances to the administrator for sollection andmanagement. For the extensive surveys, \&ec. required at the outset under the new sybtem I have already trapposed a partiof the monies bolonging to the cstates in the provincial treastury to be appropriated. This tuderatood, there is nothing to prevent a diminntion of expenso even greater than Ihave prupposed in the tett. For the first year or two the outlay would be, necessarily heavy; in the end, it might probably be brought as near $\delta$ per cent, on the gross revenue as 10.

[^29]:    - En 182\%, feu Mr Roux, supérieur du séminaire de Montréal, traita l'affaire des droits seigneurieux avec le très honorable Huskisson, ministre des colonies, par la mediation de Sir Wilmot Horton. Le gnuvernement de $\varepsilon_{d}$ Majente s'engagen alors ì garantir au seminaire une rente annuelle et perpétuclle égale non seulement au montant des revenus que le séminaire percevoit de la seigneurie de Moritréal, mais encore, de ceux qu'il avoit drnit de percevoir. Le séminaire ne perceyoit qu'environ 6,000 $l$. de le dite seighéurje; le gouvernement cependant lui assura 8,000 l. et même 9,000 l., sil prouvoit que la séigneurie poursoit les rendre. M. Stephen, avocat de la Couronne, décida dans ce sens. Jes documents sont au bureau colonial.
    De plus le gouvernement, dans cette dotntion, ne faisoit aucune mention des deux autres seigneuries, ni de la ferme St. Gabricl, ni des autres immeubles, possédés par le séminairẹ; lesquels tous demeuroient en la possessioin et propriété du séminaire. L'arrangement actuel est dono loin d'assurer, au séminaire un revená aussi considérable.

[^30]:    - Mr. James Stuart, the present Chief Justice, who is entitled in right of his wife to a considerable estate, under a conveytance upwards of 30 years old, wheh gives a preseriptive title, was absent in England when the Act passed requring registration withim a cartain time, and when such time was extended by a subsequent Act for another yoar. Persons who had wished to get grants from hum took advantage of the want of registry, searched out the old grantor (an old widow) still living, oltained a new sale to themselves, and succoeded in the first court in anaction upon it. If Mr. Stuart succeeds in the court of appeal, at wall be on the ground that his tutlo es preseriptive, and that at is not necessary by the exasting law to register such tatle.

[^31]:    ## Wills．

