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To His Honour William Mortimer Clark, K.C., LL.D., &c.,

Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario.

May it please Your Honour:

I have the pleasure to present herewith for the consideration of Your Honour the Report of the Bureau of Archives of Ontario for 1905.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR J. MATHESON,

Provincial Treasurer.

Toronto, 1906.

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To the Honourable Arthur J. Matheson, M.P.P., etc.
Provincial Treasurer.

Sir,—I have the honour to submit to you the following Report for 1905 in connection with the Bureau of Archives for the Province of Ontario.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

ALEXANDER FRASER,
Provincial Archivist.

Toronto, 1906.

"If family papers are cherished, and claim respect in the home circle as memoirs of an unforgotten past, how much more ought to be prized, carefully garnered and preserved, the records of a whole people; that is, its public archives. . . . . A nation's history lies in its archives; there alone can it be sought; there alone rests the enduring evidence of its existence—the authentic certificate of its origin—its title deeds—the story of its achievements, good or bad."

—Sir James M. Lemoine.

Ex rebus antiquis eruditio oriatur.

PREFATORY.

Briefly stated, the general plan of publication adopted by the Bureau is developed within these well-defined periods, viz.: ending with 1763; 1791, 1841, 1867, 1900. The first period comprises the French regime, material for a volume respecting which is gradually accumulating: the second period includes the beginning of British trade and settlement in Upper Canada, the main feature being the arrival of the United Empire Loyalists. To this important event the documents contained in last year's Report belonged, and though covering but a comparatively small portion of the whole subject, gave to the world, for the first time, historical material of great value, which has been warmly and widely appreciated by students of Canadian history, and by a large section of the people, expressed through the columns of the leading press of Canada and the United States, and by correspondence with the Bureau.

Keeping still within the second period, the documents given in this Report concern the early settlement of Ontario prior to the organization of the Province in 1791, and consist chiefly of the Minutes of the Proceedings of the old Land Boards—of Hesse and partially of Nassau. The Minutes of the Proceedings of the Land Boards of Mecklenburg and Nassau have not yet been recovered. It is not the object of the Bureau to issue histories of the Divisions above indicated, but rather to furnish the raw material of our history in a permanent and accessible form, and the data now presented are the foundation facts of our Provincial annals.

The Report is in three sections: A, a brief reference to some of the more valuable material collected and examined during the year; B, notes on land tenure in Canada, leading up to the subject matter of the Land Boards' proceedings, and C, the Minutes, Letters, Lists, etc., pertaining to the work of the Land Boards, and correspondence between the Executive and its officers.

A faithful transcript of the MSS. has been adhered to throughout, in accordance with the usual practice, and for purposes of reference the number of each folio of the original books has been inserted in the text, within bracket marks, in heavy black type.

REPORT OF THE BUREAU OF ARCHIVES.

SECTION B.

During the year the work of the office has been steadily prosecuted; material has been gathered from many outside sources, and interesting papers have been transferred from some of the Departments to the Archives' Vault, which has been constructed so as to afford thorough safety from fire and satisfactory ventilation, and is convenient to the various branches of the public service and to the general public. The following letter from the Government Architect will assure contributors as to the question of safety:

[Safety Ensured.]

Department of Public Works,
Toronto, June 3rd, 1905.

Alexander Fraser, Esq.,
Provincial Archivist, Parliament Buildings.

Dear Sir: In reply to your favor of this date in which you say you re often asked whether the vault recently constructed for your Department in the basement of the Parliament Buildings is fire and damp proof, I am pleased to be in a position to state that it is fire-proof and perfectly dry, as special care was taken in the construction to ensure both results. The ceiling is built entirely independent of the ceiling and floor above it, of concrete one and half a foot in thickness, reinforced with expanded metal, forming one solid slab which is supported on steel beams encased with concrete. The strength of the floor is such that in case of fire there would not be any danger from falling beams or other materials breaking through, the concrete being able of sustaining a load of 275 lbs. to the super foot. This is the only type of construction which satisfactorily stood the test in the comparatively recent fire in Baltimore. Heavy brick and stone walls form the sides. The entrances are enclosed with double fire-proof doors and the windows with wrought iron shutters. To prevent dampness, the floor was constructed by first laying a layer of concrete 4 in. in thickness on top. As a further precaution against dampness the outer wall has been plastered with cement on the outside; attention has also been paid to the heating, sufficient steam pipes being left to keep the temperature at about 65 degrees. You will, of course, understand that what I have said applies wholly to protection from the outside; the protection with the inside rests with yourself.

Yours truly,
(Signed) F. R. Heakes.
Architect.

[Disposition of Material.]

The arrangement of the vault is as follows:

North Side, A., contains printed documents originating with the Legislative Assembly of Ontario; the Ontario Government Departments; Public Institutions of Ontario East Side, B., contains two series of shelving, one for material relating to the counties and cities of Ontario, and the other, for

material relating to Ontario townships, villages, and school sections. SOUTH SIDE, C., contains contributions from private collections relating to Ontario; Dominion and Imperial Government papers relating to Ontario. WEST SIDE, D., miscellaneous papers. Centre, E., extended through the centre of the vault is a large stand of specially fitted drawers and shelving for the accommodation of newspaper fyles, &c., and the safe and convenient disposal of maps. The vault is well lighted from outside, and is supplied with desk and writing convenience, for the public, in cases where open documents are being examined or copied. Classification and indexing have been carried on and the collections arranged so as to be easily accessible. This is laborious work, requiring care as well as expert knowledge, to ensure accuracy and comprehensiveness, but the progress has been steady.

A number of collections of papers have been examined with the view of acquiring them, and others have been the subject of negotiation, which, in due course, will, doubtless, be received. In such cases, the particulars, it will be obvious, should not be given in advance of actual possession, but it can be stated that much valuable material has been traced and investigated, and that as a result much will be preserved which otherwise would have been, in the course of time, destroyed or, at least, lost to the Province.

At the request of historical and kindred societies I have delivered public addresses at various points in the Province on subjects relating to the preservation of the materials of local history, and I have observed the existence of a strong patriotic feeling, especially among the younger business and professional men, in favor of preserving and utilizing our precious records.

The Bureau invites correspondence from all possessing, documents, books, etc., as set forth in Appendix "B" p. 517, Section C, of this report, with the object of obtaining papers of historical value, and the possessors are assured of their preservation and safe custody.

Received from Government Departments.

Among the more important of the papers transferred from the Government Departments are:

Department of Agriculture.

Current Departmental Reports.

Bulletins from the Ontario Agricultural College.

Attorney General's Department.

Current Departmental Reports and of attached Branches.

Department of Education.

Ontario Gazette—22 vols., 1889-1899.
Canada Gazette—23 vols., 1842-1863.
Bills of Canada—2 vols.
Canada -Reports of Commissions—80 vols. 1828-1844.
Parliamentary papers relating to Canada—16 vols. 1828-1844.
Parliamentary papers relating to Canada—2 vols. 1812-1819.
Canada—Reports on Finance, 1850.
Imperial Parliamentary Reports relating to Canada—6 vols., 1828-1835, 1836-1874.

Canada—Public Accounts, 1839-1851.
Miscellaneous collection of old Blue Books of Canada—140 entries.
Miscellaneous collection of old Reports re Colonial affairs.
Annual Reports of Public Institutions, 260 entries.
Municipal Reports, etc., 40 entries.
Immigration literature (old) 60 entries.
Northern Ontario Pamphlets, 20 entries.
City and Town Directories, 40 vols.
Almanacs—Canadian and United States, 40 entries.
Current Departmental Reports.

Department of Lands, Forests and Mines.

Current Departmental Reports.
Minutes of the Land Boards of Hesse vols., 1, 2, 3.
Minutes and papers of the Land Boards of Nassau, vols. 1, 2, 3, 9.
Heads of Enquiry, previous to granting lots in the two Connected Townships (Gosfield and Colchester), with list of grantees.
JOURNALS and Notes of David Thompson, 1797-1823.
JOURNALS and diaries of Public Land Surveyors, etc., as follows:—

No.	PLACE	DATE	SURVEYOR'S NAME
1	Aldborough	1797	Hambly & Law
2	"	1832	Peter Carroll
3	Alfred and Caledonia	1835	D. McDonell
4	Arthur	1846	A. McNab
5	Ashfield	1838	W. Hawkins
6	"	1836	
7	Bagot Blithefield, etc.	1839	Josias Richey
8	" " "	1840	" "
9	Balsam Lake	1834	Thomas Smith
10	" "	1835	J. Huston
11	Bathurst and Drummond	1816	W. Graves
12	" etc.	1831	Josias Richey
13	Bayham	1810	M. Burwell
14	Beckwith and Goulborne	1817	Jno. Ryder
15	Beckwith	1817	Willson Conger
16	Bedford	1832	S. M. Benson
17	Belleville	1816	S. Wilmot
18	Belmont	1852	Jno. K. Roche
19	Bentinck and Glenelg	1845	A. Vidal
20	Beverly	1843	P. V. Ellmore
21	Binbrook	1810	S. Wilmot
22	Blanford	1834	Peter Carroll
23	"	1834	W. Hawkins
24	"	1832	Lewis Burwell
25	"	1833	C. Rankin
26	Bonnechère River	1847	J. McNaughton
27	" "	1847	" "
28	Brant	1850	A. P. Brough
29	Brantford	1831	Lewis Burwell
30	"	1833	" "
31	"	1843	T. A. Blyth
32	"	1845	William Walker
33	Brock	1817	S. Wilmot
34	"	1817	" "
35	"	1828	Jno. Galbraith
36	Bronte	1834	W. Hawkins
37	Brooke	1832	Sam. Smith
38	Bruce	1851	A. P. Brough

Journals and diaries of Public Land Surveyors, etc.—*Continued.*

No.	Place	Date	Surveyor's Name
39	Burgess	1812	Sherwood Reuben
40	Burlington Beach	1828	Jno. Goesman
41	Bytown Lot, Letter O.	1845	M McDermott
42	" " " "	1846	Michl. "
43	Caistor	1848	T. Allchin
44	"	1849	" "
45	Caledonia	1828	Angus Cattanach
46	"	1829	" "
47	Camden	1807	S. Wilmot
48	"	1808	" "
49	"	1809	" "
50	Cameron's Island	1855	Jno. Reid
51	Cartwright	1816	S. Wilmot
52	"	1816	" "
53	Cavan	1817	" "
54	"	1817	" "
55	"	1817	" "
56	Cayuga	1834	Lewis Burwell
57	Charlottenburgh	1830	D. McDonald
58	"	1830	D. McDonell
59	Charlotteville	1797	Thomas Welch
60	"	1797	" "
61	"	1797	" "
62	"	1798	" "
63	"	1837	Peter Carroll
64	Chippewa Indian Reserves	1826	M. Burwell
65	" " "	1827-8	" "
66	Clarkville	1834	F. P. Rubidge
67	Clergy Reservation	1842	W. Walker
68	Colchester	1841	J. A. Wilkinson
69	Collingwood	1833	C. Rankin
70	"	1834	" "
71	Cornwall	1831	J. McNaughton
72	"	1846	W. Campbell
73	Cramahe	1824	Richard Birdsall
74	Crosby	1842	P. V. Ellmore
75	Crosby, South and North	1806	" " "
76	Crown Land	1832	C. Rankin
77	Dawn and Chatham	1833	B. Springer
78	Derby and Sullivan	1846	C. Rankin
79	Dereham, etc.	1799	W. Hambly
80	"	1799	" "
81	"	1810	S. Wilmot
82	"	1832	R. Mount
83	Dorchester and Oxford	1800	W. Hambly
84	Dorchester	1810	S. Wilmot
85	"	1810	" "
86	"	1847	William Smiley
87	Dover Filburg, etc.	1797	A. Iridell
88	Drummer	1831	F. P. Rubidge
89	Drummond	1816	Wilson Conger
90	"	1816	R. Sherwood
91	"	1816	Jno. Mackie
92	Durham Road	1848-9	A. P. Brough
93	" "	1849	" " "
94	Edwardsburg P. Lots	1816	W. Fraser
95	Egremont, etc.	1845	R. W. Kerr
96	Eldon	1830	C. Rankin
97	"	1841	S. Richardson
98	Elizabethtown	1799	Lewis Grant
99	"	1810	Reuben Sherwood

Journals and diaries of Public Land Surveyors, etc.—*Continued.*

No.	Place	Date	Surveyor's Name
100	Elizabethtown	1818	John Booth
101	Emily	1818	S. Wilmot
102	Enniskillen	1832	E. Malcolm
103	"	1833	Lewis Burwell
104	Erie	1797	William Law
105	Errol	1835	Peter Carroll
106	Etobicoke	1834	William Hawkins
107	Finch	1815	Duncan McDonell
108	Fordwich	1856	Francis Jones
109	Fredericksburgh	1830	John McDonald
110	Glengary, St. Regis Ind. Land	1848	J. S. Bruce
111	Goulburn	1818	Wilson Conger
112	Gower S.	1830	James West
113	Grand River	1796	P. T. Welch
114	" "	1796	Thomas Welch
115	" "	1796	P. T. Welch
116	" "	1797	A. Jones
117	" "	1835	Peter Carroll
118	" "	1839	Lewis Burwell
119	Gwillimbury N.	1811	Saml. Wilmot
120	"	1824	J. G. Chewett
121	Haldimand	1795	Seth Watkins
122	Hallowell	1810	John Ryder
123	Hamilton City	1846	Peter Carroll
124	Hamilton and Hope	1795	William Hambly
125	Harwich	1845	A. P. Salter
126	Holland and Sullivan	1845	C. Rankin
127	Home and Newcastle	1802	John Stegman
128	" "	1804	" "
129	Hope	1845	Jno. H. Roche
130	Hungerford	1837	J. M. Benson
131	Iudian Land	1830	Lewis Burwell
132	" "	1831	" "
133	" "	1833	William Hawkins
134	King	1838	Patrick Callaghan
135	Kingston	1817	Saml. Wilmot
136	" Town of	1818	" "
137	Kinloss	1852	E. R. Jones
138	Kitley	1815	R. Sherwood
139	Lindsay Town Plot	1834	J. Huston
140	" Park Lots	1846	John K. Roche
141	London Town	1826	M. Burwell
142	" "	1846	Peter Carroll
143	London Township	1810	M. Burwell
144	" "	1819	" "
145	Loughborough	1832	C. Rankin
146	Luther Township	1831	Lewis Burwell
147	Madawaska River	1847	Duncan McDonell
148	" "	1847-8	" "
149	Malahide	1810	M. Burwell
150	Malden	1831	Peter Carroll
151	Manvers	1816	Saml. Wilmot
152	"	1817	" "
153	Mara	1836	Robert Ross
154	Maryborough	1848	Patrick Callaghan
155	Matchedash Township	1836	James Hamilton
156	Monaghan	1817	Saml. S. Wilmot

Journals and diaries of Public Land Surveyors, etc.—*Continued.*

No.	Place	Date	Surveyor's Name
157	Moore Township	1833	A. McIntosh
158	" Indian Reserve	1843	J. W. Keating
159	Mount Forest (Town)	1853	Francis Kerr
160	Murray Township	1816	John Ryder
161	" "	1834	J. P. Rubidge
162	Nepean	1846	Robert Bell
163	"	1846	" "
164	Newcastle	1831	C. Rankin
165	Niagara Township .	1794	William Hambly
166	" "	1831	J. G. Chewett
167	" "	1834	J. W. Keating
168	" "	1834	William Hawkins
169	Nottawasaga	1832	Thomas Kelly
170	Oneida and Tuscarora	1841	William Walker
171	" "	1843	" "
172	Onondaga	1842	James Kirkpatrick
173	Orillia Town Plot	1139	Saml. Richardson
174	Osprey and Artemesia	1850	C. Rankin
175	Owen's Sound Road	1846	" "
176	Oxford	1815	William Grant
177	Oxford East	1832	Lewis Burwell
178	" "	1832	" "
179	Peel Township	1843	Robert Kerr
180	Pennetangushine	1808	Saml. Wilmot
181	Penetanguishene	1829	Saml. Richardson
182	"	1829	" "
183	"	1830	" "
184	"	1833	C. Rankin
185	Perth Settlement, etc.	1816	John Booth
186	" " "	1816	R. Sherwood
187	" " "	1816	" "
188	" " "	1816	J. B. Demers
189	" " "	1816	William Fraser
190	" " "	1816	Benj. Ecuyere
191	" " "	1816	R. B. Hay
192	" " "	1816	Duncan McDonell
193	" " "	1817	John Booth
194	" " "	1817	W. Conger
195	Petawawe	1847	J. R. Macdonell
196	Peterborough	1833	John Huston
197	"	1846	John Reid
198	Pickering and Whitby	1831	David Gibson
199	" "	1833	John Galbraith
200	Pittsburgh	1807	Reuben Sherwood
201	"	1807	" "
202	Portland	1808	S. Wilmot
203	Puslinch	1827	M. Burwell
204	"	1832	David Gibson
205	"	1828	" "
206	"	1831	" "
207	"	1831	" "
208	"	1832	" "
209	Rainham, etc.	1829	Samuel Smith
210	Rama	1834	J. W. Keating
211	Rawdon	1837	Saml. L. Benson
212	Reach	1810	S. Wilmot
213	Road Line (Etobicoke)	1814	Saml. Ridout
214	Ross and Westmeath	1831	John McNaughton
215	Ross, Westmeath and Pembroke	1834	" "

Journals and diaries of Public Land Surveyors, etc.—*Concluded.*

No.	Place	Date	Surveyor's Name
216	St. Clair and Tract N. of Huron	1829	R. Mount
217	St. Vincent	1835	C Rankin
218	Salt Heet Bd. Line	1830	H. Black
219	Sarnia	1842	John Omara
220	Sault Ste. Marie	1846	Alex. Vidal
221	" " " Exam.	1846	" "
222	Seneca	1842	James Kirkpatrick
223	Seymour, pt. of 7 and 8 Conc.	1843	A. Campbell
224	Sherbrooke	1817	John Booth
225	Shrewsbury	1844	R. Parr
226	Sidney	1831	C. Rankin
227	Smith	1816	S. Wilmot
228	"	1818	" "
229	"	1819	" "
230	" lots in	1830	R. Birdsall
231	Somerville	1835	John Smith
232	"	1855	M. Deane
233	Sophiasburg	1831	P. V. Elmore
234	"	1832	Wilson Conger
235	Southwold Yarmouth	1809	M. Burwell
236	Sydenham	1340	C. Rankin
237	"	1840	" "
238	"	1842	" "
239	"	1845	" "
240	"	1852	" "
241	Talbot Road (Middleton)	1810	M. Burwell
242	" " N. Branch	1811	" "
243	" " West	1811	" "
244	" "	1816	" "
245	" " and Whamcliffe	1824	" "
246	Toronto Resv. Gov. Bldg.	1810-1	S. Wilmot
247	Toronto and Sydenham Road	1849	C. Rankin
248	Townsend	1828-30	M. Burwell
249	Thurlow	1817	S. Wilmot
250	"	1817	" "
251	" (8th and 9th Con.)	1832	S. M. Benson
252	" (8th Con.)	1832	S. Benson
253	Uxbridge	1804-5	Saml. Wilmot
254	Verulam	1826	John Huston
255	Wainfleet	1811	M. Burwell
256	Wallace	1853	Eliakim Malcolm
257	Walsingham, 1, 2, 3	1809	M Burwell
258	Walsingham, etc.	1796	W. Hambly
259	Wellesley	1843	William Walker
260	Westminster	1810	S. Z. Watson
261	"	1812	Mahlon Burwell
262	"	1820	" "
263	Wilmot (Crown Reserve in)	1828	John Goesman
264	Windham	1797	W. Hambly
265	Woodstock	1830	M. Burwell
266	"	1843	Peter Carroll
267	Woodstock Town	1844	Onesiphorus Bartley
268	Yarmouth	1799	A. Jones
269	"	1800	" "
270	Yonge and Lansdown	1811	R. Sherwood
271	York, Mill Res. adjacent to Town of	1831	T. G. Chewett
	AFFIDAVITS		
272	On Lots 39 and 40, Conc. A, Nepean	1845	R. Bell

Miscellaneous Papers (Department of Lands, Forests and Mines, *continued*):—

Account, duplicate of, Joseph Kilborn against Government. 1792.
Affidavit of James Pitney, re Larceny. 1799.
" " Joseph Wilson, re assistance to his wife by Dr. Tiffany. 1797.
Application, form of, for purchase of Pub. Lands. 1797.
Attorney General vs. G. Lee—Notice of Trial. 1830.
Bank of Canada vs. John Lowe—Writ of Execution. 1829.
" vs. R. Lapp—Costs, fees, &c. 1829.
Bill: An Act to amend the Acts re to Land Surveyors. 1853.
Brief for J. Cartwright—Palmer vs. Gordan, Midland Dis. 1853.
Case in A.S.—Yates vs. Ashurst. 1823.
Certificates to Ashal Wright & David Robertson, U.E.L., for 200 acres of land in Cornwall Tp. 1785.
" to Nathaniel Pettit, for 200 acres of land Nos. 5 & 6, Home Dist., Quebec. 1794.
" to Andrew Young, for 50 acres of land, pt. of Lot 2 in Pakenham Tp. and Bathurst Dist. 1823.
" to Richard Young, for 50 acres of land in Pakenham Tp. Bathurst Dist. 1823.
" to Charles Young, for 50 acres of land in Pakenham Tp. Bathurst Dist. 1823.
" of John Loyde, M.P. and late Surgeon St. Clair Volunteers in favour of Patk. Cuggy, incapacitated through an injury to his leg while in service and unable to earn a livelihood. 1839.
" from W. Millar, Adj., &c., in favour of Patk. Cuggy as to his having been a good soldier. 1839.
" from S. P. Hurd in favour of John Rose for 100 acres of land. 1834.
" Memm. of D. R. Clinch's certificate. 1796.
" from five settlers in favour of Alexander Summers and family. 1795.
" of service in Militia to E. Lamorandière from D. Mitchell. 1814.
" of Jonathan Greely P.L.S.—Land surveyed in Ameliasburgh. 1806.
" re Oath of Allegiance of D. Holley. 1811.
" " " " " C. Hampshire. 1808.
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1788, 18 May.	Statement of work necessary to be done to complete the Loyalist Settlements.
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1788, 15 Dec.	Letter from Ph. P. Lansingh to John Collins, re Commission of Sheriff for Kingston, Ont. and grant of lands.
1788, 29 Dec.	Order in Council *re* location of 450 acres Indian Lands near Edwardsburg.
1788, 29 Dec.	O. C. in favour of Sir John Johnson and heirs of Guy Johnston *re* lands on the Ottawa River.
1788, 29 Dec.	Extract from the Minutes of Council, at Quebec, *re* grant to the Sons of Capt. Caldwell, late of Butler's Rangers, of a certain Marsh at Detroit.
1789.	Extracts from Minutes of Council *re* lands to John Stegman.
1789.	Report to Lord Dorchester of the number of persons employed in the Surveyor General's Department.
1789.	A U. E. L. application and certificate.
1790.	Letter from John Collins to Alex. Aitkin, D. Surveyor for the District of Mecklenberg.
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1790.	List of Reduced officers of Provincial Corps who, by His Excellency Lord Dorchester's Order in Council of 28th Oct., 1788, and 21 July, 1790, have been put on a footing with the reduced officers of the late 84th Regiment relative to grants of waste lands of the Crown.
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1794, 17 Oct.	Presentment of Jurors,—J. Schieffelin, Foreman, *re* condition of Detroit, dated, Jury Room, Detroit.
1794, 4 Feb.	Order by Simcoe, to John McGill, Esq.. to supply Capt. Joseph Brant and Daniel, two Mohawk chiefs, rifles from the Government Stores at Newark, from Edward J. Hearn, Esq., Barrister, Toronto.
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1799.	Presentment of the Grand Jury of the Home District, Richard Beasley, Foreman.
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1808.	Letter from Hon. Timothy Pickering *re* the imminent danger of an unnecessary and ruinous war.
1808.	Receipt from John Small to Messrs. Ridout & Chewett for 4 quires of paper, to be returned.
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1809.	Receipt for Nicolas Schaffer's deed by John Brownell.
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1810.	Letter, W. Chewett to S. S. Wilmott, stating that the Road to Ashbridges must be first carried into execution.
1810.	Survey of a road from the town of York to Mr. Ashbridge's. Samuel S. Wilmot
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1812.	Address to the House of Representatives of the U.S. Congress on the war with Great Britain. Joseph Quincy.
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1821.	Letter, Henry Ewing to Thomas Ridout, Esq., *re* Roads in the Townships of Haldimand and Cramahe.
1821.	Account of Land located by Mr. Burwell in the Township of Carradoc.
1821.	Memorandum, *re* Roads, &c., in Middlesex, R. Burwell.
1821.	Memorandum, *re* Survey by Mr. Burwell.
1822.	Return from John Booth to Thomas Ridout, Esq., *re* Roads.
[ ]	Return of Roads, &c.. in Vaughan, by Lieut. Schultz.
[ ]	Roads, &c., in the Townships of Longueuil and Hawkesbury.
[ ]	Report upon surveying by Mr. Aitken.
1822.	Account of Goods seized by John Chisholm, Collector of Customs at Burlington Outlet.
1823.	Letter appointing the Hon. and Rev. Dr. Strachan President of the Board for the General Superintendence of Education. Board: The Hon. and Rev. Dr. Strachan, President; Hon. J. Wells, Hon. G. H. Markland, Rev. R. Addison, J. B. Robinson and T. Ridout.

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1823.	Despatches, &c., *re* a grant of 6,000 acres to Hon. Wm. McGillivray.
1823.	List of gentlemen at the Bar of the Bench according to their standing.
1823.	In B. A. S., John James Luttrell vs. Wm. Butterworth. Trinity Term 3rd year Society. Libel.
1823, 18 July.	Deed for lands to Hon. Col. Neil McLean, Cornwall, from John McLean, Kingston.
1824.	Memorandum, *re* Roads, Bye-paths, Rivers, Lakes, Churches, Grist and Saw Mills, &c.
1825.	R. Shirriff, respecting Timber Supply.
1826.	Instructions respecting the collection of Timber Dues.
1826.	Autograph of Sir Perigrine Maitland, Lieut.-Governor of Upper Canada.
[ ]	Order signed by Sir John Colborne, as Colonel commanding the 52nd Regiment, N. D.
1827.	Crown grant in favor of James Sinclair, Kingston, from J. W. Seymour Corley, Toronto.
1828. 14 Apl.	The Observer, York, Vol. VIII, No. 49, containing speech by Rev. John Strachan, D.D., on the Clergy Reserves, contributed by Mrs.
1829.	Oath of John Weel & George Bullock declaring that no improvement has been made on Lot 23 in the 1st Conc. of the Township of Adjula.
1829.	Memorandum, *re* Road Bills, &c.
[ ]	Memorandum of Solomon Ball, claiming the N. ½ of Lot 23 in the 2nd Concession of Ernest Town.
[ ]	Memorandum, calculations of Lord Selkirk's Tract on the Grand River, to find out an error.
1829.	Certificate for Prize money to Timothy Collins, of H.M.S. Rammillies.
1830.	Memorandum, *re* Townships in the London & Western Districts which have been contracted for by Mr. Burwell, showing those which have not yet been returned.
1830.	Rachel Robinette vs. Abijah Lewis, for dower in certain lands.
1831.	Draft of Mr. H. Burwell for 700 acres of land in South Walden.
1831-1876.	Edwards, W. Minutes, Reports and Papers *re* Mechanic's Institute, Toronto, from J. P. Edwards, Toronto.
1832.	Letter. A. Campbell to S. P. Hurd, requesting to postpone the survey of Seymour Tp.
1832.	Narrative *re* Estate of Angus Shaw, of the Canadian North West Fur Company; copies of papers and comments thereon by Alexander Darroch, of St. Thomas, Ont.
1832.	Discharged Soldiers' location ticket. Patrick Missett.
1832.	Address to the York Mechanics' Institution by Dr. Dunlop.
1833, 18 Apl.	Particulars of Roup Sale (with prices received) of David Graham, prior to emigrating with his family to Ontario. Donated by John Burns. Whitby, Ont.
1833.	Letter, S. P. Hurd to James West, *re* Land.
1833.	Letter from A. Campbell to S. P. Hurd, *re* lands in the Township of Seymour.
1834, 11 Aug.	Notice of meeting of the Heads of Families of the City of Toronto, with the resolutions passed and list of subscriptions made at same "for the relief of the orphans and widows left destitute by the deaths caused by the prevailing malady." Signed, JOHN STRACHAN.
1834.	Disbursements, collecting Crown Timber Dues at Bytown.
1834, 30 Jun.	Certificate that WILLIAM HARRISON served as Quarter Master in the R.N. on the Lakes of Canada.
1835, 28 Oct.	Certificate that William Harrison has taken the oath of allegiance before Thomas Markland.
1835.	Colored Population of South-western Ontario, facts *re* Patrick Shirreff, Farmer, Mungo's Wells, East Lothian. Donated by the Rev. Thomas Natress, B.A., Amherstburg.

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1835.	Exploration of the Northward Shore of Lake Huron. Official Correspondence and Instructions to Lieut. Carthew, R.E.
1835.	Letter, S. P. Hurd to L. Burwell, *re* School Lot near the Mohawk Church.
[ ]	Letter, S. P. Hurd to Dep. Surv. Hawkins, *re* death of James Booth.
[ ]	Letter, S. P. Hurd to Mr. Birdsall, *re* Contingent Expenses by D.P.L. Surveyors.
[ ]	Memorandum, *re* Lands, E. Washburn.
1835.	Document transmitting a plan of the Indian Reserve at Thurlow to Col. Givins.
1835.	Statement of land granted to U. E. Loyalists and Militia Claimants.
1836.	C. Shireff, respecting collection of timber dues.
1836, 24 May	Letter, Alex. McDonell, to Archibald McLean, Barrister, Cornwall, *re* accounts.
1837.	Letter, R. C. Wilkins to Henry Ruttan, *re* Boundary Lines of the Township of Seymour.
1837–50.	Caer Howell Bowling Green Club. First list of members and officers. Rules and Regulations—"Rules of the noble game of Bowls as established at the Green in the College Avenue." Minutes of meetings, officers etc., 1837–1850.
1838, 16 Nov.	Upper Canada Gazette, Extraordinary, containing an account of the engagement at Prescott, and the skirmishing at Chateauguay.
1838.	Religious Liberty, a letter upon the Thanksgiving Proclamation of Sir F. B. Head, by John Roaf, Toronto.
1838.	Letter, Chas. Richardson to John Joseph, Esq., *re* Return of Licensed Surveyors of Roads, &c., Niagara.
1839—1847.	Papers of late **Rev. John Scott,** Brampton, including letters from the Rev. Dr. Ryerson, Leaders' Plans for the Circuits of the City of Toronto, 1841–2, and 1844; Yonge Street Circuit 1843-4, St. Catharines Circuit 1835–6. Stamford Circuit 1844. Letters and articles written on current public questions. Minutes (MS.) of Conference in Toronto, 1840, of Representatives to the British Conference, Methodist Church. Supplement to the British Colonist May 28, 1844, *re* the Defence by Dr. Ryerson of Sir Chas. Metcalfe. Copies of the Christian Guardian: 27, March, 1844, containing a condemnation of Mr. Draper's Defence of King's College; 3, April 1844, Eulogy on Mr. Draper; 15, May 1844, Notice of the United Empire Association. The British Colonist, 31 May, 1844: Canada Company sale of lands, Introductory address by Rev. Dr. Ryerson in defence of Sir Charles Metcalfe. The Weekly Pilot, 4 January 1845: The Clergy Reserves Discussed, Hon. Mr. LaFontaine's speech on the Address, Rev. Dr. Ryerson's "Defence" criticised.
1838.	Specimens of Fractional Currency, issued in Toronto by Watkins & Harris, owing to suspension of specie payments in consequence of the Mackenzie Rebellion. 2s.6d.; 1s.3d.; 7½d. Donated by H. F. Wyatt, Esq., Toronto.
1839.	Notes from Charles Buller.
1839.	L. P. Jarvis, Petition of Chiefs of the Chippewa Indians, that so much land may be set apart for them as will be equivalent to a quantity sold by Col. Talbot on Big Bear Creek under the supposition that it was Crown Lands.
1840, 14 Jan.	Report (MS.) upon the affairs and influence of the CANADA COMPANY as locally applicable to Upper Canada, to His Excellency the Right Honorable C. Poulett Thomson, Governor General, by Daniel Lizars, a Justice of the Peace for the London District.
1840.	Enquiry into the affairs of the CANADA COMPANY, correspondence and memoranda relative thereto. Remarks on Lizars' Report (above). Answers by the CANADA COMPANY to same. Preliminary and confidential Report to His Excellency, Sir G. Arthurs.
1840, 31 Dec.	List No. 4 Militia Claims for Scrip. Approved at Quebec.
1841.	Plan of and contract for building a wooden bridge over Nine Mile River, Ashfield.
1841, 18 Jan.	Papers accompanying above claims.

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1842.	By-laws of the Western District Literary and Philosophical and Agricultural Association, Amherstburg, donated by the Rev. Thomas Natress, B.A.
1843.	Return under the Assessment Act of 1819, of all lands described for Patent, Huron Dist.
1843-1849.	Bills—annotated—*re* admission of Land Surveyors, and the Surveys of Lands in Upper and Lower Canada.
1843-1870.	Marriage Licenses, by Rev. Dr. Jennings, Toronto, donated by Mr. W. T. Jennings, C.E., Toronto.
1846, 25 Mar.	Toronto Harbour, Survey of, by John G. Howard, 1846.
1846.	Minutes (MS.) of the first meeting of the Board of Education for Upper Canada, signed, "Egerton Ryerson."
1847.	Statement *re* the causes that led to General Armstrong's resignation of the office of Secretary of War in 1814, by Thomas L. McKenney.
1847, 20 Sep.	Letter, D. McDermid, Cornwall, to the Honorable Mr. Justice McLean, *re* claim for arrears of pension.
1847, 27 Feb.	Copy of the Commission of the Comte de la Galissoniere from Louis XV., countersigned by Barrin. Certified extracts from the Registers du Conseil Superieurs de Quebec, 27 Feb., 1747.
1848, 1 Feb.	Notice of meeting of St. John's Chapter *in re* organizing St. Andrew's Chapter, R.A.M., signed John McA. Cameron, Secretary. Addressed to Hugh Miller, Toronto.
1849, 8 Aug.	Statement of sale of Freehold land with conditions of sale (printed).
1849.	Return of the number and names of militiamen located previous to 1 January, 1843, but whose locations were forfeited for non-performance of settlement duties.
1849.	Return of the number and names of the sons and daughters of U. E. Loyalists whose claims have been recognized by Orders in Council since 1 January, 1843.
1849.	Return of the number and names of U. E. Loyalists located prior to 1 January, 1843, but whose locations have been forfeited for non-performance of settlement duties.
1850.	Criticism on the Common School Bill of 1850 introduced by the Hon. Francis Hincks, by Murdoch MacDonald, Perth, Ont., 36 pp. ms.
1851, 15 Oct.	Calendar of prisoners for the October Assizes County of Haldimand, R. Mather Sheriff.
1852.	Circular to Crown Land Agents in Lower Canada to cease delivery of Location tickets.
1853.	Movarian Indians Lease and Sale to Holcroft Clench.
1853.	Settlers' Accounts—H. C. McMullen, Sullivan, James Walsh, Arthur, and Duncan McIntyre, Egremont, Ont.
1855.	Settler's License in favor of Alexander Stewart of McNab Tp., yeoman.
1855-1867.	Merchant Shipping Act Amendment.
1856, 19 June.	Return of the Legislative Assembly, *in re* charge made by the Commissioner of Crown Lands against the Auditor of Public Accounts.
1856.	Bill to change the Constitution of the Legislative Council by rendering the same Elective, Hon. Mr. Cauchon.
1857, 15 May.	Letter. Hector Cameron, Toronto, to Hon. Mr. Justice McLean, Cornwall, *re* the rights of St. Andrew's Church to damages from the Railway Co. for preventing access to a lot on the Humber.
1861.	Petition to H. E. the Governor General, *re* Canada Company lands in Goderich.
1862-65.	Correspondence between A. MacNabb, Esq., Southampton, Ont., and the Hon. McMurrich, Toronto, *re* settlements in County of Bruce.
1868.	Statement showing the total expenses of the Judiciary of the Dominion of Canada for the quarter next commencing on the 1st July, 1867.

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1869. Petition of 264 SETTLERS in the Township of Bruce, County of Bruce, *re* the "Land Improvement Fund of Bruce."

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3	1729	An Account of Ordnance Stores in Placentia, Nefd.
4	1729	Agreement to Transport Stores to Boston, Mass.
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7	1744	Letter from Boston to Ordnance Office, London.
8	1744	Certificate of B. Pollard, with Seal, in favour of two merchants.
9	1744	" " " " four persons.
10	1744	" " " " W. Palfrey.
11	1757	Extract of Letter from Secy. Wm. Pitt to Gen. Abercrombie.
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16	1758	Commission from Governor of Leeward Island to take Evidence.
17	1759	Sermon by Rev. C. Bulkley, London, on Taking of Quebec.
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19	1759	Lately Discovered Likeness of Gen. Wolfe (wood cut).
20	1761	Pamphlets on Occupation of Canada and Guadeloupe.
21	1763	Memorial of Lord Egmont for Grant of Island of St. John, St. Lawrence.

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22	1763	Grant of Cape Charles (St. Lawrence) by Gov. Murray.
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24	1765	Sale of the Sloop Esquimaux and her tackling.
25	1766	Original Letter to Sir H. Palliser, and his Reply.
26	1768	" of Sir Hugh Palliser to Mr. Sharp.
27	1775	" of Charles O'Hara to J. Boddington.
28	1775	Memorial of Capt. Gamble to Lord Barrington.
29	1775	Original Letter of Capt. Gamble to Mr. Chamier.
30	1775	Doctor Samuel Johnson's "Taxation No Tyranny" in answer to Resolution and Address of Annual Congress. (Vouched for by Lord Macaulay).
31	1775-6	Journal of Congress in 1775-76. (Reprinted in London, 1777).
32	1775	Senter's Journal of Secret Expedition against Quebec.
33	1776	Original Letter of Gen. Prescott (afterwards Gov. of Lower Canada) to Lord Amherst.
34	1812	The Fight in Beechwoods or Beaver Dams, 1812. (Mrs. Secord, etc.). *Substituted.*
35	1779	Original Letter of G. Curtis, Master of Ship Nottingham.
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38	1782	Original List by Sir G. Carlton of Officers in America.
39	1784	Original Letter of Capt. G. B. Byron to Ordnance, London (initialled by Sir Guy Carlton).
40	1784	Original Letter of Capt. G. A. Byron to Ordnance, London.
41	1785	Lord Keppel's Paper Relative to Lord Albemarle's Affairs.
42	1787	Lord Dorchester's (Sir G. Carlton) Warrant for £508 6s. 8d.
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44	1787	" " " " " £628 16s. 2d.
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46	1789	Rules and Regulations for the Land Office Department, in English and French. 17th February, 1789.
47	1789	Form of Certificate for Single Lot of Land.
48	1789	" " " Town Lot of Land.
49	1789	" " " Family Lands and Bounty.
50	1789	Proceedings of Executive Council, Quebec, in November 9th, 1789.
51	1789	Form of Application for Lot of Land, by U. E. Loyalists.
52	1790	Proceedings of Executive Council, Quebec, in January, signed by the Clerk.
53	1790	" " " " addition to Rules.
54	1790	Memorial of Capt. McGinnis to Sir George Yonge.
55	1790	" Capt. George Burns to Sir George Yonge.
56	1791	" Lieut. F. P. Robinson to Sir George Yonge, afterward Gov. of U. C.
57	1790	" Capt. R. McRea to the King.
58	1790	" Lieut.-Col. Peter Craig to the King.
59	1792	Proclamation of Lt.-Gov. Simcoe on Settlement of Lands.
59½	1792	" " " about Judges and Civil Officers to retain office.
60	1792	" " " to settlers on Lands.
61	1792	" " " on the passing of temporary lands for U. E. Loyalists.
62	1792	House of Lords Proxy, signed by Lord Fortescue.
63	1793	Pamphlet by Jeremy Benthan on "Emancipate the Colonies."
64	1793	Laws of Lower Canada in English and French.
65	Not Dated	Extract from Report of Committee in English and French on a Bill for Roads and Bridges.
66	1794	Proceedings of Executive Council of U. C., 6th November (1),
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68	1795	Notice to the U. E. Loyalists as to Land Grants.
69	Not Dated	Form of Petition to Gov. Simcoe for Grant of Land.
70	Not Dated	Form of Certificate of Surveyor of Lands.
71	1796	Proclamation of Gov. Simcoe to the U. E. Loyalists, 6th April.
72	1796	Proclamation of Gov. Simcoe on failure of persons in regard to Land Grants, 25th May.
73	1796	Proclamation of Gov. Simcoe on charge for surveying the land granted, 1st July.
74	1796	Proclamation of Gov. Simcoe on the Election of Members of the Legislature, 16th August.
75	1796	Notice of the Surveyor General to persons claiming lands.
76	1798	Proclamation of President Russell placing impost on Land Grants.
77	1798	" " " relieving U. E. Loyalists of charge.
78	1801	" Lt.-Gov. P. Hunter appointing Hemp Seed Commission.
79	1801	Copy of Indenture of David Brook as an Apprentice (*herewith*).
80	1801	Meteorological Observations at Toronto in the year 1801.
81	1802-4	"The British Spy," Letters from Virginia by an Englishman.
82	1810	House of Lords Proxy by the Duke of Bedford.
83	1811	" " " Lord Conyngham.
84	1812	Facsimile of Proclamation by General Smith at Buffalo.
85	1813	Battle of Chateauguay, Account by W. D. Lighthall, M.A.
86	1815	House of Lords Proxy by Lord Hillsborough.
87	1819	" " " Lord Charlemont.
88	1819	Certificate of Identity of W. Forrest by British Consul Buchanan, N.Y.
89	1820	Proceeding of the General Assembly of Nova Scotia on Contention with U. S. by England.
90	1821	Sketch of a Plan for the Settling in U. C. of English Labourers.
91	1822	Sketch with addition of a Plan for Settling English Labourers in U. C.
92	1826	Report and Estimates of Improving the Navigation of the St. Lawrence.
93	1827	Petition of Rev. R. Addison and others against the Assessment Law.
94	1827	Remarks upon Emigration to the B. N. American Provinces.
95	1827	Localities of Canadian Minerals by Dr. John Bigsby.
96	1831	Mohawk Version of St. Matthew's Gospel by Rev. P. Jones.
97	1832	First Report to House of Assembly of U. C. on Education.
98	1835	Letters from Four Settlers in Upper Canada.
99	1835	Thermometrical Observations, taken at Ancaster, U. C.
100	1836	Report of a Committee of House of Assembly on Grants to Religious Bodies.
101	1836	Proclamation by Gov. Lord Gosford regarding Quarantine.
102	1839	Aborigines Protection Society's Report on the Indians of U. C.
103	1839	Act to Alter and Amend the Provincial Militia Act.
104	1839	1st Despatch of Lt.-Gov. Sir Geo. Arthur on King's College Act and Funds.
105	1839	2nd " " " " " " " "
106	1839	Manual on Cavalry Movements for Volunteers.
107	1839	Abstract of Field Exercise and Evolutions of the Army.
108	1839	Returns of U. C. Public Revenue from 1833-1838.
109	1840	The Right of the U. S. to the N. E. Boundary, by Albert Gallatin.
110	1840	Aborigines Protection Society's Outline of a System of Legislation for Protection of Indians.
111	1841	Sol. General Day's First School Bill for United Canada.
112	1843	Hon. R. Baldwin's First University of Toronto Bill, not passed.
113	1842	By-Law on School Fund of the Ottawa District (substituted)
114	1844	Pamphlet on the Difficulties about Indian Lands on the Grand River.
115	1844	Origin and History of the N. American Indians, by J. Mackintosh.
116	1844	Tariff of Customs, Provincial and Imperial, by J. W. Dunscomb.
117	1845	Petition to the Legislature by the Visitors of King's College.

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118	1846	Manual of Infantry Drill, Rules and Regulations.
119	1846	Draft of University Bill by Hon. W. H. Draper.
120	1846	" " Endowment Bill by Hon. W. H. Draper.
121	1846	" " Bill by Mr. Hall of Peterborough.
122	1846	" School Bill in Ms., copied by J. G. H.
123	1846	Rev. Dr. Ryerson's Remarks and Suggestions on School Bill.
124	1846	" " First Report on a System of Public Instruction for U. C.
125	1846	Memorial of Board of Trade, Toronto, in regard to Cheap Postage.
126	1846	Sir Wm. Logan's Geological Report for the year 1845-46.
127	1846	Correspondence in regard to the Welland Canal.
128	1847	Draft of School Bill for Cities and Towns.
129	1849	Hon. R. Baldwin's Second University Bill.
130	1849	Bishop Strachan's Petition against Mr. Baldwin's Bill.
131	1849	Board of Trustees of Queen's College against Mr. Baldwin's Bill.
132	1849	Petition of R. C. Clergy and Laymen against Mr. Baldwin's Bill.
133	1849	Text of the University Act of 1849.
134	1849	Major P. L. Macdougall's Reply to Attack of Mr. P. H. Vane.
135	1849	Bishop Mountain's Thoughts on Annexation.
136	1849	Report on the Survey of the North Shore of Lake Huron.
137	1849	Draft of Bill to raise £100,000 for Common Schools.
138	1849	Draft of Hon. M. Cameron's Abortive School Bill.
139	1849	Hon. M. Cameron's Abortive School Bill as passed.
140	1850	Canada and the Continental Congress, by Wm. Duane.
141	1850	Draft of School Bill as annotated by Hon. R. Baldwin.
142	1850	Weekly Globe with Discussion on the School Bill of 1850.
143	1850	Criticism on the School Bill of 1850, by Rev. W. H. Landon.
144	1850	Original Ms. Draft of a University Bill by Hon. R. Baldwin.
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146	1851	Draft of a University Bill by Mr. Wm. Boulton.
147	1852	Rev. Dr. Ryerson's Letter with Ideal Scheme of a University.
148	1852	Hon. W. H. Merritt on Origin, Prospects and Future of Welland Canal.
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3	The Hon. Alexander Morris, Governor.
3	John G. Bourinot, Ottawa.
2	Edward Jenkins: "Giux's Baby," Montreal.
2	Hon. Thomas White, Ex-Minister of the Interior.
4	Captain J. C. R. Colomb, England.
2	Thomas Hodgins, K.C., Toronto.
2	Erastus Wiman, New York.
3	A. D. Fordyce, Guelph.
30	Rev. Dr. Ryerson, Toronto.
11	Bishop Strachan, Toronto.
6	*Re* King's College, Toronto.
15	Sir William Dawson, Montreal.
28	Rev. Dr. Scadding, Toronto.
3	Sir John Macdonald, Kingston.
5	Sir Francis Hincks, Montreal.

No. of Pamphlets.	Name of Writer.
5	Thomas D'A. Magee, Ottawa.
2	Goldwin Smith, Toronto.
25	Dr. J. George Hodgins, Toronto.
12	Mr. Justice Haliburton, R. G. Haliburton, Hon. Isaac Buchanan, Very Rev. Principal Grant, George Hague, T. A. Brassey, J. L. Lemoine, W. A. Foster (Canada First), Hon. David Mills, R. A. Ramsay, Mr. Justice MacLaren, Nicholas Flood Davin.
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1821	The Dublin Journal.
1843	The Canadian Royalist and Special of 1812.
1828	(3) The Loyalist, 3 Nos. and in one part, York.
1828	(6) The Gore Gazette, Ancaster.
1828	The Brockville Gazette.
1828	The Canadian Freeman, York.
1835	The Christian Guardian, Toronto.
1837	The Correspondent & Advocate, Toronto.
1837	The Christian Guardian Supplement, Toronto.
1838	The Patriot, Toronto.
1841	The Watchman, London.
1852	The Quebec Gazette.
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	18 Pictures of National Treasures at the Record Office, England, and 5 Scottish National Memorials.

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No. of Pamphlets.	General Subject of the Pamphlets.
12	Imperial Government and the Colonies.
16	The Question ot Imperial Federation.
8	Military Defence of the Colonies.
8	Various, on Military Affairs.
8	Various, relating to the Colonies.
8	The Future Destiny of Canada.
16	Condition and Resources of Canada.
16	Emigration and Colonization.

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25	Condition and Treatment of the Indians.
78	Relating to the Clergy Reserve Question.
12	British Columbia and Manitoba.
9	Canada and her Relation to the United States.
5	Various United States Topics.
16	Canadian Historical Pamphlets in French.
11	Biographies of Noted French Canadians in French.
14	Papers relating to the Hudson Bay.
20	Miscellaneous.
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Mace, Facts regarding, from Lt. Col. Chas. Clarke, Clerk of Legislative Assembly, of Ontario.

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Records and Reports of the village of Brockton, Ont.

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Peace, Articles of, Concluded by Sir Wm. Johnson, Bart, with the Hurons of Detroit, 1764.

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Place Names : Alphabetical List of, on G. Trunk R. System, A to Evergreen.
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Portrait of Ermatinger, Edward, St. Thomas, Ont.
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Letters from Allan Maclean, Kingston, Ont,, to Ebenezer Washburn, 1817-1819.
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Papers *re* "The Washburn Treasure." Letters *re* Merchandise and prices. Daily Journals and Account Books, Deeds of conveyance of sundry lands in Prince Edward County.
Letters, Memoranda, &c., *re* local affairs.
Deeds of Sale, Leases, Agreements, Memorials, Warrants. Affidavits, Examinations and Recognizances.
Portraits, local and public men.
Papers of Ebenezer Washburn.
Interesting Bills of Lading.
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Maps, Plans, etc.

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1660.	Quebec, Vray Plan du haut et bas de,
1703.	Canada ou Nouvelle France, Carte du, by De l' Isle.
1720.	Quebec, Plan de la ville de, by Mr. L. de Chaussegros.
1744.	Louisiane, Carte de la; Cours du Mississippi et pais voisins. N. Bellin, Paris.
1744.	Nouvelle France ou Canada, Carte de la parte Orientale de la, by N. Bellin, Paris.
1744.	Baye de Hudson, Carte de la, by N. Bellin, Paris.
1744.	Canada, Carte des lacs du, Pays des Outagamis ou des Renards. N. Bellin, Paris.
1746.	Amérique Septentrionale, Carte de l', by Sr. D'Anville, Paris.
1750.	Canada, Carte des nouvelles découvertes dans l'ouest du, by Mr. de la Galissonière.
1755.	Canada, Louisiane et Terres Anglaises, by D'Anville. Paris.
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1756.	Harkemeis house at the German Flats, Plan and Profile of Retrenched Work round.
1758.	Fort Stanwix built at Oneida Station by Provincial Troops, Plan of.
1759.	St. Lawrence River, authentic plan of Seige of Quebec under the command of Vice-Adml. Saunders and Major Genl. Wolfe.
1759.	Fort at Tiendoroga at the head of Lake Champlain, Plan of the.
1759.	Fort George with Barracks, &c., Plan of Part of.
1759.	Fort at Pittsburgh or DuQuesne, Plan of the New.
1763.	New York City, a plan of, (A set of plans and forts in America by Maerschalckm).
1763.	Albany City, a plan of.
1763.	Schenectady, a plan of.
1763.	Fort Fredrick at Albany, a plan of.
1763.	Fort Edward, a plan of.
1763.	Narrows, Plan of the, about 10 miles from New York.
1763.	Retrenched Camp at Fort Ligonier, Plan of the.
1763.	Fort Bedford, Plan of.
1763.	Blockhouse at the East of Oneda Lake, Sketch of the.
1763.	Fort at Saratoga, a plan of the.
1763.	Fort William Henry and the English Camps and Retranchments with the French different Camps.
1763.	Royal Block House with the environs at Fort Edward, a plan of the.
1763.	Fort and Redoubts at New Crown Point, Plan of the New.
1763.	Fort and Redoubts at Crown Point, corresponding with the General Plan, plan of the New.
1763.	Fort at Oswego Falls, Sketch of the Stockade.
1763.	Fort Brewerton at the West End of Oneda Lake, Sketch of.
1775.	St. Lawrence River, An Exact Chart of the, from Fort Frontenac to the Island of Anticosti, showing the Soundings, Rocks, Shoals, &c.
1776.	North America, a map of the British Empire in, by S. Dunn.
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1779.	" " a New and Correct Map of, with the West India Islands divided according to treaty of Paris of 1763.
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1807.	Canada, a New Map of Upper and Lower, by John Cary.
1809.	River St. Clair, with the Islands and Channels ascertaining the main navigable water &c., the Mouths of, by Thos. Smith.
1815.	River Detroit, from Lake Erie to Lake St. Clair, a Survey of the, by Capt. W. F. W. Owen.
1823.	York, a plan of, by Lieut. G. Phillpotts, Royal Eng.
1847.	Canada, Map of the Western District of, by C. Rankin.
1850.	Prince Edward, Map of the District of, by P. Elmore.
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1852.	Territorial Divisions, Act of Upper Canada, Index Map to, by Thomas Devine.
1852.	Canada, Map of the Provinces of, with Newfoundland and a large Section of the U. States, J. Bouchette.
1855.	Wellington, Ont., Map of the County of, by E. Kertland.
1855.	Isle Royale in Lake Superior, Michigan, Wisconsin, etc., a Geological Map of, by J. Farmer, Detroit.
1858.	Canada West, a Map of, by Barr & Corss, Toronto.
1859.	Canada, from Red River to the Gulf of St. Lawrence, a Government Map of, by Thomas Devine.
1866.	Canada, a Geological Map of, by Robert Barlow, Montreal.
1871.	Simcoe, Map of the County of, by J. Hogg, Collingwood.
1875.	Dundas Marsh, known as Coote's Paradise, a Plan of the, by Charles D. O'Keefe.
1875.	Western Peninsula of Ontario, Map of the, shewing the Railways completed and in progress, by Copp & Co.
1875.	Ontario, New Railway and Postal Map of the Province of, by Walker & Miles, Toronto.
1875.	Dominion of Canada, Quebec and Ontario, Map of, by James Spencer.
1878.	Toronto, Map of the City of, by H. J. & W. A. Browne.
1878.	North America, Map of Part of, by Thomas Devine.
1878.	Picton, Map of the Town of, by R. W. Hermon.
1879.	Western Peninsula of Ontario, Map of the, by Copp & Co.
1879.	Uxbridge, Plan of the Village of, by C. Hanning.
1881.	Mill Point, Plan of the Proposed Extension to, in the Township of Tyendinaga, also plan of the Napanee, Tamworth and Quebec Railway, by Matthew J. Butler.
1881.	Lake Superior, Plan of Part of the North Shore of, showing Thunder and Black Bays, by C.L.D.
1881.	Dominion of Canada, Newfoundland, Labrador, etc., by J. B. Carter, Ottawa.
1882.	Ontario, New Political Map of, by J. B. Carter.
1882.	Railways of Canada, Map showing the, by C. Schreiber.
1882.	Midland Railway of Canada and Connections.
1834.	Toronto, Map of the City of, by R. L. Polk & Co.
1884.	Ontario, Map of, by S. Hughes, Toronto.
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1889.	Nova Scotia, Mineral Map of, by A. F. Church & Co.
1890.	Labrador Boundary Map, by J. Johnston.
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1896.	Arctic Regions, Tracts of Search Parties, and Progress of Discoveries.
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1899.	Ontario, a New Railroad, Post Office, Township and County Map of the Province of, with distances, by the Provincial M. Pub. Co.
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—— Africa, Map of, by Copp, Clark & Co., Toronto.
—— Europe, Map of, by Copp, Clark & Co.
—— Italy, Map of, by W. & A. K. Johnston.
—— Central Europe, Map of, by W. & A. K. Johnston.
—— Italy, Map constructed for use in Colleges and Schools, W. & A. K. Johnston, Edinburgh.
—— Asia, Map of, by W. & A. K. Johnston.
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—— Nouvelle France, Map of.
—— North America, from the French of Mr. D'Anville improved with the English Surveys, &c.
—— Continent and Islands of America, Map showing the Division and Possession of the.
—— Isthmus of Dorien, the Bay of Panama, the Gulph of Vallona and a Draft of the Golden and Adjacent Islands, a New Map of the.
—— New Kingdom of Leon, Gulf of Mexico, Great Antilles, Bahama Islands, &c.
—— Louisiana, with Part of Florida and Canada and the Adjacent Countries, a Map of, by E. Bowen.
—— Louisiane, Virginie, Caroline et de la Floride, Carte d'une partie de la.
—— Jamaica, a New Map of the Island of.
—— Nova et Accurata Poli Arctici et terrarum Circum Laccutium Descriptio.
—— Battle fought upon the Height of Abraham near Quebec on the 28th of April, 1760, Plan of the, by Patrick McKellar.
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—— Mecklenburg, a plan of the District of, by S. Holland.
—— Ontario, Old Survey of part of, Grand Isle, Isle Tonte, Townships 1 to 7.
—— Union Reserve and Malden, Map of.
—— Lake Ontario from Cataraque to Niagara, Plan of the North side of, by Kotte & Peachey.
—— Fort and Bay of Frontenac with the Adjacent Countries, a plan of the.
—— Upper Canada, the first and second organization of the Province.



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Dr. Hodgins, whose collection of documents and papers has so greatly enriched the Ontario Archives this year, has had a remarkably long and useful career in the public service, having completed sixty-two years of service as a Public Official. He entered the Civil Service of Ontario as Chief Clerk of the Education Department in 1844—the same year as saw the appointment of Dr. Ryerson as Chief Superintendent of Public Instruction, with whom Dr. Hodgins acted throughout as a trusted adviser and colleague. Dr. Hodgins became Secretary of the Council of Public Instruction in 1846, and Deputy to the Chief Superintendent in 1855. From 1876 to 1889 he was Deputy Minister of Education, and in the latter year became Librarian and Historiographer to the Department. In 1894 appeared the first volumes of his Documentary History of Education in Ontario, a work which has now reached the 15th vol., and is a massive monument to his industry and judgment in a field in which he is *facile princeps*.

His scholastic attainments are of a high order and in addition to academic aknowledgment he has been honored by the Royal Geographical Society of London (1861), by the Government of France (1879), by the Governor-General of Canada (Confederation Medal 1885), by the Imperial Government (Imperial Service Order). He was born in the City of Dublin, Ireland, on August 12th, 1821, and coming in early youth to Ontario, received his education in Upper Canada Academy and Victoria College, Cobourg, taking his degree at Victoria University. He graduated in the faculty of law in Toronto University, receiving the degree of LL.B., in 1860, and in 1870 that of LL.D., the year in which he was called to the bar. Among his published works are "Lovell's General Geography." "First Steps in General Geography," "School History of Canada and of the other British North American Provinces," "Canadian School Speaker and Reciter," "The School Manual," "Lectures on School Law," "Sketches and Anecdotes of the Queen," "The School House," "Report of the Educational Features of the Centennial Exhibition in Philadelphia," besides contributing liberally to the periodical press on National and Educational subjects, and filling with ability the editorial chair of the Educational Journal of Upper Canada. This fine testimony to his capacity for service was borne by the Rev. Dr. Ryerson, his chief for thirty-three years, writing to the Hon. Edward Blake:—"He is the most thoroughly trained man in all Canada, for the Education Department; and is the ablest and most thorough administrator of a public department of any man I have met."

Outside his official sphere Dr. Hodgins has shown public spirit and given public service. He took part in the formation of the Queen's Own Rifles, was Lieutenant of that Corps in 1862, and Captain of No. 9 Company, East Toronto, in 1869, holding a second-class certificate from the Military School, Toronto. From 1860 he was Secretary of the Bible Society; in 1870 he became Secretary of the Anglican Synod of the Diocese of Toronto, and in 1875 he was president of the Irish Protestant Benevolent Society of Toronto. In his ripe, old age he still wields a ready, tireless pen, drawing upon his remarkable store of official knowledge, and giving volumes to the public with the regularity of the successive years.



Colonel Robert Rogers.

ROBERT AND JAMES ROGERS.

Among the figures that stand out in the troublesome times that form the background of our Provincial history, none challenges the admiration of the average reader more than that of Robert Rogers, the gallant, indomitable, Ranger, and the patriotic loyalist.

The two brothers, Robert and James Rogers, gave most valuable service to Great Britain. Robert Rogers played a brilliant part in the Seven Years' War in command of Rogers' Rangers. He went on the first British Expedition up the Great Lakes, after the cession of the Canadas. He made the voyage in whaleboats, from Montreal to Detroit, placing the Union Jack where the white standard of the Bourbons had floated over the French forts. Shortly afterwards he retired to England, and there his various books were published: "Journals of Major Robert Rogers," London 1765, 8 vo., "A Concise Account of North America," by Major Robert Rogers, London, 1765, 8 vo., Dublin, 1770, 12 mo., "Ponteach, a Tragedy," London, 1776. He fought in Northern Africa in the Algerine service, and he was assigned to service in the East Indies when the Revolutionary War broke out, when he returned to the theatre of his early exploits. He was arrested shortly after arrival in Philadelphia and submitted to the disposal of Congress. Released on parole, he was re-arrested and consigned as a prisoner to be dealt with by the New Hampshire Assembly. Effecting an escape he reached the British lines and received the commission of a colonel in the British service from Gen. Howe. Quickly he succeeded in raising the famous Queen's Rangers, his successor in the command being Colonel, afterwards Lieutenant-Governor Simcoe. Broken in health Rogers returned to England, only to come back again in 1779 for further service at the front. He was then commissioned by Sir Henry Clinton to raise a regiment of two battalions to be known as the King's Rangers, called popularly Rogers' King's Rangers. He accomplished the task thus assigned to him and the corps gave excellent service until the close of the war, shortly after which, in 1784, the veteran soldier passed peacefully away. The year 1800 is given by some writers as that of his death, but 1784 is that believed by his relatives to be the correct date. He died unmarried in England.

James served as Commandant of one battalion of the King's Rangers, raised by his brother Robert, which formed part of the garrison at St. Johns, Quebec, during the Revolutionary War. He, with about 200 of his corps, settled after the Peace, in the Bay of Quinte district, where his descendants prospered and still form an important element of the population. His service went back to the campaigns in Canada and Cape Breton under Wolfe and Amherst, having been present at Louisburg, Quebec, and Montreal. After the Pontiac War he devoted his time to the building up of a large estate in the Province of New York, afterwards Vermont. Partly by grant as a reward for his services, and partly by purchase, he acquired considerable property from twenty miles west of the Connecticut River to the shores of Lake Champlain. The crown patent for 22,000 acres of this estate in Windham County is now in the Ontario Bureau of Archives. He placed a value of from thirty to forty thousand pounds on this property, and this case illustrates the sacrifice made by very many of the loyalists who gave up luxury and comfort for the sake of principles held dear. Colonel James Rogers died in the year 1792.

REPORT OF THE BUREAU OF ARCHIVES.

SECTION B.

NOTES ON LAND TENURE IN CANADA TO A.D. 1800.

The government of France made provision in its colonization scheme for the conversion and civilization of the Indians, and the early charters and grants of Seigniories often contain clauses to that effect.

The concessions of land appear to have been made chiefly with the view of reasonably good settlement as such statements as these would indicate:—"The King being possessed of the same desire as the deceased Henri le Grand, his father.....had to seek out and discover.....in the country of New France, a locality suitable for the establishment of a Colony, and by that means to lead the inhabitants to a knowledge of the true God, to civilize them and to derive from the said lands some advantageous commerce for the benefit of the King's subjects." Again:—"The wish to settle advantageously the Colony of New France, causing us to seek out those who would contribute to that end their own influence and property," etc. The first and main object it was stated, of establishing a French Colony in Canada, was the advancing in the most remote countries "the glory of God and the Christian name."

Under the French regime land in Canada was held under the Seigniorial system, introduced gradually by Letters Patent of 1598; by instructions to the Governor in 1626 regulating charges, and conceding lands to the Jesuits; and by the Charter of 1627-28 to the Hundred Associates, by which the Associates became the feudal proprietors of Canada, and exercised the rights of proprietary government. In 1663 the Associates surrendered their charter, and in the following year, the West India Company obtained its charter with proprietary rights and government, which continued for ten years. De Frontenac, the Governor, and Duchesneau, the Intendent, were then authorized to make grants of land subject to ratification by the Crown, thus finally bringing about direct government grants, under five forms of tenure thus specified:

(1) *In Franc Aleu Noble.*—This was of all forms the most free and honorable, lands held thus being subject to no obligations of a feudal nature. One of these grants was a strip of land near Three Rivers to the Jesuits in the year 1634. Another was a grant to the same order, of Charlebourg, near Quebec, in 1637.

(2) *In Franc Aleu Rotouriér.*—This form was very similar to our free and common soccage. Land thus held was free and subject to no obligations other than the general ones to which its holder was liable as a citizen of France. The grant of Gaudarville to Lauzon in 1652 was under this form.

(3) *In Franc Aumone (or mortmain).*—Numerous grants were made under this form, invariably to religious, charitable or educational institutions, the sole obligation attached to the grant being that of performing certain charitable or educational duties in return. An instance of this is the grant in 1647 of La Prairie de la Madelaine to the Jesuits, "in order that we may be participating in their prayers and holy sacrifices."

(4) *En Fief* or *en Seigneurie.*—It was under this form that most of the territory was granted.

As to size, there was no fixed rule—the grants varied from 16 arpents by 50 (arpent—192 ft.) to 10 leagues by 12.

Sub-grants might be made by the Seigniors under the following forms:

En arriere fief; by which the sub-tenant enjoyed the rights and assumed the obligations as the lessor, or Seignior had originally enjoyed.

En censive; by this tenure the grantee could not sub-let. Some encensive grants were made by the Crown direct, as in the case of some of the settlers at Fort Ponchartrain, Detroit, where the original seigniorial subgrants were declared invalid and new titles issued direct from the Crown, according to the following list to be found in the Registers of Intendance and Superior Council:—

Date of Grant.	Grantee.	Extent.		Granted.
		Arpents.	Arpes.	
16 June, 1734....	Chauvin	2	40	By Beauharnois & Hocquart
3 July, "	Pierre Estave dit Le Jeune	2	40	"
4 " "	Binault	2	40	"
5 " "	Louis Campault	5	40	"
6 " "	Marsal Derochers, Pere	4	40	"
7 " "	Jean Chapoton	3	40	"
8 " "	Pierre Maloche	4½	40	"
9 " "	Jn. Gilbert, Sanspeur	4	40	"
10 " "	Jacques Campault	4	40	"
11 " "	Morand	4	40	"
12 " "	Labutte	3	40	"
13 " "	La Deroute	4	40	"
14 " "	Chesne	4	40	"
15 " "	St. Aubin, Pere	3	40	"
16 " "	St. Aubin, Fils	3	40	"
17 " "	Fran. Lauson	4	40	"
1 Sept., 1736....	Chas. Bonhomme dit Beaupre	4	40	"
2 " "	Jacques Cardinal, Pere	4	40	"
3 " "	Jacques Cardinal, Fils	4	40	"
4 " "	Philippe Daniau	4	40	"
5 " "	Joseph du Tremble	4	40	"
6 " "	Frans Gilbert Sanspeur	4	40	"
7 " "	Claude Campault	4	40	"
8 " "	Pierre Cosme	4	40	"
9 " "	Pierre Laurent	4	40	"
10 " "	Gaetan Saguin	4	40	"
11 " "	Pierre Saguin	4	40	"
12 " "	Gabl. Casse St. Aubin	4	40	"
13 " "	Jacques Casse St. Aubin	4	40	"
14 " "	Etienne Saffard	4	40	"
15 " "	Hebert Hebert	4	40	"
16 " "	Jean Bapt. Maller	4	40	"
18 Feby., 1743....	Jean Chapoton	4	40	"
30 May, 1745....	Jean Bapt. Beaubien	3	40	"
1 " 1747....	Robert Navarre	3	40	"
1 " "	Eustache Gamelin	2	40	"
1 April, 1750....	Le Chevr. de Longueuil	12	40	Lafoncaire & Bigot
1 " "	Pierre Reaume	2	40	"
1 " "	Joseph Gillet	2	40	"
1 May, 1747....	Marie Barrois	2	40	Beauharnois & Hocquart
1 April, 1750....	Alexis Delisle	2	40	Lafoncaire & Bigot
1 " "	Charles Chesne	3	40	"
1 " "	Claude Audry	3	40	"
1 " "	Zacharie Chicot	3	40	"
1 " "	Hyacinthe Reaume	2	40	"
1 " "	Claude L'esprit dit Chamagne	3	40	"
1 " "	Antoine Robert	3	40	"
1 " "	Antonie Campault	3	40	"
1 " "	Pierre Labadie	2	40	"
1 " "	Alexis Chesne	3	40	"
1 " "	Vital Caron	2	40	"
1 " "	Pierre Fenville	2	40	"
1 " "	Francois Barrois	3	40	"
1 " "	Desbuttes St. Martin	2	40	"
1 " "	Jacques Godet	2	40	"
16 May, 1753....	Dequindre	8	60	Duquesne & Bigot

The rights of the Seignior over his tenants differed considerably from those exercised by the feudal lord in France over his vassal, and the main points of difference show that the policy underlying the laws was the settlement and cultivation of the soil. They consisted of the *cens et rentes*, *lods et ventes*, *droit de banal*, and of *corvee*, thus explained:—

Cens et rentes. A ground rent composed of two parts, the *cens* payable in money, the *rentes* payable in kind or equivalent in money. The *cens* corresponds to the *supériorité*, or the first right of the lord in the lands held by the vassal or tenant. It was a small amount. The *rentes* corresponded to the ordinary tenants' rent, and consisted generally of one-half minot of corn or one fat capon for each superficial arpent but these might be commuted for cash at the current rate, which varied from ten to twenty sols. The *habitant* held by the inferior tenure, *en censive*, which consisted in the obligation to make annual payments in money, or produce, or both. These payments were known as *cens et rentes*, and in the early days were very small, a common charge being half a *sou* and half a pint of wheat for each arpent. One condition was imposed on Seignior and *Censitaire* alike, which may be said to form the distinctive feature of Canadian feudalism, namely, that of clearing his land within a limited time on pain of forfeiting it.

Lods et ventes. On alienation of land by sale the seignior received a twelfth part of the purchase price. Here came in also the seignior's *droit de retraite*, by virtue of which he could pre-empt any property sold by payment to the purchaser of the mutation price within forty days from the date of sale affording protection against loss of rent and the slaughtering of the price of land by the censitaire.

Droit de banal required that all wheat should be ground at the seignior's mill.

Corvee empowered the seignior to enforce certain free labor from the censitaire within the seigniory.

Other seigniorial rights were the reservation of wood and stone necessary for building the manor, church or mill; the right of hunting on the tenants' lands; the right to one fish in every eleven caught in the waters fronting the seigniory; the right of ferry over rivers, &c.

The sovereign revoked at will concessions made to companies, without indemnification, and sometimes forfeiture was declared against individuals on account of default in fulfilling the settlement duties. The reciprocal relations and duties of the Seignior to the King and of the Censitaire (subordinate tenant) to the Seignior were regulated by custom, and the Edicts and Royal Decrees, and the ordinances and decisions of the Intendants, established the jurisprudence in matters of interpretation. The respective relations between Censitaire and Seignior are set forth in the Edict of 1663, the Arrêts, 1672-1711, especially the Arrêts of Marly, 6th July, 1711, which defines the obligations of the Seignior to the Settler in the following terms:—"And His Majesty ordains that all the Seigniors in the said Country of New France shall concede to the settlers the lots of land which they may demand of them in their Seigniories, at a ground rent, and without exacting from them any sum of money as a consideration for such concessions; otherwise and default of their so doing, His Majesty, permits the said settlers to demand the said lots of land from them by a formal summons, and in case of their refusal, to make application to the Governor and Lieutenant-General and Intendant of the said country, whom His Majes-

ty enjoins to concede to the said settlers the lands demanded by them in the said Seigniories, for the same dues as are laid upon other lands in the said Seigniories, which dues shall be paid by the new settlers into the hands of the receiver of His Majesty's domain, in the City of Quebec, without its being in the power of the Seigniors to claim from them any dues of any kind whatever," &c.

The Seignior was required to concede lots at the customary rates, fixed at the maximum of two sous per superficial arpent, without the right of exacting any sum of money or any other condition. (On this see Judgment of the Military Council, Montreal, 1762. Haldimand presiding, and Grey vs. McCallum, 1828.)

Express enactments defined the exact nature and extent of the rights of the grantees of the Crown, and the obligations by them assumed upon their investiture with their several possessions.

The Seigniors were entitled to constitute courts and preside as judges therein in what was called Haute, Moyenne et Basse Justice, which took cognizance of all crimes committed within their jurisdiction, except murder and treason.

The rendering of faith and homage upon change of vassal is described thus:—"Guion (vassal of Gifford. seignior of Beauport) being at the principal door placed himself on his knees on the ground, with head bare, and without sword or spurs, said three times these words: 'Monsieur de Beauport, Monsieur de Beauport, Monsieur de Beauport, I bring you the faith and homage which I am bound to bring you on account of my fief du Boisson, which I hold as a man of faith, of your seigneurie of Beauport, declaring that I offer to pay my seigniorial and feudal dues in their season, and demanding of you to accept me in faith and homage as aforesaid.'"

A form of succession duty inured to the Crown, known as *quint*, amounting to one-fifth of the value of the fief, payable on every mutation of ownership by sale or inheritance; and in some grants conditions were inserted such as the reservation of timber for his Majesty's navy, also of mines and minerals, and of whatever lands which might be found necessary for military purposes. Here is the source of some anomalies of more recent times in the disposal of Crown timber, as, for instance, limits granted direct by the British government in the days of organized government in Canada.

Such was the condition of tenure in 1763 and by the Treaty of Paris, that year, Britain agreed to preserve to the Canadian subjects all their institutions, laws, usages, and customs. The remarkable delicacy, Bouchette remarks, of the Imperial government on this subject is an instance of the magnanimity of a conqueror that cannot fail to add lustre to the British name, while its recollection must tend to draw the link still closer between the Mother Country and the colony.

This principle is re-stated in the Instructions to Governor Carleton in 1775, but the seigniors are then divested of their judicial powers. The clause is: "it is therefore our will and pleasure, that all lands which now or hereafter may be subject to our disposal, be granted *in fief* or *seigneurie*, in like manner as was practiced antecedent to the conquest of the said province, omitting, however, the reservation of any judicial powers or privileges whatever, the properties of which seigneuries or fiefs shall be and remain vested in us, our heirs and successors." The power of the seignior, however, notwithstanding treaty and Instructions, gradually increased with

the result that the tenants complained of added burdens and encroachments by their superiors. Anomalies cropped up and the whole question formed the subject of trial and enquiry periodically until the abolition of the seignorial system in 1854 (18 Vic., cap. 3). The total quantity of land granted en seigneurie in Canada exceeded twelve million superficial French Arpents, or about 15,390 square miles. The conversion of its tenure into free and common soccage cost upwards of four million dollars.

The following references may be cited as of special importance: The Arrêts of 1686 and 1711, or the arrêts of Marly, from the ordinances of the 8th of May and 16th November, 1727.

From the Cession of Canada.

Leaving out of consideration the charter of the Hudson's Bay Company as not coming within the scope of the early system of land settlement prevailing in Canada, the Articles of the Capitulation of Montreal in 1760 opened British rule in Canada, that is, in the Province of Quebec, then extending far westward, and under these Articles, pending the peace of 1763, the people were to be governed according to the custom of Paris, and the laws and usages which had been established for the Province; and so far, at least, as the holding of land was concerned, no material change was made under the military regime, 1760-1763. French officers or other persons desiring not to remain under the British flag, or their attorneys for them, had "leave to sell their seignories, houses, and other estates, their moveables and effects, etc., to carry away or send to France the produce thereof, either in bills of exchange, specie, furs, or other returns." Art. 53. Thus, was British government introduced. The Treaty of Paris, 1763, was followed by the Royal Proclamation, erecting four distinct and separate governments, viz.: Quebec, East Florida, West Florida, and Grenada, being the countries and islands ceded by the treaty.

This Proclamation is our first document with respect to the settlement of the lands of the Crown, and the provisions are:

"We have also thought fit, with the advice of our Privy Council as aforesaid, to give unto the governors and councils of our said three new colonies upon the continent full power and authority to settle and agree with the inhabitants of our said new colonies, or any other person who shall resort thereto, for such lands, tenements and hereditaments as are now or hereafter shall be in our power to dispose of, and them to grant to any such person or persons, upon such terms and under such moderate quit rents, services, and acknowledgments as have been appointed and settled in other colonies, and under such other conditions as shall appear to us to be necessary and expedient for the advantage of the grantees and the improvement and settlement of our said colonies.

"And whereas we are desirous upon all occasions to testify our Royal sense and approbation of the conduct and bravery of the officers and soldiers of our armies, and to reward the same. We do hereby command and empower our governors of our said three colonies, and other our governors of our several Provinces on the Continent of North America, to grant with out fee or reward to such reduced officers as have served in North America during the late war, and are actually residing there, and shall personally apply for the same, the following quantities of land, subject at the expiration of ten years to the same quit rents as other lands are subject to in the

Province within which they are granted, as also subject to the same conditions of cultivation and improvement, viz.:

To every	person having the rank of a field officer	5,000 acres.
"	captain	3,000 "
"	subaltern or staff officer	2,000 "
"	non-commissioned officer	200 "
"	private man	50 "

We do likewise authorize and require the Governors and Commanders-in-Chief of all our said colonies upon the continent of North America, to grant the like quantities of land and upon the same conditions to such reduced officers of our navy of like rank as served on board our ships of war in North America, at the times of the reduction of Louisburg and Quebec in the late war, and who shall personally apply to our respective Governors for such grants.

"And whereas it is just and reasonable, and essential to our interest and security of our colonies, that the several nations or tribes of Indians with whom we are connected, and who live under our protection, should not be molested or disturbed in the possession of such parts of our dominions and territories as, not having been ceded to us, are reserved to them, or any of them, as their hunting grounds; we do therefore, with the advice of our Privy Council, declare it to be our Royal will and pleasure that no Governor or Commander-in-Chief in any of our colonies of Quebec, East Florida, or West Florida, do presume upon any pretence whatever to grant warrants of survey, or pass any patents for lands beyond the bounds of their respective governments as described in their Commissions; as also that no Governor or Commander-in-Chief of our other colonies or plantations in America do presume for the present, and until our further pleasure be known, to grant warrants of survey, or pass any patents for lands beyond the heads or sources of any of the rivers which fall into the Atlantic Ocean from the west or northwest; or upon any lands whatever which, not having been ceded to or purchased by us, as aforesaid, are reserved to the said Indians or any of them.

"And we do further declare it to be our Royal will and pleasure, for the present as aforesaid, to reserve under our sovereignty, protection, and dominion, for the use of the said Indians, all the land and territories not included within the limits of the territory granted to the Hudson's Bay Company; as also the land and territories lying to the westward of the sources of the rivers which fall into the sea from the west and northwest as aforesaid; and we do hereby strictly forbid, on pain of our displeasure, all our loving subjects from making any purchases or settlements whatever, or taking possession of any of the lands above reserved, without our special leave and license for that purpose first obtained.

"And we do further strictly enjoin and require all persons whatsoever, who have either wilfully or inadvertently seated themselves upon any lands within the countries above described, or upon any other lands which, not having been ceded to or purchased by us, are still reserved to the said Indians as aforesaid, forthwith to remove themselves from such settlements.

"And whereas great frauds and abuses have been committed in the purchasing lands of the Indians, to the great prejudice of our interests and to the great dissatisfaction of the said Indians; in order, therefore, to prevent such irregularities for the future, and to the end that the Indians may

be convinced of our justice and determined resolution to remove all reasonable cause of discontent, we do, with the advice of our Privy Council, strictly enjoin and require that no private person do presume to make any purchase from the said Indians of any lands reserved to the said Indians within those parts of our colonies where we have thought proper to allow settlement; but that, if at any time any of the said Indians should be inclined to dispose of the said lands, the same shall be purchased only for us, in our name, at some public meeting or assembly of the said Indians, to be held for that purpose by the Governor or Commander-in-Chief of our Colony respectively, within which they shall lie; and, in case they shall be within the limits of any proprietaries, conformable to such directions and instructions as we or they shall think proper to give for that purpose; and we do, by the advice of our Privy Council, declare and enjoin that the trade of the said Indians shall be free and open to all our subjects whatever, provided that every person who may incline to trade with the said Indians, do take out a license to carry on such trade, from the Governor or Commander-in-Chief of any of our Colonies respectively, where such person shall reside, and also give security to observe such regulations as we shall at any time think fit, by ourselves or commissaries to be appointed for this purpose, to direct and appoint for the benefit of the said trade; and we do hereby authorize, enjoin and require the Governors and Commanders-in Chief of all our colonies respectively, as well those under our immediate government as those under the government and direction of proprietaries, to grant such licenses without fee or reward, taking special care to insert therein a condition that such licence shall be void, and the security forfeited, in case the person to whom the same is granted shall refuse or neglect to observe such regulations as we shall think proper to prescribe, as aforesaid."

The documents (relating to the tenure of land, etc.) subsequent to 1760, will be the readier understood, if the names of the high officials in Canada, down to the creation of the Provinces of Lower and Upper Canada, and the periods of their service, are placed before the reader. Until 1763 General Jeffery Amherst was Commander in Chief of the Forces. At the capitulation of Montreal he divided the Province into three Districts, for each of which he appointed a Governor, and as a medium of easy intercourse with the French Canadians, each Governor was supplied with a Franco-Swiss Secretary. The Districts were :

GOVERNORS AND OFFICIALS.

1760-63. QUEBEC, General James Murray, Governor, 1760 to Aug. 1763, and M. Cramahe, Secretary. General Murray formed a Military Council of seven army officers to assist him.

THREE RIVERS, Col. Ralph Burton, Governor 1760 to May, 1762); Col. Fred. Haldimand, May, 1762, to March, 1863, Acting Governor; Col. Ralph Burton, March, 1763, to October, 1763; Col. Fred. Haldimand, October, 1763, to August, 1764; and M. Bruyères, Secretary.

MONTREAL, General Thomas Gage, 1760, to October, 1763. Secretary, M. Mathurin. Gage left Montreal in October, 1763, when Col. R. Burton succeeded him.

1763. The Treaty of Paris, signed on the 10th of February, 1763, was proclaimed on the 7th October; on the 21st October General Murray was appointed Governor-General of Canada, and assumed office on the 10th of August, 1764.

1764. The office of Chief Justice was filled by Wm. Gregory, and that of Attorney General by George Suckling, two civil officers sent from Britain. They continued in office until 1766.

Col. Burton was succeeded at Three Rivers (Oct. 1763) by Haldimand. In July, 1764, Burton resigned the governorship at Montreal and then the position of Governor at Montreal and Three Rivers was abolished, the command of the garrisons devolving on the officer next in rank.

Governor-General Murray reconstructed his council thus:

The Chief Justice, Attorney General, Col. Paulus Aemilius Irving; Hector Theophile Cramahe (both latter of whom were in the former Council), Adam Mabane, Walter Murray, Captain Samuel Holland, Benjamin Price, Thomas Dunn, and François Mounier.

Lewis Cramahe was Secretary to the Governor General.

Captain Samuel Holland was appointed Surveyor General of the Province.

1766. Governor General Murray sailed from Quebec on the 28th June this year and left the Administration in the Administration with Col. Paulus Aemilius Irving, Senior Councillor. Thomas Mills was admitted a Councillor and appointed Receiver General, and John Collins, Deputy Surveyor General, and Deputy Surveyor of Roads. Wm. Hey, succeeded as Chief Justice, and Francis Maseres, as Attorney General.

1766. Brig. General Guy Carleton was appointed Lieut.-Governor, and Acting Governor General, beginning on the 24th September. The Council was then composed of:

Wm. Hey, Chief Justice,

Charles Stewart, Superintendent General,

H. T. Cramahe, John Goldfrap, Thomas Mills, Samuel Holland, Walter Murray, Thomas Dunn, François Mounier, Benjamin Price, James Cuthbert.

1768. Lieutenant Governor Carleton was appointed Governor General on the 12th of April, 1768, and assumed office on the 25th of October.

1769. Attorney General Maseres left for Britain, resigning his position in Canada, and was femporarily succeeded by Mr. Kneller who had acted as Administrator of the estates of the Jesuits, who in turn was succeeded by Wm. Grant.

1770. Governor General Carleton left for Britain on leave of absence, in August, and Hector Theophile Cramahe was appointed Administrator, and in the following year, Lieutenant Governor. He had served as Councillor since Murray's

1771. Military Council and had relieved Haldimand as Governor at Three Rivers, and had been sent to London to report on the condition of the Province. He was then Senior Member of Council.

1774. Governor General Carleton returned to Canada on the 18th September and assumed office.

1775. On the 17th of August Governor General Carleton established the Legislative Council under the Act of 1774. It met for the first time on this day and was constituted as follows:—

H. T. Cramahe, Lieutenant Governor; William Hey, Chief Justice; Hugh Finlay, Thomas Dunn, James Cuthbert, Colin Drummond, François Leveque, Edward Harrison, John Collins, Adam Mabane, Pecandy de Contrecœur, Roch St. Ours Lechaillons, Charles François Lanaudiere, George Pownall, George Allsopp, St. Luc de la Corne, Joseph G. Chaussegros de Lery, Alexander Johnson, Conrad Gugy, Picotte de Belestre, Des Bergers de Riganfield, John Fraser.

Jenkin Williams, Secretary, of the Executive and Privy Council.

1776. Mr. Livins was appointed Chief Justice to succeed Wm. Hey, who had resigned
1777. in 1775. He arrived in 1777.
1778. On the 27th June, 1776, Governor General Carlton resigned, but was not relieved of office until the 27th of June, 1778, when he was replaced by General Haldimand.

1779-85. Messrs. Adam Mabane, Thomas Dunn and Jenkin Williams acted as commissioners to discharge the duties of Chief Justice for Mr. Livins during absence.

1784. Governor General Haldimand withdrew on the 15th of November, and Mr. Henry Hamilton, one of the Members of the Legislative Council, acted as Administrator and Lt. Governor.

1785. On the 2nd November, Mr. Hamilton resigned. Col. Henry Hope became Administrator and Lieut. Governor, offices which he held until Lord Dor-

1786. chester's (Carleton) arrival as Governor General on Oct. 23rd, 1786.

1786. In the same year Wm. Smith became Chief Justice of Canada. Col. Hope died in 1788 and was succeeded in 1790 as Lieut. Governor of Quebec, by General

1790. Alured Clarke. Sir John Johnson was Superintendent General of Indian Affairs and Col. Alexander McKee, his deputy.

1791. Sir Alured Clarke acted as Administrator during the absence of Dorchester in Britain.

CREATION OF LOWER AND UPPER CANADA.

1791. Lord Dorchester, Governor General.

Major General Alured Clarke, Lieut. Governor of Lower Canada.

Lt. Col. John Graves Simcoe, Lieutenant Governor of Upper Canada.

The Members of the Executive and Legislative Council of Lower Canada were:

Executive: William Smith Chief Justice; Paul Roch de St. Ours, Hugh Finlay, Francois Baby, Thomas Dunn, Joseph L. De Longueill, Pierre Panet, Adam Mabane.

Legislative Counsellors:—William Smith, C. J., J. C. Chaussegros De Lery, Hugh Finlay, Thomas Dunn, Joseph L. De Longueill, Edward Harrison, François Baby, John Collins, Charles De Lanaudiere, George Pownall, R. A. De Boucherville, John Fraser, Sir John Johnson.

The Members of the Executive and Legislative Council for Upper Canada were:

1792, 9-11 July. Executive, Hon. Wm. Osgoode, Chief Justice; Wm. Robertson, Alexander, Grant, Peter Russell, Jacques Baby.

Legislative:—Hon. Wm. Osgoode, Ch. J., Wm. Robertson, Alexander Grant, Peter Russell, Jacques Baby, John Munro, Richard Cartwright, Jr., Robert Hamilton, and Richard Duncan. (Mr. Robertson did not take up the duties of his office and he was replaced on the 21st June, 1793, by General Æneas Shaw).

The Secretary of the Executive Council was Wm. Jarvis; the Clerk, John Small; Clerk of the Crown, Edward Burns; Sheriffs, Richard Pollard and Alexander McDonell.

First Secretary of the Lieutenant Governor, E. B. Littlehales.

The Speaker of the first House of Assembly for Upper Canada was Mr. John McDonnell, of Glengarry, and the Clerk, Mr. Angus McDonell. Surveyor General of Lands, David W. Smith, Attorney General, John White.

Mr. Osgoode was appointed Attorney General of Lower Canada and he was succeeded in Upper Canada, as Chief Justice by the Hon. J. Elmsley, and as President of the Council by Hon. Peter Russell.

EXTRACTS FROM INSTRUCTIONS TO THE GOVERNORS-GENERAL CONCERNING LAND.

7th December, 1763.

Instructions to James Murray, Esq., Captain General and Governor in Chief, &c., &c.

11. . . . That no Law or Ordinance, respecting private Property, be passed without a Clause suspending it's Execution, until Our Royal Will and Pleasure is known; nor without a Saving of the Right of Us, Our Heirs

and Successors, and of all Bodies politic and corporate, and of all other Persons, except such as are mentioned in the said Law or Ordinance, and those claiming by, from and under them; and before such Law or Ordinance is passed, Proof must be made before You, in Council, and entered in the Council Books, that public Notification was made of the Party's Intention to apply for such Act in the several Parish Churches, where the Lands in Question lie, for three Sundays at least successively before any such Law or Ordinance shall be proposed.

33. And to the End that the Church of England may be established both in Principles and Practice, and that the said Inhabitants may by Degrees be induced to embrace the Protestant Religion, and their Children be brought up in the Principles of it; We do hereby declare it to be Our Intention, when the said Province shall have been accurately surveyed, and divided into Townships, Districts, Precincts or Parishes, in such manner as shall be herein after directed, all possible Encouragement shall be given to the erecting Protestant Schools in the said Districts, Townships and Precincts, by settling, appointing and allotting proper Quantities of Land for that Purpose, and also for a Glebe and Maintenance for a Protestant Minister and Protestant School-Masters; and you are to consider and report to Us, by Our Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, by what other means the Protestant Religion may be promoted, established and encouraged in Our Province under your Government.

42. And it is Our further Will and Pleasure, that all and every the French Inhabitants in Our said Province, who are now possessed of Lands within the said Province, in Virtue of Grants or Concessions made before the signing of the Preliminary Articles of Peace on the third Day of November 1762; do, within such limited Time as you in your Discretion shall think fit, register the several Grants, or other Deeds or Titles, by which they hold or claim such Lands, in the Secretary's Office; which said Grants, Deeds or other Titles, shall be entered at large in the said Office, so that the particular Quantity of Land, its Site and Extent, the Conditions upon which it is granted, either as to Rents, Services, or Cultivation, may appear fully and at length.

43. And in case it shall appear, upon a strict and accurate Examination of the said Grants and Title Deeds, to be taken in such manner as you shall think proper, that any of the Grantees, or Persons claiming Lands under such Grants and Title Deeds, are in Possession of more Land than is contained within such Grants or other Concessions; or that the Terms and Conditions, upon which the Lands were granted, have not been complied with, agreeable to what is stipulated in such Grants or Concessions; It is Our Will and Pleasure, that you forthwith represent the same to Us, by Our Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, to the end you may receive such Directions thereupon, as the Nature and Circumstances of the Case shall appear to require.

44. And whereas it is necessary, in order to the advantageous and effectual settlement of Our said Province, that the true State of it should be fully known; You are therefore, as soon as conveniently may be, to cause an accurate Survey to be made of the said Province by such able and skilful Person as is or shall be appointed for that Service, who is to report to you in writing, for your Judgment in the Measures which you may in general pursue for the making of Settlements, not only the Nature and Quality of the Soil and Climate, the Rivers, Bays and Harbours, and every other Circumstance attending the natural State of it; but also his opinion, in what manner it may be most conveniently laid out into Counties, and to annex to

his Report a Map of such Survey, with the several Divisions proposed marked upon it: But as the making such Survey will be a work of great Length, You are in the meantime to carry on Settlements upon that Plan, which shall appear to you to be most expedient from the best Information You can collect.

45. And whereas it has been found by Experience, that the settling Planters in Townships hath very much redounded to their Advantage, not only with respect to the Assistance they have been able to afford each other in their Civil Concerns, but likewise with regard to the Security they have thereby acquired against the Insults and Incursions of neighbouring Indians, or other Enemies; You are therefore to lay out Townships of a Convenient Size and Extent in such Places, as you, in your Discretion, shall judge most proper. And it is Our Will and Pleasure, that each Township do consist of about Twenty Thousand Acres, having, as far as may be, Natural Boundaries extending up into the Country, and comprehending a necessary Part of the River of St. Lawrence, where it can be conveniently had.

46. You are also to cause a proper Place in the most convenient Part of each Township, to be marked out for building a Town sufficient to contain such a Number of Families as you shall judge proper to settle there, with Town and pasture Lots convenient to each Tenement, taking Care, that the said Town be laid out upon, or, as near as conveniently may be, to some navigable River, or the Sea Coast; And you are also to reserve to Us proper Quantities of Land in each Township for the following Purposes, viz; For erecting Fortifications, and Barracks, where necessary, or for other Military or Naval Services and more particularly for the Growth and Production of Naval Timber, if there are any Wood-Lands fit for that Purpose.

47. And it is Our further Will and Pleasure, that a particular Spot, in or as near each Town as possible, be set apart for the building a Church, and four Hundred Acres adjacent thereto allotted for the Maintenance of a Minister, and two Hundred for a Schoolmaster.

48. And you are to give strict Orders to the Surveyors, whom you shall employ to mark out the said Townships and Towns, to make Returns to you of their Surveys as soon as possible, with a particular Description of each Township, and the Nature of the Soil within the same.

49. And you are to oblige all such Persons as shall be appointed to be Surveyors of the said Lands in each Township, to take an Oath for the due Performance of their Offices, and for obliging them to make exact Surveys of all Lands required to be set out.

50. And whereas nothing can more effectually tend to the speedy settling Our said Colony, the Security of the Property of our Subjects, and the Advancement of Our Revenue, than the disposing of such Lands as are Our Property upon reasonable Terms, and the establishing a regular and proper Method of proceeding with respect to the passing of Grants of such Land; It is therefore Our Will and Pleasure, that all and every Person and Persons, who shall apply to You for any Grant or Grants of Land, shall, previous to their obtaining the same, make it appear before you in Council, that they are in a Condition to cultivate and improve the same, by settling thereon, in Proportion to the Quantity of Acres desired, a sufficient Number of White Persons and Negroes; And in case you shall, upon a consideration of the Circumstances of the Person or Persons applying for such Grants, think it advisable to pass the same, in such Case you are to cause a Warrant to be drawn up, directed to the Surveyor General, or other proper Officers, impowering him or them to make a faithful and exact Survey of the Lands

so petitioned for, and to return the said Warrant within six months at furthest from the Date thereof, with a Plot or Description of the Lands so surveyed thereunto annexed; Provided that you do take Care, that before any such Warrant is issued, as aforesaid, a Docquet thereof be entered in the Auditor's and Register's Office: And when the Warrant shall be returned by the said Surveyor, or other proper Officer, the Grant shall be made out in due Form, and the Terms and Conditions required by these Our Instructions be particularly and expressly mentioned in the respective Grants. And it is Our Will and Pleasure, that the said Grants shall be registered within six months from the Date thereof in the Register's Office there, and a Docquet thereof be also entered in Our Auditor's Office there, in Case such Establishment shall take place in Our said Province, or that, in Default thereof, such Grant shall be void, Copies of all which Entries shall be returned regularly, by the proper Officer, to Our Commissioners of Our Treasury and to Our Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, within six months from the Date thereof.

51. And whereas great Inconveniences have arisen in many of Our Colonies in America from the granting excessive Quantities of Land to particular Persons, who have never cultivated or settled it, and have thereby prevented Others more industrious from improving the same; in order therefore to prevent the like Inconveniences for the future, You are to take especial Care, that in all Grants to be made by you, by and with the Advice and Consent of Our Council, to Persons applying for the same, the Quantity be in Proportion to their Ability to cultivate; And you are hereby directed to observe the following Directions and Regulations in all Grants to be made by you; viz:

That one hundred Acres of Land be granted to every Person being Master or Mistress of a Family, for himself or herself, and fifty Acres for every white or black Man, Woman or Child, of which such Person's Family shall consist, at the actual Time of making the Grant; and in case any Person applying to you for Grants of Land shall be desirous of taking up a larger Quantity than the actual Number of Persons in his or her Family would intitle such Persons to take up; it is Our Will and Pleasure, and you are hereby allowed and permitted, to grant unto every such Person or Persons, such further Quantity of Land as they may desire, not exceeding one Thousand Acres over and above what they are intitled to by the Number of Persons in their respective Families; Provided it shall appear to you, that they are in a Condition and Intention to cultivate the same; and provided also, that they do pay to the Receiver of Our Quit Rents, or to such other Officer as shall be appointed to receive the same, the Sum of five Shillings only for every fifty Acres, so granted, on the Day of the Date of the Grant;—

That all Grantees be subject to the payment of two Shillings Sterling for every Hundred Acres, to commence at the Expiration of two years from the Date of such Grant, and to be paid yearly and every Year, or in Default of such payment, the Grant is to be void;—

That every Grantee, upon giving Proof that he or she has fulfilled the Terms and Conditions of his or her Grant, shall be entitled to another Grant, in the Proportion and upon the conditions above mentioned;—

That for every Fifty Acres of Land accounted plantable, each Patentee shall be obliged, within three years after the Date of his Patent, to clear and work three Acres at the least, in that part of his Tract which he shall judge most convenient and advantageous; or else to clear and drain three Acres of swampy or sunken Grounds, or drain three Acres of Marsh, if any such be within the Bounds of his Grant;—

That for every Fifty Acres of Land accounted barren, every Patentee shall be obliged to put and keep on his Land, within three years after the Date of his Grant, three neat Cattle; which Number he shall be obliged to continue on his Land, until three Acres for every Fifty be fully cleared and improved;—

That if any Person shall take up a Tract of Land, wherein there shall be no Part fit for present Cultivation without manuring and improving the same, every such Grantee shall be obliged, within three years from the Date of his Grant, to erect on some part of his Land one good Dwelling-House, to contain at least twenty Feet in Length, and sixteen Feet in Breadth; and also to put on his Land the like Number of three neat Cattle for every fifty Acres;—

That if any Person, who shall take up any stony or rocky Grounds not fit for planting or pasture, shall, within three years after the passing of his Grant, begin to employ thereon, and so continue to work for three years then next ensuing, in digging any Stone Quarry or other Mine, one good and able Hand for every hundred Acres of such Tract, it shall be accounted a sufficient Cultivation and Improvement;—

That every three Acres, which shall be cleared and worked, as aforesaid, and every three Acres, which shall be cleared and drained, as aforesaid, shall be accounted a sufficient Seating, Planting, Cultivation and Improvement, to save for ever from Forfeiture Fifty Acres of Land in any Part of the Tract contained within the same Patent; and the Patentee shall be at Liberty to withdraw his Stock, or to forbear working in any Quarry or Mine, in Proportion to such Cultivation and Improvement, as shall be made upon the plantable Lands, or upon the Swamps, sunken Grounds and Marshes, which shall be included in the same Patent;—

That when any Person, who shall hereafter take up and patent any Lands, shall have seated, planted and cultivated, or improved the said Land, or any part of it, according to the Directions and Conditions abovementioned, such Patentee may make Proof of such Seating, Planting, Cultivation and Improvement in the general Court, or in the Court of the County, District or Precinct, where such Lands shall lie, and have such Proof certified to the Register's Office, and there entered with the Record of the said Patent, a Copy of which shall be admitted, on any Trial, to prove the seating and planting of such Land;—

And lastly, in order to ascertain the true Quantity of plantable and barren Land contained in each Grant hereafter to be made within Our said Province, you are to take especial Care, that, in all Surveys hereafter to be made, every Surveyor be required and enjoyned to take particular Notice according to the best of his Judgment and Understanding, how much of the Land so surveyed is plantable, and how much of it is barren and unfit for Cultivation; and accordingly to insert in the Survey and Plott by him to be returned into the Register's Office, the true Quantity of each kind of Land.

52. And it is Our further Will and Pleasure, that in all Grants of Land to be made by You, as aforesaid, regard be had to the profitable and unprofitable Acres, so that each Grantee may have a proportionable Number of one Sort and the other; as likewise that the Breadth of each Tract of Land, to be hereafter granted, be one Third of the Length of such Tract; and that the Length of each Tract do not extend along the Banks of any River, but into the Main Land, that thereby the said Grantees may have each a convenient Share of what Accommodation the said River may afford for Navigation or otherwise.

53. And whereas it hath been represented to Us, that many Parts of the Province under your Government are particularly adapted to the Growth and Culture of Hemp and Flax; It is therefore Our Will and Pleasure, that, in all Surveys of Land for Settlement, the Surveyor be directed to report, whether there is any, or what Quantity of Lands contained within such Survey, fit for the Production of Hemp and Flax; And You are to take particular Care to insert a Clause in every Grant of Land, where any part thereof is fit for such Production, obliging the Grantee annually to sow a proportionable Part of his Grant with Hemp or Flax Seed.

54. And whereas it hath been further represented to Us, that a great part of the Country in the neighborhood of Lake Champlain, and between that Lake and the River St. Lawrence, abounds with Woods producing Trees fit for Masting for Our Royal Navy, and other useful and necessary Timber for Naval Construction; You are therefore expressly directed and required to cause such Parts of the said Country, or any other within your Government, that shall appear upon a Survey to abound with such Trees, and shall lye convenient for Water Carriage, to be reserved to Us, and to use your utmost Endeavour to prevent any Waste being committed upon the said Tracts, by punishing in due Course of Law any Persons who shall cut down or destroy any Trees growing thereon; and you are to consider and advise with Our Council, whether some Regulation that shall prevent any Saw Mills whatever from being erected within your Government, without a Licence from you, or the Commander in Chief of Our said Province for the Time being, may not be a Means of preventing all Waste and Destruction in such Tracts of Land as shall be reserved to Us for the Purposes aforesaid.

55. And whereas it appears from the Representations of Our Governor of the District of Trois Rivières, that the Iron Works at St. Maurice in that District are of great Consequence to Our Service; It is therefore Our further Will and Pleasure, that no part of the Lands, upon which the said Iron Works were carried on, or from which the Ore used in such Works was procured, or which shall appear to be necessary and convenient for that Establishment, either in respect to a free Passage to the River St. Lawrence, or for producing a necessary Supply of Wood, Corn and Hay, or for Pasture for Cattle, be granted to any private Person whatever; and also that as large a District of Land as conveniently may be, adjacent to and lying round the said Iron Works, over and above what may be necessary for the above Purposes, be reserved for Our Use, to be disposed of in such manner as We shall hereafter direct and appoint.

56. And whereas it is necessary, that all Persons who may be desirous of settling in Our said Province, should be fully informed of the Terms and Conditions, upon which Lands will be granted in Our said Province; You are therefore, as soon as possible, to cause a Publication to be made, by Proclamation or otherwise, as you in your Discretion shall think most advisable, of all and every the foregoing Terms, Conditions and Regulations of every kind, respecting the Grants of Lands; in which Proclamation it may be expedient to add some short Description of the natural Advantages of the Soil, and Climate, and its peculiar Conveniences for Trade and Navigation; and you are to take such Steps as you shall think proper for the publishing such Proclamation in all the Colonies in North America.

57. And it is Our further Will and Pleasure, that all the foregoing Instructions to you, as well as any which You may hereafter receive, relative to the Form and Method of passing Grants of Lands, and the Terms and Conditions to be annexed to such Grants, be entered upon Record, with the

Grants themselves, for the Information and Satisfaction of all Parties whatever, that may be concerned therein.

58. And it is Our further Will and Pleasure, that you do consider of a proper and effectual Method for collecting, receiving and accounting for Our Quit Rents, whereby all Frauds, Concealment, Irregularity or Neglect therein may be prevented, and whereby the Receipts thereof may be effectually checked and controlled; And if it shall appear necessary to pass an Act for the more effectually ascertaining, and the more speedily and regularly collecting Our Quit Rents, you are to prepare the Heads of such a Bill, as you shall think may most effectually conduce to the procuring the good Ends proposed, and to transmit the same to Our Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, in order to be laid before Us for Our further Directions therein.

59. And it is Our further Will and Pleasure, that the Surveyor-General, or such other Person or Persons as you shall think proper to appoint, do, once in every year or oftener as Occasion shall require, inspect the State of all Grants of Lands made by you, and make report thereof to you in Writing, specifying whether the Conditions therein contained have or have not been complied with, or what Progress has been made towards fulfilling the same; and you are annually to transmit Copies of such Reports to Our Commissioners for Trade and Plantations.

60. And whereas Our Province of Quebec is in part inhabited and possessed by several Nations and Tribes of Indians, with whom it is both necessary and expedient to cultivate and maintain a strict Friendship and good Correspondence, so that they may be induced by Degrees, not only to be good Neighbours to Our Subjects, but likewise themselves to become good Subjects to Us; You are therefore, as soon as you conveniently can, to appoint a proper Person or Persons to assemble, and Treat with the said Indians, promising and assuring them of Protection and Friendship on Our part, and delivering them such Presents, as shall be sent to you for that purpose.

61. And you are to inform yourself with the greatest Exactness of the Number, Nature and Disposition of the several Bodies or Tribes of Indians, of the manner of their Lives, and the Rules and Constitutions, by which they are governed or regulated. And You are upon no Account to molest or disturb them in the Possession of such Parts of the said Province, as they at present occupy or possess; but to use the best means You can for conciliating their Affections, and uniting them to Our Government, reporting to Us, by Our Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, whatever Information you can collect with respect to these People, and the whole of your Proceedings with them.

62. Whereas We have, by Our Proclamation dated the seventh day of October in the Third year of Our Reign, strictly forbid, on pain of Our Displeasure, all Our Subjects from making any Purchases of Settlements whatever, or taking Possession of any of the Lands reserved to the several Nations of Indians, with whom We are connected, and who live under Our Protection, without Our especial Leave for that Purpose first obtained; It is Our express Will and Pleasure, that you take the most effectual Care that Our Royal Directions herein be punctually complied with, and that the Trade with such of the said Indians as depend upon your Government be carried on in the Manner, and under the Regulations prescribed in Our said Proclamation.

3rd January, 1775.

Instructions to Guy Carleton, Esquire, Captain General and Governor in Chief, &c. &c.

The clauses in Governor Murray's Instructions, dated 7th December 1763, cited above, are repeated in those to Governor Carleton dated 3rd January 1775, with this clause additional:—

50. And Whereas it hath been represented to Us that the Governors of several of Our Colonies in America have Granted Lands away close to the Forts belonging to Us by which means the Garrisons of such Forts have been obliged to pay the proprietors of those Lands extravagant prices for Wood cut for a necessary supply of Fuel, and thereby a great and Unreasonable Expense has been brought upon the Military Contingencies It is Our Express Will and Pleasure that You do take Especial Care, that in all Warrants for Surveying of Lands adjacent or Contiguous to a Fort or Fortification, whether such Warrant be Granted upon an Original Petition to you in Council, or upon Our Order in Our Privy Council there be an Express Direction to the Surveyor that he do reserve to Us Our Heirs and Sucessors for the Use of the Fort, near to which the Lands shall lye such a part of the Land petitioned for (being Woodland) and in such a Situation as the Commander in Chief of the said Fort (with whom he is to be required to Consult and Advise in all such Cases) shall Judge Convenient and sufficient for a permanent and Certain Supply of Fuel for such a Garrison as the said Fort may be able to Contain. And it is Our further pleasure, that a regular plot of such reserved Land, describing the Bounds, expressing the Quantity of Acres, and properly signed and attested by such Surveyor, be delivered to the Commanding Officer of each Fort, to be there publickly hung up and a Duplicate thereof also Recorded in the Secretary's Office or other proper Office of Record in Our province under Your Government; and as we judge the due Execution of this Our Order to be essential to Our Service, You are hereby required to take Care, that the Regulations above prescribed be duly entered upon the Council Books of Our said Province, as a standing Order to all persons, who may be Intrusted with the powers to which they refer.

In further Instructions to Governor Carleton, dated 3rd January 1775, it is provided:—

38. By Our Commission to you under Our Great Seal of Great Britain you are authorised and impowered, with the advice and consent of Our Council, to settle and agree with the Inhabitants of Our said Province of Quebec for such Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, as now are, or shall hereafter be in Our Power to dispose of. It is therefore Our Will and Pleasure, that all Lands, which now are, or hereafter may be subject to Our Disposal, be granted in Fief or Seigneurie, in like manner as was practiced antecedent to the Conquest of the said Province; omitting however in any Grant, that shall be passed of such Lands, the Reservation of any Judicial powers, or privileges whatever. And it is Our further Will and Pleasure, that all Grants in Fief or Seigneurie, so as to be passed by you, as aforesaid, be made subject to Our Royal Ratification, or Disallowance, and to a due Registry thereof within a limited time, in like manner as was practised in regard to Grants and Concessions held in Fief and Seigneurie under the French Government.

39. It is Our Will and Pleasure however, that no Grants be made of any Lands, on which there is any considerable growth of white Pines fit for

Masting Our Royal Navy, and which lie convenient for Water carriage; But that you do cause all such Lands to be set apart for Our Use, and proper regulations made, and penalties inflicted, to prevent trespasses on such Tracts, and the cutting down, or destroying the Trees growing thereon.

In a plan for the management of Indian affairs, dated 1764, and annexed to Governor Carleton's Instructions here quoted from, are the following clauses:—

41. That no private person, Society, Corporation or Colony be capable of acquiring any Property in Lands belonging to the Indians, either by purchase of, or Grant, or Conveyance from the said Indians, excepting only where the Lands lye within the Limits of any Colony, the soil of which has been vested in proprietors, or Corporations by Grants from the Crown; in which Cases such Proprietaries or Corporations only shall be capable of acquiring such property by purchase or Grant from the Indians.

42. That proper Measures be taken, with the Consent and Concurrence of the Indians, to ascertain and define the precise and exact Boundary and Limits of the Lands, which it may be proper to reserve to them, and where no Settlement whatever shall be allowed.

43. That no purchases of Lands belonging to the Indians, whether in the Name and for the Use of the Crown, or in the Name and for the Use of proprietaries of Colonies be made but at some general Meeting, at which the principal Chiefs of each Tribe, claiming a property in such Lands, are present; and all Tracts, so purchased, shall be regularly surveyed by a Sworn Surveyor in the presence and with the Assistance of a person deputed by the Indians to attend such Survey; and the said Surveyor shall make an accurate Map of such Tract, describing the Limits, which Map shall be Entered upon Record, with the Deed of Conveyance from the Indians.

16TH JULY, 1783.

Additional Instructions to Frederick Haldimand, Esquire, Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief, &c. &c.

Whereas many of Our Loyal Subjects Inhabitants of the Colonies and Provinces, now the United States of America are desirous of retaining their Allegiance to Us, and of living in Our Dominions, and for this purpose are disposed to take up and improve Lands in Our Province of Quebec; and We being desirous to encourage Our said Loyal Subjects in such their Intentions, and to testify Our Approbation of their loyalty to Us, & Obedience to Our Government, by alloting Lands for them in Our said Province; And whereas We are also desirous of testifying Our Approbation of the Bravery and Loyalty of Our Forces serving in Our said Province, and who may be reduced there, by allowing a certain quantity of Land to such of the Non-Commissioned Officers and private Men of Our said Forces, who are inclined to become settlers therein. It is Our Will and Pleasure, that immediately after you shall receive this Our Instruction, you do direct Our Surveyor General of Lands for Our said Province of Quebec, to admeasure and lay out such a Quantity of Land as you with the advice of Our Council shall deem necessary & convenient for the settlement of Our said Loyal Subjects, the non-Commissioned Officers and private Men of Our Forces which may be reduced in Our said Province, who shall be desirous of becoming Settlers therein; such Lands to be divided into distinct Seigneuries or Fiefs, to extend from two or four leagues in front, and from three to five leagues in depth, If situ-

ated upon a Navigable River, otherwise to be run square, or in such shape and in such quantities, as shall be convenient & practicable—and in each Seigneurie a Glebe to be reserved and laid out in the most convenient spot, to contain not less than 300 nor more than 500 Acres; the propriety of which Seigneuries or Fiefs shall be and remain vested in Us, Our Heirs and Successors, and you shall allot such parts of the same as shall be applied for by any of Our said Loyal Subjects Non-Commissioned Officers & Private Men of Our Forces reduced as aforesaid, in the following proportions; that is to say

To every Master of a Family, One Hundred Acres, and Fifty Acres for each person, of which his Family shall consist.

To every single Man Fifty Acres.

To every Non-Commissioned Officer of Our Forces reduced in Quebec Two hundred Acres.

To every private Man reduced as aforesaid One Hundred Acres.

And for every Person in their Family Fifty Acres.

The said Lands to be held under Us Our Heirs & Successors, Seigneurs of the Seigneurie or Fief in which the same shall be situated, upon the same terms, acknowledgements and services, as Lands are held in Our said Province under the respective Seigneurs holding and possessing Seignuries or Fiefs therein, and reserving to Us Our Heirs and Successors, from and after the expiration of Ten years from the Admission of the respective Tenants, a Quit Rent of one half penny p. Acre.

It is Our further Will and Pleasure, that every person within the Meaning of this Our Instruction, upon their making application for Land, shall take the Oaths directed by Law before you or Our Commander in Chief for the time being, or some Person by you or him Authorized for that purpose, and shall also at the same time make and subscribe the following declaration, Viz. "I A-B do promise and declare that I will maintain and defend to the "utmost of my power the Authority of the King in his Parliament as the "Supreme Legislature of this Province," which Oaths and declaration shall also be taken made and subscribed by every future Tenant before his, her, or their Admission, upon Alienation, descent, Marriage or any other wise howsoever, and upon refusal, the Lands to become revested in Us Our Heirs and Successors. And it is Our further Will and Pleasure, that the expence of laying out and surveying as well the Seigneuries or Fiefs aforesaid as the several Allotments within the same, and of the Deed of Admission shall be paid by the Receiver General of Our Revenue in the said Province of Quebec out of such Monies as shall be in his hands, upon a Certificate from you or Our Commander in Chief for the time being in Council, Oath being made by Our Surveyor General to the Account of such Expence; Provided however that only one half of the Usual and accustomed Fees of Office shall be allowed to Our said Surveyor General or any other of Our Officers in the said Province entitled thereunto upon any Survey or Allotment made, or upon Admission into any Lands by virtue of this Our Instruction.

And whereas We have some time since purchased the Seigneurie of Sorel from the then Proprietors, the Lands of which are particularly well adapted for Improvement and Cultivation, and the local situation of the said Seigneurie makes it expedient that the same should be settled by as considerable a number of Inhabitants of approved Loyalty as can be accommodated therein with all possible dispatch.

It is therefore Our Will and Pleasure that you do cause all such Lands within the same as are undisposed of, to be run out into small Allotments and that you do Alot the same to such of the Non-Commissioned Officers and private Men of Our Forces, which may be reduced in Our said Province, o

such other of Our Loyal Subjects as may be inclined to settle and improve the same, in such proportions as you may Judge the most conducive to their Interest and the more speedy settlement of Our said Seigneurie. The Lands so alloted to be held of Us Our Heirs and Successors, Seigneurs of Sorel upon the same conditions and under the same reserved rent at the expiration of ten years, as the other Tenants of the Seigneurie now hold their Lands and pay to Us, and also of taking the Oaths and making and subscribing the declaration as herein before is mentioned and directed. The Expence of making the said allotments and Admission thereunto to be also paid and defrayed in like manner as those in the Seigneuries directed to be laid out by this Our Instruction.

And it is Our Will and Pleasure that a Record be kept in the Office of the Receiver General of Our Revenue of every admission into Lands as well by virtue of this Our Instruction, as in cases of future Admission by Alienation or otherwise, a Docquet of which shall be transmitted yearly to Us thro' one of Our principal Secretaries of State, and also a Duplicate thereof to Our High Treasurer or the Commissioners of Our Treasury for the time being.

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23RD AUGUST, 1786.

Instructions to Guy, Lord Dorchester, Captain-General and Governor in Chief, &c. &c.

39. By Our Commission to you under Our Great Seal of Great Britain you are authorized & impowered with the Advice and Consent of Our Council to settle & agree with the Inhabitants of Our said Province of Quebec for such Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments as now are or shall hereafter be in Our Power to dispose of, It is therefore Our Will and Pleasure that all Lands, which now or hereafter may be subject to Our Disposal, be granted in Fief or Seigneurie, in like manner as was practised antecedent to the Conquest of the said Province, omitting however in any Grant that shall be passed of such Lands the reservation of any judicial Powers or Privileges whatever; And It is Our further Will and Pleasure that all Grants in Fief or Seigneurie, so to be passed by you as aforesaid, be made subject to Our Royal ratification or Disallowance and a due Registry thereof within a limited time, in like manner as was practised in regard to Grants and Concessions held in Fief or Seigneurie under the French Government.

40. Whereas many of Our Loyal Subjects, Inhabitants of the Colonies and Provinces now the United States of America, are desirous of retaining their Allègiance to Us and of living in Our Dominions, and for this purpose are disposed to take up and improve Lands in Our Province of Quebec, And We being desirous to encourage Our said Loyal Subjects in such their Intentions and to testify Our Approbation of their Loyalty to Us and Obedience to Our Government by allotting Lands for them in Our said Province, And Whereas We are also desirous of testifying Our Approbation of the Bravery and Loyalty of Our Forces serving in Our said Province, and who may have been reduced there, by allowing a certain Quantity of Land to such of the Non-Commissioned Officers and Private Men of Our said Forces who are inclined to become Settlers therein, It is Our Will and Pleasure that immediately after you shall receive these Our Instructions you do direct Our Surveyor General of Lands for Our said Province of Quebec to admeasure and

lay out such a Quantity of Land as you, with the Advice of Our Council, shall deem necessary, and convenient for the settlement of Our said Loyal Subjects, and the Non-Commissioned Officers and Private Men of Our Forces which may have been reduced in Our said Province, who shall be desirous of becoming Settlers therein; Such Lands to be divided into distinct Seigneuries or Fiefs to extend from two to four Leagues in front and from three to five Leagues in Depth if situated upon a Navigable River, otherwise to be run square or in such shape and in such Quantities as shall be convenient and practicable, and in each Seigneurie a Glebe to be reserved & laid out in the most convenient Spot, to contain not less than 300, nor more than 500 Acres; The Property of which Seigneuries or Fiefs shall be and remain vested in Us, Our Heirs & Successors, And you shall allot such Parts of the same as shall be applied for by any of Our said Loyal Subjects, Non-Commissioned Officers and Private Men of Our Forces reduced as aforesaid, in the following Proportions, that is to say,

To every Master of a Family One Hundred Acres and fifty Acres for each Person of which his Family shall consist;

To every single Man fifty Acres;

To every Non-Commissioned Officer of Our Forces reduced in Quebec Two Hundred Acres;

To every private Man reduced as aforesaid One Hundred Acres.

And for every Person in their Families fifty Acres.

The said Lands to be held under Us, Our Heirs and Successors, Seigneurs of the Seigneurie or Fief in which the same shall be situated, upon the same Terms, Acknowledgements & Services as Lands are held in Our said Province under the respective Seigneurs holding and possessing Seigneuries or Fiefs therein, and reserving to Us, Our Heirs and Successors from and after the expiration of Ten Years from the admission of the respective Tenants a Quit Rent of one half penny per Acre.

41. And whereas upon the raising and establishing the Corps late the 84th Regiment of Foot, We did promise and declare that the Officers and Privates of the said Corps should when reduced be intitled to and receive Grants for certain allotments of Lands in proportion to their respective Ranks therein, It is Our Will and Pleasure that you do in manner as herein before directed Grant Warrants of Allotment and Survey to such of the Officers and privates of the said late Eighty fourth Regiment of Foot now reduced, who shall be willing to settle and become Inhabitants of the said Province of Quebec, and shall apply for the same for such Quantities of Land as they shall be respectively entitled to, In Consequence of Our said promise and declaration contained in Our Instructions to Our Governors of New York and North Carolina dated the 3d April 1775 that is to say,

To	Field Officers	5000 Acres
	Captains	3000
	Subalterns	2000
Non-Commission	Officer	200
	Privates	50

and that the Surveys be made and Grants for the same delivered free of Expence as herein before directed, Provided nevertheless that every Commissioned and Non-Commissioned Officer or private belonging to the said late 84th Regiment of Foot, who shall claim and apply for Land in Our Province of Quebec as aforesaid, shall declare upon Oath, that no Land has been obtained by him in any of Our other Provinces in America under Our Royal declaration as aforesaid.

42. It is Our further Will and Pleasure, that every Person within the meaning of these Our Instructions upon making application for Land shall take the Oaths directed by Law before you or Our Commander in Chief for the time being, or some person by you or him authorized for that purpose and shall also at the same time make and subscribe the following Declaration (Viz.) "I, A B, do promise and declare that I will maintain and defend to "the utmost of my power the authority of the King in His Parliament, as "the supreme Legislature of this Province," which Oaths and Declaration shall also be taken, made, and subscribed by every Future Tenant before his, her or their admission upon Alienation, Descent, Marriage or otherwise howsoever, and upon refusal the Lands to become re-vested in Us Our Heirs and Successors And it is Our further Will and Pleasure that the expence of laying out and surveying as well the Seigneuries or Fiefs aforesaid, as the several Alotments within the same and of the Deed of admission shall be paid by the Receiver General of Our Revenue in the said Province of Quebec; out of such Monies as shall be in his hands, upon a Certificate from you or Our Commander in Chief for the time being in Council, Oath being made by Our Surveyor General to the Account of such Expence; Provided however that only one half of the usual and accustomed Fees of Office shall be allowed to Our said Surveyor General or any other of Our Officers in the said Province entitled thereunto upon any Survey or Allotment made, or upon admission into any Lands by Virtue of these Our Instructions.

43. And whereas we have some time since purchased the Seigneurie of Sorel from the then Proprietors, the Lands of which are particularly well adapted for improvement and cultivation; and the local situation of the said Seigneurie makes it expedient that the same should be settled by as considerable a number of Inhabitants of approved Loyalty as can be accommodated therein, with all possible dispatch. It is therefore Our Will and Pleasure, that you do cause all such Lands within the same as are undisposed of, to be run into small Allotments, and that you do allot the same to such of the Non-Commissioned Officers and private Men of Our Forces who may have been reduced in Our said Province, or to such other of Our Loyal Subjects as may be inclined to settle and improve the same, in such Proportions as you may judge most conducive to their Interest and the more speedy Settlement of Our said Seigneurie. The Lands so allotted to be held of Us, Our Heirs, and Successors, Seigneurs of Sorel upon the same Conditions and under the same reserved Rent at the Expiration of ten years, as the other Tenants of Seigneuries now hold their Lands and pay to Us, and also of taking the Oaths and making and subscribing the Declaration as herein before is mentioned and directed; The Expence of making the said Allotments and of Admission thereunto be also paid and defrayed in like manner as those in the Seigneuries directed to be laid out by these Our Instructions. It is nevertheless Our Will and Pleasure that the Allotments to be made to such of Our Loyal Subjcts from the Provinces or Colonies now the United States of America, as may be disposed to settle and improve Lands in Our said Province of Quebec, shall be limited to those only who may have withdrawn themselves from the said Provinces or Colonies after the signing of the definitive Treaty of Peace with the said United States, & no other.

And it is Our Will and Pleasure that a Record be kept in the Office of the Receiver General of Our Revenue of every Admission into Lands as well by Virtue of these Our Instructions with respect to Our Loving Subjects retiring from the Provinces & Colonies, now the United States of America, and to Our Forces disbanded as aforesaid, as in Cases of future Admission by Alienation or otherwise, A Docquet of which shall be transmitted

yearly to Us, thro' one of Our principal Secretaries of State, & also a Duplicate thereof to Our High Treasurer or the Commissioners of Our Treasury for the time being.

44. It is Our Will and Pleasure however that no Grants or Allotments be made of any Lands, on which there is any considerable Growth of White Pines fit for Masting Our Royal Navy, and which lie convenient for Water Carriage, but that you do cause all such Lands to be set apart for Our Use and proper Regulations to be made and Penalties inflicted to prevent Trespasses on such Tracts and the cutting down or destroying of the Trees growing thereon.

45. And whereas it appears, from the Representations of Our late Governor of the District of Trois Rivières, that the Iron Works at St. Maurice in that District are of great Consequence to Our Service. It is therefore Our Will and Pleasure that no part of the Lands upon which the said Iron Works were carried on, or from which the Ore used in such Works was procured, or which shall appear to be necessary & convenient for that Establishment either in respect to a free Passage to the River St. Lawrence or for producing a necessary Supply of Wood, Corn and Hay, or for Pasture for Cattle, be granted to any private person whatever: And also that as large a District of Land as conveniently may be, adjacent to & lying round the said Iron Works, over & above what may be necessary for the above purposes, be reserved for Our Use to be disposed of in such manner as We shall hereafter direct and appoint.

Under the new Regime Major Holland in October 1764 began the surveying of lands. In the same year, the Executive Council created the Court of King's Bench, and the Court of Common Pleas; and passed ordinances of government, among which were some requiring landlords to register the original titles to their estates.

In promulgating the laws consequent on the Cession some uneasiness was felt by the French Canadians as to the security of their tenures, and to allay this feeling, the Governor-General issued a proclamation intimating that in all legal process affecting the tenure of land and successions to property, the laws and customs which had been in use prior to 1760 were to be followed. By the Quebec Act of 1774 the Custom of Paris was to be continued in disputes relative to property and civil rights, but in criminal matters the law of England. In Order to induce volunteers to join his forces repelling the American revolutionists, Governor-General Carleton offered each unmarried private soldier for services, a free grant of 200 acres of land, if married 250 acres, and 50 acres more for each of the children, the land to be held free of all imposts for 20 years.

The Governor-General had full power to settle and dispose of the public lands, 200 acres being the maximum allowed to any one person and up to 1,200 acres to a family if its size justified that quantity, but grants were also made by the Colonial Department, or the Lords of the Treasury upon the recommendation of the Governor General-in-Council.

Indian lands not ceded or purchased were excluded from surveys for settlement.

The Governor General was, in 1775, authorized to grant land in *fief* as before the Conquest, & subsequent instructions upheld the seigniorial tenure.

Such was the practice for twenty years, operations being almost entirely confined to Lower Canada, for in what is now Ontario there was before 1783 but little settlement. De La Salle had obtained a seigniory of four leagues

at Cataraqui, and the islands in front—Wolf, Gage, Amherst, &c, a few French families settled on the St. Lawrence—at the Cedars, Vaudreuil & Chateauguay; there was also some settlement near the Niagara military post, but Frontenac and Toronto had been abandoned before the conquest, so that Detroit was the only place, at the Peace, at which real settlement had been effected, a settlement which links Ontario with the days of the French regime, and gives everything appertaining to it special interest. The Detroit river offered many advantages to the settler. It was a most important channel of communication and trade, an important frontier post was on its bank, and both climate and soil were favorable. Writing of it as early as 1701 M. De La Mothe the French Commandant there gives this graphic description of the place:—

"Detroit is, probably, only a canal or a river of moderate breadth, and twenty-five leagues in length according to my reckoning lying north-north-east, and south-southwest, about the 41st degree (of latitude) through which the sparkling and pellucid water of Lakes Superior, Michigan, and Huron (which are so many seas of sweet water) flow and glide away gently and with a moderate currant into Lake Erie, into the Ontario or Frontenac, and go at last to mingle in the river St. Lawrence with those of the ocean. The banks are so many vast meadows where the freshness of these beautiful streams keeps the grass always green. These same meadows are fringed with long and broad avenues of fruit trees which have never felt the careful hand of the watchful gardener; and fruit trees, young and old, droop under the weight and multitude of their fruit, and bend their branches towards the fertile soil which has produced them. In this soil so fertile, the ambitious vine which has not yet wept under the knife of the industrious vine-dresser, froms a thick roof with its broad leaves and its heavy clusters over the head of whatever it twines around, which it often stifles by embracing it too closely. Under these vast avenues you may see assembling in hundreds the sky stag and the timid hind with the bounding roebuck, to pick up eagerly the apples & plums with which the ground is paved. It is there that the careful turkey hen calls back her numerous brood, and leads them to gather the grapes; it is there that the big cocks come to fill their broad and gluttonous crops. The golden pheasant, the quail, the partridge, the woodcock, the teeming turtle-dove, swarm in the woods and cover the open country intersected and broken by groves of full-grown forest-trees which form a charming prospect which of itself might sweeten the melancholy tedium of soitude. There the hand of the pitiless mower has never shorn the juicy grass on which bisons of enormous height and size fatten. The woods are of six kinds,—walnut-trees, white Oak, red, bastard ash, ivy, white wood trees and cotton wood trees. But these same trees are as straight as arrows, without knots, and almost without branches except near the top and of enormous size and height. It is from thence that the fearless eagle looks steadily at the sun, seeing beneath him enough to glut his formidable claws. The fish there are fed and laved in sparkling and pellucid waters and are none the less delicious for the bountiful supply (of them.). There are such large numbers of swans that the rushes among which they are massed might be taken for lilies. The gabbling goose, the duck, the teal and the bustard are so common there that, in order to satisfy you of it, I will only make use of the expression of one of the savages, of whom I asked before I got there whether there was much game there: 'There is so much,' he told me, 'that it only moves aside (long enough) to allow the boat to pass.'

Can it be thought that a land in which nature has distributed everything in so complete a manner could refuse to the hand of a careful husbandman who breaks into its fertile depths, the return which is expected of it?

In a word, the climate is temperate, the air is pure, during the day there is a gentle wind, and at night the sky, which is always placid, diffuses sweet and cool influences which cause us to enjoy the benignity of tranquil sleep. If it's position is pleasing, it is no less important, for it opens or closes the approach to the most distant tribes which surround these vast sweet water oceans. It is only the opponents of the truth who are the enemies of this settlement, so essential to the increase of the glory of the King, to the spread of religion, and to the destruction of the throne of Baal."

At the close of the Revolutionary War a new period of land settlement opened in Canada by the influx of United Empire Loyalists. The first effective settlement of Upper Canada then began. The first survey was commenced in 1781, and in 1783 Major Holland received instructions to proceed on duty to the Western part of the Province. From that time the work of surveying was carried on continuously by the several officials of the Surveyor-General's department, among whom were John Collins, 1783, Philip R. Frey (1784), for Niagara & Detroit; Wm. Chewett, Patrick McNiff, James & Hugh McDonald, and Alexander Aitkin (1788).

The United Empire Loyalists had suffered great loss and in finding shelter in Canada the British Government provided allotments of land for them according to the following scale contained in the King's Instructions of 1783:

Every Field Officer, 1.000 acres, Every Captain, 700 acres, Every Subaltern, Staff or Warrant Officer, 500 acres, Every Non-Commissioned Officer, 200 acres, Every Private Man, 100 acres, Every Loyalist, being the head of a family, 100 acres; exclusive of 50 acres for each person of which the family of such officer, non-commissioned officer, private or Loyalist should consist, and fifty acres for every single Loyalist. The U. E. L. grants were to be free of all expense.

With the opening of the Spring of 1784 settlers took up locations on the surveyed lands. The first townships were not named but numbered consecutively from east to west, along the River St. Lawrence from Pointe au Badet to Elizabethtown. 1-9; the second series westward began at Kingston and numbered ten. Townships one to five above Lake St. Francis were occupied by 1462 of the King's Royal Regiment of New York, & those from six to eight, by 495 of Jessup's Corps. Of the five townships of Cataraqui, Captain Grass's party of 187 took the first; 434 of Jessup's Corps, the second; 310 of the King's Royal Regiment of New York, and Major Rogers with 229 men, the third; Major VanAlstine and party and some of Roger's men, the fourth; and 303 soldiers of various regiments, a part of the fifth; a total of about 3800 married and single men. Butler's Rangers settled at Niagara and westward to the Detroit River. By 1789 about 17.000 Loyalists had settled above Montreal, and in 1790 about 25.000. In 1785 there were fifty houses in Kingston.

Lord Dorchester issued instructions on the 4th. June 1787 that: "For the encouragement of such settlers, who besides supporting their former characters for loyalty to the King and attachment to the British Government, and a peaceable, decent, deportment have, by their industry, in improving and cultivating the lands already assigned to them, given cause to presume

that they will be good and profitable subjects, you are to add to every head of a family of that description 200 acres, exclusive of what is allowed to the other members of it severally by the Royal Instructions."

On the 24th July 1788 Lord Dorchester divided Upper Canada into four districts, viz; Lunenburg from the River Ottawa to Gananoque; Mecklenburg, from Gananoque to the River Trent; Nassau from the Trent to Long Point; Hesse from Long Point to Lake St. Clair, at the same time appointing a judge and sheriff to administer justice in each district.

Formation of the Land Boards.

17th February 1789

Following the formation of these Districts, Land Boards were appointed to receive and report upon applications for land from settlers. At a meeting of the Governor's Council held in the Council Chamber, Quebec on the 17th February 1789, the following Rules and Regulations for the conduct of the Land Office Department, were enacted:

I. Every Board appointed, or to be appointed by the Governor in any part of the Province, for the more easy accommodation of persons desirous of forming immediate settlements on the waste lands of the Crown, shall consist of not less than three Members, and if composed of more, any three of them shall be a Quorum for the business intrusted to the whole Board.

II. Every such Board shall be empowered to receive applications for grants or parcels of the waste lands of the Crown, within the extent of their trust, until the first day of May in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-one, when their authority shall be determined, unless continued by a new appointment; every such application shall be by petition to the Governor in Council, stating the quantity, the situation of the land prayed for, and the merits and pretensions of the petitioners. And all his Majesty's good and faithful subjects and all others worthy of being admitted as such, shall be considered as proper objects for his bounty and grace, and within the sphere of this trust.

III. It shall be the duty of every such Board to hold stated and periodical meetings, made publicly known, to give free and easy access to petitioners, and to examine into their loyalty, character and pretensions, and upon these and all points requisite, to take sufficient and satisfactory proofs by affidavit, deposition or otherwise, and, to avoid discontents, all petitions and applications shall be taken up in the order of their being preferred, where there is no special cause for a different course of proceeding.

IV. The safety and propriety of admitting the petitioner to become an inhabitant of this Province being well ascertained to the satisfaction of the Board, they shall administer to every such person the oaths of fidelity and allegiance directed by law. After which the Board shall give every such petitioner a certificate to the Surveyor-general, or any person authorized to act as an agent or Deputy Surveyor for the District within the trust of that Board, expressing the ground of the petitioner's admission. And such agent or Deputy Surveyor shall within two days after the presentment of the certificate, assign the petitioner a single lot about two hundred acres, describing the same with due certainty and accuracy under his signature. But the said certificate shall nevertheless have no effect if the petitioner shall not enter upon the location and begin the improvement and cultivation thereof within one year from the date of such assignment, or if the petitioner shall have had lands assigned to him before that time in any other part of the province

V. Every such Board shall at the end of every three months or as soon after as opportunity offers, transmit to the Office of the Governor's Secretary the petitions of that period, and a copy of the certificates given thereon; and when a petition contains a request for a greater quantity of land, than the Surveyor-general and his Agents or Deputy Surveyors are authorized by the fourth and seventh Articles of these Regulations to assign, upon certificates given by the said Boards, they shall report the ground of such claim and pretensions, the consideration of which is reserved to the Governor and Council; the Board transmitting with the petitions of every period a list expressing the names of the petitioners and the dates of their certificates, and the quantum of the locations.

VI. The Boards shall from time to time forward like lists to each other every three months, or as soon after as opportunity offers.

VII. The respective Boards shall, on petitions from Loyalists already settled in the upper Districts for further allotments of land under the instructions to the Deputy Surveyor-general, of the 2nd of June, 1787, or under prior or other orders for assigning portions to their families, examine into the ground of such requests and claims, and being well satisfied of the justice thereof, they shall grant certificates for such further quantities of land, as the said instructions and orders may warrant, to the acting Surveyors of their districts respectively, to be by them made effecutal in the manner before mentioned; but to be void nevertheless, if, prior to the passing the grant in form, it shall appear to the Government that such additional locations have been obtained by fraud.—And that of these, the Boards transmit to the Office of the Governor's Secretary, and to each other, like reports and lists as hereinbefore, as to other locations, directed.

VIII. And to prevent individuals from monopolizing such spots as contain mines, minerals, fossils, and conveniences for mills and other singular advantages of a common and public nature, to the prejudice of the general interest of the settlers, the Surveyor-general and his Agents or Deputy Surveyors in the different Districts, shall confine themselves in the locations to be made by them upon certificates of the respective Boards, to such lands only as are fit for the common purposes of husbandry, and they shall reserve all other spots aforementioned, together with all such as may be fit and useful for ports and harbours, or works of defence, or such as contain valuable timber for ship-building or other purposes, conveniently situated for water-carriage, in the hands of the Crown.

And they shall without delay give full and particular information to the Governor or Commander in chief for the time being, of all such spots as are hereinbefore directed to be reserved to the Crown, that order may be taken respecting the same.

And the more effectually to prevent abuses, and to put individuals on their guard in this respect, any certificate of location given contrary to the true intent and meaning of this regulation is hereby declared to be null and void, and a special order of the Governor and Council made necessary to pledge the faith of Government for granting of any such spots as are directed to be referred.

IX. The Surveyor-general's Office for the purpose of combining the strength of the settlers and rendering them mutually assistant to each other, shall lay out the tracts or Townships to be granted as nearly contiguous to each other as the nature of the country will permit; exercising all due care to give them certainty in the description of their boundaries and loca-

tions, observing in each Township to lay out Town plots, Glebes and other spaces for public uses, and certain equal portions at the corners thereof, to remain unlocated by any certificates to be given to individuals, by the authority of either of the Boards above mentioned, the grant of such portions of every Township so to remain to the Crown, being reserved to the future consideration of the Governor in Council, or as his Majesty shall be pleased to command respecting the same.

X. The dimensions of every inland Township shall be ten miles square, and such as are situated upon a navigable river or water shall have a front of nine miles, and be twelve miles in depth, and they shall be laid out and subdivided respectively in the following manner, viz.

And the Surveyor-general's Office shall prepare accurate plans according to the above particulars, which shall be filed in the Council Office to be followed as a general model, subject to such deviations respecting the scite of the Town and directions of the roads, as local circumstances may render more eligible for the general convenience of the settlers. But in every such case it shall be the duty of the Surveyor-general and his Agents or Deputy Surveyors to report the reasons for such deviation to the Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being with all convenient speed.

XI. The Surveyor-general's Office shall prepare a plan of each district of the Province, exhibiting thereon every tract granted under certificate of location, and there shall be added to it from time to time all tracts thereafter to be pledged or promised or granted; and as often as petitions shall have the proper sanction for the patent therein prayed for the Surveyor-general shall without delay file in the Council Office his returns of survey with such clear description of the tract as shall enable the Attorney-general to prepare the draft of the patent or grant intended to be engrossed for the Great Seal.

XII. The Clerk of the Council shall put the same returns of survey into the hands of the Attorney-general, to be there stayed, or thence issued, as the Governor may see cause to direct.

XIII. The Surveyor-general's Office shall consult the best means and give correspondent orders to its deputies for preventing unnecessary expense in the surveys; the Crown's interest requiring that the patentee receive no more, nor any other tract, than it shall appear from the patent to be the intention of the Government to grant him, and the patentee having cause to be contented with the descriptive words in his grant shall enable him to locate and discover with due certainty what tract he is to take; and it being manifest that after such surveys as shall be requisite to ascertain any particular Township or tract, the description of another contiguous thereto or depending thereon, will not require any field work previous to the grant thereof; all subsequent grants in contiguity and succession properly described in the returns of survey being connected with or dependent upon the accurate description and ascertainment of the first tract surveyed.

XIV. The Committee of the Council for reporting upon petitions for lands shall lay aside all such as contain no specific quantity or location of lands desired, and from time to time cause a notification of such imperfect petitions to be published in the *Quebec Gazette*.

XV. The faith of Government being to be considered as pledged to all such as have acquired or shall in future acquire certificates of occupation in due course, the Surveyor-general's Office shall form a schedule of all lots

under such certificates in any part of the Province, specifying the petitioner's names, the quantum of the locations, the place where, and the date, and a copy thereof shall be lodged in the Office of the Governor's Secretary, another in the Office of the Clerk of the Council, and a copy shall be sent to each of the Boards in the different parts of the Province, and a like practice shall be continued as to all subsequent certificates, at the end of every three months.

XVI. And to the intent there may be as little trouble and as much expedition as possible, with a saving of all unnecessary expense in obtaining grants and patents, and more especially to favor the Loyalists and other settlers remote from the capital of the province, the Secretary shall from time to time notify in the *Gazette*, all such applications for lands as are so far advanced as to be ready for the Great Seal.

Ordered that all the Boards and officers of the Land-granting Department govern themselves according to the foregoing Rules and Regulations; and that the Clerk of the Council cause the same to be printed, and transmit copies thereof to the different Boards, to be made public in their respective Districts, and to the Officers concerned.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. WILLIAMS.

(OFFICIAL FORMS USED.)

Under these Regulations the following official forms were used:—

SINGLE LOT.

No.

CERTIFICATE of the Board appointed by His Excellency the Governor for the Diftrict of in the Province of Quebec under the Rules and Regulations for the Conduct of the Land Office Department, dated Council-Chamber, Quebec, 17th. February, 1789.

The Bearer having on the day of preferred to this Board a Petition addreffed to His Excellency the Governor in Council for a grant of Acres of land in the Townfhip of in the Diftrict of . We have examined into his loyalty and character and find him duly qualified to receive a SINGLE LOT of about two hundred Acres, the oath of fidelity and allegiance directed by law having this day been adminiftered to him by the board, in conformity to the fourth article of the Rules and Regulations aforementioned.

Given at the Board at this day of one thoufand feven hundred and

To.....

Acting Surveyor for the Diftrict of.....

CERTIFICATE OF THE ACTING SURVEYOR.

No.

I affign to the Bearer the Lot No. in the Townfhip of in the Diftrict of containing Acres Chains

which Lot he is hereby authorized to occupy and improve. And having improved the fame, he fhall receive a grant thereof to him, and his heirs, or devifees, in due form, on fuch terms and conditions as it fhall pleafe His Majefty to ordain. And all perfons are defired to take notice, that this affignment, and all others of a fimilar nature, are NOT TRANSFERABLE by purchafe, donation, or otherwife, on any pretence whatever, except by an act under the fignature of the Board for the Diftrict in which the lands are fituated, which is to be endorfed upon this certificate.

Given at this day of one thoufand feven hundred and

Acting Surveyor for the Diftrict of.....

On the back of this Certificate, the IV. VII & VIII Clauses of the Rules & Regulations of the 17th Feby. 1789 are printed.

No.

The Bearer being entitled to Acres of Land, in confideration of his fervices during the late war, as appears by a Lift approved by His Excellency LORD DORCHESTER, dated the . In conformity to the Order of the Governor in Council of I affign to the faid which lands he is hereby authorized to occupy and improve. And having entered upon, and begun the improvement and cultivation of the fame, within one year from the date of this affignment, he fhall receive a grant thereof to him, and his heirs, or devifees, in due form, on fuch terms and conditions, as it fhall pleafe His Majefty to ordain. And all perfons are defired to take notice that this affignment, and all others of a fimilar nature, are not NOT TRANSFERABLE by purchafe, donation, or otherwife, on any pretence whatever, except by an act under the fignature of the Board for the Diftrict in which the Lands are fituated which is to be indorfed upon this Certificate.

Given at this day of one thoufand feven hundred and

No.

SIR, You are hereby authorifed to lay out the Tract directed by the foregoing Order of the Governor in Council.

To

Acting Surveyor for the Diftrict of.....

CERTIFICATE OF THE ACTING SURVEYOR.

No.

In conformity to the foregoing Order of the Governor in Council, and the Authority of the Board for the Diftrict of thereunto fubjoined, I affign to the Bearer

a tract of Acres in the Townfhip of in the Diftrict of

which lands he is hereby authorized to occupy and improve. And having improved the fame, he fhall receive a grant thereof to him, and his heirs, or devifees, in due form, on fuch terms and conditions as it shall pleafe His Majefty to ordain. And all perfons are defired to take notice, that this affignment, and all others of a fimilar nature, are NOT TRANSFERABLE by purchafe, donation, or otherwife, on any pretence whatever, except by an act under the fignature of the Board for the Diftrict in which the lands are fituated, which is to be endorfed upon this certificate.

Given at this day of one thoufand feven hundred and

TOWN.

No.

CERTIFICATE of the Board appointed by His Excellency the Governor for the Diftrict of in the Province of Quebec under the Rules and Regulations for the Conduct of the Land Office Department, dated Council-Chamber, Quebec, 17th. February, 1789.

The Bearer having on the day of preferred to this Board a Petition addreffed to His Excellency the Governor in Council for a grant of in the Townfhip of in the Diftrict of . We have examined into his loyalty and character, and finding him duly qualified, we hereby affign to him the Town Lot No which he is hereby authorized to occupy and improve. And having improved the fame according to the Ninth Article of the Additional Rules and Regulations hereunto fubjoined, he fhall receive a grant of the faid to him and his heirs and devifees in due form on fuch terms and conditions, as it fhall pleafe His Majefty to ordain. And all perfons are defired to take notice that this affignment and all others of a fimilar nature are NOT TRANSFERABLE by purchafe, donation, or otherwife, on any pretence whatever, except by an Act under the fignature of the Board for the Diftrict, in which the Lands are fituated, which is to be endorfed upon this Certificate.

GIVEN at this day of one thoufand feven hundred and

ADDITIONAL RULES & REGULATIONS

25th August 1789

EXTRACT from the Additional Rules and Regulations for the Conduct of the Land-Office Department, dated Council-Chamber, Quebec 25th Auguft 1789.

IX. The Boards fhall not iffue any Certificate for more than one Town lot of one acre, or one Town lot and one Town park of twenty-four acres together, to the fame perfon (being the head of a family) and this only upon condition of his building

a Dwelling houfe on fuch Town lot, and occupying the fame, within the fpace of one year from the date of the Certificate. And in cafes of Competition the Boards are to give the preference to fuch Applicants, for whofe trades and occupations the refpective lots, on account of their fituation near the Water, or otherwife, may be beft calculated; and to fuch fober and induftrious Mechanics, whofe trades are moft neceffary to the convenience of the Townfhip in general. And the Boards are to be particularly careful to difcountenance frivolous applications, and not to authorize any transfers of unimproved Town lots and Town parks, which only tend to create a mifchievous Monopoly of the ground. Nor fhall any Town parks be granted feparately from Town lots, the former being intended for the convenience of the fettlers upon the latter; and a failure in the condition, upon which the Town lots are granted, fhall operate the forfeiture of both.

CERTIFICATE OF THE SURVEYOR GENERAL.

No.

In conformity to the foregoing order of the Governor in Council, I affign to the Bearer a tract of Acres in the Townfhip of in the Diftrict of which lands he is hereby authorized to occupy and improve. And having improved the fame, he fhall receive a grant thereof to him, and his heirs, or devifees, in due form, on fuch terms and conditions as it fhall pleafe His Majefty to ordain. And all perfons are defired to take notice, that this affignment, and all others of a fimilar nature, are NOT TRANSFERABLE by purchafe, donation, or otherwife, on any pretence whatever, except by an act under the fignature of the Board for the Diftrict in which the lands are fituated, which is to be endorfed upon this certificate.

Given at this day of one thoufand feven hundred and

FAMILY LANDS AND ADDITIONAL BOUNTY.

No.

CERTIFICATE of the Board appointed by His Excellency the Governor for the Diftrict of in the Province of Quebec under the Rules and Regulations for the Conduct of the Land Office Department, dated Council-Chamber, Quebec, 17th. February, 1789.

The Bearer having on the day of preferred to this Board a Petition addreffed to His Excellency the Governor in Council for a grant of Acres of land in the Townfhip of in the Diftrict of . We have examined into his character and

pretenfions, and find that he has received Acres of land in the Townfhip of in the Diftrict of as a and that he is fettled on, and has improved the fame, and that he is entitled to a further affignment of Acres, in conformity to the feventh Article of the Rules and Regulations aforementioned.

Given at the Board at this day of one thoufand feven hundred and

To

Acting Surveyor for the Diftrict of.....

CERTIFICATE OF THE ACTING SURVEYOR.

No.

I affign to the Bearer the Lot No. in the Townfhip of in the Diftrict of containing Acres, Chains which lands he is hereby authorized to occupy and improve. And having improved the fame, he fhall receive a grant thereof to him, and his heirs, or devifees, in due form, on fuch terms and conditions as it fhall pleafe His Majefty to ordain. And all perfons are defired to take notice, that this affignment, and all others of a fimilar nature, are NOT TRANSFERABLE by purchafe, donation, or otherwife, on any pretence whatever, except by an act under the fignature of the Board for the Diftrict in which the lands are fituated, which is to be endorfed upon this certificate.

Given at this day of one thoufand feven hundred and

Acting Surveyor for the Diftrict of.....

Specimens of Plans.

For the guidance of the Surveyors and the officials concerned the following specimen plans were furnished by the Surveyor-General:—

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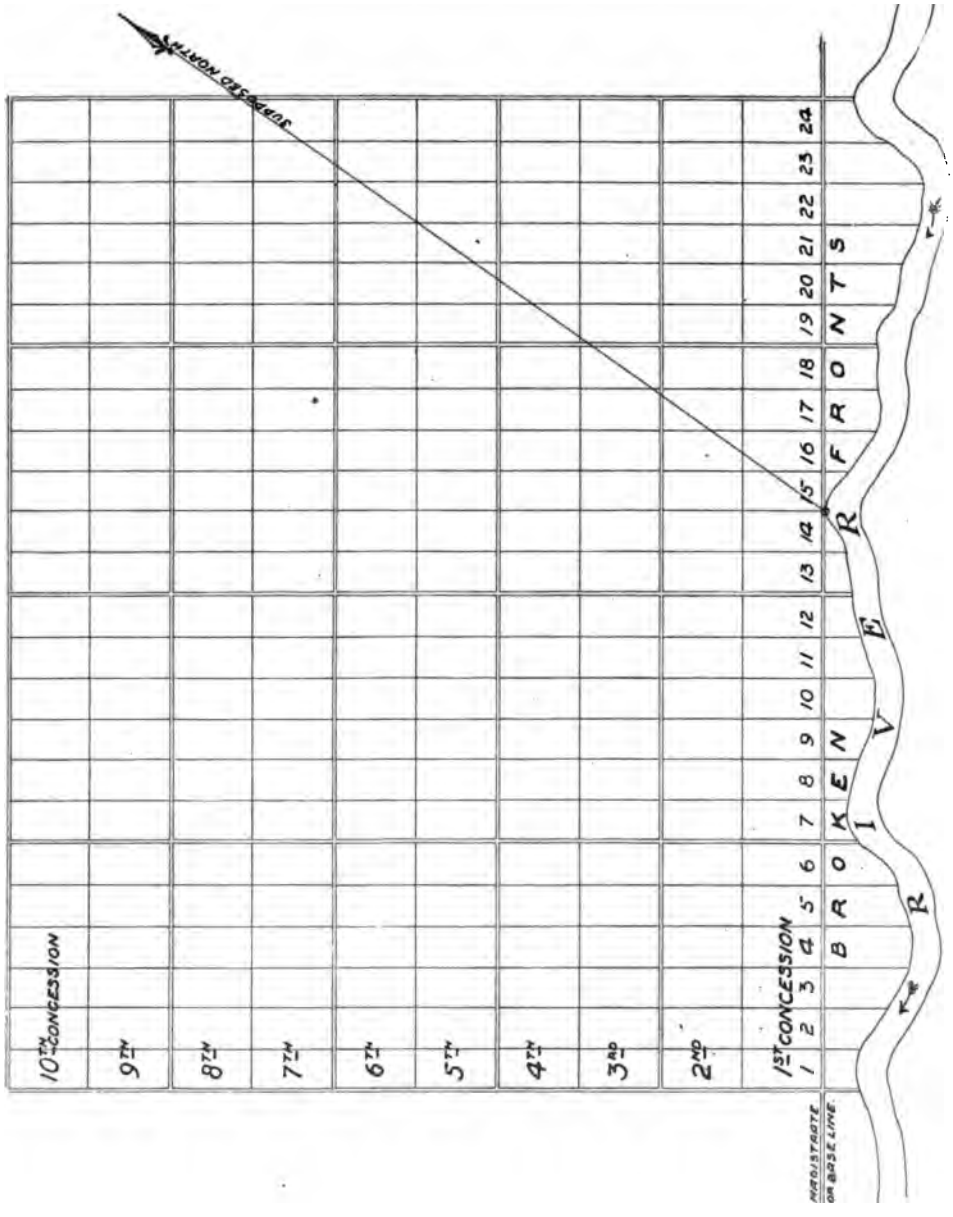

A sketch from the Surveyor-General's Office. D. W. Smith, Actg. Surveyor-General.

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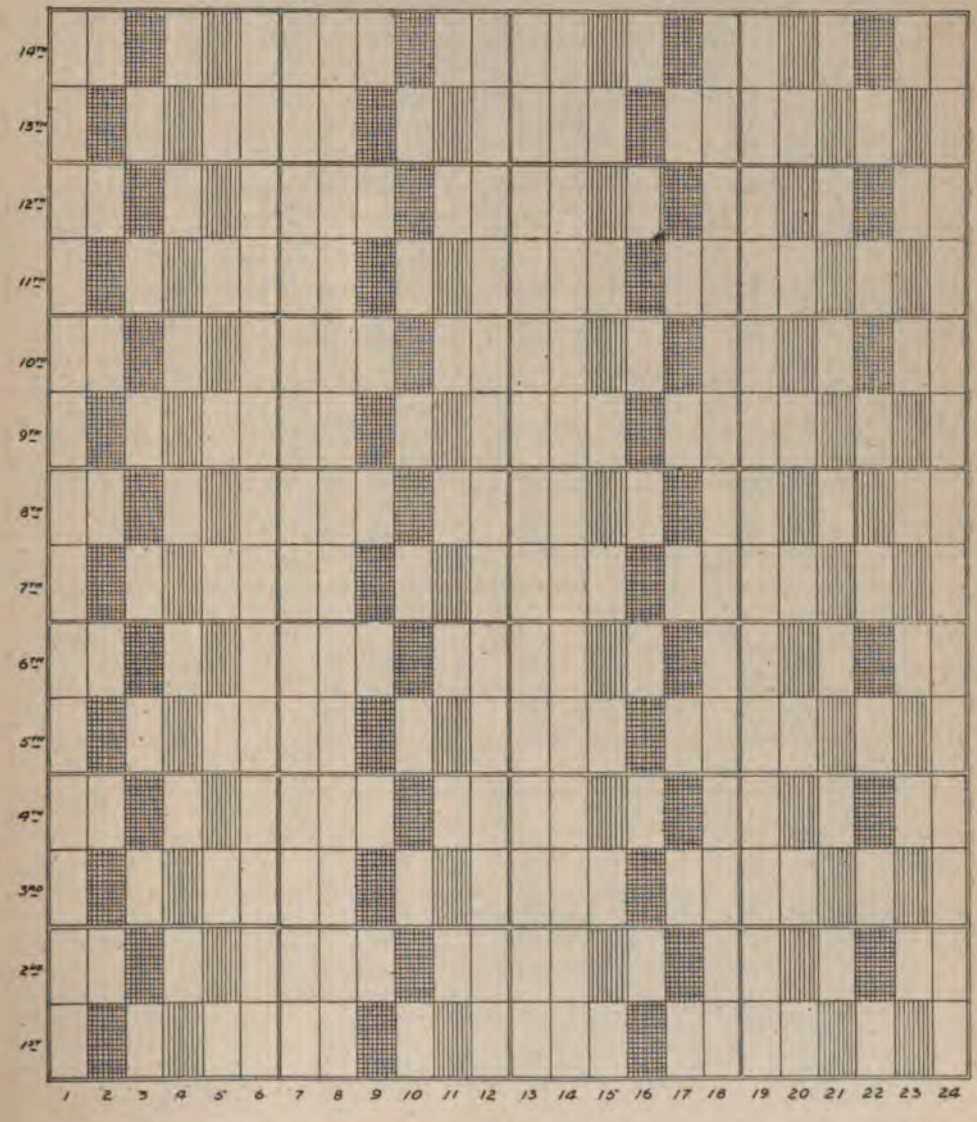

Plan of a township nine miles in front, by twelve miles in depth, supposed to be situated on a river or lake; laid out into farm lots of about 200 acres each, agreeable to the 10th Article of the Rules and Regulations for the conduct of the Land Office Department of 17th February, 1789, so far as it relates to farm lots; shewing in what manner two-sevenths of the land may be reserved for the Clergy and the Government.

NOTE: The blocks are colored on the MS white, red, and dark, and are represented above by the corresponding heraldic colors.

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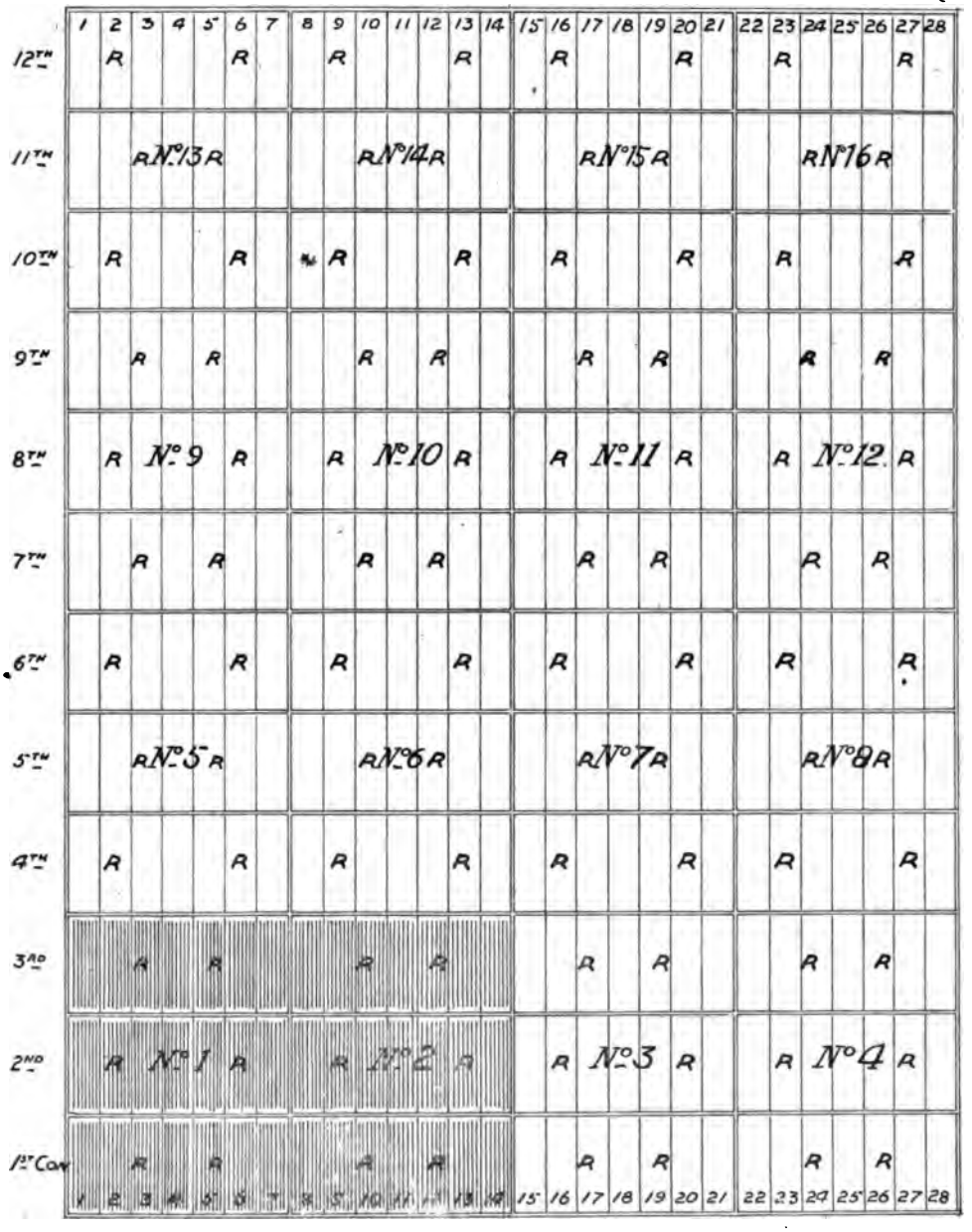

Plan altered from the first projection for laying out the townships of Dereham and Norwich into blocks of 4,000 acres, so as to divide them into blocks of 3,000, agreeable to the Order of Council of the 24th September, 1799.

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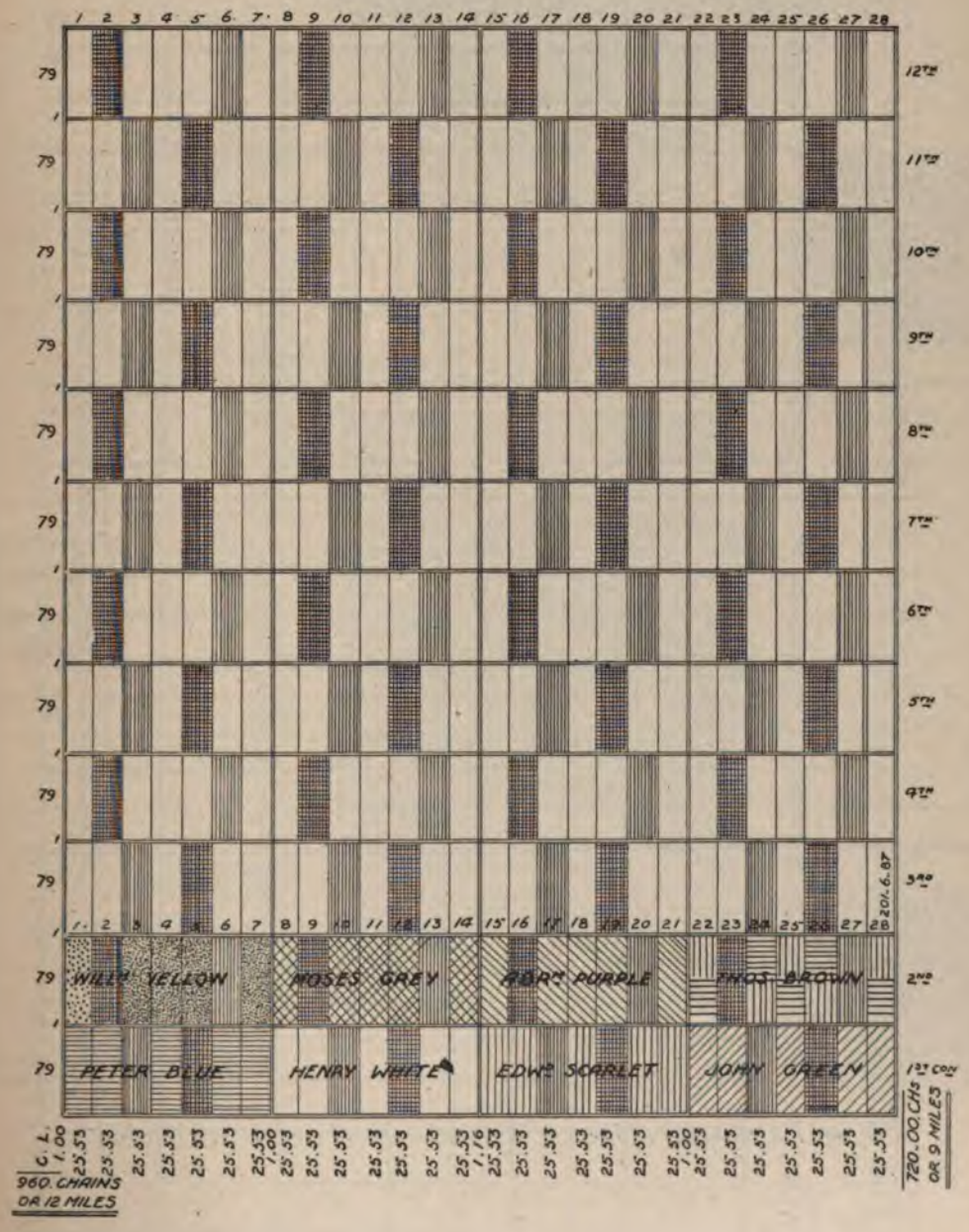

Project for a township to be laid off in blocks containing 1,400 acres, of which 1,000 acres may be granted.

"Copy, W. C."

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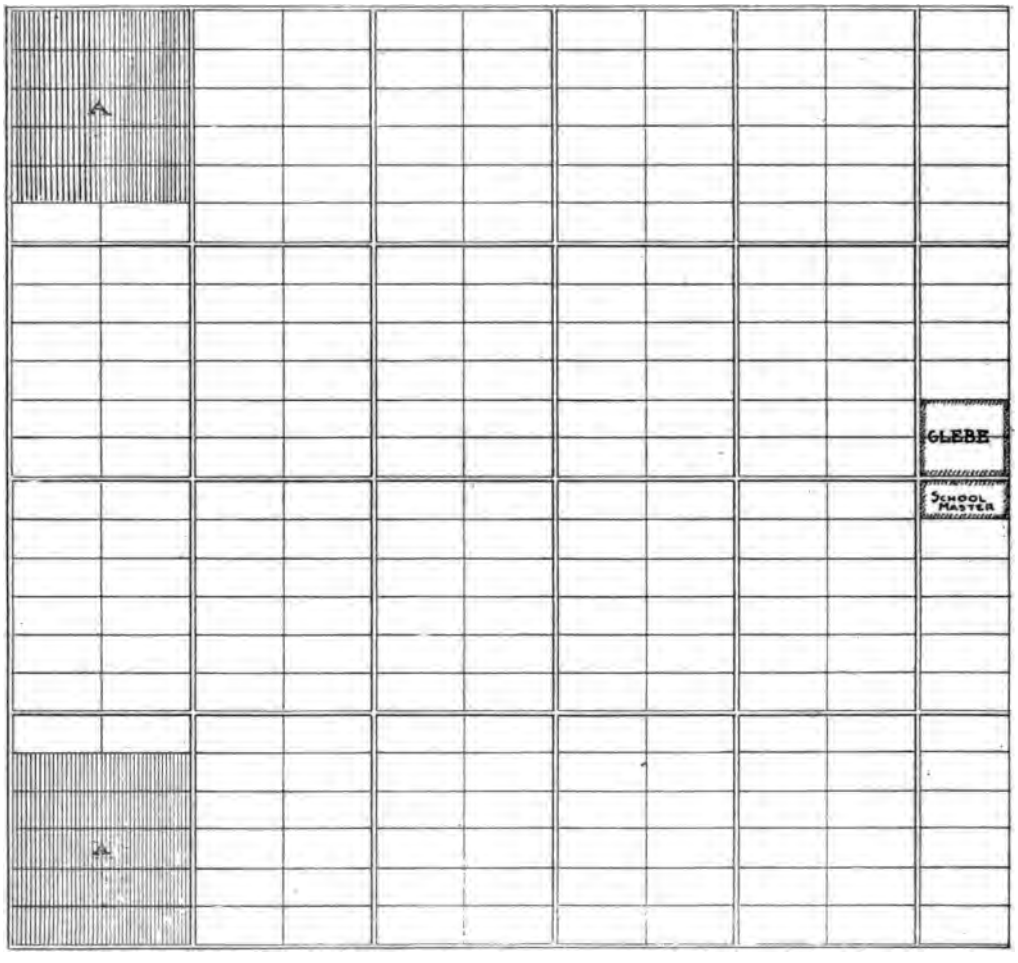
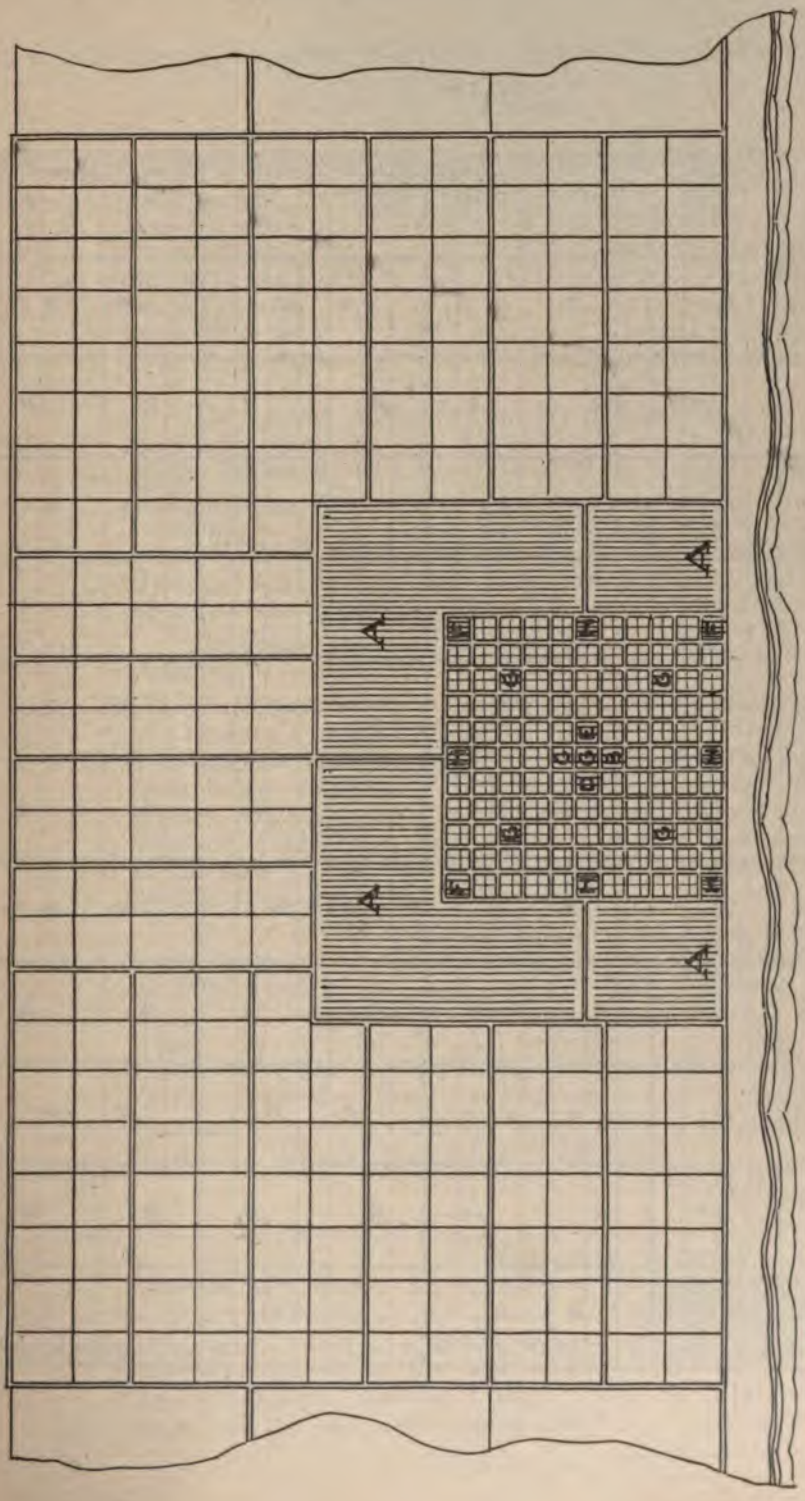


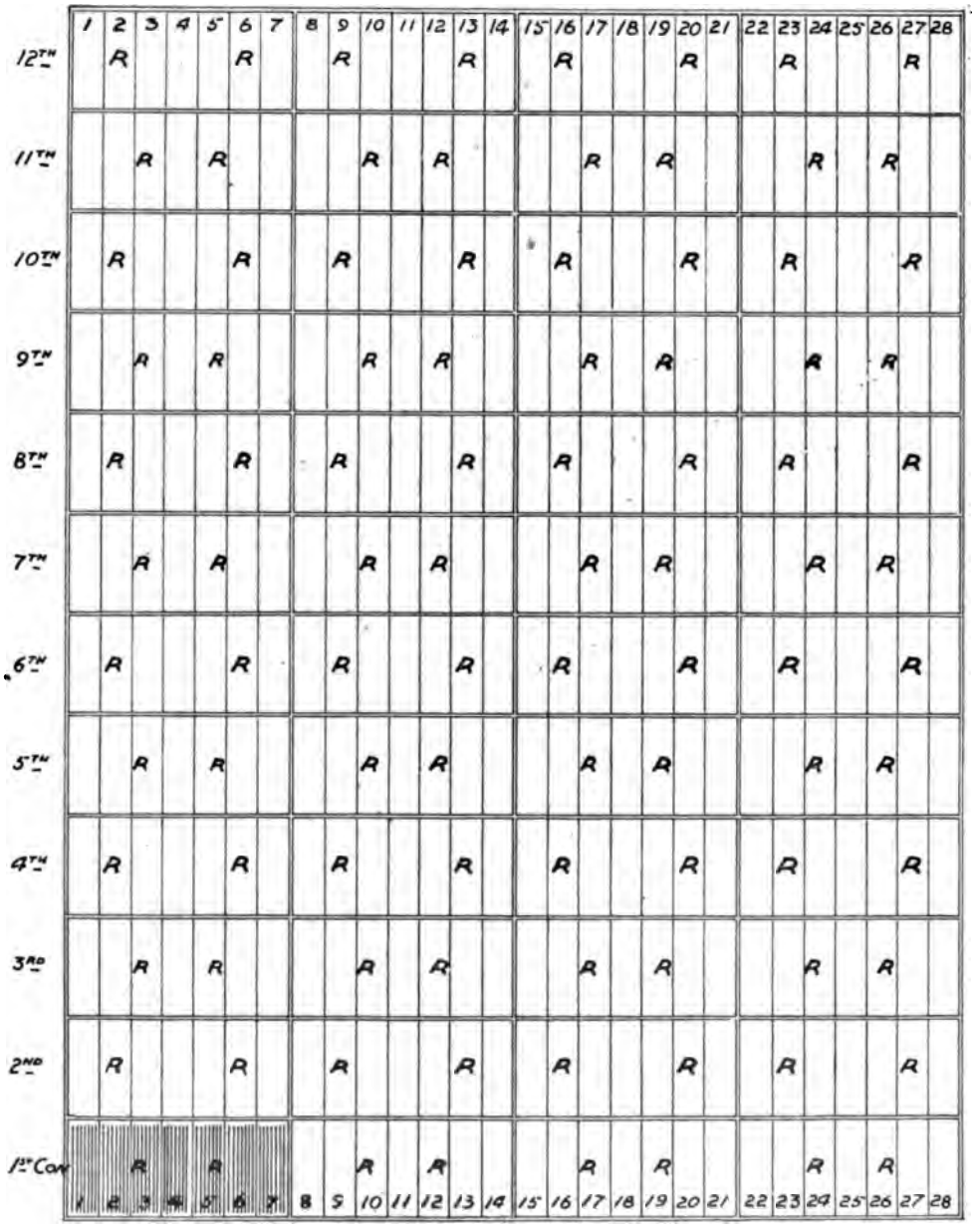
This plan is a continuation of that on the opposite page, for a town and township.



PLAN No. 6.

Plan of a town and township of nine miles front by twelve miles in depth, proposed to be situated upon a river or lake, agreeable to the 10th Article of the Rules and Regulations for the conduct of the Land Office Department of the 17th February, 1789. (By a scale of half a mile to one inch).

PLAN No. 5.



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UNITED EMPIRE LOYALISTS' GRANTS.

At the Council Chamber at Quebec,—Monday 9th. November, 1789.

Present:

His Excellency the Right Honorable LORD DORCHESTER.
The Honorable WILLIAM SMITH, Chief Juftice,

HUGH FINLAY,	GEORGE POWNALL,
THOS. DUNN,	HENRY CALDWELL,
EDWD. HARRISON,	WILLIAM GRANT,
JOHN COLLINS,	FRANCOIS BABY,
ADAM MABANE,	CHAS. DELANAUDIERE,
J. G. C. DELERY,	LE. CTE. DUPRE'.

His Lorfhip intimated to the Council that it remained a Queftion, upon the late Regulation for the Difpofition of the Wafte Lands of the Crown, whether the Boards, conftituted for that purpofe were authorifed to make Locations to the Sons of Loyalifts, on their coming to full Age and that it was his wifh to put a Mark of Honor upon the families who had adhered to the Unity of the Empire, and joined the Royal Standard in America before the Treaty of Separation in the year 1783.

The Council concurring with his Lordfhip it is accordingly ORDERED,

That the feveral Land Boards take Courfe for preferving a Regiftry of the Names of all Perfons falling under the Defcription aforementioned to the End that their Pofterity may be difcriminated, from future fettlers, in the Parifh Regifters and Rolls of the Militia, of their refpective Diftricts, and other Public Remembrancers of the Province, as proper Objects by their perfevering in the Fidelity and Conduct, fo honorable to their Anceftors, for diftinguifhed Benefits and Privileges.

And it is alfo ordered, that the faid Land Boards may in every fuch cafe provide not only for the *Sons* of thofe Loyalifts, as they arrive to full Age, but for their *Daughters* alfo of that Age, or on their Marriage affigning to each a Lot of Two hundred Acres, more or lefs, provided neverthelefs that they refpectively comply with the general Regulations, and that it fhall fatisfactorily appear that there has been no Default in the due Cultivation and Improvement of the Lands already affigned to the Head of the Family of which they are Members.

J. WILLIAMS, C.C.

U. E. having preferred to this Board a Petition addreffed to his Excellency the Governor in Council for a Grant of Two Hundred Acres of Land, in the Townfhip of in the Diftrict of under the foregoing Order, we have examined into Character and Pretenfions, and find that is duly entitled to the benefit of the faid Order, being the of

U. E.

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and there being no Default in the due Cultivation and Improvement of the Lands, already affigned to the faid *U. E.* Father in the Townfhip of in the Diftrict of . We therefore hereby affign to the faid in the in the Diftrict of , containing Two Hundred Acres more or lefs, the fame being Vacant, and the Petitioner's Name duly entered on the Plan and Schedule of Locations of the faid Townfhip. And the faid *U. E.* is hereby authorized to occupy and improve the faid Lands, and having improved the fame fhall receive a Grant thereof to , and Heirs, or Devifees in due Form, on fuch Terms and Conditions as it fhall pleafe His Majefty to ordain. And all perfons are defired to take Notice that this Affignment, and all others of a fimiliar Nature, ARE NOT TRANSFERABLE by Purchafe, Donation, or otherwife, on any Pretence whatever, except by an Act under the Signature of the Board for the Diftrict, in which the Lands are fituated, which is to be endorfed upon this Certificate.

Given at the Land Office Board for the Diftrict of this Day of One Thoufand Seven Hundred and

By Order of the Board,
Acting Surveyor for the Diftrict of

Second Addition

To the Rules and Regulations

For the Conduct of the Land Office Department.

At the Council Chamber, at Quebec,

On Wednesday the 20th of January, 1790.

Present,

His Excellency Lord Dorchester, Governor,
The Honble. William Smith, Chief Juftice,

Hugh Finlay,
Edwd. Harrison,
John Collins,
J. G. C. Delery,
George Pownall,
Henry Caldwell,
William Grant,
Chas. de Lanaudiere,
Le Cte. Dupre'.

Whereas there was this day read at the Board the following Draft of Regulations recommended by a Committee of the whole Council, in their Report dated the 12th inftant, on a Report of the Land Committee dated the 4th. of December, 1789, viz.

Whereas the eftablifhment of a uniform, clear, and expeditious courfe of proceeding, in the Land-granting Department, the late meafures for fettling the Wafte Lands of the Crown confidered, is important to the interefts of the Crown, as well as the fubject, particularly as the means of preventing uneafineffes that may arife on a queftion of fo delicate a nature as the extent of the promifed faith of Government on the one hand, and the fecurity of the fettler, or occupant, claiming lands, on the other, It is therefore ordered,

I. That the feveral Boards, which are, or hereafter may be conftituted by the Governor, for the difpofal of the Wafte Lands of the Crown, in any part of the Province, keep a regular Journal of their tranfactions, prefixing to every day's entries the date, and the names of the members prefent.

II. That the Minute, upon every Petition, exprefs the name and prayer of the petitioner, and fhew the nature of the proof exhibited in fupport of his pretenfions, and the determination thereon.

III. That all orders or inftructions, given to the Boards, be entered at large on their Minutes, for preferving a complete record, both of their authorities and proceedings.

IV. That a full and fair copy of fuch Journals be tranfmitted every three months, or oftner, as the cafe may require, to the Office of the Governor's Secretary, under the fignature of three or more members of the Board, together with all the petitions therein reported upon, whether granted, rejected, or recommended.

V. That the copies of the faid Journal or Minutes be accompanied, or followed, by regular returns of the locations, made from time to time, by the Acting Surveyors of the refpective diftricts, under the authority of the Boards, expreffing the name of the grantee, the number of acres located, the number of the lots, and the name of the Townfhip, and the date of the certificate or authority of the Board, under which the location was made.

VI. That all reports, journals, writings and papers, of any kind whatever, touching the bufinefs of the Land Office Department, and coming to the Council-Office as the proper depofit, be kept by the Clerk of the Council, feperate from all the other books, writings and papers in his Office, and that they be fo difpofed of, as to make a refort to them at all times, as eafy and fatisfactory as poffible. And that whenever the mafs of the Land-Office papers fhall be fo greatly encreafed, as to embarafs the daily ordinary refearches, they be put up into boxes of convenient fizes, numbered, and that there be a book kept for an alphabetical idex, fhewing in the readieft manner, the contents of each box, and that every paper be marked with the number of the box, to the end that it may be reftored to its proper place, and confufion be thereby avoided. And it is committed to the land Committee, for the time being, to fuperintend the execution of the latter part of this order, and to report what may be done thereon, for directing fuch further courfe as the cafe may require.

And it is alfo ordered, that the faid book or index be always open to public accefs in the Council-Office, and a copy ready for the call of any Committee of the Council, and efpecially of the Land Committee, together with fuch additions as may be thereunto made, by the increafe of the number of boxes.

His Lordship, taking the faid Regulations into Confideration, was pleafed, with the advice of the Council, to approve the fame, and to ORDER, as it is hereby ORDERED that they be duly and punctually complied with and carried into Execution, whereof the different Land Office Boards, and all other Perfons whom it may concern, are to take Notice, and govern themfelves accordingly.

V. WILLIAMS, C.C.

Third Addition

TO THE RULES AND REGULATIONS

FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE LAND OFFICE DEPARTMENT.

AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, AT QUEBEC,

On Wednesday the 20th of January, 1790.

PRESENT,

His Excellency LORD DORCHESTER, Governor,
The Honble. WILLIAM SMITH, Chief Justice,

HUGH FINLAY,	HENRY CALDWELL,
EDWD. HARRISON,	WILLIAM GRANT,
JOHN COLLINS,	CHAS. DE LANAUDIERE,
J. G. C. DELERY,	LE CTE. DUPRE'.
GEORGE POWNALL,	

Whereas there was this day read at the Board the following Draft of Regulations recommended by a Committee of the whole Council, in their Report dated the 12th inftant, on a Report of the Land Committee dated the 4th. of December, 1789, viz.

Whereas it is expedient on account of the remotenefs of the new Diftricts, and the variety of other duties, which require the attention of the Surveyor General's Office at Quebec, to relieve that Office from the burden of executing the order of the Governor in Council of the 22d October 1788, for putting certain reduced Officers upon an equal footing with thofe of the late 84th. Regiment, and to render that labour more eafy, by dividing it among the Land Office Boards in the feveral Diftricts, where, on account of the refidence of the perfons concerned, their pretenfions may be inveftigated with accuracy and difpatch, provided a proper courfe be prefcribed to the Boards for enabling them, with due certainty, to diferiminate the proper objects of the intended bounty of the Government,

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED,

I. That all proceedings by the Surveyor General's Office for executing the aforementioned order of the Governor in Council of the 22nd. October 1788, be difcontinued, that the period for admitting claims under that order be extended to the firft day of May in the year one thoufand feven hundred and ninety one, and that all applications for Lands, in confequence thereof, be made to the refpective Boards, which are, or hereafter may be, appointed by the Governor, in any part of the Province, in the ufual form of Petitions to the Governor in Council.

II. That upon the receipt of all fuch applications the Boards inveftigate the grounds of the pretenfions of the Petitioners, requiring for that purpofe, fatisfactory proof, by documents, affidavits, or otherwife, carried as high as the nature of the cafe may admit, to the following points, viz.

a.)—Whether the Petitioner, as a reduced Officer, was entitled to, and has received any lands, under the King's inftructions of 1783.

b.)—Whether, and how far, he has improved the fame, fo as to render him a proper object of the order,

c.)—What quantity of lands he has already received, whether on account of his rank or his family or by the additional bounty of 1787, or in any other way whatever, and what further quantity he is entitled to, after deducting the tracts already granted to him, under all or any of the foregoing defcriptions, in order to receive, upon the whole, an equal number of acres, with Officers of the fame rank of the late 84th Regiment.

III. Thefe, and all other points requifite, being afcertained, the Boards are to locate the number of acres, to which they fhall think the Petitioner entitled, as nearly as may be, according to the prayer of his Petition. conforming themfelves neverthelefs to the directions contained in the 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, & 13th articles of the Rules and Regulations of the 17th. of February, and the 2d. 3d. and all the following articles of the additional Rules and Regulations of the 25th of Auguft laft, all which, as far as they regard the Surveyor General's Office, fhall be executed by the acting Surveyors of the refpective Diftricts under the fuperintendance, and orders of the Boards.

IV. That, as often as any competitions arife, by a diverfity of applications, or otherwife, for one and the fame tract, the Boards fhall endeavour amicably to adjuft the fame, among the parties interefted, and, on failure thereof, they fhall hear the different competitors, in fupport of their claims, and decide between them, with due impartiality, according to the merits of the cafe, and where there is no equitable ground of preference to either, the iffue fhall be determined by lot.

V. That the Boards make full and diftinct Reports upon all the foregoing particulars, annexing copies of the proofs exhibited to them, as often as their nature may permit, declaring themfelves fatisfied therewith, and concluding with a recommendation of the petitioner for a grant of the fpecific number of acres located by them, to which, under all or any of the confiderations aforementioned, and which of them in particular, they fhall think him juftly entitled.

VI. That all fuch Reports be made by the refpective Boards, at the end of every three months, or oftner, to the office of the Governor's Secretary, by the transmiffion of a fair copy of the minutes of their proceedings, during that period, under the fignature of three or more Members of the Board, together with the petitions reported upon, whether rejected, or recommended, fubject to the final approbation, difallowance, or order of the Governor in Council upon every fuch cafe, after the receipt of which approbation, or order, the Boards are hereby authorized to pledge the faith of Government to the refpective petitioners, for the grants of the tracts therein to be fpecified, by iffuing Certificates of Occupation to them under their fignature, agreeable to fuch form as the Governor fhall be pleafed to direct.

VII. The Boards are to take due care that a fufficient fpace of Country be always previoufly laid out, for comprehending all locations, which in their judgment, may probably be ordered, from time to time, under thefe, or any other orders or inftructions, in Townfhips contiguous to each other, and according to the general rules and regulations, in fuch parts of their refpective diftricts, as contain vacant lands of the Crown, the fettlement of which fhall have been approved of, upon their timely reprefentations to the Governor, to whom they are likewife to ftate all doubts, and difficulties, which may occur, with their opinion of the proper courfe for removing them, that there may be no obftruction to the induftry, eafe, and comfort, of the Loyalifts.

His Lordship, taking the faid Regulations into Confideration, was pleafed, with the advice of the Council, to approve the fame, and to ORDER, as it is hereby ORDERED that they be duly and punctually complied with and carried into Execution, whereof the different Land Office Boards, and all other Perfons whom it may concern, are to take Notice, and govern themfelves accordingly.

V. WILLIAMS, C.C.

EXTRACTS FROM OFFICIAL LETTERS.

At a Council Holden at Quebec.

On Wednesday the 20th of January, 1790.

PRESENT,

His Excellency LORD DORCHESTER, Governor,
The Honble. WILLIAM SMITH, Chief Justice,

HUGH FINLAY,	HENRY CALDWELL,
EDWD. HARRISON,	WILLIAM GRANT,
JOHN COLLINS,	CHAS. DE LANAUDIERE,
J. G. C. DELERY,	LE CTE. DUPRE'.
GEORGE POWNALL,	

Whereas there was this day read at the Board the following Extract from a report of a Committee of the whole Council, refpecting the Schedules of Locations in Luneberg and Mecklenburg, viz. '*a Letter from His* LORDSHIP, '*by Mr. Secretary* MOTZ, *with its inclofures, in thefe words*:

QUEBEC, 9th JAN. 1790.

SIR,

"The 42nd. article of the Royal inftructions of the 23d. of Auguft 1786, "requiring that all perfons applying for lands, fhall take the oaths directed "by Law, and fubfcribe the declaration mentioned in the faid article, I "have it in command to fignify Lord Dorchefter's defire, that the Committee "of the whole Council, to whom was referred the report of the land Committee on the Schedules of Locations exhibited by the Surveyor-general's Office, caufe enquiry to be made, whether the proper records be extant, of all "or any of the perfons therein mentioned, having taken and fubfcribed the "faid oaths and declaration, and that they report to his Lordfhip, whether "it may not be advifable, on tranfmitting the faid fchedules to the refpective Boards, to direct them to take courfe for compleating the record of the "fignatures of all land-holders in the refpective diftricts, if it fhall be found

" defective, that nothing may be neglected to clear the way for the Loyalifts " being put into poffeffion of legal titles for their lands, agreeable to his " Majesty's expected inftructions, as foon as they fhall arrive.

" His Lordfhip alfo commands me to tranfmit to you divers extracts " from public letters, as connected with the general fubject of your delibera- " tions upon the prefent reference; and to fignify his defire, that the Com- " mittee make it a part of their report, in what way their contents may beft " fubferve the end of giving comfort and tranquility to the Loyalifts, and " encouraging and ftrengthening the weftern fettlements and frontiers.

" HENRY MOTZ."

" To the Honble. WILLIAM SMITH, Efq., *Prefident*
" *of the Honorable his Majefty's Council for*
" *the Province of Quebec.*"

" *EXTRACT of a Letter from the Right Honorable LORD NORTH, one of* " *his Majefty's Principal Secretaries of State, to his Excellency Governor* " *HALDIMAND, dated Whitehall, 24th. July,* 1783.

" And as a part of that inftruction directs that all perfons whatever, " upon their application for lands, befides taking the ufual oaths as directed " by law, fhall make and fubfcribe a declaration, acknowledging his Majefty " in Parliament to be the fupreme legiflature of the Province, I think it ne- " ceffary to obferve to you that the declaration however general, cannot ex- " tend to taxation; Parliament having by the Act of the 18th. of His prefent " Majefty, intitled, "*An Act for removing all doubts and apprehenfions con-* " *cerning taxations by the Parliament of Great Britain, in the colonies, pro-* " *vinces and plantations, in North America, and the Weft Indies, &c.,*" in " the moft exprefs terms, reftrained itfelf from ever impofing any taxes or " duties, in the Colonies, except for the regulation of trade; the produce of " which taxes or duties, to be difpofed of by the provincial affemblies; fuch " being the cafe, it was judged not only unneceffary, but implying fome " doubt of the fincerity of Parliament, to make any exception in the declara- " tion; the exception being already made by Parliament itfelf, in a man- " ner fo folemn and effectual, that nothing can add to the fecurity, the fub- " jects in the Colonies derive under it: thefe obfervations you will naturally " make a proper ufe of, fhould any objection be made to the declaration or " the conftruction of it; and I doubt not, but the neceffity of guarding againft " difaffected perfons becoming fettlers in Quebec, will convince His Majef- " ty's loyal fubjects, of the propriety of that teft, by which they cannot be " affected or deprived of any indulgence, or encouragement, to which they " are fo juftly intitled."

" *A true Extract,*——(*Signed*) F. H."

" *A true Copy,* —— HENRY MOTZ."

" *EXTRACT of a letter from the Right Honorable LORD SYDNEY, one of* " *His Majefty's principal Secretaries of State, to the Right Honorable*

" *LORD DORCHESTER, dated Whitehall, 3d. September,* 1788.

" Your Lordfhip will however underftand, that it is the King's inten- " tion, that the new fettlers in that part of the province,* who now hold " their lands upon certificates of occupation, fhall at all events, be placed " upon the fame footing in all refpects, as their brethren in Nova-Scotia and " New-Brunfwick, by having their lands granted to them in free and com- " mon foccage, with a remiffion of quit rents for the firft ten years."

" *A true Extract,* —— HENRY MOTZ."

'On the communication from his Lordfhip in the letter to the Chairman, 'the Committee put feveral queftions to the Deputy Surveyor General, who 'reported,

"THAT he believes all perfons holding under occupation certificates "iffued prior to November 1787, did fubfcribe the declaration, as well as take "the oaths, by His Majefty's inftructions required; but as to what has "been done fince that period, under the conduct of the Land-Boards and his "country agents and deputies, he can give the Committee no certain inform-"ation; but he fuppofes it may be obtained by the aid of thofe boards.

'Refolved thereon to be the opinion of the Committee,

"I. That the feveral Land-Boards be defired to make the proper enquir-"ies, and to take courfe for exacting a compliance with the Royal inftruc-"tions, from all perfons holding, or to hold in future, under occupation "certificates, and that they return a lift into the office of the Clerk of the "Council, of fuch as have neglected or fhall refufe fuch compliance, that the "grants of title may be fufpended, as to fuch as fhall wilfully make default.

"II. To the intent of informing the fettlers of the benevolent defign "and true ufe of the Royal requifitions, as well as to convince them of the "folidity of the plighted faith of Government, and the manner of preferv-"ing the evidence of it, it is expedient, that there be tranfmitted to each of "the Land-Boards (to be made known in their diftricts) a copy, not only of "the report of the Land-Committee, but of the prefent report thereon.——

"Signed by order, 12th. January, 1790.

"WM. SMITH, Chairman."

His Lordship, taking the faid Extracts into confideration, was pleafed, with the advice of the Council, to approve of the Refolves of the Committee of the whole Council therein contained, and to order, as it is hereby ordered, that the fame be duly and punctually complied with, and carried into execution; whereof the different Land Office Boards, and all other perfons, whom it may concern, are to take notice; and govern themfelves accordingly.

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*Meaning the Diftricts weft of Point au Baudet.

J. WILLIAMS, C.C.

THE DISTRICT LAND BOARDS.

A Land Board was appointed by Lord Dorchester for each of the four Districts into which Upper Canada had been divided, viz:—

HESSE: Farnham Close, Esq., Major in the 65th Foot, or the Officer Commanding at Detroit; William Dummer Powell, Esq., Duperon Baby, Esq., Alexander McKee, Esq., William Robertson, Esq., Alexander Grant, Esq., Lieutenant Adhemar de St. Martin, or any three of them to be a quorum for the business entrusted to the whole Board, in and for the District of Hesse. (U. P. I. Minutes of Hesse).

NASSAU: Lieut-Col. Hunter, or Officer Commanding at Niagara; Lieut-Col. Butler, Peter Ten Brook, Esq., R. Hamilton, Esq., Benjamin Pawling, Esq., Nath. Pettit, Esq.

MECKLENBURG: Rev. John Stewart, Neil McLean, Esq., James Clarke, Esq., Richard Cartwright, Jr., Esq., and the Officer Commanding at Kingston for the time being.

LUNENBURG: Richard Duncan, Esq., John MacDonell, Esq., Jeremiah French, Esq., Justus Sherwood, Esq., James Gray, Esq., John Munro, Esq.

Difficulties incident on the settlement of a new country were encountered, and considerable correspondence of interest has been preserved which passed between these Land Boards and the Council at Quebec and the Deputy Surveyors. The Land Boards reported to the Governor-General in Council, and the Deputy-Surveyors to the Surveyor-General, and differences of opinion are often disclosed.

A letter from Patrick McNiff, Deputy Surveyor at Detroit to the Hon. Hugh Finlay, Quebec, dated from Detroit on the 3rd May 1791 may be quoted as throwing an interesting light on the progress of settlement then in the District of Hesse:—

"Sir, I am Honored with yours of the 19th January last covering a copy of His Excellency Lord Dorchester's orders of the 20th October last to the Land Committee, since the receipt of which have been so busy in Survey of Lands in River La Franche as to put it hitherto out of my power to make any Report on the object of that Order."

"There is not any one thing hitherto may have impeded the Settling of this Country so far as may have come within my observation that I have not transmitted below in as plain a manner as the nature of a cursory Investigation would permit, I will now for the Information of His Excellency Lord Dorchester and the Honourable Land Committee point out these Evils in as explicit a manner as the nature of my different Enquiries will allow.

"When it first became an object of the Government to People so important a frontier as this is, I believe every encouragement that settlers could reasonably wish for or expect was held out; but from the very Remote situation of this Place and its great distance from the seat of Government, abuses similar to those that I have seen elsewhere have (I fear) taken place; particularly with respect to many of Col. Butlers Rangers; amounting to nearly one hundred able young men who have left the country in less than the space of one year owing to His Majesty's Bounty of Provisions &c., being withheld from them; how far this may be true is to be proved, but the men are left the Country and I fear lost to Government.

"In the next place, the various and almost unlimited claims made by Individuals to Tracts of Land by virtue of Indian Grants have been a great cause of keeping the Country unsettled and will so long as they are suffered to exist. When settlers came from the United States of America at the instigation of Government, instead of being placed on the Waste Lands of the Crown without delay they were told that such and such particular Tracts of Land as they may have pitched upon, was the Property of Individuals by virtue of purchase made of Indians and that the King had no Lands in this Country, the consequence was that numbers of those intending to settle on the King's Land returned again to the States, others of them for want of money to take back were under the necessity of purchasing land perhaps of those persons claiming large Tracts under Indian Titles at the enormous price of £100 for 100 acres of wild land. In Order to continue this practice of selling Land and prevent Government from settling the Country, it has been reported at Fort Pitt through the instigation of some Persons here inimicable to the Interest of Government (and perhaps principal claimants) that all land in this Country was claimed by a few Individuals & that the King had no Land here, however as Government had disapproved settlement of the Country arising from such claims this will in Future cease.

"Another cause which at present greatly impedes the settling of this Country is the present standing order of Survey for Townships situated on Navigable Rivers & Lakes; by that order of Survey there are so many reserves made that only two Farm Lots can be granted in the front, two in the second, and twelve in the third concession, a Plan of Survey in its nature so injurious to new settlers that none will consent to settle in the back consession, and leave so large a quantity of Wood Land in their front, through which they would, at a greater expense and labor than new Settlers can bear, have to make roads

This very great Inconvenience and obstruction to Settling of the Country I have above twelve months past pointed out to the Land Board of Hesse; In my survey this spring I laid out four Townships, two on each side of River La Franche, in the manner directed by said plan of survey but such as have applied for Land they will not go into the back consessions to settle while there is so much waste and unoccupied Land in front. I did at the same time mark the fronts of each of these Townships into such Farm Lots as is directed by said order of Survey, so that the Land Board might at any time grant them, when they were vested with authority to deviate from the present order of Survey. In the Townships surveyed on River La Franche I found twenty eight Families settled in front some with very considerable Improvments, should the present order of survey be carried into effect there, it will remove every one of them from these Improvments" As to the Reserves of Land made at River Canard and the Huron Church for the use of the Huron Indians and others [see my Plan of Survey transmitted to the survey General's office by last winter's express] I have but little to say, only that I am fully pursauded the Reserves when made were intended for that use and no other, nor have I as yet heard of any intention of their being applied to any other use, but how far such reserves may or may not be injurious to the settlement of the part of the Country the Inspector General of Indian Affairs can best tell, as he has last summer enquired very minutely into these matters; The Reserve at the Huron Church is of no manner of consequence being only a barren sandy Plain; That at River Canard is for reasons very valuable, and should a village or Town be established in its vicinity (at Isle Bois Banck) that reserve will prove very Injurious to the Interests of the Inhabitants, those already settled there complain much of what they suffer in the loss of Cattle and Hogs by the Indians at present settled on the Reserve; there are but Two or three Families who live there constantly, but many more resort there during the summer season for the purpose of raising Indian Corn & Beans; the Chief (Dewentatee) who lived there and had the greatest claim on those lands died about two months past a circumstance which I think will be an Inducement to the others to move from thence, The Land am of opinion might be well provided for at River Chenail Ecarté near the entrance of River St Clair on the North Easterly shore of Lake St Claire, a situation where they can have little or no intercourse with the White Inhabitants; There is no land in this country that would get Inhabited so soon as the Reserve at River Canard was it not for the great Resort of Indians to that place during the Summer Season, a circumstance ever unfavorable to New Settlers in the vicinity of such a place.

By my survey of this Country sent down last Winter the Land Committee will please observe that all the land fronting on the Easterly side of the Streight is thickly inhabited from the North Boundary of the Reserve at River Canard as far up as above Peach Island in Lake St Clair, many

of these Inhabitants have by their joint petitions presented to the Land Board on the 22nd. ult., prayed for the 2nd, 3rd & 4th concessions in their respective Rears setting forth that if they could not have this granted the want of Wood and Hay would oblige them to Abandon their front lots. In consequence of which I did on the 25th ult, by Order of the Land Board take a cursory Survey of their respective Farms from the North Boundary of the Reserve at River Canards upwards to near Maisonville's Mill, and find there is little or no wood Land in that space until near the rear of the 2nd Concession, being a distance of near Eighty Arpents back from their front being formerly a plain, it seems rather hard to cut them off from wood, but if they are put into possession of the 3rd and 4th Concessions in their Rears will not in many years be settled; for these People with very little exception, having once obtained their grants will clear no more land yearly than just what they require for fuel, having more Land Clear in the 1st & 2nd Concessions than they will occupy; this with the want of Public Roads will prevent English Farmers from ever settling in the Rear of the Petitioners should their request be granted; from River Canard upward I do not find one yard left for a Public Road to lead to the back Concessions each person passing through his own Lot. The opening of Roads at this Place at proper distances from each other is an object that requires immediate attention, as it may be the means of inducing English Farmers to settle back here sooner than go a great distance up River La Franche, besides it will be a great means of strengthening this frontier which at present is inhabited only by Canadians."

The recommendations of the Boards, were however usually upheld by the Council, as against the suggestions of the Deputy Surveyors.

Early Surveys and Plans.

Belonging to this period are the eight surveys given on the following pages:

1. The Huron Reserve and Malden.
2. Allotments on chippewa Creek, Niagara.
3. Sketch showing the garrison Line at Niagara.
4. 5. A plan of the District of Nassau—Holland. (On two pages——)
6. A plan of the District of Mecklenburg—Holland.
7. A plan of the District of Lunenburg—Holland.
8. A plan of Johnstown, with the town parks laid out in the year 1790.

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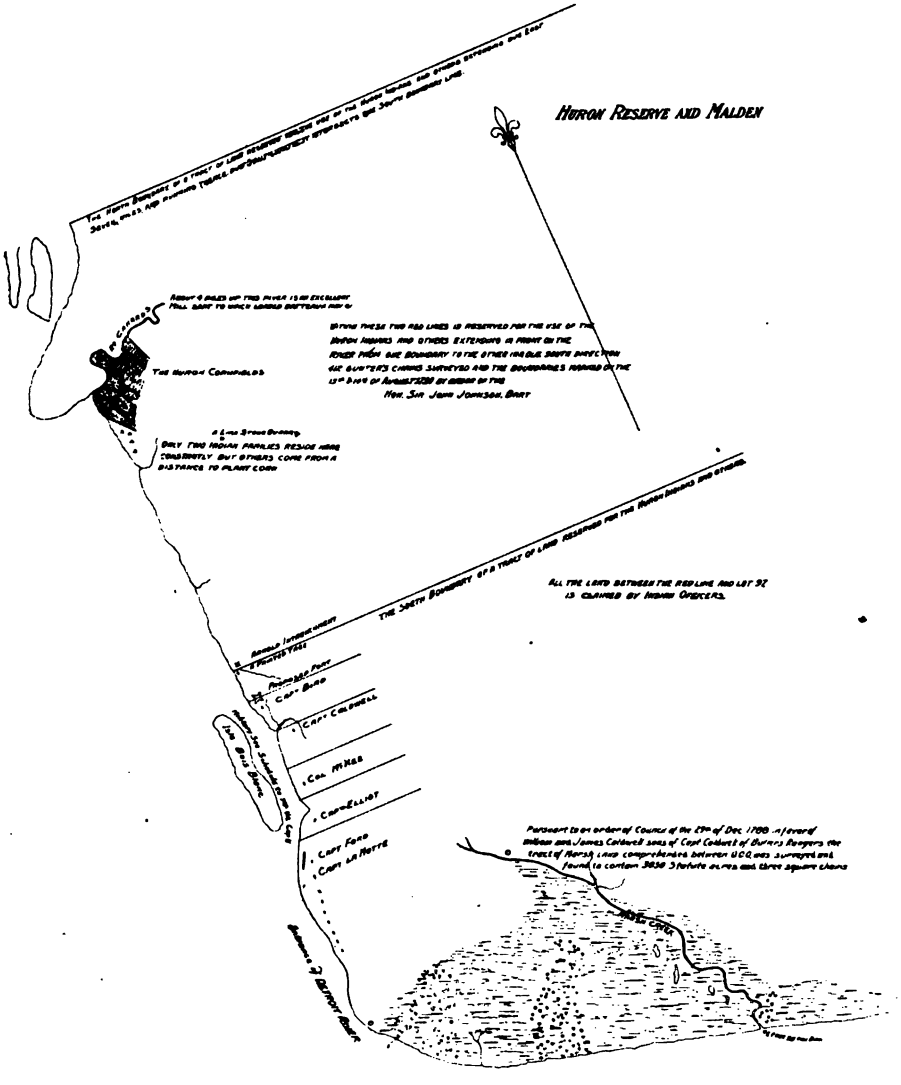

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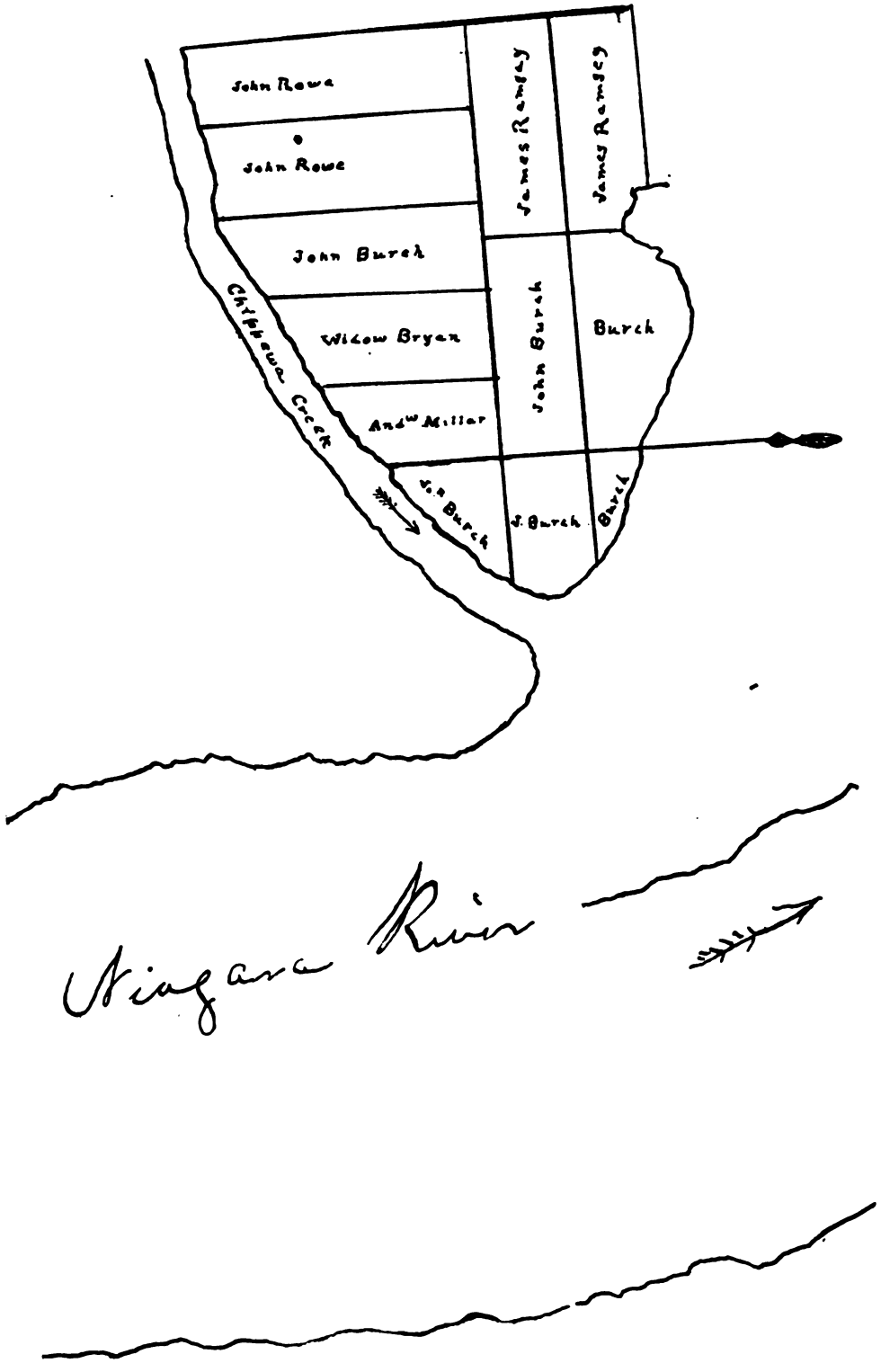

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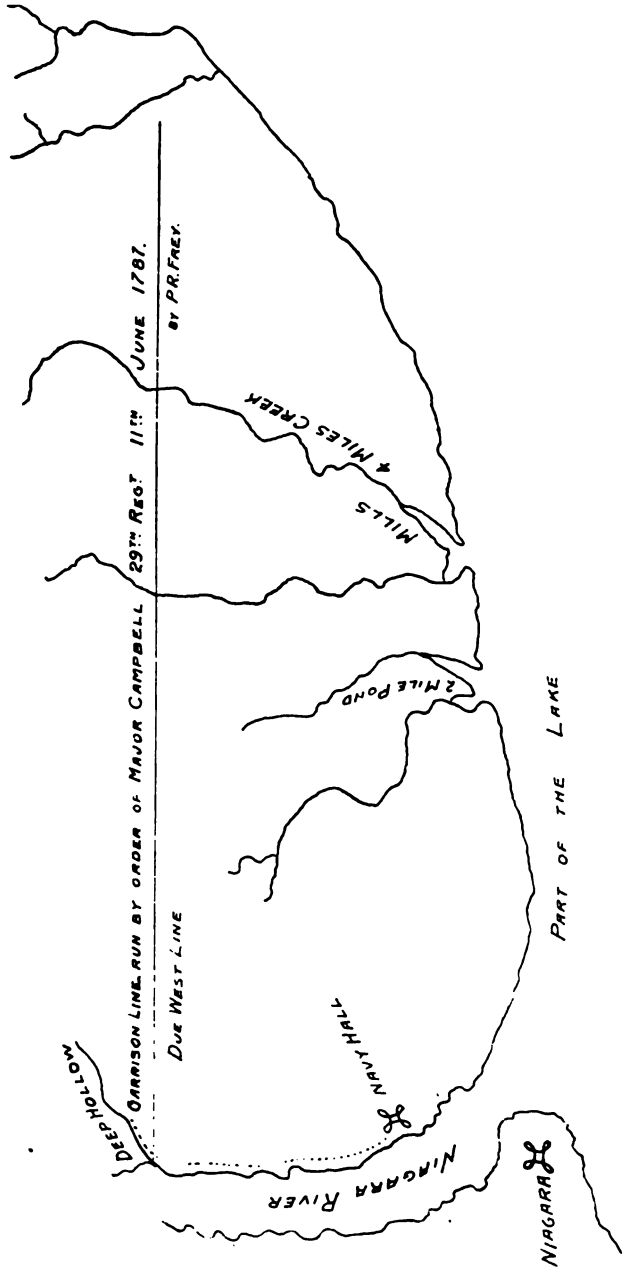

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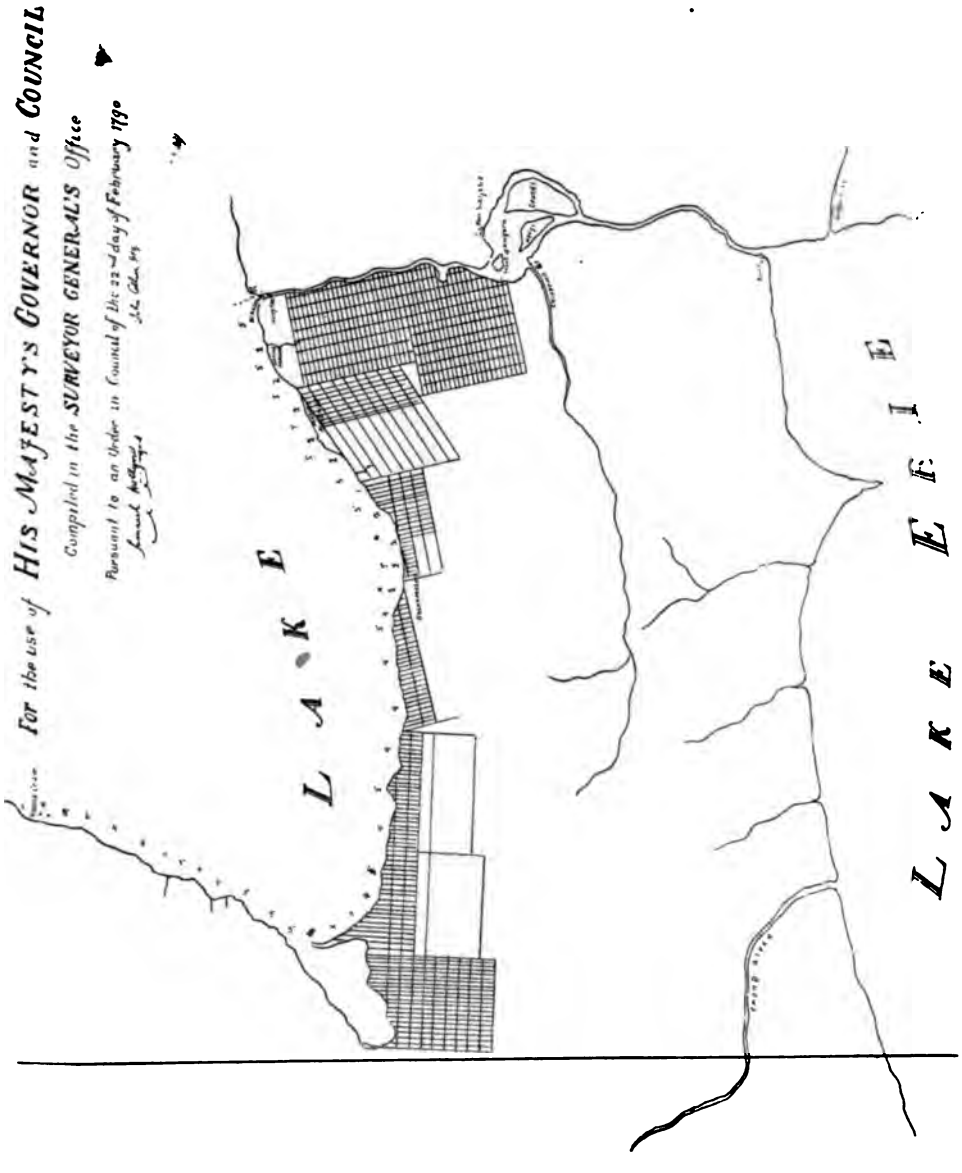

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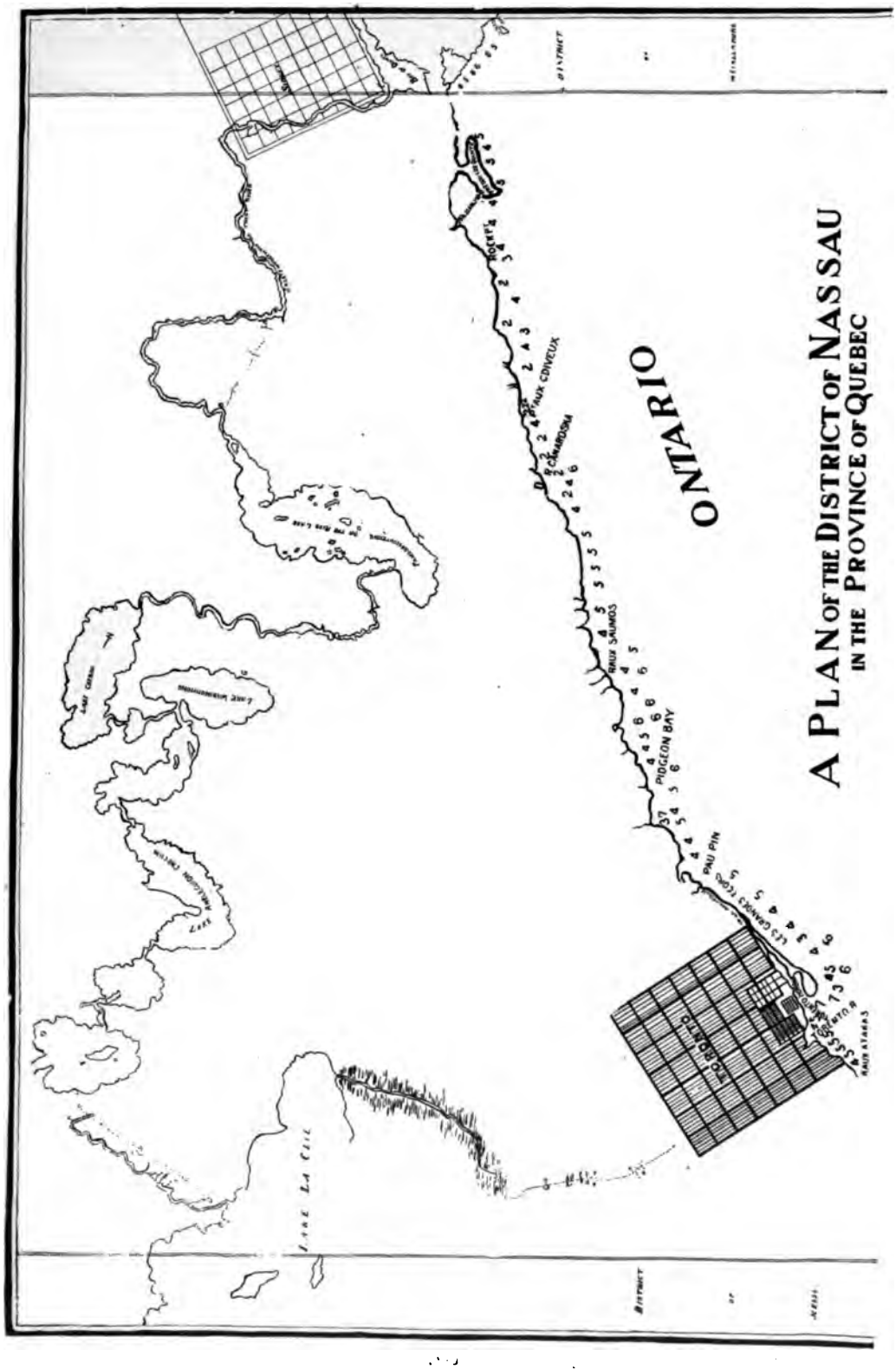

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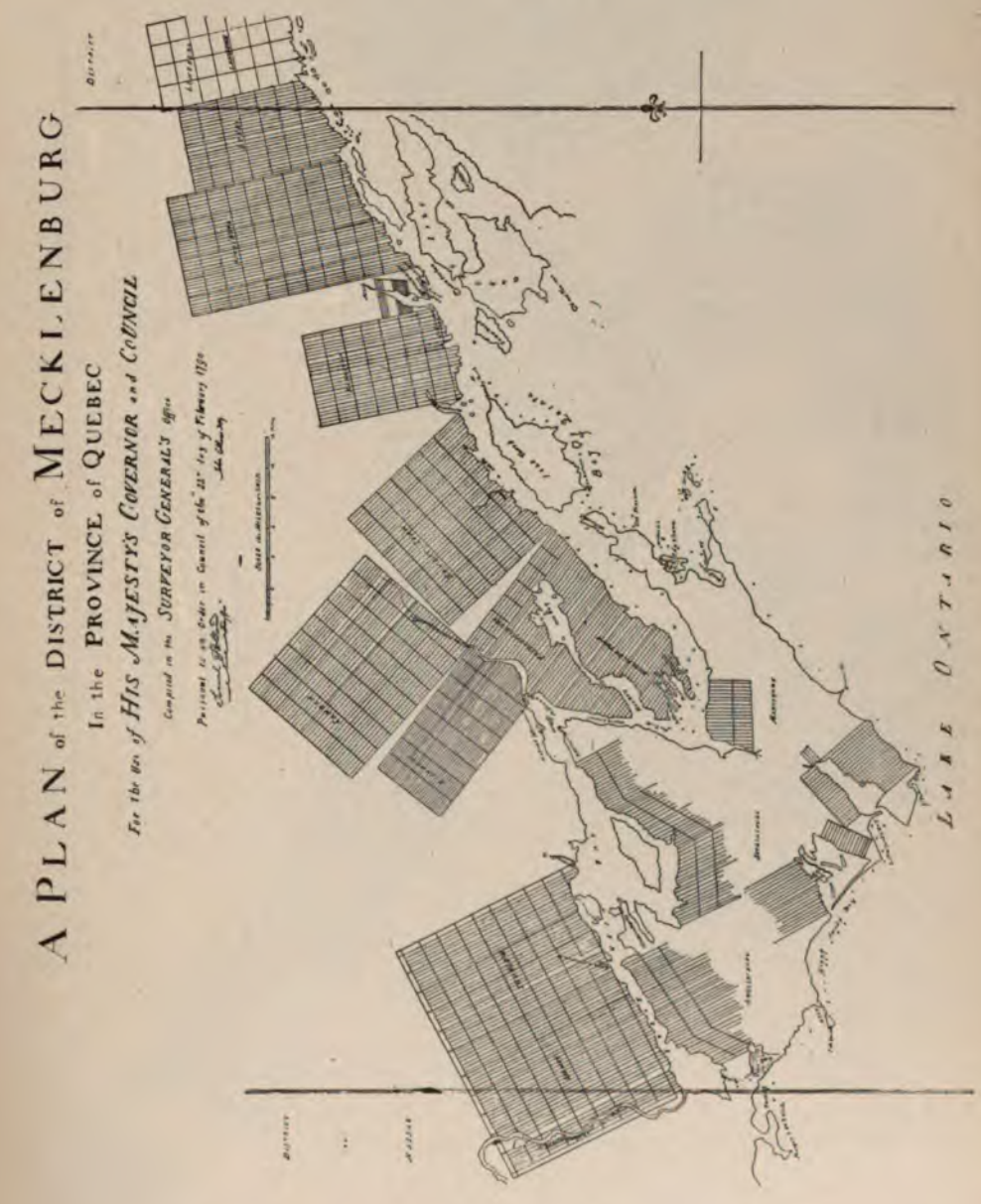

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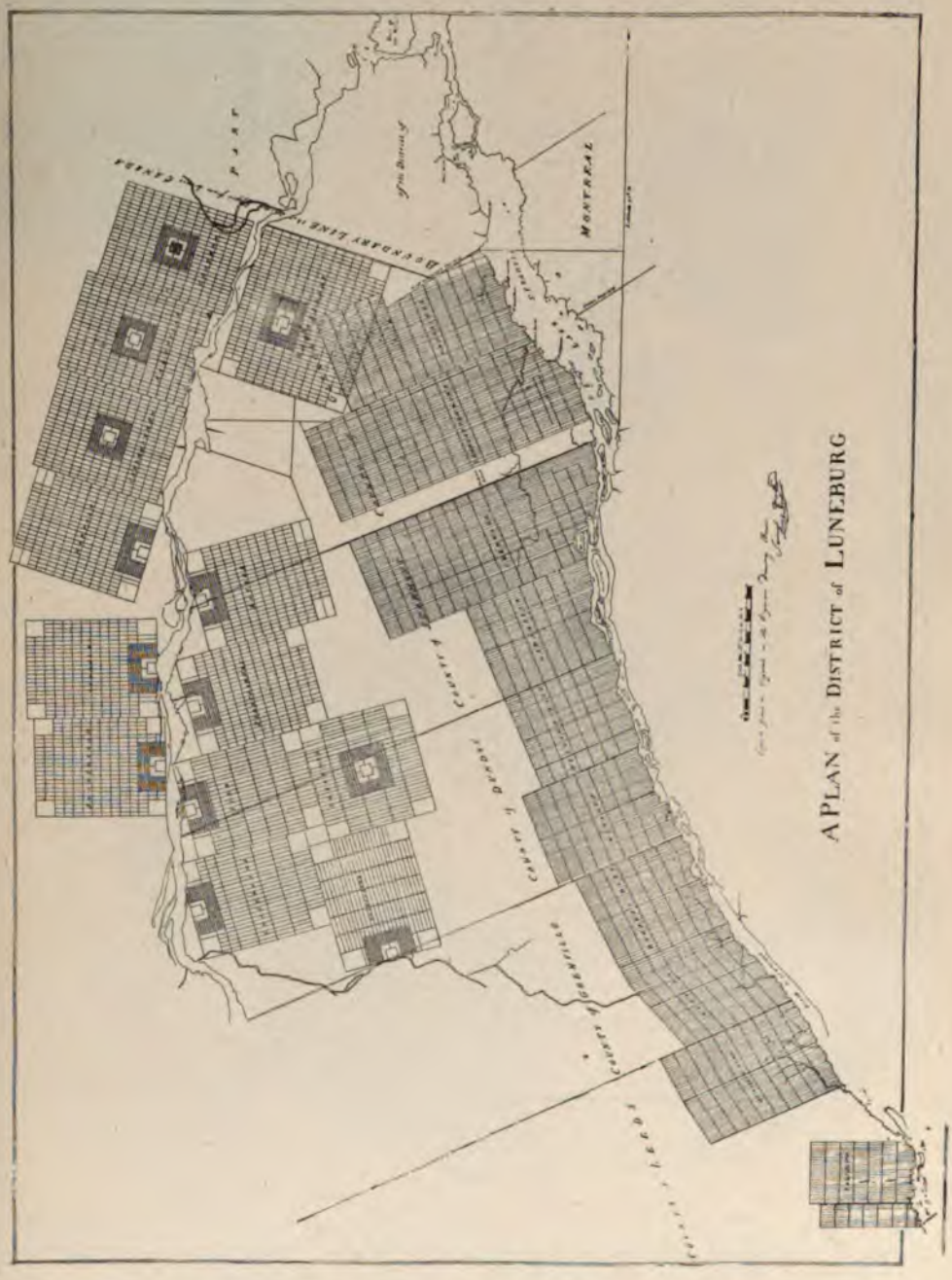

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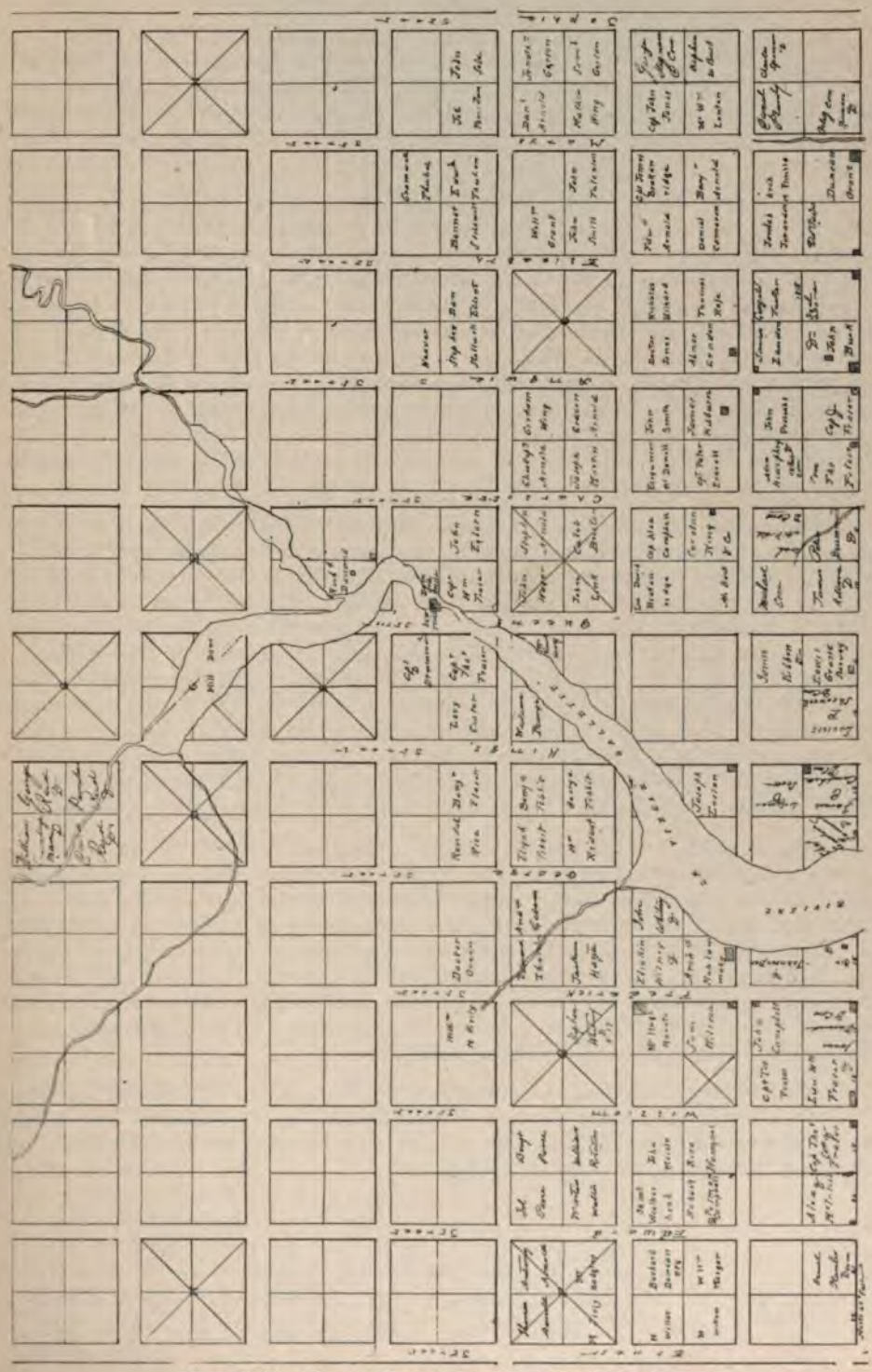

PLAN of JOHNSTOWN with the Town Parks that were laid out in the Year 1792, for making Entries and Evidence by order of the Land Board for the DISTRICT of LUNENBURG

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The Province of Upper Canada Formed.

The Constitutional Act, 1791, dividing the Province of Quebec into the Province of Upper Canada and the Province of Lower Canada, with a Lieutenant Governor, a Legislative Council and an Assembly for each Province, contains the following provisions regarding the disposal of the lands of the Crown:—

XLIII. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that all lands which shall be hereafter granted within the said Province of Upper Canada shall be granted in free and common soccage, in like manner as lands are now holden in free and common soccage in that part of Great Britain called England; and that in every case where lands shall be hereafter granted within the said Province of Lower Canada, and where the grantee thereof shall desire the same to be granted in free and common soccage, the same shall be so granted; but subject nevertheless to such alterations with respect to the nature and consequences of such tenure of free and common soccage, as may be established by any law or laws which may be made by his Majesty, his heirs or successors, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the Province.

XLIV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that if any person or persons holding lands in the said Province of Upper Canada by virtue of any certificate of occupation derived under the authority of the Governor and Council of the Province of Quebec, and having power and authority to alienate the same, shall at any time from and after the commencement of this Act surrender the same into the hands of his Majesty, his heirs or successors, by petition to the Governor, or Lieutenant-Governor, or person administering the Government of the said Province, setting forth that he, she, or they, is or are desirous of holding the same in free and common soccage, such Governor, or Lieutenant-Governor, or person administering the Government shall thereupon cause a fresh grant to be made to such person of such lands to be holden in free and common soccage.

XLV. Provided nevertheless, and be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that such surrender and grant shall not avoid or bar any right or title to any such lands so surrendered, or any interest in the same, to which any person or persons other than the person or persons surrendering the same shall have been entitled either in possession, remainder, or reversion, or otherwise, at the time of such surrender, but that every such surrender and grant shall be made subject to such right, title, and interest, and that every right, title, or interest shall be as valid and effectual as if such surrender and grant had never been made.

Col. and Brigadier General John Graves Simcoe was appointed Lieutenant Governor of the newly-formed Province of Upper Canada, and while passing the winter of 1792 at Quebec, issued the following Proclamation respecting settlement on Crown Lands:

7th February, 1792.

His Excellency John Graves Simcoe, Efquire, *Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief of the faid Province, and Colonel Commanding His Majesty's Forces*, &c. &c. &c.

To fuch as are defirous to fettle on the Lands of the Crown in the Province of Upper Canada:

Be it known to all concerned, that His Majefty hath by His Royal Commiffion and Inftructions to the Governor, and in his abfence to the Lieutenant Governor or Perfon adminiftering the Government for the time being of the faid Province of Upper Canada, given Authority and Command to grant the Lands of the Crown in the fame by Patent under the Great Seal thereof; and it being expedient to publifh and declare the Royal Intention refpecting fuch Grants and Patents, I do accordingly hereby make known the Terms of Grant and Settlement to be:

FIRST. That the Crown Lands to be granted be parcel of a Townfhip: If an Inland Townfhip, of Ten Miles fquare, and if a Townfhip on navigable Waters, of Nine Miles in Front and Twelve Miles in Depth, to be run out and marked by His Majefty's Surveyor or Deputy Surveyor General, or under his Sanction and Authority.

SECOND. That only fuch Part of the Townfhip be granted as fhall remain, after a Refervation of one feventh Part thereof, for the Support of a Proteftant Clergy, and one other feventh Part thereof, for the future difpofition of the Crown.

THIRD. That no Farm Lot fhall be granted to any one Perfon which fhall contain more than Two Hundred Acres; yet the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Perfon adminiftering the Government, is allowed and permitted to grant to any Perfon or Perfons fuch further Quantity of Land as they may defire, not exceeding One Thoufand Acres over and above what may have been before granted to them.

FOURTH. That every Petitoner for Lands make it appear, that he or fhe is in a Condition to cultivate and improve the fame, and fhall befides taking the ufual Oaths, fubfcribe a Declaration (before proper Perfons to be for that purpofe appointed) of the Tenor of the Words following, viz. "I A. B. "do promife and declare that I will maintain and defend to the utmoft of "my Power the Authority of the King in His Parliament as the fupreme "Legiflature of this Province."

FIFTH. That Applications for Grants be made by Petition to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Perfon adminiftering the Government for the time being, and where it is advifeable to grant the Prayer thereof a Warrant fhall iffue to the proper Officer for a furvey thereof, returnable within Six Months with a Plot annexed, and be followed with a Patent granting the fame, if defired, in Free and Common Soccage, upon the Terms and Conditions in the Royal Inftructions expreffed, and herein after suggefted.

SIXTH. That all grants referve to the Crown all Coals, commonly called Sea Coals, and Mines of Gold, Silver, Copper, Tin, Iron, and Lead; and each Patent contain a Claufe for the Refervation of Timber for the Royal Navy of the Tenor following:

"And provided alfo, that no Part of the Tract or Parcel of Land hereby "granted to the faid and his Heirs, be within any Refery- "ation heretofore made and marked for Us, Our Heirs and Succeffors by "Our Surveyor General of Woods, or his lawful Deputy; in which Cafe, this Our Grant for fuch Part of the Land hereby given and granted to the "faid and his Heirs for ever as aforesaid, and which fhall "upon a furvey thereof being made, be found within any fuch Refervation, "fhall be null and void, any thing herein contained, to the contrary not- "withftanding."

SEVENTH. That the Two Sevenths referved for the Crown's future Difpofition, and the Support of a Proteftant Clergy, be not fevered Tracts each of One Seventh Part of the Townfhip, but fuch Lots or Farms therein, as in the Surveyor General's Return of the Survey of the Townfhip, fhall be defcribed as fet apart for thefe Purpofes, between the other Farms of which the faid Townfhip fhall confift, to the Intent that the Lands fo to be referved, may be nearly of the like Value with an equal Quantity of the other Parts to be granted out as afore-mentioned.

EIGHTH. That the refpective Patentees are to take the Eftates granted to them feverally free of Quit Rent and of any other Expences, than fuch Fees as are or may be allowed to be demanded and received by the different Officers concerned in paffing the Patent and recording the fame, to be ftated in a Table authorized and eftablished by the Government and publickly fixed up in the feveral Offices of the Clerk of the Council, of the Surveyor General, and of the Secretary of the Province.

NINTH. That every Patent be entered upon Record within Six Months from the Date thereof, in the Secretary's or Regifter's Offices, and a Docket thereof in the Auditor's Office.

TENTH. Whenever it fhall be thought advifeable to grant any given Quantity to one Perfon of One Thoufand Acres or under, and the fame cannot be found by Reafon of the faid Refervations and prior Grants within the Townfhip in the Petition expreffed, the fame, or what fhall be requifite to make up to fuch Perfon the Quantity advifed, fhall be located to him, in fome other Townfhip upon a new Petition for that Purpofe to be preferred.

And of the faid feveral Regulations, all Perfons concerned are to take Notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

GIVEN under my Hand and Seal in the City of Quebec, the Seventh Day of February, in the Thirty-fecond Year of His Majefty's Reign, and in the Year of Our Lord One thoufand feven hundred and ninety-two.

JOHN GRAVES SIMCOE.

By His EXCELLENCY'S Command,
THOS. TALBOT, Acting Secretary.

FORM OF PETITION FOR LANDS.

To his Excellency John Graves Simcoe, Eſquire, Lieutenant Governor, and commander in Chief of the Province of Upper Canada, &c. &c. &c.

IN COUNCIL.

The Petition of Refpectfully fhews,

That your petitioner is defirous to fettle on the lands of the Crown in this Province, being in a condition to cultivate and improve the fame. That he is ready to take the ufual oaths, and to fubfcribe the declaration, that he profeffes the Chriftian Religion, and obedience to the laws, and has lived inoffenfively in the country which he has left. Prays your Excellency, would be pleafed to grant him acres of land upon the terms and conditions expreffed in your Excellency's proclamation bearing date the 7th day of February, 1792, or fuch other quantity of land as to your Excellency in your wifdom may think meet. And your petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray.

Township of Lot Number Conceffion.
Commencing at a Poft in front of Conceffion, marked
Then North Chains 27 Links; Then Weft, 9 Chains Links; Then

South Chains 27 Links; Then Eaft, 9 Chains Links; to the place of beginning: Containing Acres, more or lefs, for which acres fevenths are referved as per margin.
Lot No. , Concession.

Acting Surveyor-General.

With Certificate Number

The bearer, years of age, born in profeffing the Chriftian Religion, and by trade a having been this day examined by me, and taken the oaths prefcribed by law, is recommended for a location of two hundred acres of land within this diftrict, provided it does not appear from the furveyor's books that he has had any prior grant of lands in any diftrict of this province.

Given under my hand
To the deputy furveyor of the diftrict of

No. CERTIFICATE OF THE ACTING SURVEYOR.

I affign to the lot No. in the conceffion of the townfhip of in the diftrict, province of Upper Canada, containing acres being in front and rear chains links, and in depth chains links; the courfes of the front and rear being and the courfes of the fide lines being according to the magnetic north at this day.

The condition of this affignment is fuch, that if the aforefaid fhall well and truly commence a bonàfide improvement on the faid land, immediately, and fhall have built a dwelling houfe thereon within one year from the date hereof, and fhall occupy the fame; and fhall not have drawn heretofore any lands in this province; then this affignment fhall remain in full force and value, otherwife fhall be null and void; and having improved the fame, he fhall receive a grant thereof, to him and his heirs or devifees in due form on fuch terms and conditions as it fhall pleafe his Majefty to ordain, and all perfons are defired to take notice, that this affignment is not tranfferable by purchafe, donation or otherwife (previous to receiving the final grant) on any pretence whatfoever, except by an act of the honorable Executive Council.

Given under my hand this day of one thoufand feven hudred and ninety .

Acting Surveyor.

No. CERTIFICATE OF THE ACTING SURVEYOR GENERAL.

I affign to the Lot No. Conceffion, in the Townfhip of in the Diftrict of containing Acres, being Chains wide by Chains deep which Lot he is hereby authorized to occupy and improve. And having improved the fame he fhall receive a grant thereof to him and his heirs or devifees in due form, on fuch terms and conditions, as it fhall pleafe his Majefty to ordain. And all perfons are defired to take notice, that this

affignment, and all others of a fimilar nature are NOT TRANSFERABLE by purchafe, donation, or otherwife, on any pretence whatever, except by an act under the fignature of the Board for the Diftrict in which the lands are fituated, which is to be endorfed upon this certificate, or by an Act of the Honorable Executive Council.

Given at this day of
one thoufand feven hundred and ninety

Acting Surveyor General.

COUNTY LAND BOARDS.

16th July 1792.

A proclamation was issued by Lieut-Governor Simcoe on the 16th July 1792, by which the Province of Upper Canada was divided into the following counties:—Glengarry, Stormont, Dundas, Grenville, Leeds, Frontenac, Ontario, Addigton, Lennox, Prince Edward, Hastings, Northumberland, Durham, York, Lincoln, Norfolk, Suffolk, Essex and Kent, and the following County Land Boards were appointed, to supercede the old District Boards:—

GLENGARRY AND STORMONT—James Gray, Jeremiah French, John McDonell, Richard Wilkinson, Archibald McDonell.

GRENVILLE AND LEEDS.—Peter Drummond, Thomas Fraser, Ephraim Jones, Justus Sherwood, William Fraser.

DUNDAS.—Hon. Hugh Munroe, Malcolm McMartin, Richard Duncan, Thomas Smith.

LENNOX AND ADDINGTON, HASTINGS AND PRINCE EDWARD.—Peter Vanalstine, Hazleton Spencer, Alexander Fisher, Archibald McDonell, Joshua Booth.

The Land Board of the late District of Mecklenburg to be limited to the County of Frontenac:—Hon. Richard Cartwright, Neil McLean, James McDowell, Hector McLean, Richard Cartwright, Wm. Atkinson, Rev. J. Stuart, the officer commanding for the time being.

The Land Board of the late District of Nassau to be limited to the County of Lincoln:—The officer commanding at Niagara, Hon. R. Hamilton, Peter Tenbrook, Nathaniel Pettit, John Warren, John McNab, Lt. Col. Butler, Benjamin Pawling, John Burch, Robert Kerr, Officer of the Engineers at Niagara.

The Land Board of the late District of Hesse to be limited to the Counties of Essex and Kent:—The officer commanding at Detroit, Hon. Wm. Robertson, Wm. Dummer Powell, Adhemar de St. Martin, George Leith, Hon. Alex. Grant, Alex. McKee, John Askin, Montigny de Louvigny, the Officer of Engineers at Detroit.

COUNTY BOARDS ABOLISHED.

By the following Order passed on the 6th of November 1794, by Lieut. Governor Simcoe, the County Land Boards were abolished, and applications for land were to be made through the Clerk of the Council.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL CHAMBER OF THE PROVINCE OF UPPER CANADA.

November 6, 1794.

Prefent in Council his Excellency JOHN GRAVES SIMCOE, Efquire, Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief of the faid Province, and Colonel commanding his Majefty's Forces, &c. &c. &c.

Whereas the exifting ftate of the Province renders the continuation of the Boards eftablifhed expreffly for the purpofes of facilitating the fettling of fuch lands as his Majefty, in his royal Beneficence has been pleafed to grant to the Loyalifts and reduced troops, inexpedient and unneceffary, It is hereby refolved that the authority heretofore granted to fuch Boards, fhall, from and after the fixth day of November, one thoufand feven hundred and ninety-four, ceafe and determine.

And whereas it is expedient, agreeably to the proclamation of his excellency the Lieutenant Governor, bearing date February 7th 1792, that adequate provifion fhould be made for the compliance therewith, in the moft effectual manner, It is hereby refolved, that all petitions whatfoever for grants of the wafte lands of the crown, be made to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or perfon adminiftering the government in Council, through the Clerk of the Council, except for the immediate location and encouragement of all fuch as it may be proper to admit, as fettlers within his Majefty's Province, and more efpecially for the due care and obfervance that none fuch be admitted but thofe whofe loyalty, induftry and morals fhall appear to entitle them to the benefits of his Majefty's Bounty, and render them ufeful inhabitants of this Province, It is hereby refolved, That all perfons profeffing the Chriftian Religion, and being capable of manual labor, who can adduce fatisfactory vouchers of their having paid obedience to the laws, and led a life of inoffenfive manners in the country where they laft refided, fhall in future be confidered, as qualified to be admitted to the poffeffion of lands within this Province, after having taken and fubfcribed the oaths of allegiance and fettlement prefcribed by act of Parliament.

Therefore any magiftrate living and refiding in the county wherein any perfon of fuch a defcription may wifh to become a refident, is duly authorized to give him a recommendation to the deputy furveyor of the county or diftrict for a location of lands in the following words.

'The bearer A. B. of years of age, born in profeffing 'the Chriftian Religion, and by trade a having been this day 'examined by me, and taken the oaths prefcribed by law, is recommended 'for a location of two hundred acres of land within this county, provided it 'does not appear from the furveyor's books that he has had any prior grant 'of lands in any diftrict of this Province.

'Given under my hand &c.

'*To the deputy furveyor of the diftrict of*

And it is hereby refolved that the deputy surveyor on the receipt of this certificate fhall proceed to make an affignment agreeable to the ufual form and manner.

And as it is expedient that the fees upon fuch grant be made public, refolved that they be ftated in this proclamation.

	Halifax.
The fee to the magiftrate who adminifters the oath, and grants the certificate	£.0 : 1
To the deputy furveyor for the fearch	1 : 6
For the affignment	1 :
To the governor for licence of occupation	10 :
To the clerk of the Council	5 :
Total,	£.0 : 18 : 6
Title deed when the grant is delivered	£.2 : 10 : 2

JOHN SMALL, Clerk of the Council.

In a re-isue of this Order-in-Council the fees are raised to £4:9:6, viz.:

	Halifax.
The fee to the magistrate who administers the oath and grants the certificate	£0 : 1 :
To the Deputy Surveyor for the search	: 1 : 6
For the assignment	: 1 :
Clerk of the Council	: 6 :
Title Deed when the grant is delivered	4 : 0 :
	£4 : 9 : 6

THE ISSUE OF TITLE DEEDS.

JOHN GRAVES SIMCOE. 21st August 1795.

George the Third, by the grace of God, of Great-Britain, France and Ireland, King, defender of the Faith, and fo forth.

To all His Majesty's subjects of this Province, greeting.

Whereas the Loyalifts who adhered to the unity of the Empire, and others before and fince the eftablifhment of the government of this Province, received tickets or certificates of occupation, or locations, as teftimonials of the claims of fuch persons to receive grants of land, when by his Majefty's gracious directions they fhould be iffued;

And whereas deeds are now about to be made out to perfect titles to fuch lands as are poffeffed by the legal holders of tickets or certificates: but becaufe the deeds cannot be completed until the lawful claimants make known their claims by a production of the aforefaid tickets or certificates;

Now know ye that I, by and with the advice and confent of the Executive Council of this Province, do hereby direct all his Majefty's fubjects, refiding in the Weftern, Midland, and Eaftern Diftricts claiming to hold lands as aforefaid, do depofit their tickets or certificates, or fuch other teftimonial as they may poffefs, with the Clerks of the Peace of their refpective Diftricts (being authorized to receive the fame) that they may be duly tranfmitted to the Attorney General, in order that grants may iffue under the feal of the Province to the rightful claimants.

And in the Home Diftrict to the Attorney General: and I do make known to all perfons, that if fuch tickets or certificates are not fent to the perfons above mentioned within fix months from the date hereof, the lands may be deemed vacant, and granted to other applicants.

Given under the Great Seal of the Province, this twenty firft day of Auguft, in the year of Our Lord, one thoufand feven hundred and ninety five, and in the thirty fifth of his Majefty's reign.

WM. JARVIS, Secretary.

6th April 1796.

By His Excellency JOHN G. SIMCOE, Esq., Lieutenant Governor and Major General of His Majesty's Forces, &c. &c. &c. in Upper Canada.

Whereas it appears by the minutes of the Council of the late Province of Quebec, dated Monday the ninth day of November 1789, to have been the defire of his Excellency Lord Dorchefter the Governor-General "To put "a *mark of honor* upon the families who had adhered to the Unity of the

" Empire, and joined the Royal Standard in America, before the treaty of " feperation in the year 1783," and for that purpofe it was then " Ordered, " by his Excellency in Council, that the feveral Land Boards (fhould) take " courfe for preferving a regiftry of the names of all the perfons falling " under the defcription aforementioned, to the end that their pofterity " might be diferiminated from (the then) future fettlers in the parifh reg- " ifters and rolls of the militia of their refpective diftricts, and other pub- " lic remembrances of the Province, as proper objects, by their perfevering " in the fidelity and conduct for honorable to their anceftors, for diftin- " guifhed benefits and privileges;" but as fuch regiftry has not been generally made; and as it is ftill neceffary to afcertain the perfons and families, who may have diftinguished themfelves as abovementioned; as well for the caufes fet forth, as for the purpofes of fulfilling his Majefty's gracious intention of fettling fuch perfons and families upon the lands now about to be confirmed to them, without the incidental expences attending fuch grants:—Now know ye, that I have thought proper, by and with the advice and confent of the executive council, to direct, and do hereby direct all perfons, claiming to be confirmed by deed under the feal of the province in their feveral poffeffions, who adhered to the unity of the empire and joined the royal ftandard in America, before the treaty of feperation in the year 1783, to afcertain the fame upon oath before the magiftrates in the michaelmas quarter-feffions affembled, now next enfuing the date of this proclamation, in fuch manner and form, as the magiftrates are directed to receive the fame;—and all perfons will take notice that if they neglect to afcertain, according to the mode above fet forth, their claims to receive deeds without fee, they will not be confidered as entitled, in this refpect, to the benefit of having adhered to the unity of the empire and joined the royal ftandard in America before the treaty of feperation in the year 1783.

Given under my hand and feal at arms, at the government houfe at York, this fixth day of April, in the year of our Lord, one thoufand feven hundred and ninety-fix, and in the thirty-fixth year of his Majefty's reign.

John Graves Simcoe.

God save the King!

By his Excellency's Command,
E. B. Littlehales.

FORFEITURE OF LANDS.

26th May 1796.

By His Excellency John G. Simcoe, Esq. Lieutenant-Governor and Major-General of His Majefty's Forces, &c. &c. &c. in Upper Canada.

Whereas in purfuance of his Majefty's gracious intention refpecting the granting and fettling of the wafte lands of the Crown in this Province, made known by my proclamation bearing date the feventh day of February 1792, many perfons made applications for certain portions of the ungranted lands of the Crown in their own names and the names of their affociates, which applications have in various inftances been complied with, fubject to the terms held out in the proclamation aforefaid:

And whereas it is a matter of public notoriety that many of the faid applicants have failed in the performance of the conditions required of them:

And whereas others of the faid applicants who have received orders of Council preparatory to his Majefty's grant under the feal of the Province,

fubject to the terms aforefaid, from the Lieutenant-governor in Council, have wilfully perverted his Majefty's moft gracious intentions fignified in the proclamation aforefaid, namely, "That the refpective patentees of fuch "lands fhould take their eftates granted to them, feverally, free of quit rent, "and of any other expences than fuch fees as are duly authorized and eftab- "lifhed," by publickly and openly offering for sale fuch townfhips or portions of townfhips or by affixing an annual rent charge, to be paid for the grant of the fame and by many other finifter and illegal tranfactions in manifeft violation of the principles and conditions of the proclamation aforefaid, and of the terms under which they folicited for themfelves and affociates, fuch townfhips, or portion of townfhips:—Be it known therefore to all concerned, that it was this day refolved in Council, that all perfons claiming to hold lands by virtue of an order of Council to receive his Majefty's grant in and for the townfhips herein after named have forfeited the fame—That the townfhips of *Ofgoode*, *Wolford* *Montague*, *Ruffel*, *Kitley*, *Loughborough*, *Huntingdon*, *Rawdon*, *Murray*, *Clarke*, *Whitby*, and *Windham*, are, and they are hereby declared to be vacant, and free for the admiffion of fuch perfons as fhall be defirous of occupying and fettling the fame agreeably to the terms and conditons of the proclamation aforefaid. And whereas many other townfhips and tracts of land have been appropriated under orders of the Lieutenant-governor in council to various applicants and their affociates—And whereas for want of information in refpect of the prefent improvement of the fame if any fuch be made or the future intentions of the faid applicants it does not appear to be expedient that fuch townfhips or tracts fhould at prefent be declared vacant—It was further refolved that all perfons who intend to avail themfelves of the benefit of any appropriations made in any townfhips or tracts of land whatfoever fhould be directed, and they are hereby directed accordingly, to fignify the fame to the Clerk of the honorable the Executive Council, on or before the firft day of June 1797, and to fhew caufe why the order in council made in their behalf fhould not be declared null and void.

And it was further refolved that all perfons who occupy lots of land in any of the townfhips or tracts aforefaid fhould be directed to apply (and they are hereby directed to apply) for their refpective patents or title deeds agreeably to the terms and conditions fpecified in the proclamation aforefaid, within the space of fix months, or fuch lands may be confidered as vacant and given to other applicants, of which all perfons will take notice and govern themfelves accordingly.

Given under my hand and feal at the government houfe at Navy-Hall, the twenty-fifth day of May, in the year of our Lord, one thoufand feven hundred and ninety-fix, in the thirty-fixth year of his Majefty's reign.

J. G. S.

By Command of His Excellency in Council.
JOHN SMALL, C.C.

EXPENSE OF SURVEYS.

1st July 1796.

By His Excellency JOHN G. SIMCOE, ESQUIRE, Lieutenant-Governor, and Major-General of his Majesty's Forces, &c. &c. &c.

To fuch as are defirous of fettling on the Lands of the Crown, in the Province of Upper Canada.

Whereas, by a proclamation bearing date at Quebec, the feventh day of February, 1792, the terms and conditions on which perfons would be fettled, who are defirous of fettling on the lands of the crown, in his Majefty's province of Upper-Canada, were promulgated and made known; and it was by the eighth article in particular declared, that the refpective patentees were to take the eftates granted to them, feverally, free of quit rent, and of any other expences than fuch fees as are or may be allowed to be demanded and received by the different officrs, concerned in paffing the patents, and recording the fame, to be ftated in a table authorifed and eftablifhed by the government, and publicly fixed up in the feveral offices of the clerk of the council, of the furveyor-general, and of the fecretary of the province.

And, whereas it appears to be no longer expedient or neceffary that any grant or furvey of lands fhould be hereafter run out or marked by his Majefty's furveyor, or deputy furveyor, at the expence of the crown:—*Now know ye*, that I have tho't fit, by and with the advice of the executive council, to revife fo much of the eighth article of the faid proclamation, as declares that, "the refpective patentees are to take the eftates granted to them feverally free of quit rent, and any other expences than fuch fees as are or may be allowed to be demanded and received by the different officers concerned in paffing the patent and recording the fame," and to declare, that in addition to the fees eftablifhed by government on all grants of land, the refpective petitioners will, in future, on the receipt of their patents, be charged with the expences of furvey, in proportion to the extent of their patents, which will be ftated in, and added to the table of fees, as is authorifed and eftablifhed by the government, and publicly fixed up in the feveral offices of the clerk of the council, of the furveyor-general, and of the fecretary of the province.

Given under my hand and feal, in the town of York, the first day July, in the year of our Lord one thoufand feven hundred and ninety-fix.

By his excellency's command

J. Small, C. E. C.

To the Public.

The power which was given to the magiftrates, on the 6th of November, 1794, of recommending for fingle lots of 200 acres, having been fufpended by an order of council, on the 14th inftant:—*Notice is hereby given* to all perfons holding Recommendations, prior to the latter period, that unlefs they are prefented at my office, or thofe of the deputy-furveyors', before the 20th of Auguft next, they cannot be attended to.

D. W. Smith,
Acting Surveyor-General.

Surveyor-General's office, 29th July, 1796.

PRICE OF LAND FIXED.

31st Oct 1798.

Peter Russell, Esq; Prefident, adminiftering the Government of the Province of Upper Canada, &c. &c.

Whereas it appears by Letters lately received from his Grace the Duke of Portland, one of his Majefty's Principal Secretaries of State, to be his Majefty's Royal Will and Pleafure, that in order to raife a Fund for the

Public Service of the Province, all future GRANTS of LAND (thofe only excepted for which his Majefty's Governments were actually pledged previous to the receipt of thofe Letters) be fubject to a Fee of SIX PENCE, Halifax currency, per Acre, exclufive of the ufual Expences of Survey:—

Be it therefore known, That all Grants of Land (except as before excepted) confirming orders of Council made fubfequent to the *twenty-fecond* Day of *December* laft, (being the Day on which thofe Letters were read in Council) fhall be fubject to a Fee of Six-pence Halifax currency per Acre, exclufive of the charges for Survey, which are to be paid as ufual to the Surveyor-General, on prefenting to him the Warrants of Survey for location, agreeable to the proportions fpecified on each Grant in the Schedule hereunto annexed.—And his Majefty having been graciouſly pleafed to direct that his Royal Favor fhall continue to be extended to thoſe LOYALISTS *who have adhered to the Unity of the Empire*,

Be it further known, That in conformity to the above Inftructions, all Grants of Land, to the extent of two hundred Acres each, iſſued, or to be iſſued to Perſons of that deſcription, and to their Children of the *firſt Generation*, confirming orders of Council fubfequent to the fixth inftant, fhall be fubject to only *half* the above Fee, (that is Three Pence per Acre) and fhall not be fubject to any charges whatever for the expences of Survey.—And that the faid Fees may be regularly collected, and applied to the public Services of the Province;—

Be it known, That Perſons fubject to the payment of full Fees, or half Fees, are upon receiving their refpective Warrants of Survey, to pay to the Receiver-General of the Province, an advance of half the Fee they may be fubject to; and they are to pay the remaining half to the Secretary of the Province, upon receiving their refpective Patents from his Office.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Arms, in Council, in the Town of YORK, this thirty-firſt Day of October, in the Year of our Lord one thouſand ſeven hundred and ninety-eight, and in the thirty-ninth of his Majefty's Reign.

PETER RUSSELL.

By the Preſident's Command

JOHN SMALL, *Clerk of the Executive Council.*

SCHEDULE of the Charges for Survey, ordered to be taken by the *Surveyor-General*, to enable him to defray the Expences of the Surveys which he fhall receive Warrants for:—

For Town Lots, and all other quantities of Land not exceeding one hundred *Acres*, Twenty Shillings.

All quantities exceeding one hundred *Acres*, and not exceeding two hundred *Acres*, One Pound Seven Shillings and Six Pence.

And for all other quantities, One Pound Seven Shillings and Six Pence on each Two Hundred *Acres* which the quantity ordered may amount to.

And when the EXCESS on Grants above Two Tundred Acres may exceed One Hundred Acres, and yet does not amount to Two Hundred Acres,—for ſuch EXCESS fhall be charged *Twenty Shillings*.

Township of Lot number Conceſſion,
Commencing at a Poſt in front of Conceſſion, marked .
Then North 24 Degrees Weſt, Chains Links; Then South 66

Degrees Weft, Chains Links; Then South 24 Degrees Eaft, Chains Links; Then North 66 Degrees Eaft, Chains Links; To the place of beginning: Containing Acres, more or lefs, for which acres fevenths are referved as per margin.

In Lot No. , Concession.

x *Acting Surveyor General.*

With Certificate Number

LANDS FOR U. E. LOYALISTS.

15th December 1798.

PETER RUSSELL, *efq., Prefident, adminiftering the government of Upper-Canada.*

Whereas by *letters* received from his Grace the Duke of Portland, one of his Majefty's principal fecretaries of ftate, fince the iffuing the proclamation of the *thirty-firft* of OCTOBER laft, it appears that, in consequence of a *Reprefentation* made by the EXECUTIVE GOVERNMENT of THIS PROVINCE, to his Majefty's MINISTERS, on the *Exemption* of the U. E. LOYALISTS and their CHILDREN from every expence attending the grants of land made, or to be made to them, his Majefty has been graciously pleafed to fignify his Royal Pleafure that the FIRST *LOYALISTS*, and their *SONS* and *DAUGHTERS* fhall continue to receive his Majefty's BOUNTY of Two HUNDRED ACRES EACH as heretofore, *free from any axpence whatever.* And that it is to be underftood, that this MARK of the Royal Munificence is expreffly confined to thofe LOYALISTS only, who were actually refident in the province on, or before the TWENTY-EIGHTH OF JULY LAST.

Be it therefore known, that, notwithftanding what has been declared to the contrary in the proclamation *aforefaid*, all LOYALISTS coming within the above defcription, whofe names have been enrolled upon the U. E. lifts, *previous* to the date of this proclamation, and their SONS and DAUGHTERS when of AGE, OR MARRIED, to whom the King's bounty in lands has not been already extended, may continue to confider themfelves entitled to receive from this government, TWO HUNDRED ACRES OF LAND *free* from the payment of fees and all other charges; but that, except to the extent allowed by his Majefty's INSTRUCTIONS, neither U. E. loyalifts, nor their children, can be confidered as exempted from the STANDING FEES, it having been ordered that they fhall be annexed to every further grant of land, to them as well as to others, be its extent what it may.

GIVEN under my hand and feal at arms, in council at York, this fifteenth day of December, in the thirty-ninth year of his Majefty's reign, and in the year of our Lord one thoufand feven hundred and ninety-eight.

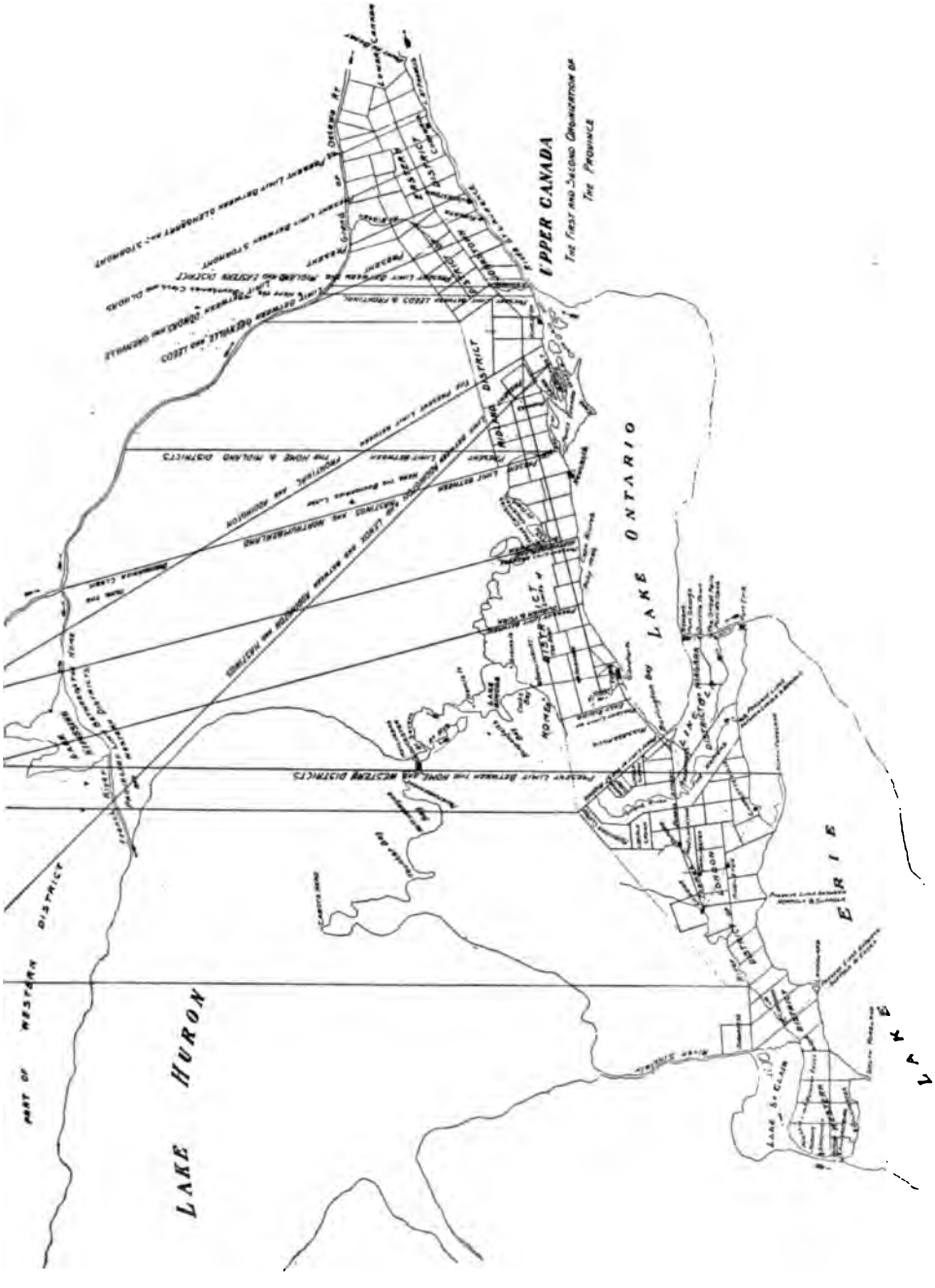
PETER RUSSELL.

By Command of the Prefident in Council,
JOHN SMALL, C.E.C.

UPPER CANADA SURVEYS.

From 1792 to 1800, when Lieut Governor Hunter succeeded, Upper Canada shows a substantial increase of population, and the work of Surveying the wild lands was actively carried on. The following maps show how the Province was then laid out and organized:—

PROVINCE OF UPPER CANADA.



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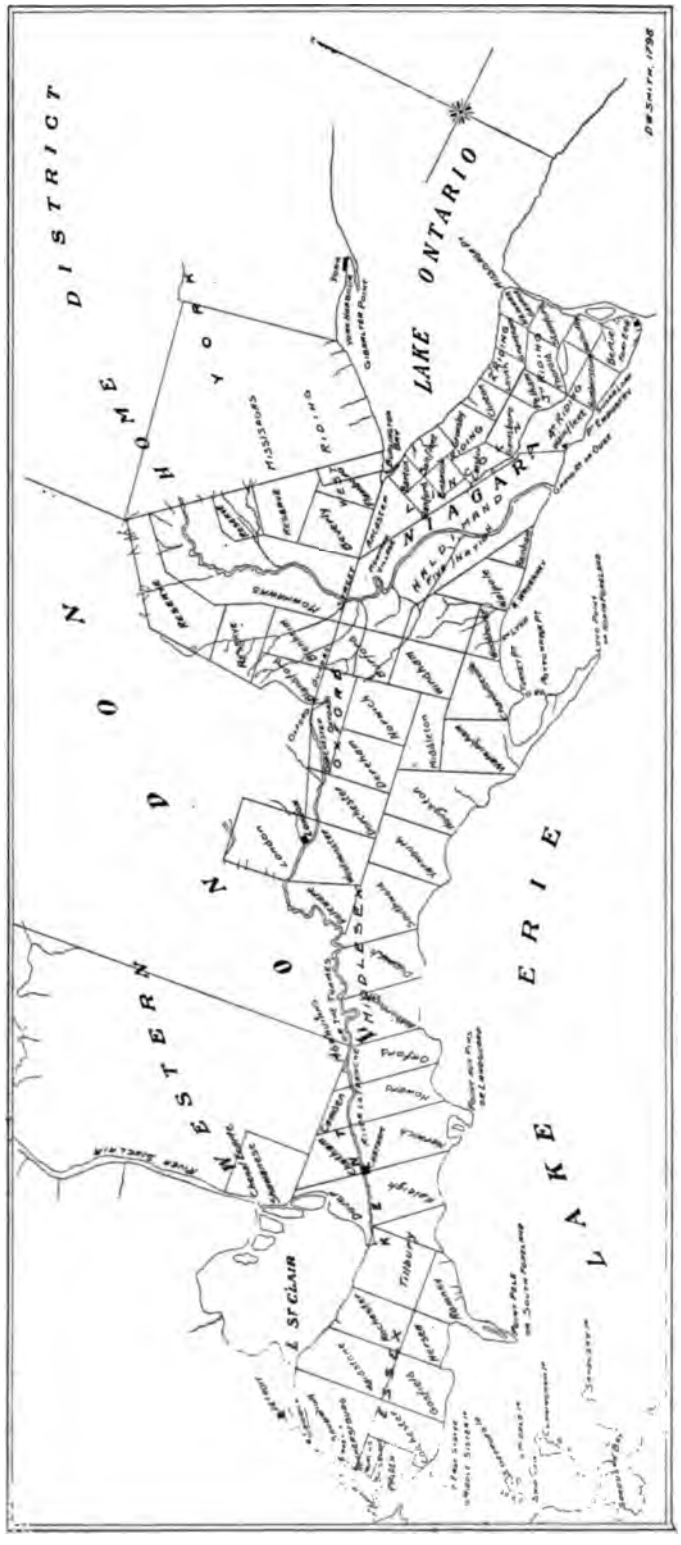

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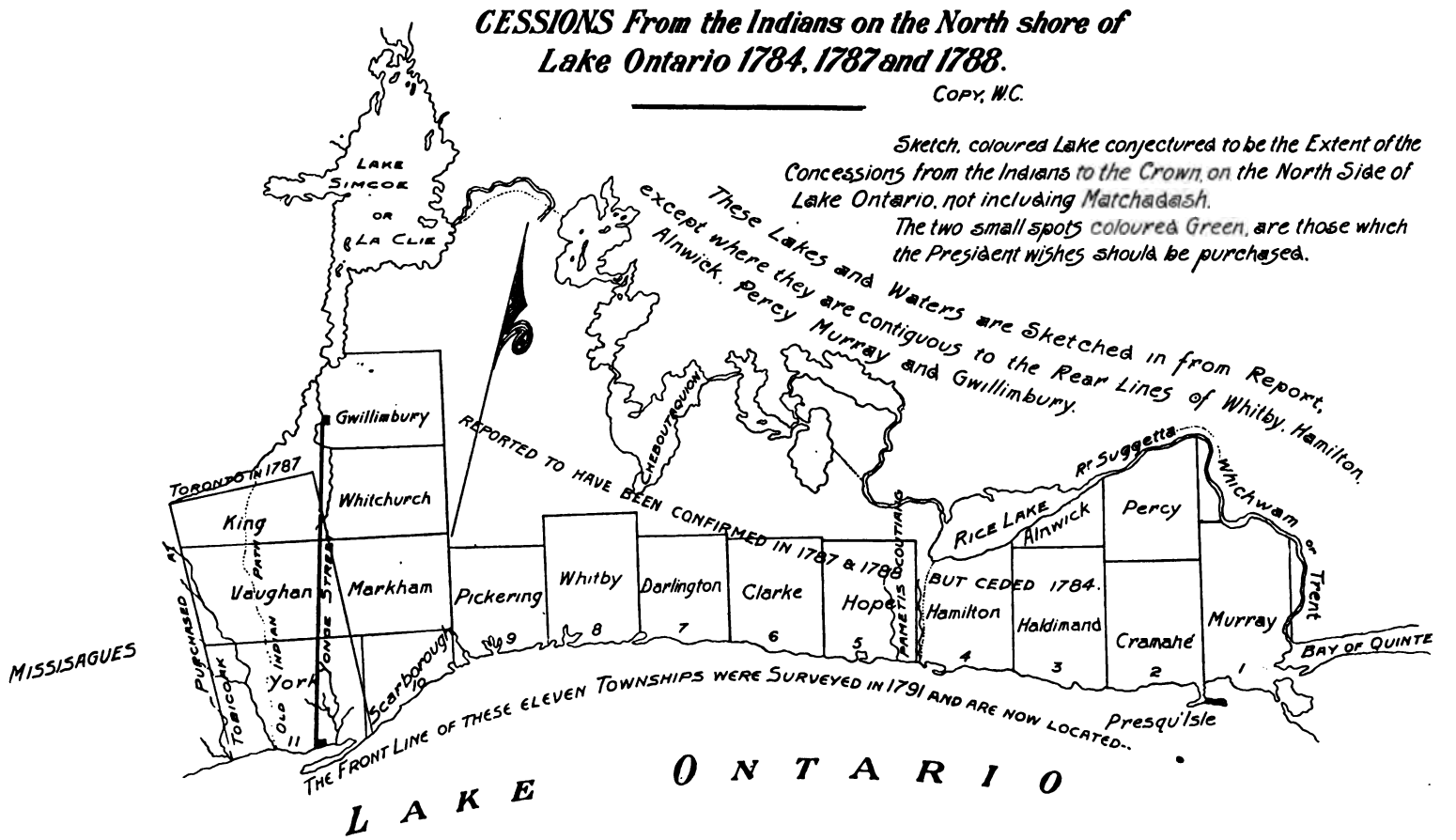

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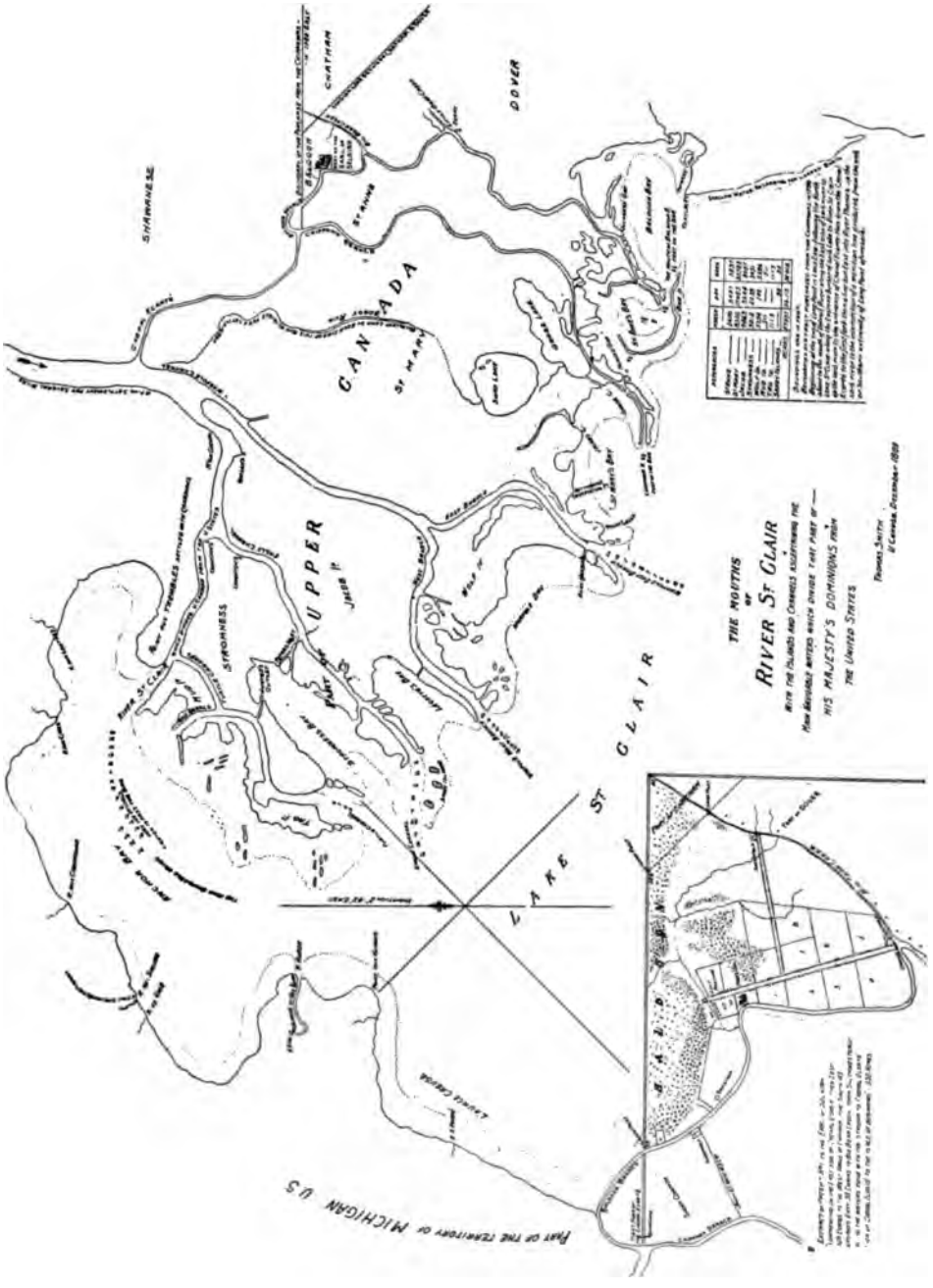
IN THE WESTERN DISTRICT.



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The Eastern Waterfront.

The following letter from Major Holland to General Haldimand gives an interesting description of the route from Montreal to Kingston:—

QUEBEC, 26th June, 1783.

SIR,—Agreeably to the commands contained in your Excellency's letter to me dated the 26th of last month, I immediately set off for Montreal, with the two Mohawks, Captain Brant and Johan; there I left them, Captain Brant being unable to proceed from sickness. On the 3rd of June Captain LaForce joined me at LeChine, and we proceeded, with two batteaux, for Carleton Island. As the time limited by your Excellency for my return would not permit me to make an actual survey of the ungranted lands on the north side of the River St. Lawrence, I examined them with attention, and collected all the information I could as to the facility of establishing settlements there, and I found that from the supposed bounds of the Seigneurie of Soulange the property of Monsieur de Longueille on the Lake St. Francis the lands are low towards the water side and fit for meadows, but at the same distance the soil is exceedingly good tillage. From the upper part of Lake St. Francis to the Long Sault no land can be more promising, covered with fine timber fit for building vessels, and in some places pineries fit for masts. The shore along the Long Sault has not an inviting aspect, but the soil, 'tis said at no great distance back is equal to that on Lake St. Francis.

There are fine pineries two or three miles from the water's edge where large masts may be procured.

From the head of the Long Sault to the top of the uppermost rapid, where the navigation begins, the country has a most favorable appearance. From hence to Cataraqui the shore is high and rocky, but opening here and there into beautiful coves and bays, where the view extends a great way into fine natural meadows, and though the shore appears rough and uninviting the soil is rich at some distance—fit for all purposes of agriculture, as I have been informed.

I arrived at Carleton Island on the 10th, late at night, and applied to Major Harris to despatch your orders for Major Ross and Mr. Tinling, the assistant engineer. On the 12th I reached Cataraqui, and began the survey of the Fort and entrenchments made there by the French troops. On the following day my assistant proceeded to survey the harbor and Captain La Force to take the soundings. Lieut. Tingling joined me on the 17th, when I examined the fort, and made arrangements for the re-establishment of this important post, which in every part surpassed the favorable idea I had formed of it. Your Excellency will perceive its advantageous situation by the plans and drawings which accompany this letter.

The vaults still remain entire, with part of the walls of the fort, barracks, etc., etc., and are in such a state as will contribute to lessen the expense of its re-establishment. The works or lines began by the French on the commanding grounds near the fort will cover a sufficient space for a town. The harbor is in every respect good, and most conveniently situated to command Lake Ontario. The batteaux men prefer keeping over on this side, as they can follow the shore without crossing to the islands in their course.

Captain Joseph Brant, with several Indians of the Six Nations, went up to Cataraqui Falls and made excursions into the woods. They seemed

to be well satisfied with the country. At their return they declined saying anything concerning the lands; but told me that as soon as they have examined the north side of the lake they will inform your Excellency of the spot where they'll choose to fix their abode. For this purpose they have sent Captain Isaac with six men of their number to accompany the surveying party.

On the 19th we returned to Carleton Island, where I arranged matters with Major Harris, and wrote to Major Ross for fifty men from each post, and to transport materials to Cataraqui to prosecute the works carrying on there under Mr. Tinling, with whom I left Lieut. Holland as an assistant, who was despatched to forward materials from Oswego.

Captain La Force, Mr. Cotte,* and Mr. Peachy proceeded to survey the north shore of the Lake Ontario all the way to Niagara, having received my instructions for that purpose. On the 20th I set out from Carleton Island for Quebec, where I arrived yesterday. I have the honor to be, etc.,

SAMUEL HOLLAND.

Following are the official descriptions of the townships of Cataraqui and west of it which were outlined by the Deputy Surveyor-General (Collins) during the fall of 1783, and subdivided during the following year:—

TOWNSHIP No. 1 (Kingston),—A township or tract of land six miles square, lying and being in the Province of Quebec, situate on the north side of Lake Ontario, near the ancient Fort Frontenac, beginning at a stone boundary standing south 49 degrees, west two hundred and twenty perches from the west angle of the said fort, and six perches from the bank of the lake, runs due west, crossing the mouth of the Little Cataraqui six miles to a stone boundary standing six perches from the bank of the Bay Tonegeyon; and from thence due north, crossing the head of the Bay Tonegeyon, and a small creek that discharges itself into the said bay, six miles to a stone boundary; and from thence a due east course, passing through a low country six miles to a stone boundary standing on a hill twenty-eight perches from the main bank of the little River Cataraqui; and from thence due south, crossing the main branch of the little River Cataraqui and two other branches that discharge into the said river, terminates on the north bank of Lake Ontario at the first station, including twenty-three thousand and forty superficial acres of land, the greater part of which appears to be of an excellent quality, fit for the production of wheat, oats, Indian corn, hemp, flax, timothy and clover. The woods in general are maple, bass, hickory, ash, elm, pine and white oak, etc.—the two latter in many parts from two and a half to three feet diameter.

This township hath a great many advantages on account of its situation, having Lake Ontario on its front. All the small bays afford good harbor for boats, and the lake abounds with a great variety of fish and wild fowl. The little River Cataraqui is navigable for batteaux from its entrance into the lake to the upper boundary of the township, in which space are many proper places for erecting saw-mills.

TOWNSHIP No. 2 (Ernesttown, so called after Prince Ernest, eighth child of George III),—Surveyed according to the above scheme or plot hereunto annexed, a township or tract of land six miles square, situate on the north side of Lake Ontario, bounded in front by the said lake, and in depth by the ungranted lands belonging to the King; on the east by the ungranted lands as aforesaid, and on the west by a township marked on the plan No. 3, beginning at a stone boundary, and runs up the lake south

59 degrees west six miles, to a stone boundary; from thence along a line of marked trees, north thirty-one degrees west six miles, to a stone boundary; and from thence along a line of marked trees north fifty-nine degrees, east six miles, to a stone boundary; thence south thirty-one degrees east six miles to the first station, including twenty-three thousand and forty superficial acres of land, which appear to be equal in quality to the best lands in America. The woods the same as described in No. 1. Surveyed the 7th day of November, 1783."

Township No. 3 (afterwards called Fredericksburgh, after Frederick, Duke of Sussex, ninth child of the King),—Surveyed according to the above scheme or plot hereunto annexed, a township or tract of land situate on the north side of Lake Ontario, bounded in front by the said lake, and in depth by the ungranted lands belonging to the King; on the east by No. 2, and on the west by No. 4, beginning at a stone boundary standing thirty perches from the bank of the lake, and runs up the same south fifty-nine degrees east six miles to a stone boundary standing on the north bank of the Bay of Quinte; from thence along a line of marked trees north thirty-one degrees west, crossing a large bay six miles and one hundred and forty-one perches to a stone boundary; and from thence along a line of marked trees north fifty-nine degrees east six miles to a stone boundary standing on line No. 2; thence down the said line south thirty-one degrees east six miles and one hundred and forty perches to the first station. The quality of the land and woods the same as described in No. 1. Surveyed the 12th day of November, 1783.

Township No. 4 (Adolphustown, called after the Duke of Cambridge, tenth son of George III., and Fredericksburgh, additional),—Surveyed according to the above scheme or plot hereunto annexed, a township or tract of land situate on the north side of the Bay of Quinte, bounded in front by the aforesaid bay, and in depth by the ungranted lands belonging to the King; on the west side by the bay aforesaid, and on the east by the division line that divides this township from No. 3.

Beginning at a stone fixed on the north bank of the Bay of Quinte, the upper boundary of No. 3, and runs up the bay the several courses of the water to the west point or peninsula of land that lies between the said Bay of Quinte and Savannah Bay; thence crossing Savannah Bay north fifty-one degrees east seven hundred and fifty-nine perches to a stone boundary standing in the line of No. 3; thence down the said line south thirty-one degrees east five miles and two hundred and eighty perches to the first station. Surveyed the 15th day of November, 1783.

J. Collins, D. S. General.

Assisted by Capt. Sherwood and Lieut. Kotte.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Forty years of British occupation and rule—1760-1800—gave a number of very able Administrators and Officials to Canada, conspicuous among whom were Governors Murray, Dorchester, Haldimand, Col. Henry Hamilton, Col. Henry Hope, General Alured Clarke, Lt-Col. John Graves Simcoe, Samuel Holland, Sir John Johnson, Col. Alexander McKee, David W. Smith, and John Collins.

Governor-General **James Murray** was the fourth son of Lord Elibank, a Scottish nobleman of ancient and distinguished family. He entered the army early in life and at the seige of Quebec commanded a brigade, succeeding to the command of the forces after the capture of the city. He acted as Military Governor from 1760 to 1763 and as Governor-General of Canada from 1763 to 1767. He subsequently served in the army and became Governor of Minorca in 1774. In his gallant defence of Fort St. Philip in 1781-82 he greatly distinguished himself. He died on the 18th June, 1794 leaving a son, James Patrick who rose to be a Major General in the British Army, and married Elizabeth, daughter of Edward Rushworth, Esq: of Freshwater House, Isle of Wight.

Governor-General, **Lord Dorchester,** occupies an exceptionally high place, the most eminent of all, among the personages associated with the organization and early government of Canada. He was no less distinguished as a soldier than as a statesman and the value of his services to Canada can hardly be overestimated. He was born on the 3rd Sept 1724 at Strabane, Ireland, and after completing his studies, entered the army and obtained speedy promotion. He accompanied Wolfe to Canada, showed signal ability in the operations before Quebec, and served at Belleisle and Havana. He was appointed Lieut-Governor and Acting Governor-General of Quebec in 1766 and Governor-General in 1768. He was in London prior to the passing of the Quebec Act of 1774 and conferred with the British Authorities respecting the measure. After the passage of the Act he returned to Canada and took a deeply interested part in bringing its provisions into operation, as well as rendering superior services in the field on the outbreak of the Revolutionary War. In 1777 he withdrew to England, having been superceded in the command of the army by General Burgoyne. The honor of knighthood was conferred on him during this visit. In 1782 he was appointed Commander-in-Chief of the forces in America in the place of Sir Henry Clinton, with headquarters at New York. On returning to England in 1786, he was raised to the Peerage as Baron Dorchester and a pension of £1000. per annum was bestowed upon him for life and for the lives of his wife and two sons. In the same year he was again appointed Governor-General and Captain General of Canada and he continued to govern the Province until 1796. He married in 1772 Lady Maria, daughter of the second Earl of Effingham, by whom he had many children. He died on the 10th Nov. 1808 at Stubbings, near Maidenhead England.

Governor-General **Sir Frederick Haldimand** was a native of Yverdun, in the Canton of Neuchâtel, Switzerland, where he was born on the 11th August 1718. He began his military career in the service of the King of Sardinia. He transferred to the Prussian Army and after three years was admitted as a lieutenant in the Guards with the rank of lieutenant-colonel. In 1754 he joined the British Army with the rank of colonel, and in 1756 came to America to serve in the Royal Americans then lately raised. His course as a soldier was distinguished, and his defence of Oswego, in the war with France, is regarded as of great merit. He sustained his reputation as a soldier throughout the Revolutionary War. After the capitulation of Montreal he was stationed at Three Rivers, and for a time was Governor there. He replaced Carleton as Governor-General of Canada in 1778 and held office until 1784. He resided for a time in London, and died at his early home at Yverdun, in his brother's house on the 5th of June 1791. His name will always be associated with the history of early Canada on



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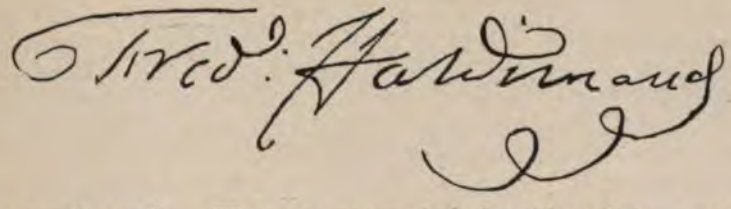
account of the voluminous correspondence he carried on, which was preserved, copies of which are in the Canadian Archives and known as the Haldimand Collection.

Lieutenant-Governor **Henry Hamilton** figures in the Revolutionary War, in the expedition against Vincennes in 1778. He had been appointed Civil Governor of Detroit in 1777, and his march on Vincennes was ordered by





Lord George Germain. He was captured and subjected to great hardship by the soldiers of Washington. He was a member of the Council at Quebec, and was appointed Lieutenant Governor of Canada in 1785.

Lieutenant-Governor **Henry Hope** was a member of the Legislative Council and assumed the government in 1787, pending the return of Lord Dorchester from Britain. He died at Quebec on the 13th April 1789.

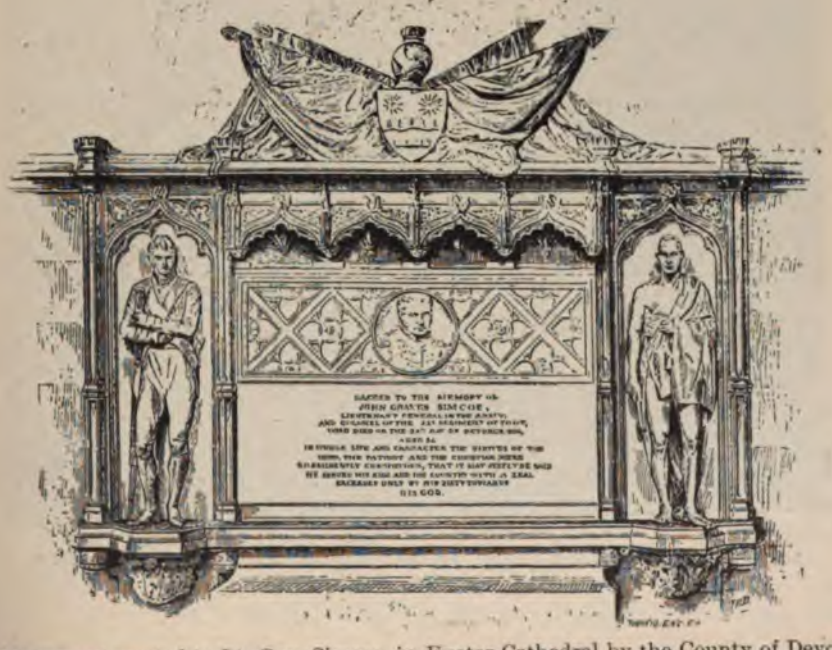
Lieutenant-Governor **Alured Clarke** had a long and distinguished military career. His stay in Canada was a short one. He succeeded Col. Hope in 1790 as Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec, and acted as Administrator during the absence of Lord Dorchester in Great Britain. He was a careful

and capable business man. As Administrator he had the honor of issuing the proclamation of 18th November 1791 bringing into operation the Act dividing the Province of Quebec into Upper and Lower Canada. He was born about 1745. He served in Germany under Lord Granby in 1759 and with Howe at New York. He was Lieutenant-Governor of Jamaica 1782-90. After he left Canada he reduced the Cape of Good Hope and won a Knighthood. He was appointed Commander-in-Chief of Madras in 1795, relinquishing that important post in 1797 for the command and governorship of Bengal. He was then Governor-General of India for a short time and in 1798 became Commander-in-Chief of the forces in India. In 1802 he was made a General in the Army, having returned from India, and his long career was crowned in 1830 by his being raised to the rank of a field marshal. He lived until 1832.

Lieutenant-Governor **John Graves Simcoe,** stands out as the first ruler of the Province of Upper Canada, and that fact added to the important part he played in laying the foundation of the Province, gives special interest to his career and personality. He was born in 1752 at Cotterstock, England and was the son of Captain John Simcoe Commander of H.M.S. "Pembroke," who was killed at Quebec in 1759. John Graves was the elder of two sons, and his brother was drowned shortly after his father's death. Young Simcoe was educated at Exeter, at Eton, and at Merton College, Oxford. In his nineteenth year he joined the Army with an ensigny in the 35th regiment of the line, and left for America almost immediately. He served as Adjutant of the 35th. and then purchased a Captaincy in the 40th, regiment. In 1777 he obtained the command of the Queen's Rangers, a mounted infantry partisan Corps recruited in and near New York. Under him the Corps became famous for gallant exploits. At the close of the War he returned to England, and not long afterwards married Miss Guillim. In 1790 he was elected Member of Parliament, for St. Maw's, Cornwall, but resigned on having been selected as first Lieutenant-Governor of Upper Canada in 1791. He was accompanied to his new post by his wife and young family. They landed in Quebec in November 1791 and wintered there. On the 8th of July he arrived in Kingston, and proceeded at once to organize his government. From Kingston he went to Newark, the provincial capital, and there, remained until the seat of government was removed to Toronto. Under his governorship the first parliament of Upper Canada was opened on the 17th September 1792. In 1796 he was recalled and was appointed Governor of San Domingo. In 1798, he became a Lieut. General, and in 1806 was appointed successor to Lord Lake as Commander-in-Chief of India, but died at Torbay before going out to India to assume command. He left a lasting impression on Ontario and is held in high esteem as a far-seeing, and enlightened statesman. His name has been perpetuated in some important place-names in Ontario, and an heroic statute in bronze has been erected in his honor at Toronto.

Major **Samuel Holland** was trained as an engineer officer, and as such acted with Wolfe at Louisbourg and Quebec. He was subsequently Surveyor-General "of the Colonies north of Virginia." He operated extensively on the surveys in the New England colonies. In the Revolutionary War, he adhered to the Crown and settling in Quebec, resumed his duties as Surveyor-General. It was under his direction that the first surveys of the upper St Lawrence and the Bay of Quinte were made. He was a gentleman of education, refined tastes and good social qualities. He acquired 200 acres on the brow of St Foy heights Quebec, in 1780 which had belonged to M.



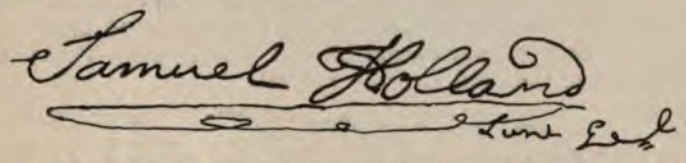


Monument erected to Lt.-Gov. Simcoe, in Exeter Cathedral by the County of Devon. Designed by Flaxman.

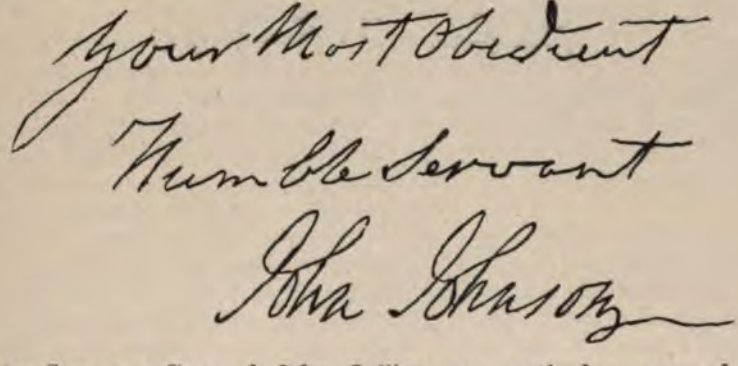


Statue of Lieut.-Governor Simcoe, erected in Queen's Park, Toronto, in 1903.
W. S. Allward, Sculptor.

Jean Tache, author of the first Canadian poem "Tableau de la Mer" (ancestor of Sir E. Tache). It became known as the Holland farm, and here Major Holland, according to Le Moine, lived in affluence for many years, subsequent to the close of the War, and in the exercise of open hospitality. The farm is now known as Spencer Grange. He was a member of the Legislative and Executive Councils and died in 1801. His son, Samuel Holland, was killed in a duel at Montreal by Major Ward, of the 60th Regiment. Father and son were buried at Quebec.



The name of **Sir John Johnson** is overshadowed by the greater name of Sir William Johnson, his father. Yet his own services were many and important. He joined the Army as a volunteer in the Revolutionary War, and operated largely among the Mohawk Indians. He raised and commanded a regiment of two battalions in Canada, named the Royal Greens. He defeated Herkimer in 1777 at Fort Stanwix, and suffered defeat in 1780 at Fox's Mill. He was knighted by the king at London in 1765. After the war he was appointed Superintendent-General of Indian Affairs in British North America, Colonel-in-Chief of the six battalions of the militia of the Eastern Townships, and a member of the Legislative Council. He resided in Montreal. He married Mary, daughter of John Watts president of the Council, New York, and had one son William, a colonel in the British Army, killed at Waterloo. Sir John died at Montreal in 1822.



Deputy Surveyor-General **John Collins** was actively engaged in the earliest surveys of Ontario. He operated at Kingston in 1783, and westward of it, in the townships of Ernestown, Fredericksburg, Adolphustown and Marysburgh, in the following year. He accompanied Sir John Johnson in 1784 with the party of U. E. Loyalists under Captain Michael Grass and assisted in their settlement, administering the oath of allegiance to them under a Special Commission. But he had been connected with Canadian surveys long previously, having received an appointment from Major Holland as early as the 8th September 1764 as Deputy Surveyor-General. Sharp differences of opinion occasionally arose between Major Holland and Mr. Collins, as, for instance in the laying out and settlement of Kingston and in these disputes he seems to have had influence enough with the Governor-General to enable him to prevail, probably by the backing of Sir John John-

son. Outside of his professional life very little has come down to us about him. He was an ardent Freemason and in 1787 founded St. James Lodge in the King's Rangers at Cataraqui.

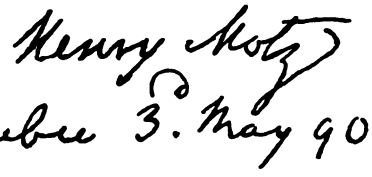


The Hon. **Hugh Finlay** was an active member of the Legislative Council for many years, and was chairman of the Land Committee at Quebec. He acted also in other important official capacities and was Deputy Postmaster-General. He died at Quebec on the 26th December, 1801.





Jenkin Williams, Secretary of the Executive and Privy Council of Canada, 1775.



Henry Motz, Secretary to the Governor-General of Canada.

REPORT OF THE BUREAU OF ARCHIVES.

SECTION C.—LAND BOARD MINUTES, ETC.

The District Land Boards preserved minutes of their transactions and transmitted reports regularly to the Governor General-in-Council at Quebec. But the Ontario Archives possesses only those of the Board for the District of Hesse, and a fragment of those for the District of Nassau. It is hoped that those of the Boards for Mecklenburg and Lunenburg are still recoverable, and that such invaluable records as they would be may not be lost to the Province to which they belong. Even in the case of the District of Hesse the Land Board documents are far from complete. In demitting the office of Secretary to the Board, on the 8th of June 1792, Mr. D. W. Smith, makes a note of "three registers, and nineteen attendant ones thereon; besides all the other papers which are sorted and classed." The nineteen office registers and the papers have disappeared, but it is unlikley that they have all been destroyed, and therefore may yield to search. The three registers mentioned are in the Archives and are in fair state of preservation, although the tooth of time has not spared them. Their contents are given in full in this Section, with a detailed general index.

The minutes of the Land Board for the District of Nassau must have comprised several books, but only a thin volume can be found. It, with other Nassau papers, are given in this Section; as well as the book of instructions to the land surveyors of Upper Canada, a book of surveyors' letters, lists of settlers, miscellaneous papers bearing on the settlement of land, and a statement of the papers in the Surveyor-General's office in 1807.

As first constituted, three members formed a quorum of each Board. From the 1st of May, 1791, on account of the increase of public business, the quorum was raised to five and additional members selected from U. E. Loyalists were appointed. Accordingly, at the meeting of the Board for Hesse held on the 20th May, 1791 (p. 133), three new members were in attendance: John Askin, George Leith and Montigny de Louvigny. Those added to the Board for Nassau were: Gilbert Tice, John Burch, John Warren, Robert Kerr and John McNab. To that for Mecklenburg were added James McDonnel and Hector McLean; and to that for Lunenburg, Malcolm McMartin.

The first Secretary of the Board for Hesse was Thomas Smith, who became one of the members of the second Legislature of Upper Canada for the County of Kent. He was succeeded as Secretary by David William Smith, who was one of the members of the first Legislature for Upper Canada for the County of Kent. The third Secretary of the Board was Edward James O'Brien, who continued in that office until the dissolution of the Board.

In connection with the Schedules and Index of the Two Connected Townships given on pp. 76-80, and the Heads of Inquiry previous to granting lots in the Two Connected Townships given on pp. 269-291, it may be explained that they are the townships of Colchester and Gosfield, lying on Lake Erie east of the township of Malden in the angle of Lake Erie and Detroit River. They consist of a block of land given by the Indians, who then owned it, to a number of men whose names have been, from the commencement of British settlement in the County of Essex, closely and prominently associated with the Detroit District,—Alexander McKee, William Caldwell, Charles McCormack, Robin Emphleet, Anthony St. Martin, Matthew Elliott, Henry Bird, Thomas McKee and Simon Girty. But the British Government did not recognize purchases by private individuals from the Indians, the rule being that all Indian land should

be secured by the Crown, and granted subsequently to settlers by the Crown, thus securing Crown control of the land and protection for the Indians. The grantees in this case, however, pressed for sanction to settle on the land, and Haldimand, while not consenting, encouraged the applicants to carry on improvements and in the meantime negotiated with the Indians to convey the land to the King so that it could be surveyed, and properly granted to the settlers. Before the case was closed, however, Haldimand was succeeded by Dorchester, and the question soon engaged his attention. Hence Major Matthews went from Quebec to Detroit and in 1788 laid out the two townships 97 lots, confirming the original squatters, apparently with Dorchester's consent. Some years, however, elapsed before the final settlement of claims, and inquiries were instituted at Quebec in 1791 and at Detroit in 1793, when apparently an adjustment was reached.

HESSE: Of the first members of the Land Board for the District of Hesse Major **Farnham Close**, of the 65th Foot, was the Commandant of the Garrison at Detroit, and held office by virtue of his military position. **William Dummer Powell**, was of Welsh descent, born at Boston in 1755. His grandfather came from England as Secretary to Lieutenant-Governor Dummer. The future Chief Justice of Upper Canada was sent to England to be educated and he returned to Boston in 1772. After a brief residence in Lower Canada he settled at Detroit in 1789. The journey occupied a long time, taking ten days from Montreal to Kingston, four, from Kingston to Niagara. Mr. Powell was the first judge who presided over the Court in the District of Hesse, and was a member of the Land Board. Subsequently he settled in Toronto and retired from the bench in 1825. He had a high reputation as a judge, and bore a conspicuous part in the civil life of his time. It is generally accepted that **M. Duperon Baby** was the M. Babee who in 1760 negotiated for Bellestre with Roger's representative, as to the surrender of Detroit to the British. He was of an old French family, "grandson of Jacques Baby de Rainville who came to Canada from Guienne with the Carignau regiment." Duperon Baby was born in 1738, was made a justice of the Court of Common Pleas in 1788, and died at Sandwich in 1796. (James). Col. **Alexander McKee** was Indian Agent at Pittsburg before the Revolutionary War, after the outbreak of which he was imprisoned by the revolutionists at Pittsburg. He effected his escape and co-operated with Sir John Johnson among the Indians, becoming Deputy Superintendent-General. In 1778 he travelled through the Indian territory to Detroit, and greatly assisted in maintaining friendly relations between the tribes and the British Crown. He was a Justice of the Court of Common Pleas at Detroit. His services were greatly appreciated by Lord Dorchester, and in his death on the 14th January 1799 the service lost an able and devoted officer. **William Robertson** was one of the most active members of the Land Board. He settled at Detroit in 1782, engaging in general business as a merchant. He was appointed one of the Justices of the Court of Common Pleas in 1788. He appeared before the Council in Quebec in that year on behalf of the inhabitants of Detroit who memorialized the Governor-General on matters touching the administration of justice. He was appointed a member of Simcoe's first Executive Council, but had by that time settled in England and does not appear to have returned to Canada again. **Alexander Grant** was the fourth son of Grant of Glenmoriston, Invernessshire. He served in the Royal Navy as a midshipman. He was present with Amherst in the Lake Champlain expedition and was afterwards placed in command of the lake vessels from Niagara to Mackinaw with headquarters at Detroit. Hence his title of commodore. He was a member of the Land Board of Hesse, of Simcoe's

Executive Council, and Administrator of Upper Canada in 1805, during the interval between Lt.-Governor Hunter & Lt.-Governor Gore. He died in 1813. Judge Woods of Chatham Ont is a grandson. The name of Lt **Adhemar St. Martin** is among those of the Justices of the Peace for Hesse on the list for 1788, and in the year following he appears as a member of the Land Board of Hesse, being then a resident at St Vincent. He had been for many years prominent in the affairs of the Western settlement, gave valuable service as Commissary and interpreter in the Pontiac affair, and suffered severe loss of property. His name is associated with the famous Cass House which came into his possession about 1750, and was the birthplace of Major-General Macomb and at one time the home of the Anthons of whom Charles was the distinguished classical author and Editor. Changes began soon to take place in the personell of the Board and one of the most prominent of the new members was Col. **John Askin.** The Askin family attained influence in the Detroit district at an early period The name was originally the Scottish "Erskine" and was changed to conceal identity after the Jacobite defeat in 1715. One of the old family removed to Ireland and had a son, John Askin who settled in America and at the time of the Conquest of Canada was a merchant at Albany. In the Pontiac outbreak he transported the supplies from Albany by Lake Erie to Detroit and received, as a reward, grants of land at Detroit. In 1764 he went as Commissary to Michilimackinac, returning in 1780 to Detroit as a trader. He was successful in business and amassed much property, which he abandoned to the States at the close of the Revolutionary War. He then settled in Canada on the east side of the Detroit river. He was appointed a Captain of Militia in 1787 by Lord Dorchester and in 1796 was promoted to be Lieut-Colonel & Colonel in 1801.

NASSAU: When the Land Board was appointed for the District of Nassau, the Commanding officer at Niagara, and ex-officio a member was **Lieut-Colonel Hunter.** He was, shortly afterwards, succeeded at Niagara by Lt-Col. Gordon, Commanding the Upper Posts. Lieut-Colonel **John Butler** of the famous Butler's Rangers settled at Niagara after the peace. He was born in New London, Connecticut in 1728. He was closely associated with Sir William, Sir John, and Col. Guy Johnston, In return for his indefatigable military services he received a pension of £200 per annum and a position in the department of Indian affairs worth £500 a year, besides 500 acres of land for himself and free grants of land for his children. Niagara was named Butlersburg after him. He died on the 12th May 1796. **Peter Ten Broeck** possessed considerable property in Tryon Valley which was confiscated by the revolutionists. He held a captain's commission in Butler's Rangers. He settled on the Niagara River after the war. **Robert Hamilton** was descended from a distinguished Scottish family and first settled at Kingston where he assumed as partner, Mr. Richard Cartwright. Dissolving partnership Mr. Hamilton went to Queenston he afterwards resided there. He engaged very extensively in trade and prospered well. He was a member of Simcoe's Legislative Council. His fine residence at Queenston, built in the English style (says Rochefaucault in 1795) was the centre of much social entertainment and hospitality. St. Catherines was named after his wife Catherine. **Benjamin Pawling** was the son of a Welshman who had settled in Pennsylvania. He, and his brother Jesse, on the confiscation of their property went to Nova Scotia and travelled thence to Quebec by walking and canoeing. They joined the British forces there and fought through the war. Benjamin was a captain-Lieutenant in Butler's Rangers, retiring at the close of the war with the rank of a Colonel. His

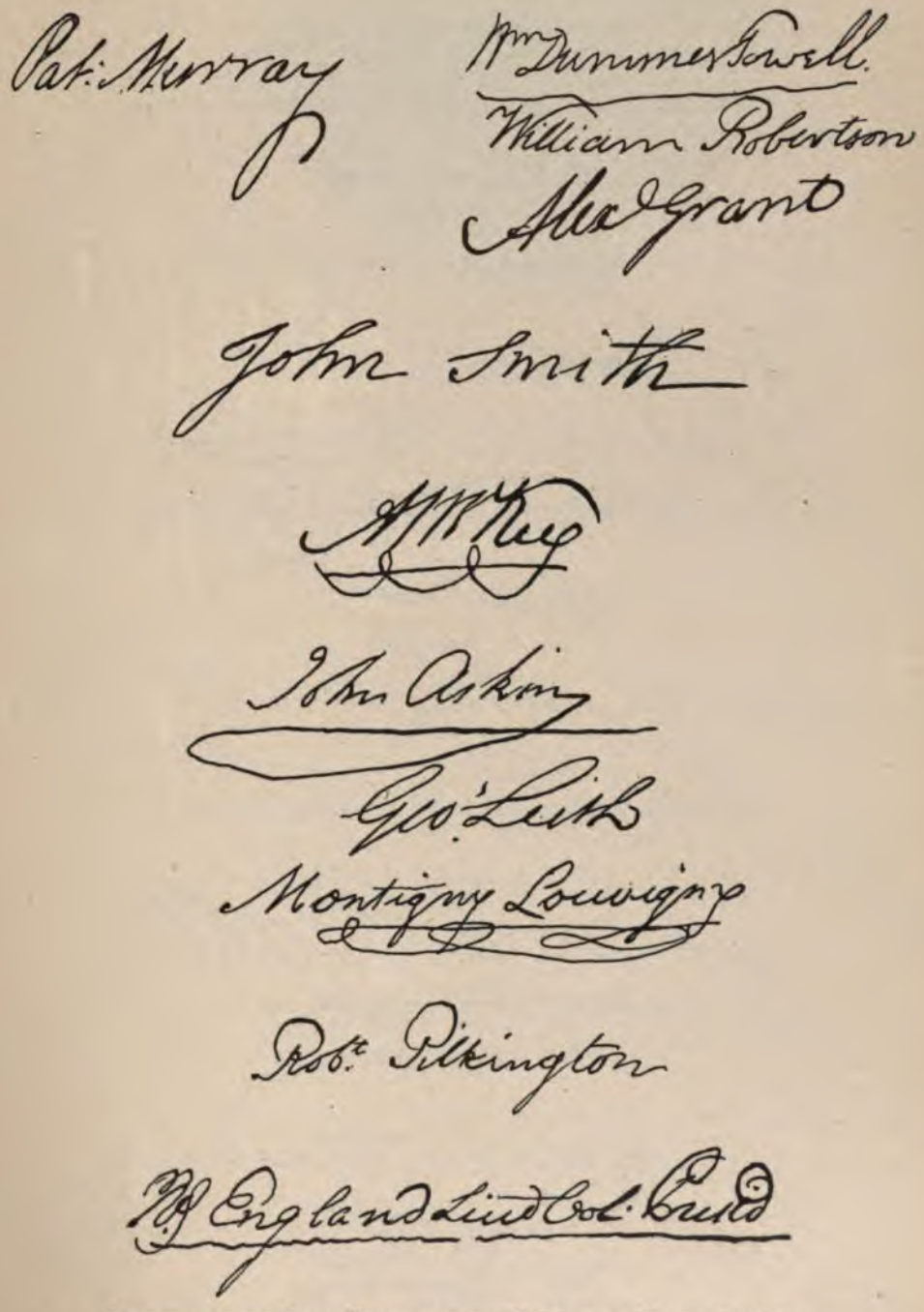
name appears on the U. E. Loyalist list at Detroit in 1784 as an intending settler, but he drew his land immediately east of Port Dalhousie, his brother settling near by. He acted as a Land Surveyor, and was a member of the first Legislature of Upper Canada. He died in December 1818. **Nathaniel Pettit** accompanied by his brother Andrew settled in Grimsby township in July 1787, their property in Pennsylvania and in New Jersey having been confiscated on account of their loyalty. Nathaniel owned the land on which Grimsby now stands. He was unmarried; descendants of his brother are still in the Niagara peninsula. He was known as Judge Pettit, and was a member of the first legislature of Upper Canada, representing the First Riding of Lincoln.

MECKLENBURG. One of the most influential men in the District of Mecklenburg was the Rev. **Dr. John Stuart,** the founder of the Church of England in Upper Canada. He was born on the 24th February 1740 at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, his father, Andrew Stuart, being a rigid Presbyterian, his consent to his son's becoming an Anglican Clergyman was obtained only with difficulty. Dr. Stuart was ordained in England and returning in 1770 labored as a missionary in the Mohawk valley. He translated, with the assistance of Joseph Brant, the New and parts of the Old Testament into the Mohawk tongue and acquired great influence among the Indians. Adhering to Britain in the Revolutionary War he escaped to Canada in 1781 and settled at Montreal where he opened a school and had the chaplaincy of a regiment. He removed to Kingston in 1785 and there drew his land as a Loyalist. Lord Dorchester sent him a Commission as first Judge of the Court of Common Pleas which post he declined, but acted on the Land Board. He was appointed Chaplain to the Upper House of Assembly (or Legislative Council), at the first session of the Legislature. He was also Chaplain to the garrison at Kingston. He married Jane O'Kill, of Philadelphia and had a family of five sons and three daughters, his eldest son being the Rev. Archdeacon George O'Kill Stuart of Toronto and Kingston. Dr. Stuart died on the 15th August 1811. **Neil MacLean** served as a Lieutenant in the 55th Regiment and afterwards held the same rank in the 84th Regiment of the Royal Highland Emigrants. He took an active part in the settlement of the soldiers of that regiment on the St. Lawrence, and in addition to having been a member of the Land Board, was on Simcoe's new Commission of the Peace and a Captain in the 2nd Battalion of the Royal Canadian Volunteers Regiment of Foot. Hon. **Richard Cartwright,** was born at Albany, N.Y., on the 2nd February, 1759. His father was an emigrant from England and his mother was of a loyal Dutch family. He received a liberal education, and intended to enter the church, but before his studies had been completed, the revolutionary war broke out, and he changed his views of a career by ranging himself on the British side. He accompanied his parents to Canada, and acted for a time as Secretary to Colonel John Butler of the Queen's Rangers. At the conclusion of the war, he settled at Cataraqui, and engaged in business, forming a connection with Robert Hamilton. When the latter went to Niagara, Mr. Cartwright remained at Kingston and became its most influential citizen. Though his tastes were those of a student and scholar, he prospered in business and was able to devote considerable time to public affiairs in which he proved a wise and able counsellor. His letters show a grasp of affairs, and one or two which have been published contain interesting information regarding the duties of the Land Boards of Upper Canada, he, himself being a member of that for Mecklenburg. He was appointed a member of the first Legislative Council, a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, a County Lieutenant, and was a Colonel of Militia. He declined frequent offers of a seat at the Executive Council of the Province.

He died in 1815. He left two sons, John S. Cartwright and the Rev. Robert Cartwright, the father of the Hon. Sir Richard J. Cartwright, Minister of Trade and Commerce.

LUNENBURG: The name of **Richard Duncan** is first on the list of the names of the members of the Land Board of Lunenburg (named after Luneburg in Germany). He was a leading settler in the District, who, after having given valuable service to the Loyalist cause in the field, took an active part in the arduous work of a pioneer. He was born in Berwick-on-Tweed, Scotland, and came to America in 1755 with his father, John Duncan, who was then in the 44th Regiment. He served as an Ensign in the 55th Regiment, and in 1755 was residing at Schenectady. He obtained a captaincy in Sir John Johnson's Corps in 1776 and joined Burgoyne in 1777 at Saratoga. He had acquired a large area of land in Charlotte County, Vermont; at Lake Champlain, in Cherry Valley, Little Falls, Schoharie, and at various points on the Mohawk river At the close of the war he settled in Williamsburg, his headquarters being at Mariatown, named after his wife, Maria Fraser, sister of Captains Thomas and William Fraser. A great deal of property stood in his name in the new district Croil says of him that he was generous and humane and occupied almost all the local public offices. He was a magistrate, and a member of the first Legislative Council of the Province. What was said to have been imprudent business transactions necessitated a residence at Schenectady, where he died before the war of 1812. **John Macdonell** was the eldest son of Alexander Macdonell IV., of Aberchalder, Scotland. Alexander Macdonell was an aide-de-camp to Prince Charles Stuart in 1745. Coming, with his brother Angus, to America in 1773, they settled in Tryon County, near Johnstown, in the Province of New York, and both served as Captains in the King's Royal Regiment of N. Y., 1st Batt. John Macdonell was a subaltern in the 84th Royal Highland Emigrants in 1775, and then became a Captain in Butler's Rangers, serving with them for nearly six years He was the Lieutenant-Colonel commanding the 2nd battalion of the Royal Canadian Volunteer Regiment, the first regiment raised in Upper Canada (1796). The first battalion was commanded by Lieut.-Colonel J. De Longueuil. The first battalion garrisoned Lower Canada and the second battalion Upper Canada, until discharged in 1802 at the peace of Amiens. John Macdonell was a member of the first Land Board of Lunenburg; was elected member for Glengarry in 1792 for the first Legislature of Upper Canada, of which he was elected Speaker. He was also appointed Lieutenant of the County of Glengarry. He married Helen, daughter of Henry Yates, Governor of New York, and had an only son, Alexander, who was a Major in the Lancaster Regiment of Glengarry, and served in 1837. **Jeremiah French,** was, with a brother named Gershom, who afterwards lived at Coteau Landing, settled at Manchester, Vermont, at the time of the American Revolution. He was of English stock. He was at one time High Sheriff at Manchester, Vt., and owned a large track of land. He served seven years in the 2nd battalion of the King's Royal Regiment of N. Y., as a Lieutenant, and was conspicuous as an ardent loyalist When Upper Canada was thrown open for settlement to the U. S. Loyalists, Mr. French and family drew lands in Cornwall and Montague. He was married to a Miss Wheeler, whose pronounced opinions on the British side brought upon her head the special wrath of the revolutionists, and their son Benjamin French and Bishop Strachan were married sisters, daughters of Dr. Wood, a British Army Surgeon. **Mr. Justus Sherwood** was a Captain in the old Colonial Militia and in active service (Jessup's Loyal Rangers) during the Revolutionary War. He belonged to a well-known family with many influential connections. He came to the Province of Quebec, on the 6th December, 1777, remaining at St. John's for some time, afterwards settling in

the township of Augusta. His relative Thomas Sherwood, born at Stratford, Connecticut, was the first actual settler in the county of Leeds. Thomas Sherwood had two sons, James, the first male child born in the Leeds settlement, and Adiel, the Sheriff of the Johnston District, whose journal on local affairs is a most interesting and valuable description of the pioneer days. Captain Justus Sherwood's two sons Samuel and Livius Peters attained to eminence as lawyers, and the latter's son Henry became Attorney-General of Upper Canada in 1847. **James Gray** was a noted U. E. Loyalist. He was Major of the First Battalion of the King's Royal Regiment of New York, and as such appears frequently on behalf of the claims of the loyalists who served in that corps. He had had a long career in the British Army, having been an Ensign in Loudon's Highlanders in 1745, and lieutenant and captain in the Black Watch, selling out in 1763. His losses by the Revolutionary War were heavy. He settled near Cornwall, Ont., and his son Robert Isaac Dey Gray, was the first Solicitor-General for Upper Canada and first member of the Legislature for Stormont, whose young life was cut short by the foundering of "The Speedy" off Presqu' Isle. Major James Gray was born in Scotland, and died on the 11th May, 1796, aged 64. Capt. the Hon. **John Munro** was born in Scotland in 1731, came to America in 1756, and prior to the Revolutionary War had taken up land near Fort Bennington all of which was confiscated. He was a Captain in the First Battalion of the King's Royal Regiment of N. Y. At the close of the war he settled in the township of Matilda, and besides being a member of the Land Board was also a member of the first Legislative Council of Upper Canada. His name is in the Commission of the Peace for 1793. In Albany he married Miss Brower, of Schenectady, and had a family of eight children, of whom his son Hugh was a Lieutenant. He died at Dickenson's Landing in October, 1800, aged sixty-nine years.



MEMBERS OF THE LAND BOARD FOR THE DISTRICT OF HESSE, 1789-1794.

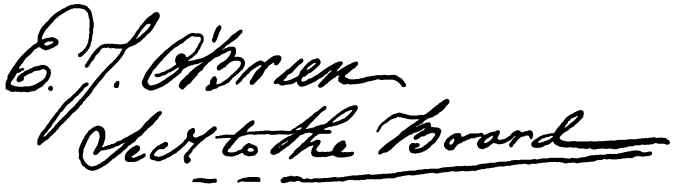
1. Patrick Murray, Commanding at Detroit; 2. W. Dummer Powell; 3. William Robertson; 4. Alexander Grant; 5. A. McKee; 6. John Smith, Commanding at Detroit; 7. John Askin; 8. Geo. Leith; 9. Montigny Louvigny; 10. Robert Pilkington, Lieutenant in the Royal Engineers; 11. R. J. England, Commanding at Detroit.



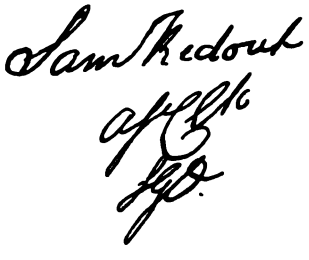
T. Smith, first Secretary to the Land Board for the District of Hesse.



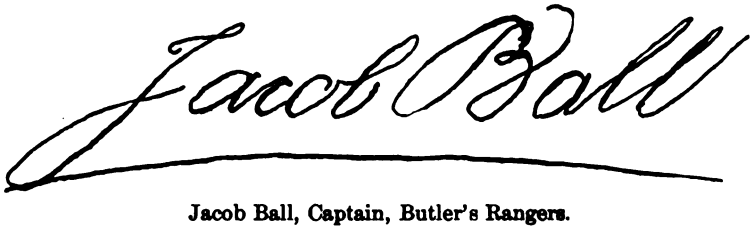
D. W. Smith, second Secretary for the Land Board for the District of Hesse.



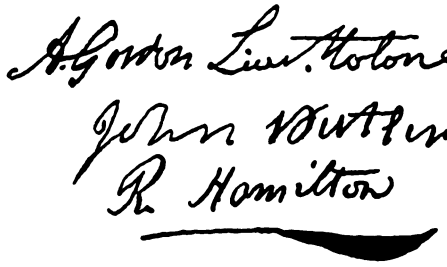
E. J. O'Brien, third and last Secretary to the Land Board for the District of Hesse.



Sam. Ridout, Assistant Clerk in the Surveyor-General's Office.



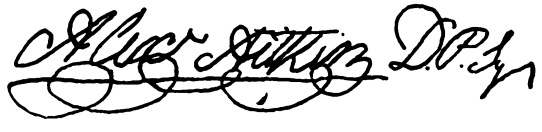
Jacob Ball, Captain, Butler's Rangers.

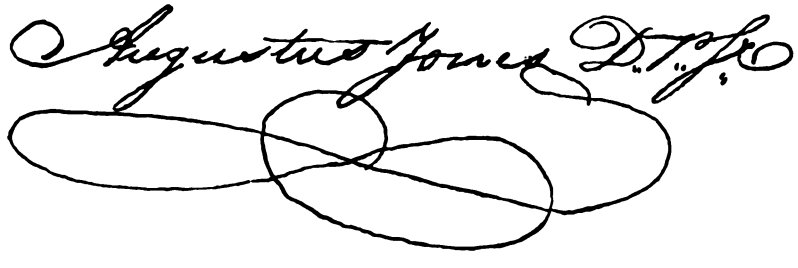


MEMBERS OF THE LAND BOARD OF THE DISTRICT OF NASSAU.
1 A. Gordon, Commanding at Niagara, 2 John Butler (of Butler's Rangers), 3 R. Hamilton.

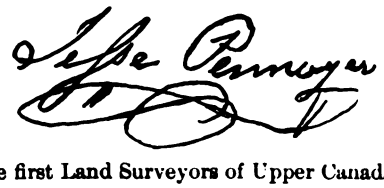












Signatures of some of the first Land Surveyors of Upper Canada :

1 W. Chewett, 2 Patrick McNiff, 3 Alex'r. Aitkin, 4 Augustus Jones, 5 James Rankin, 6 Jesse Pennoyer.

TYPOGRAPHICAL CORRECTIONS.

Line 15, page 9, instead of Height read Streight.
" 38, " 13, " " Ports " Posts.
" 10, " 1, " " Martin " St. Martin.
" 46, " 60, " " Viseman " Wiseman.
" 20, " 93, omit Andrew Bradt, Lieutenant.
" 24, " 108, instead of Commander read Commodore.
" 23, " 207, " " 667 " 676.
" 51, " 207, should be inserted as line 44.
" 465, after £105.15.6 read Halifax.
465, " £95.4.0 " Stg.
' 20, } page 204, instead of John Caldwell, Joshua Caldwell
21 } and Wheeler Caldwell, read : John Cornwall,. Joshua Cornwall and Wheeler Cornwall.

BOARD OF LAND OFFICE

FOR THE

DISTRICT OF HESSE,

1789-1794.

MINUTES OF MEETINGS, ETC.

(APPOINTMENT OF CLERK TO THE BOARD.)

To the:

*[2] Members of the Board of Land-office nominated and appointed by His Excellency the Right-Honorable Guy Lord Dorchester, Captain General and Governor in Chief of the Provinces of Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, Vice Admiral of the same, General and Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Forces in the said Province and the Island of Newfoundland, etc., etc., etc., viz., "Farnham Close, Esquire, Major in 65th Regiment of Foot, the officer Commanding at Detroit, William Dummer Powell, Esquire; Duperon Baby, Esquire; Alexander McKee, Esquire; William Robertson, Esquire; Alexander Grant, Esquire, and Lieutenant Martin Adhemar, Esquire, or any three of them to be a quorum for the business trusted to the whole Board in, and for the District of Hesse.

Quebec, 2 April, 1789.

GENTLEMEN,—I have His Excellency Lord Dorchester's commands to signify to you his desire, that in case you should find it absolutely necessary to employ a clerk for expediting the business of the Board, you take care that no greater fee be accepted by him than one shilling for the filing of every Petition, sixpence for the filing of any certificate or certificates or other papers, which may be produced in support of the same; and five shillings for every certificate to obtain lands which you may issue.

I am Gentlemen,

Your most Humble Servant,

(Signed) HENRY MOTZ.

In consequence of this letter the Board nominated Thomas Smith as Clerk of the Land-office; and the following advertisement was put up:

The Governor and Council has thought it expedient to establish an office for the facility of satisfying the claims of His Majesty's Subjects, and for the purpose of granting such portions of land as directed by law.

[3] I therefore give notice to all persons inclined to settle within this District to give in their Petition to Thomas Smith, Clerk of the Land-office, who is to lay them before the Board paying to him the following fees as directed by His Excellency the Right Honorable Lord Dorchester, "One shilling for the filing of every Petition. Sixpence for the filing of any

* The figures in black type, inserted throughout the Report, as above denote the pages on the original Register.

Certificate, Certificates or other papers—and Five shillings for every certificate to obtain lands. Given under my hand at Detroit, this 19th day of June, 1789.

(Signed) FARNHAM CLOSE, Major,
65th Regiment Commandant, etc., etc., etc.

MEETINGS OF THE BOARD.

Land-office, District of Hesse.

Friday, 7th of August, 1789.

Present: Patrick Murray, Esquire, Major in the 60th Regiment of Foot, Commanding Detroit and its dependencies, etc., etc. William Dummer Powell, Esquire; William Robertson, Esquire; Alexander Grant, Esquire.

The following Petitions were this day presented by the Clerk to the Board; after being read they were ordered to be filed until the 14th instant when the Board will meet again to hear the Petitioners and judge of the propriety of their claims. Agreed to meet weekly at the commanding officer's quarters, on Fridays at 11 o'clock, the clerk was therefore directed to give public notice thereof by an advertisement.

No. 1. William Caldwell; 2. James May; 3. John Jones; 4. Charles McCormick; 5. David England for the Quakers; 6. John Langton; 7. Peter Langton; 8. John Little; 9. James Little; 10. Arthur McCormick; 11. James Benjamin; 12. Frederick Fisher; 13. Thomas Smith.

Adjourned to the 14th inst. T. S. C.L.B.

Land-office, District of Hesse.

Friday, 14th of August, 1789.

Present: Patrick Murray, Esquire, Major Commandant; William Dummer Powell, Esquire; Alexander McKee, Esquire; William Robertson, Esquire; Alexander Grant, Esquire.

[4] The Board having enquired of David England what certainty he could offer of being able to settle a Township as required in his Memorial. It is replied by him that the application is on behalf of himself, and twenty families of his section, but thinks that a much greater number would come in with him if he could carry assurance to them that they would on their arrival be located together. The Board considered that his Petition should be forwarded with a recommendation to His Excellency the Right Honorable Lord Dorchester to grant the prayer of it in as much as relates to the appropriation of a certain spot for those people exclusive of other settlers and as Mr. England says he has visited and approved the lands at Point au Pelé the Board will grant to him and each head of a family of the people called Quakers who may accompany him two hundred acres in the Township which may include Point au Pelé provided they come in and subscribe the declaration of fidelity before the first of July next and the clerk is directed to give a copy of this minute to Mr. England.

The following Petitions were presented by the Clerk viz.:

James Schofield and Couson for a Township .....No. 17
Jonathan Schieffelin 16
Peter Cummings 14
John Whitten 15

The Board received and having under consideration the letter from Mr. Secretary Motz of 15 June, respecting the immediate settlement of George

Town have made the necessary enquiries into the claims of Indians or others being obstacles to the immediate execution of the plan, learn from Alexander McKee, Esquire, Deputy Superintendent of Indians that the land has never yet been bought from the Indians for the use of the crown and that he has no instructions from Sir John Johnson, the Superintendent-General on that head, but that the Indians have actually divested themselves of that land by deed bearing date 7 June, 1784 (No. 10)—in favour of certain officers and others who served with them during the war.

The board having seen the Deed proceeded to enquiry upon what authority it was received, and if the land is improved by the parties, find that upon the representation of Captain Caldwell subsequent to the Indian Grant His Excellency, Sir Frederick Haldimand then commander in chief, did by letter of the 14th of August, 1784, to John Hay, Esquire then Lieutenant-Governor of Detroit enjoin all due encouragement to captains Caldwell and Elliot to settle on the land now pointed out for George Town; that in obedience to their injunction Governor Hay did actually by letter [5] No. 9, cause the lines to be run by Mr. Fry allotting Six acres only in front to Captains Bird, McKee, Caldwell, and Elliott, That those Gentlemen having claim by special Promise from the Indians did actually occupy forty acres in front being the Space —— fronting the whole length of the Island of Boisblanc, in which possession they were confirmed so lately as in 1788 by Major Mathews who in person accompanied by Captain McKee one of the Board and Mr. Hughes as Surveyor extended the lines to ten arpents for each Farmer and planted the Pickets, for their lines which have been since run out in conformity to those pickets by Mr. Thomas Smith sometime acting Deputy Surveyor, as Major Mathews acted under written Instructions from His Excellency the Right Honorable Lord Dorchester whereof Copy is before the Board, they conceive that it would not be agreeable to His Lordship under such circumstances to press obedience to the instructions of the 14th of June in relation to the proposed Establishment of George Town—The Board is too sensible of His Lordship's uniform attention to Humanity and the rights of Individuals to suppose that he would countenance the dispossession of men who have made their improvements under such reiterated approbation of Persons having authority, without first causing an estimate to be made of the Injury such individuals must sustain by the loss of their Improvements. In this conviction the Board resolves to forbear any orders to the Deputy Surveyor on the subject of the proposed Town opposite the Island of Bois Blanc until further instructed, and direct the Clerk to forward a copy of this minute and of the various papers referred to, to Henry Motz, Esquire, to be communicated to His Excellency the Right Honorable Lord Dorchester for His Lordship's further commands.

The Board adjourned to Friday, the 28 inst.—*T. S., Clk.*

(George Town, opposite Bois Blanc Island, the governor having granted the site to Elliott & Caldwell, the lots to be 10 arpents.)

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[6] Friday, 28 August, 1789.

Present: Patrick Murray, Esquire, Major Commandant; William Dummer Powell, Esquire; William Robertson, Esquire; Alexander Grant, Esquire.

The Board having resumed the consideration of the Petition of Scoffield and others, after reference to General Instructions for the Land Boards and enquiry of Alexander McKee, Esquire, Deputy Superintendent

of Indian affairs, and Mr. McNiffe, Deputy Surveyor find it necessary to report to His Excellency the Right Honorable Lord Dorchester that they can not comply with the general scope of those instructions by reason that within their competence the Crown is actually possessed of no waste Lands free from claims of Indians or others, and to state their opinion that a purchase be made as soon as may be from the Indians of the Lands from Long Point, in Lake Erie, to * in Lake Huron, without consideration of the Grants to Individuals, suggesting as the Grounds of such opinion the uniform reserve of His Majesty in Council not to grant any waste Lands within the Province without a previous treaty with the Natives as proprietors of the Soil.—and in the meantime to desire Mr. McNiff to lay out a range of Townships conformable to the Plan from the Surveyor General's office commencing as the only certain guide at the centre of Long Point in Lake Erie and moving on round the Lake towards the Detroit or at the extent of the Land allotted by Major Close, moving down the Lake to Long Point.

The Board adjourned to the 4 September. T. S.

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[7] Friday, 4 September, 1789.

Present: Patrick Murray, Esquire, Commandant; William Dummer Powell, Esquire; William Robertson, Esquire.

The following Petitions were presented to the Board (viz.): Francois Baby, No. 18; No. 19. William Dummer Powell, Esquire; 20. Mathew Dolson; 21. William Macomb, Esquire; 22. Thomas McCrea; 23. Peter Shonk; 24. Daniel Fields; 25. Edward Watson; 26. Joseph May; 27. James Rice; 28. Isaac Dolson; 29. Coleman Roe; 30. William Duggan; 31. Thomas Smith (Mate); 32. Robert Dowler; 33. Hezekiah Willcox; 34. Sally Montune.

The Board adjourned until they received an answer from His Excellency the Right Honorable Lord Dorchester, to the letters forwarded to Secretary Motz, for his Lordship's perusal, and the Clerk is directed to give public notice of the discontinuance of the Land Board until further notice; but all applications to be lodged as usual during the Interval.

The Board adjourned to 16 October. T. S.

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[8] At a Board, Friday, 16 October, 1789.

Present: Patrick Murray, Esquire, Major 60th Regiment Commanding Detroit, etc.; William Dummer Powell, Esquire; William Robertson, Esquire; Alexander Grant, Esquire.

Received and Read a letter from Mr. Motz dated at Quebec the 23rd of July, 1789, with printed Copies and Rules. No. 11.

Received a letter from the same, dated Quebec, 10th of August, 1889. No. 8.

Received a letter† from Lord Dorchester, dated at Quebec, 2nd of September, 1789. No. 33.

And a claim was entered by Joncair De Chabert, Esquire, to a Lot in the new Settlement opposite to the Island of Bois-blanc which was given to him by Lt. Governor Hay, and now occupied by Captain Mathew Elliott—(a Petition from Mr. McNiff, the Deputy Surveyor, for a Lot at the entrance of the River Aux Canard—No. 35th Petition). (36th Petition from Francois Rivard dite Lacoursien for Lot No. 11 in the first concession on Lake Erie) (37th Petition from Joseph Speakman for Lot No. 72 in the same concession.)

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* Name omitted in original. † See p. [44] on p. 17.

The Board adjourned until the arrival of Alex. McKee, the Indian agent from the Ottawa River, in order to consult respecting the intended purchase of a Tract from the natives on the east side of the Streight, commencing at the last purchase made on the west of Niagara and following the waters of Lake Erie and up the Streights into a certain part of Lake Huron.

T. SMITH, Clerk.

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[9] Last Board day being the 16th of October it was the Resolve of the Board to put up a notification in writing in order to be more regularly informed what quantity of Land (and where situated) is claimed by Indian Gifts or Purchases from the Natives by Individuals, and in consequence of which resolve an advertisement was put up at the most Publick place in the Town of Detroit to the following effect:

DETROIT, 26 October, 1789.

"Notice is hereby given to all Persons having claim, by Gift or Purchase, from Indians or others, to any part of Land situate between Long Point on Lake Erie and Lake Huron, to communicate their Titles and pretensions forthwith to the Land Board for the District of Hesse."

By order of the Board,
(Signed) T. SMITH, Clerk L. B.

Land Board, District of Hesse.

21st of November, 1789.

Present: Patrick Murray, Esquire, Major in the 60th Regiment commanding Detroit, etc.; Alexander McKee, Esquire; William Robertson, Esquire; Alexander Grant, Esquire.

Received a Letter from Lord Dorchester to Sir John Johnson, Baronet, dated Quebec, 17 of August, No. 16, on the Subject of purchasing a certain Tract of Land from the Indians therein directed—Resolved, that the same be taken into consideration. Also received a letter from Thos. Aston Coffin, the Governor's Secretary, dated Quebec, 23 September, 1789, No. 17, with a Packet addressed to the Board inclosing One Hundred blank Certificates for Town Lots, and One Hundred Certificates for single Lots.

(The Board adjourned to 1 December).

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[10] Land Board, District of Hesse.

1 December, 1789.

Present: Patrick Murray, Esquire, Major Commandant; Alexr. McKee, Esquire; William Robertson, Esquire; Alexander Grant, Esquire.

According to the Resolve of 21st of November last the Board met this day upon the important matter of making a purchase of Lands from the Natives; and what extent of Country the Indians could spare consistent with their comfort;—but Judge Powell not being present the Board adjourned until the 7th Instant.

T. SMITH.

Land Board, District of Hesse.

7th December, 1789.

Present: Patrick Murray, Esquire, Major in the 60th Regiment, Commanding Detroit and its dependencies, &c., &c.; William Dummer Powell, Esquire; Alexander McKee, Esquire; William Robertson, Esquire; Alexander Grant, Esquire.

Received and read a letter from Henry Motz, the Governor's Secretary, dated Quebec, the 5th of October, 1789, No. 20, and a copy of a Letter from Mr. Secretary Motz, dated Quebec, 5th of October, 1789, to Sir John Johnson, Baronet, No. 19, presented to the Board by Mr. McKee.

The Board considering the views of Government towards the Settlement of their District and at the same time preserving due regard to the [11] comfort of the native Indians, agree to recommend to Mr. McKee to procure from the Indians a cession of all that tract of Land commencing at the entrance of the Channel Ecarté on the River St. Clare, running up the main Branch of said channel to the first fork on the South side ——— then a due East line to the River a la Tranche, up the River la Tranche to its source, or until it strikes upon the Boundary of the last purchase from the Missasagas, bounded by the waters of the River and Lake St. Clare, Detroit and Lake Erie.

The Board adjourned to the 26th of February, 1790.

T. SMITH.

Land Board, District of Hesse.

The 26th of February, 1790.

Present: Patrick Murray, Esquire, Major in the 60th Regiment, commanding Detroit, &c.; William Dummer Powell, Esquire; Alexander McKee, Esquire; William Robertson, Esquire; Alexander Grant, Esquire.

The Board having met on information that divers Persons were proceeding to settle without license at the River la Tranche and other places.

It was agreed in conformity to the Tenor of the first article of the additional rules and Instructions to publish a notice prohibiting such Settlements, and the form of the notice settled as under.* Mr. Smith is directed to publish the same and to forward copies thereof to some persons in the neighborhood of such projected settlements and otherwise to disperse the same as his judgment may direct to produce the desired effect.

*Form of the advertisement

[12] District of Hesse, 26th of February, 1790.

*The Board for the District of Hesse being informed that divers Persons are Settling or about to settle on the River la Tranche and other places without any grant from the Crown or Permission from his Board, all such persons are hereby cautioned to forbear any further encroachment on the waste lands of the Crown within this District, or to extend their improvements under pretence of former occupation; as no improvement made after this notice, without due permission, will be considered as the least recommendation to a preference from the Board in favor of the Improver's claim.

(Signed) T. SMITH, Clerk.

26th February, 1790, District of Hesse.

The Board adjourned to the 16th of April next.

T. SMITH.

Province of Quebec, District of Hesse.

Land Board.

Detroit, 16th of April, 1790.

Present: Patrick Murray, Major Commandant; William Dummer Powell, Esquire; William Robertson, Esquire; Alexander Grant, Esquire.

The Board received and read the following Letters from Henry Motz, the Governor's Secretary. No. 21, dated at Quebec, 19th January last and

[13] Ltrs. 22, 23, 24, dated Quebec, 21 January last, with fifty Copies of the order of Council of the 9th of November 1789, and fifty blank Certificates respecting the settling of the children of Loyalists who joined the Royal Standard before the year 1783.

Received a deed from the Natives to the Crown for Seven miles Square situated on the River au Canard and Alexander McKee's Memorial to Lord Dorchester for the same with a Draught of said Tract, transmitted to the Board by Henry Motz, in order that the Board may report on the same, in respect to the legallity of Mr. McKee's claim.

Received and read a letter from Mr. Patrick McNiff, the Deputy Surveyor, No. 28, dated at Detroit, 14th instant, respecting an allotment of Land at the River au Canard.

Received different claims of Individuals by grants from the Indians on the East side of the Streight, agreeable to the advertisement of 26 October, 1789, and the Board order an Index to be made to the same.

That the Board is of opinion that nothing can be done in respect to the Petition of Patrick McNiff for an allotment of Land at the River au Canard, until it is purchased from the natives and an actual Survey made of the District.

The Board adjourned to Wednesday, the 21st instant.

T. Smith, C.L.B.

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[14] Province of Quebec, District of Hesse.

Land Board.

Detroit, 21 April, 1790.

Present : Patrick Murray, Major Commandant ; William Dummer Powell, Esquire; William Robertson, Esquire; Alexander Grant, Esquire.

The Board having before them the several communications from Mr. Secretary Motz, of the 19th and 21st January last, together with the order of the Governor in Council of the 9th of November last, and are of opinion that the circular letters be answered severally from the particular letter to the Board of this District. That the Board first should express the Impartiality of complying with his Lordship's Expectations in the desired report without materials from the Surveyor's office, or Deputy, whose operation proposed in the minute of 28th August last, was postponed until the Indian purchase should be compleated.

That the Board will take course to inform the Loyalists U. E. of the resolves of Council in their favor and direct the Clerk to refund any fees received from persons of that discription.

That an advertisement should be published to obtain from the Loyalists U. E. the Information required to ground the distinctions in their favor.

[15] That the Clerk prepare for the approval of the Board for formula of a Register to preserve the Distinctions of the Loyalists U. E., agreeable to the will of the Governor's order in Council of the 9th of November last; that copies of the order be disperced among the Loyalists, and at the foot thereof be copied—Extract from Mr. Motz' letter of the 19th of January, respecting the extension of Royal Indulgence for granting allotments to Loyalists under the Instructions of 1783, free of all expense, to all subsequent allotments under Provincial Authority.

That an extract of Mr. Motz' letter of 17th January, shewing the objects of Information wanted in the report be given to the Deputy Surveyor to direct his Enquiries as the only channel through which the Board is to acquire Materials for such a detail.

That the Deputy agent for Indian affairs be consulted by Letter from the Board on the Propriety of anticipating the intended purchase of Lands by an Immediate Survey of the Tract, or part of it, that some Townships may be laid out for locating the Loyalists as soon as the purchase be compleated.

That on Consideration of the Petition of Alexander McKee, Esquire, Deputy agent for Indian affairs, referred to the Board by Mr. Motz' letter of 21st January—

The Board is of opinion that consistent with the letter of the general Instructions and spirit of those of 2nd September last, they cannot report [16] thereon until they have an actual Survey with the distribution of Townships and reserves ascertained in conformity to the 10th Article of the general, explained by the third article of the additional Instructions—and on Mr. McNiff's Petition having duly considered the clause of reference and the suggestion from below that the whole District (supposing it acquired to the Crown) is open to locations except the Grants of June, 1784, the Board are of opinion that with an express knowledge given to the Petitioner of the nature of the intended reserves (he may be located on the Tract ceded to the Crown by the Deed of 15th May, 1786) and on his intimation of consent to the condition of future ratification by the Government, he may take 200 acres not immediately occupied by any other person.

That the clerk is directed to refund the fees received from the Loyalists U. E. for any application to this Board, and also to leave before the Board at the next meeting a State of all fees received for services at this Board.

The Board adjourned to 14 May, 1790.

T. SMITH.

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[17] District of Hesse, Land Board, 14 May, 1790.

Present:—William Dummer Powell, Esquire; Alexander McKee, Esquire; William Robertson, Esquire; Alexander Grant, Esquire; Adhemar St. Martin, Esquire.

Agreed that the regular and periodical meetings of the Board shall be resumed in the commanding officer's quarters in the Barracks every Friday, at 11 o'clock before noon and the Clerk is ordered in consequence to advertise the public thereof. Captain McKee, personally attended and in answer to the letter wrote in conformity to the minute of the last meeting and informed the Board that the purchase from the Indians would probably be completed within a few days and expressed his wish that orders to the Deputy Surveyor should be delayed until then.

The Board adjourned to 21st May, 1790.

T. SMITH, C.L.B.

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[18] Land Board, District of Hesse.

21 May, 1790.

Present:—William Dummer Powell, Esquire; William Robertson, Esquire; Alexander Grant, Esquire.

Received a letter of this date from Alexander McKee, Esquire, which the Clerk is directed to copy into the register, but desirous not to enter upon the consideration of its contents in absence of Major Murray, commanding officer of Detroit. Adjourned till to-morrow eleven o'clock to give notice thereof to Major Murray and Captain McKee.

T. SMITH, C.,L.B.

Copy of a letter received from Alexander McKee, Esquire, mentioned in above minute of the Board.

Detroit, 21 May, 1790.

GENTLEMEN,—I take the earliest opporunity of informing you that the cession from ye Indians to the Crown is now completed according to the limit specified in a resolve of the Land Board of ———— last excepting the Land between the Huron Church and Riviere au Jarvais, running in depth one hundred and twenty arpents, which is reserved for the Hurons; and a tract beginning at the Indian officers Land running up the Height to the French Settlement and seven miles in depth, which the Indians have [19] also reserved. The Deed will be entered into the Register and then transmitted to the Superintendent General.

I have the Honor to be,
Gentlemen,
Your most Obedient Humble Servant,
(Signed) A. McKEE.

To the Members of ye Land Board:

T. SMITH, C.L.B.

Land-Board, 22nd May, 1790.

Present:—Patrick Murray, Esquire, Major; William Dummer Powell, Esquire; Alexander McKee, Esquire; William Robertson, Esquire; Alexander Grant, Esquire.

That the Board revising the entry in the minute of the 14th Instant, perceive that no reason is there assigned for the advertisement ordered, whereas it was the intention of the Board to notify that its periodical meetings of the suspension of which notice was given in conformity to the minute of the 4th of September would be resumed.

[20] It is agreed that the entry of the minute be altered in conformity to such intention.

It is agreed that the minutes of the Board shall for the future be signed by the majority of members present before adjournment.

That the Board taking into consideration the letter of Alexander McKee, Esquire, Deputy agent of Indian affairs—

Agrees that the Deputy Agent be requested to enable the Board to inform his Excellency the Governor why their minute of the 7th of December last respecting the purchase to be made from ye Indians was not carried into effect without reserve, or if the cause of the Reserves is of a private nature not proper for the knowledge of the Board that he would communicate the same through the proper channel to the Governor as early as possible. That the Instructions of the 2nd of September last respecting a County Town may be considered as that is rendered negatory by the Reserves stated [21] in Captain McKee's letter to the Board of yesterday's date which reserves cover the whole unoccupied ground on the east side of the Streight.

That a copy of the minute be communicated to Captain McKee.

That the Deputy Surveyor be enjoined to report to the Board so soon as possible an actual Survey of the front of the Tract lately ceded to the Crown

making the Boundaries of each Township from Long Point on Lake Erie, conformable to the additional Rules and Regulations of 25th August last.

(Signed) PAT. MURRAY,
W. D. POWELL,
WILLIAM ROBERTSON,
A. GRANT.

The Board adjourned to Friday, 28 May, 1790.

T. SMITH, C.L.B.

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[22] Advertisement.

All such Loyalists residing in the District of Hesse, as adhered to the Unity of the Empire and joined the British Standard before the treaty of Separation in 1783 are required to send to the Land Board for the said District a certificate of their Loyalty, their actual residence, number and names of their children, to enable the Board to make in their behalf the Honorable Distinctions indicated in a resolve of Council, and order of his Excellency the Governor General of the 9th of November, 1789.

By order,

(Signed) T. SMITH, C.L.B.

Extract of a Letter dated Quebec, 19 January, 1790, from Secretary Motz to the Board:

"I am further to observe upon this occasion that the Royal Indulgence granted to all Loyalists settled under the King's Instructions of 1783 with [23] regard to their obtaining patents for their allotments free of any expence, is to be understood to extend not only to the patents for the Lands as to be allotted to them under the forementioned Instructions, but also to those for any subsequent allotments by Provincial authority, whether the additional Bounty of 1787, or under the order of the Governor in Council of the 22nd October, 1788, and the 9th of November, 1789, *or otherwise.*

(Signed) T. S., C.L.B.

Copy of a letter from Alexander McKee, Esquire, D. A., to ye Board.

Detroit, 23rd May, 1790.

Gentlemen,—Having received a copy of the Proceedings of the 22nd Instant, wherein you request that "I should enable the Board to inform his Excellency the Governor why your minute of the 7th of December last, respecting the Purchase to be made from the Indians, was not carried into effect without Reserve.

In answer to which, it is incumbent on me to make the earliest report through the Superintendent General for His Excellency the Governor's Information, and willing in the meantime to give the Board every satisfaction in my power consistent with my Duty; I now inform you that I found it impracticable to obtain so extensive a Tract without paying some attention to the claims of the Indians, and in complying with the express orders of His Excellency the Governour "That all possible Regard shall be had to their ease, and comfort," which would have been materially affected had not this reserve been made.

I have ye Honor to be, Gentlemen,
Your most obedient and very Humble Servant,

(Signed) A. MCKEE.

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[24] Detroit, District of Hesse.

Land Board, 28 May, 1790.

Present: Patrick Murray, Esquire, Major Commandant; William Dummer Powell, Esquire; William Robertson, Esquire; Alexander Grant, Esquire.

The Board taking into consideration the cause assigned by the Deputy Agent (In his letter of the 23rd, Instant,) for concluding the purchase of Land from the Indians, directed by their minute of 7th Decr. last certain reserves not comprehended in their said minute:

I. is of opinion that it becomes them to report to his Excellency my Lord Dorchester the course of the Transaction so as to shew to his Lordship that the contravention to his Excelleny's Instructions proceeds not from the Board, to express their disapprobation of the reserves, more especially of that already in the Crown by Deed of 15th May, 1786, and in conformity to his Excellency's Instructions to state the opinion of the Board on the force of the Reasons assigned for such Reserves, which take away the means of establishing a Town on the East side of the Streight without the Purchase of private Improvement.

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[25] II. To point out to his Lordship the evil to result from such precedent to the Indians for counteracting their own Deeds. To shew how little desirable such a reserve can be to the proprietors, the Ottawa and Chippawa Indians, obvious from the fact that they neither hunt, plant or encamp on the Tract.

III. To shew how injurious it must be to the future settlers as well as to the actual Settlement to have its Communication interrupted by such a Tract of unimproved Country or to be annoyed by so troublesome neighbors as the Hurons.

IV. To shew that neither the Honor or Humanity of the King's Government is interested to favor that People by such a sacrifice of its own convenience, because in the first place that Tribe is the most unfriendly and troublesome to us, and otherwise the situation is unfavorable to Savage life, being surrounded by white People, and would be the choice of no tribe who did not depend upon Support from foreign aid or the Arts of social life.

V. To represent to his Lordship in behalf of the Settlement the Expediency of taking early course to procure from the Indians an unreserved Cession of that Tract of Land at the River Canard if that of 1786 shall [26] not be deemed sufficient, and to treat with the Hurons for the waste reserve near the Church, reserving to them a Building for retirement when they occasionally attend public worship.

VI. To express to his Lordship how truly interested this Board is to support by their individual and joint exertions the glorious Character of the Nation for Humanity and Justice, but at the same time to represent the expediency of repressing the Insolence of the Indians by a steady and firm support of the Lands within the settlement without discrimination, and to avoid any Submissions to their Caprice which may indicate apprehensions of their Power to injure, and in presuming thus to hazard advice on a Subject whose connection with the appointment of this Board may not be immediately obvious to state to his Lordship the Impossibility of continuing its

agency with any satisfaction towards the Establishment of the Country while the Settlers under its Sanction are exposed to Insult and rapine without redress.

The above form of a Minute proposed by Mr. Powell and entered with the consent of the Board is objected to wholly by the President for reasons [27] which he will assign in writing at the foot of this day's minute; and Alexander Grant, Esquire, except to the latter member of the Second Paragraph, and to the whole of the fourth; as he thinks that all information or opinions relative to Indian affairs should proceed from the Deputy Agent.

WM. DUMMER POWELL,
WILLIAM ROBERTSON,
ALEXANDER GRANT.

I dissent from this Minute because I do not think that this Board ought to presume to advise His Excellency the Governor on Subjects so intimately connected with the Indians' Department; from the Reports of which I have every Reason to be convinced that His Excellency's Instructions have been executed in the most advantageous manner for the Crown, whose Honor is equally concerned in securing the comfort and peace of mind of the Indians under its Protection and the undisturbed Enjoyment of their Farms to the white Inhabitants, which could not be accomplished by any means so effectual as those adopted by the agent for Indian affairs in the late Purchase.

Because Several matters stated in the minute do not correspond with official Reports made to me, several opinions therein expressed are contrary to mine; and because I do not conceive that an Inquisition on the conduct of officers who from their Situation are Responsible to their proper Superiors is a fit occupation for this Board; nor animadversion thereon, a proper Subject for the employment of any of its members as such.

PAT. MURRAY.

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[28] Land Board, 1st June, 1790.

Present: William Dummer Powell, Esquire; William Robertson, Esquire; Alexander Grant, Esquire.

The Board met by special appointment with the consent of the President and directed a Copy of the Minutes to be prepared by the Clerk to accompany the Report signed this day; and as the next weekly adjournment falls on the King's Birthday, that notice be given to the Public that the Board will not meet until the 11th Instant.

William Dummer Powell, William Robertson, A. Grant.

The Land Board, 11th June, 1790.

Present: William Dummer Powell, Esquire; William Robertson, Esquire; Alexander Grant, Esquire.

Mr. Smith, the Clerk, being prevented from attending by Indisposition, the Board received the petition of William Monforton and adjourned.

(Signed) William Dummer Powell, Alexander Grant, William Robertson.

[29] Land Board, 18th June, 1790.

Present: William Dummer Powell, Esquire; William Robertson, Esquire; Alexander Grant, Esquire.

Received from Jenkins Williams, Esquire, Clerk of the Legislative Council, Extract from the Minutes of that Board and order of his Excellency the Honourable Lord Dorchester of 2nd March, 1790.

And from Mr. Secretary Motz, a letter of the 19th April last, covering a Petition from certain disbanded Rangers, Loyalists and others, neither subscribed nor dated, but accompanied by a list of names which the Board knew to be of Persons mostly resident in the Settlement. Being also acquainted with the hand writing of the petition and list of names, the Board examined John Burrel and was informed by him that he wrote the Petition at the Instance of Patrick Hill, a disbanded Soldier of Colonel Butler's late Corps of Rangers, now absent in the Indian Country; and from Mr. William Duggan that the list of names was wrote by him at the Instance of the said Patrick Hill and of Sergeant Field, also a disbanded Ranger, now in the Service of Captain McKee, and that he, Duggan, had enclosed the list and [30] forwarded the papers by Mr. Clark the winter's Express. Sergeant Field informed the Board that having been a non-commissioned officer in Captain Caldwell's Company of Rangers, his fellow Soldiers had frequently applied to him to move some measure to procure them Satisfaction. That the Rangers in the List before the Board are all of Captain Caldwell's Company or were selected by him as good Setlers on his return from Quebec in 1784, after they had been disbanded at Niagara, to establish a Settlement at the mouth of the River Detroit, where most of them drew Lots but few could settle for want of the provisions and tools which they were taught to expect from Government. That Notwithstanding their disappointment in that expectation and the example of many who returned to the United States, not one whose name is in the list has absented himself from the Settlement, many preferring to labour in the service of others—being questioned by the Board as to his opinion of the Disposition of the petitioners to accept of other locations in lieu of those given away on default of their Improvement within [31] the year, Sergeant Field assured the Board that most of them would be well pleased even now to be located at the Rivere La Tranche, and that rather than remain without Lands such as are able would settle without the Aid of Provisions or Tools. Mr. Field also informed the Board that the Petition was forwarded without collecting the Petitioners to subscribe their names from apprehensions that if rendered more public their object would be defeated and themselves rendered ridiculous.

The Board find the Information of Mr. Field in part corroborated by Alexander Grant, Esquire, Senior officer Commanding his Majesty's vessels on the Upper Lakes, who says that in 1784 the officers commanding his Majesty's vessels were ordered by Colonel Depeyster, then commanding the Upper ports, to receive on board such disbanded Loyalists as chose to settle at the mouth of the Streight and transport them and their stock free of any Expense, and Mr. Reynolds, Assistant Commissary at this port, informs the Board that by order of Major Mathews, in 1787, He received from Captain Caldwell part of a quantity of farming utensils and Garden Tools which [32] had been delivered to Captain Caldwell for the use of the Loyalists by order of Sir John Johnson, Baronet, 1st September, 1784.

That part of them were distributed upon Major Mathews' order in 1787, (and the Board perceives that several of the supposed petitioners received their proportion of those Tools) but that no orders were given to him to issue provisions to any body of Loyalists, although by special order he had Delivered some at divers times to sundry persons as per return delivered to the Board. Mr. Reynolds also informed the Board that Major Mathews in 1787 declared to him that he had knowledge as Secretary to General Sir Frederick Haldimand that Provisions were ordered for more Setlers at the mouth of the River, and expressed his Surprise that they had not been issued.

The Board agreed that Copy of the above information should accompany a report to my Lord Dorchester together with a Copy of Mr. Reynolds' return, Captain Caldwell's Receipt and Major Mathews' Certificate of 24 August, 1787, and the following report was agreed to:

[33] DETROIT, 18th June, 1790.

SIR,—We have the honor of your letter of the 19th April last, covering a petition without date or subscription, and desiring the Board to inform istelf and report their opinion thereon. The inclosed extract from the minutes of the Board will serve to explain the nature of the case, to which we have only to add that the Stile of the Petition must have been mistaken to induce the erroneous Idea that the Petitioners had returned to the United States. The Board are satisfied that in 1784 there was scarcely one of them who would not have been a valuable acquisition and become good Farmers, as many have since, or Tenants on private Indian Grants; some, indeed, unable to work their land, entered into various Services, and on board ship or in the Indian country may have acquired a Distaste to Labour and Habits of Indolence unfavorable to a Farmer's life, but we submit to my Lord Dorchester's wisdom that all such as shall satisfactorily prove that at the close of the war they were by any general or special order of Government, entitled to Lands, provisions, and Tools and did actually forego an establishment with those advantages [34] in Napanee or in the Lower District to forward a Settlement at the mouth of the River Detroit promoted by Government, should now be located and provisioned in the same proportion with those who settled Lower.

We think it our duty also to observe that should provisions be now granted to persons of the above Description it would conduce much to their true comfort and relief that they be issued only monthly, and on proof that they are actually improving their Lots.

To acquit ourselves as fully as in our power of the Trust reposed by this reference, we inclose a Schedule of the names which accompanied the Petition with a Column for their actual occupation and Residence, together with a copy of the Petition, and have the Honor to be, etc., etc.

Henry Motz, Esquire.

WILLIAM DUMMER POWELL.
ALEXANDER GRANT.
WILLIAM ROBERTSON.

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[35] Land Board, District of Hesse, 25th June, 1790.

Present: William Dummer Powell, Esquire, William Robertson, Esquire, Alexander Grant, Esquire.

The Board having knowledge that Mr. McNiffe, the Deputy Surveyor, was returned for the Survey from the beginning of the late Purchase of the Indians, and had been in Town 14 days without having made any report to the Board of his having conformed to the Tenor of their Minute of 22 May last, requested Mr. McNiffe's attendance and were informed by him that in obedience to a written order from Major Murray, commanding this port, he had proceeded on the Survey required by the said Minute, but that his Instructions from the Surveyor-General's office would not permit him to report to this Board his progress, which the Board could only have from the office at Quebec. The Board, sensible that such a referrence would greatly retard its proceedings and the location of the Individuals, judged it proper

to have this Communication in writing, and for that Purpose agreed to write to Mr. McNiffe as follows.

[36] DETROIT, 25 June, 1790.

SIR,—The Land Board for the District of Hesse, apprehending some misconstruction of the verbal Information you afforded them this morning, requests to know from you in writing whether they may expect from you an official report of Surveys made in conformity to minutes of the Board, to enable them to locate petitioners for His Majesty's waste Lands, or if they must wait for Communication of such Surveys from the Surveyor-General's office. We have the Honour to be, etc., etc.

Received the Petition of Alexis Maisonville for Cardin's Lot and for Isle au large.

WILLIAM DUMMER POWELL.
ALEXANDER GRANT.
WILLIAM ROBERTSON.

Land Board, District of Hesse, 2d July, 1790.

Present: William Dummer Powell, Esquire, Alexander Grant, Esquire, William Robertson, Esquire.

The Board received from Mr. Thomas Smith a letter from Mr. Patrick McNiffe, Deputy Surveyor, in answer to the letter written to him by the Board on the 25th ulto., and also a report of a Survey made by order of Patrick Murray, Esquire, Commandant of Detroit.

As it would appear from Mr. McNiffe's letter that he received no official [37] Communication or other Copy of the Minute of the Board of the 21st May last, directing a Survey of the Purchase then lately made from the Indians. The Board is at a loss to know what was the object of the Deputy Surveyor's voyage, as the copy of the Report accompanying his letter bears no analogy to the letter or spirit of their said Minute of Direction, which was worded with caution and submission to general Instructions purposely to avoid any official Interference. As this Misunderstanding has unfortunately produced delay and expense, the Board deem it incumbent on them to preserve on their Minutes the following memoranda relative to this business.

That on the 21st May Major Murray, Commanding at Detroit, attended as President of the Board and informed it that the Deputy Surveyor was ready to receive their orders, being not actually employed in his Military capacity. That in consequence of this Information the Board at the Instant [38.] framed their minute or direction to the Deputy Surveyor, whom the President as Commandant undertook to equip for the Survey. That on the next adjournment of the Board, the 28th May, Major Murray informed the Board of the Departure of the Deputy Surveyor to execute the required Survey; and after personal knowledge of the Deputy Surveyor's return for near ten days, the Board proceeded as appears in their minute of the 25 ulto.

As the Deputy Surveyor in his said letter submits himself to the direction of the Board to execute any further Surveys ordered, the Board proceeded to frame Instructions for such further Survey as follows:

(See pages 55 and 56 and 58.)

Detroit, 2d July, 1790.

Mr. Patrick McNiffe:

SIR,—As soon as may be, after receipt of this, you will please to report to the Land Board for the District of Hesse a Survey of the Front of Land lately ceded to the Crown by the Natives, commencing your Survey at Long point

in Lake Erie, and continuing it to the commencement of the old French settlements opposite to the Island of Bois blanc; in the course of which [39] Survey you will be guided by the Tenth Article of the Rules and Regulations for the Land Office Department of the 17th February, 1789, and the third article of the additional Rules and Regulations of the 25th August, 1789, copies of which you receive herewith.

As all Departures from the strict Tenor of those Rules and Regulations must be authorised by the Board, you will please accurately to report the circumstances which may in your opinion render such Directions requisite for the comfort of the King's Subjects. Should our directions on this Subject interfere with the accustomed chain of official Intercourse between you and the Surveyor-General's office, you will please to acquaint us therewith in writing before you commence the Survey, that early application may be made to His Excellency the Governor for removal of such Difficulties as can only retard the Settlement of the Country. We are, sir, etc., etc., etc.

The Board also, with a view of Forwarding the desire of his Excellency, [40] wrote to the acting Surveyor as follows.

Detroit, 2nd July, 1790.

Mr. Patrick McNiffe:

Sir,—By a circular letter from Mr. Secretary Motz, dated at Quebec 19th Jany., 1790, the Land Board is directed to report a variety of information relative to the State of the District which in great part can be only obtained through the Medium of the acting Surveyor. We therefore caused the heads of the Information required to be extracted from Mr. Motz's said letter and to be transmitted to you by the hand of Mr. Thomas Smith, to guide your enquiries in your progress through the settled Country, in the location of the Survey directed this day. We take the liberty of pressing the same upon your recollection, that on your return we may be enabled to forward the desired report to his Excellency the Governor. We are, sir, etc., etc.

The Board, considering that the Public stand advised that its periodical meetings should be at the Quarters of the Commanding officer in the Barracks, which for some time past the Board is informed are under repair, agree to give the following notice in the accustomed manner.

[41] To the public.

Notice is hereby given that the Land Board for the District of Hesse, will assemble every Friday at 11 o'clock before noon at the house of William Robertson, Esquire in Detroit, when and where all Petitions must be presented to the Board by the Parties or some one authorized to answer for them.

And as it is rumoured so as to reach the Individuals of the Board, that an idea is held forth among the Public that Petition for lands must be drawn upon certain forms and by certain persons, the board think it proper however absurd such an idea may appear to enforce to the Public the most pointed refutation of such an error, by a letter addressed to the several Captains of Militia covering forms of Petitions to show that no Intervention is necessary between this Board and the public and that such letter be as follows:—

Sir,—The Land Board for the District of Hesse, some time past directed Models of Petitions for lands to be sent in the French and English Tongues to the several Captains of Militia that persons desiring to apply to

[42] the Board for grants of the Waste Lands might not be at a loss for the forms of such application; Finding that such models have not been sent as intended, we now inclose them to you together with the advertisement on this subject published by the Board the 19th day of June, 1789, whereby it was hoped to obviate all mistakes, *we have the Honor to be, etc., etc.*

And as the direction of the Board that the several communications from his Excellency the Governor on the subject of his Majesty's Benevolence and gracious intentions towards the Loyalists should be dispersed among the settlers, does not appear to have been carried into execution, the Board agree to inclose copies thereof, as also of the second and third additional regulations this day found among the papers of the Board, in a circular letter to the principal settlers as follows,—

Detroit, 2d July, 1790.

Sir,—By a Minute of 16 April last, we directed the communication of several printed orders of his Excellency the Governor in Council to be [43] made to the principal loyal settlers in this District, but having reason to fear that they have not come to your hands, we herewith inclose four copies which we beg you will distribute among the settlers in your neighborhood as evidence of the benevolent sentiments of the Government to the settlers in general and more especially to such as adhered to the Unity of the Empire and joined the British Standard before the Treaty of separation in 1783—a general circulation of these papers with others of a later date also inclosed will be the best confutation of the impotent malice of those evil designed persons who inculcate among the people a different opinion of the sentiments of Government towards its loyal adherents—we have Honor to be, etc., etc.

Inclosing Order in Council.

No. 1 Do..... .....20 January, 1790.
2 Do.. .....20 January, Do.
3 Do..... ..... Do. Do.

Addressed to Mr. John Cornwall, Mouth of the Streight; Captain Mathew Elliot, Mouth of the Streight; Captain William Caldwell, Mouth of the Streight.

[44] The letter to the Captains of the Militia referring to a minute of this Board which does not appear in its place, the Board think it right to give due clearness and fairness to their proceeding by stating here the course of their proceedings heretofore from the second meeting of the Board, the object before it was taken into consideration and the sentiments of the members being communicated, but was desired to furnish a Draught for a minute of entry which the Clerk was directed to copy into the book. It appears that in some instances the Clerk by mislaying his Draught has been induced to rely on his Memory for an entry of the proceedings and that the entry on the 16th October last is but a partial statement of the Resolutions of the Board which were drawn up as follows.

Minute, 16th October (1789*).

The Board took into consideration my Lord Dorchester's letter of the 2nd September, and being prevented by Captain McKee's absence from immediate attention of such part of the letter as relates to the acquisition of land from the Indians, agree to communicate immediately to His Lordship, the difficulty arising from that part of the letter which restrains the

* See p. 4.

Board from locating any persons on any tract claimed by individuals under [45] Indian Grants, other than the Claimants or actual occupants, and more especially to represent the particular inconvenience which may arise from the inability of the Board under such restraint to fulfill their engagements with the redstone Quakers. The Board resolved that an advertisement shall be forthwith made public inviting all claimants under Indian Grants within this District to represent to the Board their Titles, Claims, Merits and pretensions and towards facilitating access to the Board by any individual and to preclude all ideas of necessity for the Ministry of any particular person to draw Memorials for this Board, resolved to publish the form of a Memorial in English and French in the usual mode of advertising in the District and also to communicate Duplicates thereof, to the commanding officer of the Militia, requesting him to distribute the same to the officers of companies in the Country. And as it appears that divers Petitions for Lands have been deposited with the Clerk, of which no notice is taken in the Minutes of the Board, nor other guide to their Priority than their date and Indorsement which might leave doubts as to the impartiality [46] of the Board in taking them up, the Board has on this day made a Schedule of all the Petitions now delivered up by Mr. Smith, the Clerk, conforming to the numbers he has put upon them.

Schedule of Petitions received by the Land Board for the District of Hesse as follows:

No.	Name.	Situation.	Date.
1	William Caldwell	New Settlement	Aug. 7, 1789
2	James May	Isle aux Dindes	" 7, 1789
3	Thomas Jones	New Settlement	" 7, 1789
4	Charles McCormic	River La Tranche	" 7, 1789
5	David England and Consors		" 7, 1789
8	John Little	New Settlement	" 7, 1789
10	Arthur McCormic	River La Tranche	" 7, 1789
9	James Little	New Settlement	" 7, 1789
11	James Benjamin	"	" 7, 1789
12	Frederick Fisher	" Marsh Creek	" 7, 1789
14	Peter Cumming	" New Settlement, Dis	" 14, 1789
15	John Wheaton	River La Tranche	" 14, 1789
16	Jon. Schieffelin	" and Detroit	" 14, 1789
17	Schofield and Consors		" 14, 1789
18	François Baby	Huron Point	Sept, 4, 1789
19	William Dummer Powell	Ottawa Bank	" 4, 1789
20	Mathew Dolsen	River La Tranche	" 4, 1789
21	William Macomb	Two Islands, Grosse, etc.	" 4, 1789
22	Thomas McCrea	River La Tranche	" 4, 1789
23	Peter Schonk	"	" 4, 1789
24	Daniel Field	"	" 4, 1789
25	Edward Watson	"	" 4, 1789
26	Joseph May	River St. Clair	" 4, 1789
[47]27	James Rice	River La Tranche	" 4, 1789
28	Isaac Dolsen	"	" 4, 1789
29	Coleman Roe	"	" 4, 1789
30	William Duggan	"	" 4, 1789
31	Thomas Smith	"	" 4, 1789
32	Robert Dowler	"	" 4, 1789
33	Hezekiah Wilcox	"	" 4, 1789
34	Sarah Montour	"	" 4, 1789
35	Patrick McNiffe	River Canard	Oct. 16, 1789
36	Francois Rivard	New Settlement	" 16, 1789
37	Joseph Speakman	"	" 16, 1789
38	Thomas Clark	(River La Tranche Div.)	July 2, 1790
39	Thomas Clark	River La Tranche	July 2, 1790
40	David Lind	"	" 2, 1790
41	William Scott	"	" 2, 1790

Schedule of Petitions received by the Land Board for the District of Hesse.—*Continued.*

No.	Name.	Situation.	Date.
42	Thomas Williams	River La Tranche	July 2, 1790
43	Samuel Newkirk	"	" 2, 1790
44	Richard Earld	"	" 2, 1790
45	Thomas Parsons	"	" 2, 1790
46	Robert McPherson	"	" 2, 1790
47	James McPherson	"	" 2, 1790
48	John McPherson	"	" 2, 1790
49	Peter McPherson	"	" 2, 1790
50	Jonas Fox	"	" 2, 1790
51	Philip Fox	"	" 2, 1790
52	Frederick Arnold	"	" 2, 1790
53	Frederick Arnold, junior	"	" 2, 1790
58	William Cissney	"	" 2, 1790
54	Arnolds Spinsters, 5	"	" 2, 1790
55	Lewis Arnold	"	" 2, 1790
56	Stiffle Arnold	"	" 2, 1790
57	John Arnold	"	" 2, 1790
59	Children of Jh. Cissney	"	" 2, 1790
60	John Cissney	"	" 2, 1790
61	James Cissney	"	" 2, 1790
62	Joseph Cisney	"	" 2, 1790
[48]63	Gasper Brown	"	" 2, 1790
64	Hugh Holmes	"	" 2, 1790
65	David McKirgan	"	" 2, 1790
66	Richard Merry	"	" 2, 1790
67	Richard Cornwall	New Settlement	" 2, 1790
68	Daniel McKillip	"	" 2, 1790
69	Elina McKillip	"	" 2, 1790
70	Franc's Bènèteau	River Canard	" 2, 1790
71	Louis Guyeaux	Streight, 3rd Concession	" 2, 1790
72	Jh. & Bte. Mion	" "	" 2, 1790
74	Thomas Pujotte, junior	" "	" 2, 1790
75	Thomas Pujotte	River Canard	" 2, 1790
76	Bpte. Pillet	Streight, 3rd Concession	" 2, 1790
77	Paul Toussaint	" "	" 2, 1790
78	Daniel McKillip	New Settlement	" 2, 1790
79	William Thorn	River St. Clair Dis	" 2, 1790
80	Henry Wright	New Settlement	" 2, 1790
81	James Wilcox	"	" 2, 1790
82	A. & D. Dequindre	"	" 2, 1790
83	Hugh Heward	"	" 2, 1790
84	Jacques Charron	New River	" 2, 1790
85	Vital Demouchel	Detroit, 3rd Concession	" 2, 1790
86	J. Bte. Tourneau	" "	" 2, 1790
87	Janet Parent	" "	" 2. 1790
88	Jacques Parent	" "	" 2, 1790
89	Francois Parent	" "	" 2, 1790
90	Andre Bènèteau	" "	" 2, 1790
91	Francois Gaudet	" "	" 2, 1790
93	Laurent Parent	" "	" 2, 1790
92	Dominique Gaudet	" "	" 2, 1790
94	Julien Parent	" "	" 2, 1790
95	Nicolas Janis	" "	" 2, 1790
96	Joseph Pillette	" "	" 2, 1790
97	J. Bte. Hoilette	" "	" 2, 1790
[49]98	J. Bte. Hoilette	Detroit 2d Concession	" 2, 1790
99	Joseph Berthiaume	"	" 2, 1790
100	Antoine Labadie	"	" 2, 1790
101	Asnte. Labadie	"	" 2, 1790
102	"	"	" 2, 1790
103	Bonaventure Rèaume	"	" 2, 1790
104	J. Bte. Antuilla	River Canard	" 2, 1790
105	Joseph Ladere	Detroit, 3d Concession	" 2, 1790
106	George Fields	R. La Tranche	" 2, 1790
107	John Cornwall	N. Settlement	" 2, 1790

Schedule of Petitions received by the Land Board for the District of Hesse.—*Continued.*

No.	Name.	Situation.	Date.
108	John Dodemead	R. Canard	July 2, 1790
109	Lt.-Col. Jno. Conolly	Lake Erie (Fish Creek Div)	" 2, 1790
110	Robert Williams	R. La Tranche	" 2, 1790
111	William Crawford	N. Settlement	" 2, 1790
112	Francs. Cornwall	"	" 2, 1790
113	Josh. Cornwall	"	" 2, 1790
114	A. & J. Cornwall, Junior	"	" 2, 1790
115	John Welsh	River La Tranche	" 2, 1790
116	Jacob Quant	"	" 2, 1790
117	John Flin	"	" 2, 1790
118	Josh. Springfield	"	" 2, 1790
119	Josh. Wyndell	N. Settlement	" 2, 1790
120	James Donaldson	Detroit	" 2, 1790
121	Louis Trudelle	" 3d Concession	" 2, 1790
122	Harry Beauchamp	Detroit	" 2, 1790
123	Philip La Bombarde	R. Canard	" 2, 1790
124	William Caldwell	Marsh Creek	" 2, 1790
126	Leonard Scratch	N. Settlement	" 2, 1790
127	Peter Scratch	"	" 2, 1790
128	Wyndal Wesley	"	" 2, 1790
129	Nathan Williams	Peach Island	" 2, 1790
130	James Allan	"	" 2, 1790
131	William Fleming	Lake St. Clair	" 2, 1790
125	John Barbeaus	R. La Tranche	" 2, 1790
132	William Searl	"	" 2, 1790
[50]133	Joseph Elam	"	" 2, 1790
134	Geo. Girty	New Settlement	" 2, 1790
135	James Girty	"	" 2, 1790
136	Gregor McGregor	R. Canard	" 2, 1790
137	Josh. & Samuel Edge	"	" 2, 1790
138	George Lyons	"	" 2, 1790
139	Israel Ruland	"	" 2, 1790
140	Charles Gascoyne	"	" 2, 1790
141	Lewis Thibault	"	" 2, 1790
144	Thomas Cox	"	" 2, 1790
145	Peter Malor	R. La Tranche	" 2, 1790
147	Richard Connor	"	" 2, 1790
148	Jordan Ivory	"	" 2, 1790
142	Joseph Thibault	R. Canard	" 2, 1790
143	Prospere Thibault	"	" 2, 1790
150	James Rough	R. La Tranche	" 2, 1790
149	Richard Pollard	R. St. Clair	" 2, 1790
151	Simon Girty	R. La Tranche	" 2, 1790
152	Jas. & Geo. Girty	"	" 2, 1790
153	Richard Pollard & Consors	R. St. Clare	" 2, 1790
154	John Kirby	R. Canard	" 2, 1790
155	Lemuel Shermon	N. Settlement	" 2, 1790
156	Jacob Harsen	Lake St. Clair	" 2, 1790
157	Etienne Tremblay	"	" 2, 1790
158	William Monforton	"	" 2, 1790
159	Adhemar St. Martin	"	" 2, 1790
160	Alexis Maisonville	Detroit (Peach Isld.)	" 2, 1790
161	" "	" "	" 2, 1790
162	J. A. Fauvet Bigras	R. Canard	" 14-16, 1790
163	James Allan for Trustees, Caldwell & Elliott	Divers places	" 14-16, 1790
164	Inhabitants of Petite Cote	Continuations	" 14-16, 1790
165	Joseph Speakman		" 9, 1790
166	Simon Schoolcraft	R. LaTranche	" 9, 1790
167	Patrick McGulpin	"	" 18, 1790
168	Patrick of Flaherty	R. Canard	" 30, 1790
169	Charles Gouin	R. LaTranche	Aug. 6, 1790
170	Marie Josh. Gouin	"	" 6, 1790
171	Edward Harael for Drouillard	New Settlement	" 6, 1790

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[51] Land Board, District of Hesse, 16 July, 1790.

Present: Sir John Johnson Bart, W. D. Powell, Esquire; Alexander Grant, Esquire; William Robertson, Esquire; Alexander McKee, Esquire.

Received a letter from Mr. Secretary Coffin of 17th June, 1790, to the following Tenor.

GENTLEMEN,—Sir John Johnson Baronet, having received directions to visit the four Western Districts of the Province and in order that he may be more effectually enabled to aid in all matters interesting to prosperity thereof, His Excellency, Lord Dorchester, has directed and appointed him to sit as President of the different Land Boards, wherever he may be present. The Board will therefore bring him acquainted with the impediments they have met with, if any in executing the general orders, and will take advantage of his presence and assistance in concerting means for removing them and for the speediest and fullest representations. In all the instances requiring the special and more effectual interposition of the Government, in order that the legal settlers who have obtained locations under the Authority of the Boards may sit down in the firm confidence of the royal Protec-
[52] tion and their minds be free from any apprehensions of Insecurity and Vexation.

The Board being so formed took into consideration the several particular objects submitted to the special notice of Sir John Johnson and read to him their Minute of 11th June last and report of the same date on the Petition of certain Loyalists and Rangers referred to the Board and Sir John was pleased to express his opinion that all was done which would possibly be required on that subject unless the detail of the actual deficiency of Provisions and tools issued to the parties could be ascertained from the Vouchers before the Board which the Board will revise and prepare during his absence to Michilimackinac.

On the subject of the disturbance to the settlers by the Indians and alarm for their situation from idle reports that their Tenures would be at Will. The board would say nothing but from Report having no authority for enquiry, but will call upon the Parties interested to effect a remedy to such disorders, that Sir John on His return from Mackinac may be more fully
[53] informed on the subject of the reserve at the River Canard. The board went into a full verbal Explanation of their obligations with the grounds of their minute and report on that subject, the result of which Sir John appeared to think himself required to wait for, but the Board [illegible] to their sentiments expressed on that subject, its further consid[illegible] continued to the next attendance of Sir John.

Adjourned to 21st* July, instant.

WM. DUMMER POWELL.

Land Board, District of Hesse, 23rd July, 1790.

Mr. Powell and Mr. Robertson having assembled in the absence of A. Grant, Esquire, adjourned the Board to Friday, 30th instant.

WM. DUMMER POWELL.

* No meeting was held until the 23rd July.

[54] Land Board, 30th July, 1790.

Present: Major Smith, Esquire; W. D. Powell, Esquire; Alexander Grant, Esquire; William Robertson, Esquire.

Major Smith having reported to the Board that the Deputy Surveyor could not proceed to comply with the Instructions of the 2nd instant, until a determined point was fixed by the board for the commencement or conclusion of the Survey opposite the Island of Bois Blanc and the Board having requested the attendance of Mr. McNiffe, learn from him a further difficulty inasmuch as that he does not know the extent of the Grants to or Claims by the Indian officers opposite to the Island of Bois Blanc and that if they extend the depth of seven miles, they will encroach on the cultivated farms of other settlers located and Captain Mathew Elliot assuring the Board that the Deed to them was that extent, but that it is his opinion that [55] none of the claimants under that deed would wish to oust the possession of any settler planted by Government within that extent, and as Mr. John Cornwall occupies the lot 97, the westermost improvement on Lake Erie, it is the opinion of the Board, that without deciding upon the pretensions of the claimants under the Deed of 7th June, 1784, to any other part of the Tract then ceded, besides their actual improvements, they may, with propriety, direct the Surveyor to begin to run his lines North from the Lake, at the Western Boundary of said Lot 97 in the occupation of Mr. John Cornwall, and for the commencement of his survey to be directed by a painted Tree above the North Line of Captain Bird's Lot, which is the North Boundary of the Grant of 7th June, 1784, and which any person on the spot can point out to him and that a letter to be addressed to Mr. McNiffe to that purport.

JOHN SMITH,
ALEXANDER GRANT.
WILLIAM ROBERTSON,
WM. DUMMER POWELL,

[56] Copy of letter above referred to

Mr. Patrick McNiffe. Detroit, 30th July, 1790.

SIR,—I am directed by the Land Board, for the District of Hesse, in answer to the Difficulty stated by you to the Board on this day on the subr Instruction of the 2nd July, instant, to say that you may reverse of Survey and begin at a painted tree a few hundred yards above line of Captain Bird's Lot, opposite Bois Blanc which any person ot can point out to you as the North Boundary line of the Tract the Indians to their officers on the 7th June, 1784, and that you ll change your course and begin to run your lines North from the Lake t the Western Boundary of the Lot No. 97 in the occupation Mr. John ornwall in other respects conforming to the Instruction of the 2nd instant until you have lined out four Townships. I have the honor to be, etc.

Signed, W. D. POWELL.

[57] Land Board, District Hesse, 6th August, 1790.

Present: Major Smith, Mr. Powell, Mr. Robertson.

Received a petition of the Widow Gouin for 1,000 acres at the first fork of the River La Tranche, and of her son, Charles Gouin, for 1,000 acres

in the same place. Received the petition of Edward Harael, praying leave to transfer his ticket for Lot in the New Settlement at the Mouth of the Streight to Mr. Drouilard for a Horse Mill to benefit the Settlement. The Board upon principle of Convenience to the Settlement will authorize the transfer of the Lot to Mr. Douillard on condition of his erecting a Horse Mill within twelve months. Received a letter from Mr. McNiffe, dated 30th July last, and sent to Mr. McNiffe, to attend the Board, but Indisposition prevented him. Adjourned.

JOHN SMITH,
WM. DUMMER POWELL,
WILLIAM ROBERTSON.

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[58] At a Land Board for the District of Hesse, holden at the Council chamber, at Detroit, the 11th August, 1790.

Present: Sir John Johnson, Baronet, Major John Smith, W. D. Powell, William Robertson.

It is proposed by Sir John Johnson, Baronet, that the papers belonging to the board be in custody of the President; that Lieutenant Smith of the 5th Regiment, do write the minutes of the Board; that the order of Survey of the 2nd July last, amended by minute of 30th July, be further explained for the satisfaction of the Deputy Surveyor, as follows:

You will proceed to the east side of Detroit river, nearly opposite the north end of the Isle bois blanc, at a painted tree, being the north boundary of a tract of land ceded by the Indians to their officers, on the 7 June, '84, and there commence your survey, running thence along the edge of the river, or lake, until the west boundary line of Lot No. 97, now in the occupation of Mr. John Cornwall; from thence you will run a due north course, the distance directed by the General rules and Regulations for the land office Department of the 17 February, 1789, and the third article of the additional rules and regulations of the 25th August, 1789, marking and running along that line, the different concessions as you go.

[59] That done, you will return to the front, and commence at the west boundary of Lot. No. 97 aforesaid and run across the different lots in the new settlement, as far as two townships a due east direction, noting m[illegible] the contents of each lot in the front and fixing between each lot, th[illegible] extending in a due north direction from the front, in order to [illegible] proprietors to run their side lines. . . (For the remainder s[illegible] (67), p. 26.)

Which being agreed to, Mr. Powell proposes that Mr. Thomas Smith, late acting clerk of this board, be desired to attend, while the entrys and the minutes since his ministry has been tacitly dispenced with, be read to him, and that he be desired to state his objections, if any he hath, to such part of those minutes as may relate to him, and that he may be requested to declare to the Board, if it is his wish that any further cause should be assigned upon the minutes, for having dispensed with his attendance, since the 1st June last, and that he may be requested to state the quantum and mode of satisfaction for his Services. That a list of all papers handed over to the President, in consequence of the resolution of this day, be entered on the

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No.	Name.	Situation.	Date.
[60] 6	John Laughton	River St. Clair	July 11, 1790
7	Peter Laughton	"	" 11, 1790
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73	John Laughton	River St. Clair	Oct. 10, 1789
146	John Laughton	River LaTranche	April 24, 1790
172	Ens. Hen. Hay	"	Aug. 2, 1790
173	Alexr. Cox	"	" 4, 1790
174 after 168	Capn. La Mothe	"	" 7, 1790
175	Sundry persons As far as this sent to H. Qrs.	River Canard	
176	Joseph Springfield	New Settlement	
177	Joseph La Foret	"	Aug. 14, 1790
178	Andre Skianis	"	" 14, 1790
179	J. D. Antaglia and others	R. Canard	
180	John Smith	New Settlement	Aug. 25, 1790
181	Mat Gibson	R. LaTranch	" 31, 1790
182	Thos. Kelly	"	Sept. 1, 1790
183	Andw. Hamilton	"	" 1, 1790
184	Mr. Pat McNiff	New Settlement	" 2, 1790
185	Catharine Speakman	" 72	" 6, 1790
186	Peter Faucher	R. LaTranche	" 6, 1790
187	Edw. Butler	N. Settlement, 32	" 7, 1790
188	John Prince	" 89	" 8, 1790
189	James Wilcox	" 65	" 10, 1790
190	Edw. McCarthy	" 72	" 10. 1790
191	Rob. Dowler	" 78	" 10, 1790
192	Peter Barrie	" 95	" 10, 1790
193	James Baker	"	" 10, 1790
194	J. B. Reaume	Near Huron Church	" 10, 1790
195	John Williams	R. LaTranch	" 10, 1790
196	John Ronan	N. Settlement, 35	" 11, 1790
[61] 197	Henry Wright	" 77	" 10, 1790
198	William Wright	" 3	" 10, 1790
199	Jacob Marricle	R. La Tranche	" 11, 1790
200	Robert Gill	"	" 11, 1790
201	John Little	N. Settlement, 58, 59, 46	" 11, 1790
202	Robert Little	" 61	" 11, 1790
203	James Little	" 36	
204	Antoine Cencernie	Cedar River	
205	Nathan Millar	N. Settlement, No. 3	" 11, 1790
206	John Cray	" 46 & 71	" 13, 1790
207	William Searl	" 11	" 9, 1790
208	John Wheattory	" 54 & 55	" 16, 1790
209	Edward McCarthy	" 72	" 17, 1790
[illegible]	Wm. Lee	"	" 17, 1790
[illegible]	[illegible] Heazel	" 58	" 17, 1790
[illegible]	[illegible]s Wilcox	" 68	" 24, 1790
[illegible]	[illegible] Fr's Weesybache	"	" 24, 1790
214	[illegible] O'Flaherty	River La Tranche	July 16, 1790
215	Joseph Visier	Detroit River	Oct. 6, 1790
216	Jean Baptiste Nantois	"	" 6, 1790
217	P. L. I. de Chabert	"	" 7, 1790
218	P. L. I. de Chabert	Do. & River La Tranche	" 7, 1790
219	Timothy Desmond (S. 4, nine years)	" "	" 7, 1790
220	Henry Ranes	New Settlement	" 8, 1790
221	George Dice	"	" 8, 1790
222	Henry Hoffman	"	" 8, 1790
223	Nicholas Petit	Detroit River	" 8, 1790
224	Jean Marie Beaubien	"	" 15, 1790

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[62] minute, and that no original paper be delivered to any person, but by consent of the board in writing, on a day of its weekly adjournment. That as

the board have resolved to amend their instructions of the Surveyor, upon his verbal explanation of the point of its various inaccuracies and imperfections stated in the Deputy Surveyor's letter to the Board of 30 July last, It be permited Mr. Powell, the member who, in absence of a clerk, wrote the minute and Instructions of 30 July last, to state upon the Minutes: "That neither the board or any member in his presence, ever refused the aid of the Surveyor to correct their instructions as well upon points of expediency, as technical Precision; that the minute states truely, the Information received from Major Smith; but in tenderness to the Deputy Surveyor no entry was made of the reproof of the Board, thought proper to make to the Deputy Surveyor on the impropriety of applying to an individual, and a stranger, to the Instructions, for explanations of what came from the board, when he had [63] been so long possessed of it, in the spot where the board met, by regular weekly adjournment, and where they would always have met, at 24 hours' notice, in any difficulty likely to obstruct the Surveyor. On this occasion Mr. McNiff was told that the board alone was competent to the explanation of their own instructions, an observation which is in his letter mistated and misused in terms Mr. Powell thinks indecent from any individual to a collective body, not his inferiors; that Mr. Powell cannot have any subject of personal contest with the Deputy Surveyor and opposed accommodation or verbal explanation merely from a view to future precision and ease to the Board, and not with any view to retard the Settlement, whereof there is evidence in two proportions for a preparatory Survey at different periods, before the purchase was completed, and by the minute of the 22d May last, the next day after the cession was announced to the board."

[64] Mr. Powell also moves that the statement now presented by him, and read to the Board, may be entered fully on its minutes, as a saving of all possible misinterpretation of the proceedings of the three members, who continued to meet upon business, subsequent to the 20th May last.

Statement.

The countenance and Support of this board from the presence of a number of the Honourable Legislative Council, so distinguished by every merit, as Sir John Johnson, could not but be highly flattering to all such as ardently desired the good of the whole, and success to the immediate objects of this board's appointment. The readyness with which this board afforded every information on the special matters, communicated to them by the President, merits not a complaint of Backwardness, nor should its zeal to comply with the voluminous Instructions under which it acts, bear the appearance of censure, as to its motive, which may be construed from the manner they have acquiesced in, without the following

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Explanation.

The board adjourned from the Commandant's quarters, on some repairs being ordered there. Mr. Robertson's house was offered, for a few days, but from the 14th of May no access could be had to the other appartment. The papers ever remained in the custody of the clerk, Mr. Thomas Smith, until he sent them to the Board, on the 11th June last—since which they were for one week taken to Mr. Powell's House to be sorted and lettered, but the Inconvenience of taking them backwards and forwards prevented a repetition of that accommodation. The communications from the Governor remain yet unentered,—

The undertaking of the board to furnish Sir John Johnson—on his return from Mackinac, with the particulars of rations, etc., in arrear to the petitioning Rangers, could not be fulfilled because the Lists had been returned to Mr. Secretary Motz with the petition and report. The powers for effectual enquiry into subjects of complaint among the settlers, as well respecting [66] Depredations by the Indians, as other causes, is personal to Sir John—and upon recollection could not be attempted by substitutions. But so far from having acknowledged any satisfactory Remedy to the evils now complained of, by the Settlers, from the neighborhood, and pillage of the Indians, the board *only waved* for *the time* their projected Report on that subject, at the especial instance of Alexander McKee, Esquire, the Deputy Agent, and on his assurances that the cause of complaint should be instantly removed, the purchase being completed. But it does not appear even that the cause of complaint is yet removed, nor could the former board, or any individual of it, presume to suppress any Topic of Enquiry, suggested from below, which is observed in the present case to look rather to the *motive* of the Disturbance, given to the setlers, than to the fact—with Regard to the Reserve at the River Canard, also a subject discussed at the first meeting of the board, however, by the presence of Sir John Johnson, and referred to future con- [67] sideration, as it is not the business of a puisiné Member to bring forward a reserved subject, it can only be observed that the Information afforded us that meeting will be authenticated whenever required.

The board adjourned to 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

D. W. Smith.

At a Land board of the District, holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit, for Hesse, 12 August, 1790, having met persuant to adjournment.

Present: Sir John Johnson, Baronet, Major John Smith, W. D. Powell, William Robertson, also Alexander McKee.

Advertisement exposed by D. W. Smith, 13th August, and signed by order of the board:

The public standing advized that the Board meets, at Mr. Robertson's; are hereby acquainted that their meetings in future will be holden at the Council Chamber, every fryday, at 11 O'clock.

Received a Report from Mr. P. McNiffe, No. 43, dated this day (12 August, 1790).

Mr. McNiff produced a written requisition to the board to assist him with, men, a boat, and several other articles to aid him, in the directed Survey. (No[illegible]

The [illegible]eiving themselves as acting under special instructions, among whic[illegible]e none providing to enable the board to comply with Mr. McNiff's requisition,

The board agree to report the present difficulty to the Governor, for further instructions, and in the mean time, with the concurrence of Sir John

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Directions to Mr. McNiffe, continued from page 23.

"This done, you will, without loss of time, proceed to the mouth of the river La tranch, and there commence your surveys, from which place you will proceed to take the general course of the river, for the distance of thirty miles, in order to enable you to bring the side lines of the lots, perpendicular [68] to the General course of the River. This done, you will return to the place, where, you first commenced, and there begin to lay out the lands, agreeable to the general plan of Survey, now before the board.

Johnson, Baronet, take the liberty of requesting that Major Smith may have the [69] goodness to comply with the requisition; that no further delay may be occasioned and the service promoted.

JOHN JOHNSON.
JOHN SMITH.
WILLIAM DUMMER POWELL.
A. McKEE.
WILLIAM ROBERTSON.

Letter from the Board to Mr. Secretary Motz.

12th Aug. '90.—By the minute of this day, Mr. McNiffe, deputy Surveyor for this district, was ordered upon a survey, which Survey, Mr. McNiff states, he cannot carry into execution, unless the following requisition, which he produces to the Board, is complied with.

The board conceiving themselves as acting under special instructions, among which there are none, to enable the board, to comply with Mr. McNiff's requisition, or with the concurrence of Sir John Johnson, take the liberty of requesting that Major Smith, may have the goodness to comply with the requisition; the board begs you will report this circumstance to the [70] Governor, that on future applications, of this kind, they may be enabled to give the proper aid, and that the present obstructions may be removed. Major Smith has, for the present, ordered the requisition from the Garrison.

Signed by John Smith, W. D. Powell, W. Robertson. Sent Per Felicity.

D. W. SMITH.

At a land Board for the District of Hesse, holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit, August 13th, 1790.

Present: John Smith, W. D. Powell, William Robertson.

The Board think proper to minute, that after Mr. Smith had read the entrys of this register agreable to Mr. Powell's motion, of 11 August, made no verbal observations thereon, but said he would state, anything, he had to offer, or any objections he had to make to the said minutes in writing.

Filed the 3 following petitions:

No. 172—Ens. Henry Hay for his mother and family, dated 2 August.

No. 173—Alexander Cox, dated 4 Augt.

No. 174—Capt. Lamoth, do. 7 July (but given in after No. 168.)

[71] The board note, that the petition of Henry Hay was laid before the Board by Sir John Johnston with the strongest recommendation to the board to report upon as early as possible, expressing, at the same time, as his opinion, that the quality of land prayed for, for the widow and family of a Lieutenant Governor was not more than adequate, to the expectations consequent to this Rank, and the Station he filled—and was pleased to add from his own knowledge another circumstance favorable to the prayer of the petition, that the eldest son having omited to take up his portion of land, as a reduced subaltern of Sir John's Battalion, had forfeited the advantages intended to such caracters from my Lord Dorchester's instruction to put them on a footing with the 84th Regiment. The board concurring in Sentiments with Sir John Johnson, agree that this petition shall be reported [72] upon, as early as possible, after the land prayed for, shall be surveyed.

D. W. Smith was allowed liberty by the board to send a copy of the above to Sir John Johnson.

Received the memorial and petition (No. 175) of certain Inhabitants, signed and presented by John Baptiste Pare, Pierre La debauch, Pierre Boemiée, Amable Le'tienne, Respecting Lands on the River Canard.

The petition now read to the Board demonstrates the necessity for authority to be invested some where to restrain effectually the Establishment of Individuals on ungranted lands. The memorialists shew that without apprehension for themselves, but with a knowledge of the apprehension of the front Setlers, that their encroachments would not be tolerated, they have in defiance of public orders established themselves where the persons they complain of have more equitable pretensions.

[73] To leave room for the exercise of that high equ'ty and liberality so strongly recommended by my Lord Dorchester and to prevent the Incautious or even perverse Settler, from unnecessary suffering, the board think it right to report the present memorial, together with that of Antaglier and others, handed to the board by Mr. Powell for the Direction of his Lordship and to add their opinion that some means should be adopted to prevent any future dispute with the proprietors of the water lots, for their rear concession.

The minutes to be copyed; sent to Mr. Secretary Motz, that reference may be had to any matter, stated therein, since the appointment of Sir John Johnson to be temporary President of this board.

Signed, John Smith, William Dummer Powell, William Robertson.

OFFICIAL LETTERS, ETC.

[74] The Board to Lord Dorchester.

28th August, 1789.

No. 4. My Lord,—In obedience to your Lordship's commands by Letter of *————we formed ourselves into a board for the purposes therein expressed, but the District being without a deputy Surveyor, we could not proceed to Business until the arrival of Mr. McNiff, in that Quality. In the interval we received Mr. Secretary Motz's Letter accompanying the plan for a Town and a Township at the Entrance of the River, and communicating your Lordship's wishes on that subject. At our first meeting we took the same into consideration, but found so many difficulties, which we presume had not occurred to your Lordship, that we judged it necessary to forward to Mr. Motz for your Lordship's information, the minute of our proceeding, and to wait your Lordship's further instructions on that head. Our progress on the general printed instructions, handed to us, is [75] now altogether obstructed by information from Alexander McKee, Esquire, Deputy Superintendent of Indian Affairs, that none of the lands within the limits of the district have been purchased from the Indians for the Crown, altho they have been parcelled out in large grants to individuals by the natives, so as to leave none unclaimed from Long point on Lake Erie to Lake Huron.

We are so sensible of the Insufficiency of these claims, by Individuals whose acquisitions have not been authorized by the Crown, that of themselves they would not be an obstacle to our progress; but presuming on the constant practice of the Crown, to purchase the right of soils, by contract with the natives, as well as your Lordship's sentiments expressed to

* 2nd April, 1789.

us relative to the Lands opposite the Island of Bois blanc, we think it cannot be your Lordship's intention that any settler should be planted by us, where the right of soil is subject to discussion.

[76] Before this difficulty occured we had received several petitions and had agreed to recommend them to your Lordship exclusive of a promise to the partys of the single lot, immediately on their return with their families. As the printed instructions to the Land boards are in general circulation in the neighbouring states, from whence a great accession of good subjects may be expected, we are anxious that no impediments may exist on the return of such persons, to the instant accomplishment of our promise, and therefore, on the assurance that the difficulty suggested will be removed in the course of the winter, we purpose to direct Mr. McNiff to proceed immediately to the survey of some townships, agreable to the plan from the Surveyor General's office, and to number the Lots, that we may plant the New Settlers early in the spring.

[77] It is with true regret that we announce to your Lordship a delay in the execution of your Lordship's wishes, but are satisfied that your Lordship must approve our Caution in a measure which might involve the first settlers in Disputes, and eventually retard the progress of settlement more than the actual delay.

We have the honour to be, etc.,

Entered by D. W. Smith.

No. 8.—Copy of a Letter from Henry Motz to the Board.

Quebec, 10th August, '89. Received 16th October, '89.

GENTLEMEN,—Complaints having been made to His Excellency, the Governor, that many emigrant families of Loyalists have met with considerable and expensive delays in obtaining allotments of land under the authority of the boards constituted for that purpose, and that some have thereby been so far discouraged as to return to the neighbouring States, I have his Lordship's commands to recommend, if any ground for such Complaints should exist within the sphere of your jurisdiction, that you [78] do, besides all due diligence on your parts, also keep a watchful eye over the Surveyors, in your district, who will receive orders on this subject from the Surveyor General's office to put themselves under due guards, and if any difficulties should arise, which it is not in your power to remedy, that you will make immediate Report thereof to His Lordship, specyfying the causes, and giving your ideas of the best means of removing them.

I am, Gentlemen, &c.

To Major Murray, 60 Rgt., or Officer Commanding; W. D. Powell, Esquire; D. Baby, Esquire; A. McKee, Esquire; W. Robertson, Esquire; A. Grant, Esquire; St. M. Adhemar, Esquire, or any three of them, District of Hesse.

Entered by D. W. Smith.

[79] Copy of memorandum from Governor Hay to Ens. Fry.

No. 9. SIR,—As it is necessary before the Gentlemen designed by the Commissioner in chief to settle on the lands near the mouth of the River given by the Indians, to the King, for that purpose, can make any improvements, that their lots should be measured off. You will please begin at the lower side of Captain Caldwell's fenced field, and measure his

lot of 6 acres in front up the river; from thence measure what land lies between his boundary and Captain Bird's first house, and make a memorandum of the same; then begin at the lower end of Captain Caldwell's fenced field again and measure due South, a lot of six acres in front, for Mr. McKee, where he began his improvements; then another of six acres in front, for Mr. Elliot; then another lot of four acres in front for Captain Joncair; then 2 lots of 4 acres each to be reserved for Sir John Johnson and [80] myself, his to be the first; thence as many lots of 4 acres in front as there is land, until you come upon Lake Erie, in the same South Course, No. 2 being the first after the two lots reserved as above and for Mr. Thos. McKee, No. 3 for Mr. S. Girty, No. 4 for Mr. A. St. Martin, No. 5 Mr. D. Baby, No. 6 Captain Lamothe, No. 7 I. Chisne, No. 8 Captain Chabert, No. 9 Captain C. Reaume, the remainder, if any, will be disposed of to other officers of the Indian Department.

J. H.

Entered by D. W. Smith.

No. 10. Copy of a letter from Lord Dorchester to the Board, 2nd September, '89. Received 16th October, 1789.

GENTLEMEN,—You will be pleased to consider of the proper limits and extent of a tract of land beginning at the western boundary of the last [81] purchase made by the Crown from the Indians west of Niagara and extending along the whole or such part of the borders of Lake Erie, and the streight of Detroit, up to such distance towards Lake Huron, and to such depths from the shore as you may see expedient, to be surveyed and parcelled out for the accommodation of emigrant loyalists and others desirous of forming settlements in those parts, as occasion may require.

You will take care that all lands possessed or claimed by individuals under pretence of private purchases, or grants from Indians, on the side opposite to the port of Detroit, be comprehended within the limits of this general tract.

But before any part thereof can be granted to individuals, the whole must be ceded to the Crown by the Indians. You will therefore call Mr. McKee, the Officer of the Indian department, to your assistance in delib- [82] erating upon this subject, that you may have the advantage of His Knowledge of the temper and disposition of the Indians, in ascertaining what extent of country it may be proper to treat for with them, for the present, consistently with their comfort.

As soon as you have determined upon this point Mr. McKee, who is to receive instructions for that purpose from the Superintendent General of Indian affairs, will take the necessary steps to obtain from the Indians their claim and complete cession to the Crown.

This obtained, your first object will be the choice of a proper site for a country town for the District on the East side of the Streight.

A situation opposite to the Island of Bois blanc. which better than any other commands the Navigation of the Streight, has preferable accomodations for the security of vessels, and must for these reasons become a post [83] of defence, has been represented to me as a proper place for a town, and will from the circumstances aforementioned and its postition in the vicinity of many water communications from the South shore, in process of time, naturally attract a number of Inhabitants. You will, therefore, consider whether this is not the most proper spot for the County town.

But lest the unhealthyness or impractibility of the Surrounding Country, or *any other circumstances* only to be ascertained upon the spot, should render the situation of bois blanc ineligible, you are to call the Magistrates,

the Officers of the Militia and such other intelligent Inhabitants and planters as you may see fit to assist in your deliberations upon this particular object, as directed by the additional Rules and regulations for the conduct of the Land office Department of the 25th August, 1789, and if [84] the Majority present of the board so formed shall be of opinion that Bois blanc is not the most eligible situation, you will jointly with them fix upon any other on the same side of the Streight that may appear to unite superior advantages, in respect to the present Condition of the district, stating the reasons in a special report.

The Scite of the country town agreed upon, you will direct the Surveyor of the district to lay out the township and proceed to receive applications and issue certificates for Town and Farm Lots therein, according to your general instructions, as soon as may be.

But as several Settlements are reported to be made and actually occupied by individuals without authority, under the pretext of purchases, or cessions from the Indians, within the tract above directed to be purchased [85] from them on behalf of the Crown, the board are to receive applications for grants from the claimants or occupants of such settlements, stating the nature, extent and value of the tracts and improvements prayed for and the grounds of their claims, filing at the same time copies of the writings or papers on which they may conceive the same to be founded.

To the actual bona fide occupants of such improved farms the Board are to give certificates including the Improvements to the extent of their general instructions, and they are not to issue any Certificates for any part of such tracts, as are claimed under the pretext of Indian purchases or grants, to any person other than the actual claimant or occupant thereof, but they are to report upon all such petitions and claims, transmitting the [86] same with copies of the writings or papers filed, and stating their opinion as to the nature, extent and value of the tracts and improvements and the merits and pretensions of the Claimants, and any other petitioners, for parcels of such tracts, that the Government being duly informed thereof order may be taken respecting the same.

In regard to all other vacant lands of the Crown, not claimed by individuals, as aforementioned, and in all points, which are not specially directed herein, the board are to proceed according to their general instructions.

I am, with Regard, &c.

Major Murray, &c.; W. D. Powell, Esquire; D. Baby, Esquire; A. McKee, Esquire: W. Robertson, Esquire; A. Grant, Esquire; St. M. Adhemar, Esquire, or any three of them, Board for the District of Hesse.

Entered by D. W. Smith.

[87] Copy of a Circular Letter from Henry Motz to the Board.

Quebec, 23rd July, 1789—Recorded 16 October, 1789.

No. 11. Gentlemen, I have his excellency the Governor's Commands, to enclose you 2 approved forms of certificates to be issued by the different boards and Surveyors, under the 4th and 7th articles of the rules and regulations for the conduct of the land office department of 17th February last, for the dispatch of business, and prevention of abuses.

"(With 40 blanks for Single Lots, and 40 blanks for family lands, etc.)"

It has been represented to his Lordship that the present necessities and want of foresight of the poorer class of the loyalists had in some parts of

the province been taken advantage of by designing persons obtaining from them for trifling considerations the Certificates for lands alloted them by the bounty of the Crown, for the support of themselves and their families, and [88] That others, who never mean to settle, are hereby induced to apply to the boards, merely with a view to such improper traffick; to the unnecessary increase of the business of the boards, the obstruction of the Settlement of the Crown lands, and the encouragement of Idleness. For these reasons, the sanction of the boards is made necessary for all transfers of land Certificates, and it is the Governor's desire that you diligently watch and discountenance, the evil practices aforementioned, and authorize no transfer of any certificate for lands, unless you are satisfied, that it is a bona fide transaction, consistent with all public good, and the true interests of the Seller and his family.

I am, Gentlemen, etc.,

Entered by D. W. Smith.

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[89] Copy of an extract from the minutes of Council.

29 December, 1788.

No. 14 B. "Captain Caldwell, late of Butler's rangers, praying for a Grant to his Sons William and James for a certain marsh at Detroit."

"Ordered, that the Surveyor General report a survey of the marsh prayed for accordingly."

J. Williams.

No. 14 A. Copy of a letter from Mr. McNiff, Deputy Surveyor, to Captain Caldwell.

16 November, 1789.

Sir,—The above order of Council having come to my hands on the 14th Instant November, have to acquaint you that I am prepared to comply with the same as soon as you obtain the order of the board of the Land office for that purpose, particularly specifying the situation and extent of the marsh, as near as may be.

I am, Sir, etc.,

Entered by D. W. Smith.

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[90] No. 16. Copy of a Letter from Lord Dorchester to Sir John Johnson, Baronet.

17th August, 1789. Presented 21 November, 1789.

Sir,—You will be pleased to give the necessary directions to enable Mr. McKee to treat and agree with the Indians in the District of Hesse, who may lay claims to pretensions to a tract of land; beginning at the Western boundary of the last purchase made by the Crown from the Indians West of Niagara, and extending along the whole, or such part of the borders of Lake Erie, and the Streight of Detroit, up to such distance towards Lake Huron, and to such depth from the shore as the Land board for the District of Hesse shall see expedient to be set apart for settlement, and as it shall be found proper to treat for with the Indians consistently with their comforts, in the judgment of Mr. McKee, whom the board will be directed to

consult upon the subject, and it is my desire that they be fully satisfied for [91] what they may cede, and transfer to the Crown in the usual manner.

I am, with regard, Sir,

Entered from an attested Copy by T. Smith.

D. W. SMITH.

No. 17. Copy, Thomas Astin Coffin, to the Board.

September 23, 1790.

GENTLEMEN,—I have this day forwarded to your address one hundred blank Certificates for town lots, and one hundred blank Certificates for Single lots, to the Care of Mr. Clark, Montreal, the form of which has been approved by his Excellency the Governor.

I am, Gentlemen, etc.,

Entered by D. W. Smith.

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[92] Copy, The Board to Lord Dorchester.

17 October, 1789.

No. 18. MY LORD,—We are honoured with your Lordship's Instructions of the 2nd September, the general scope of which we cannot misinterpret, and should instantly proceed to fulfill your Lordship's wishes, in as much as regards the location of Individuals did not the last Clause of your Lordship's letter (which prohibits the granting of any part of the tracts claimed by Individuals under Indian Grants, unless to the actual occupier or claimant, to the extent of the trust reposed in us by your Lordship) absolutely precluded the settlement of any persons of any other description, Since the whole tract of land from Pointe au Plage, in Lake Erie, to Lake Huron, is so claimed, and that to some distance from the water. If the Discussion of these Claims before your Lordship, upon our report on the merits and pre-[93] tensions of the Claimants is to precede any establishment within the limits claimed, we shall be left in the unpleasant predicament of having pledged ourselves, and in some measure the faith of Government, as confiding in us, beyond our powers and performance. Satisfied of your Lordship's favorable Intention towards the Settlement of the waste lands and of the Groundless pretensions of extensive monopolies under Indian Grants, we did not hesitate, on application from a body of people called Quakers, now resident on the Monagahela, to promise to each head of a family who should arrive before July next, a Location of 200 acres, on a tract, on Lake Erie, westward of Point au plage, although the tract is claimed by more than one Indian Grantee. The Consequences resulting from an inability to perform our promise will of necessity occur to your Lordship, and cannot but be injurious, if not for some time fatal to the great view of settling this [94] Country. So circumstanced we embrace the earliest opportunity to lay before your Lordship the Difficulties occasioned by the restricion referred to, and to sollicit your Lordship's further commands on that subject.

However desirous we may be to act under specific instructions, and to avoid that responsibility to which any Latitude might subject us, yet we cannot forbear to observe to your Lordship that the difficulty of communicating on every doubt being so embraced by our remote situation, it may be requisite to effectuate your Lordship's views, that this board, in cases where

the difficulty shall have evidently escaped your Lordship's animadvertion (and delay be hurtful to the progress of the Colony) may be permitted to proceed on the guidance of their own Judgment, influenced by the general [95] tener of your Lordship's Instructions.

Signed P. MURRAY,
W. D. POWELL.
W. ROBERTSON.

Entered by D. W. Smith.

No. 19. Copy, Henry Motz, to Sir Jno. Johnson.

5 October, 1789.

SIR,—I am commanded by his excellency Lord Dorchester to request you will be pleased to forward to Mr. McKee a duplicate of your instructions to him respecting the purchase of a tract of land from the Indians, in the district of Hesse, agreeable to His Lordship's Letter to you of the 17th August, in order to guard against delay in the proceedings of the land board of that district, to whom a duplicate of His Lordship's instructions on the same subject is sent by this post, for the like reason.

From your letter to Mr. Coffin, of 28th September, it would seem that you apprehended objections on the part of the Indians, the cession of the [96] tract, inquisitions to the Crown, His Lordship is informed that the greater part, if not the whole, of that country is now claimed by individuals, under pretext of purchases or Grants, from the Indians, in which claims they are understood to *acquiesce*. If so, any interest of their own seems to be out of the question, and their objections must be founded on misconception, they should be reminded that all *Bargains* of *Individuals* with them respecting lands are *totally void*, against law, and can never be acknowledged by the Crown, that whatever lands are wanted for the settlement of the King's Subjects, the King has made it an invariable rule to apply to the Indians and to satisfy them, for the cession thereof, afterwards to distribute such lands among his subjects according to justice and their deserts, [97] that this law is for the comfort and security of the Indians, as well as for the maintenance of due order among the King's Subjects, and can never be departed from.

That all the King's subjects know very well that they cannot be protected in the possession of any lands without his authority, and therefore the less excusable in setting up claims under the pretext of Grants or purchases from the Indians, contrary to law.

I am, etc.,
D. W. SMITH.

Entered from an attested copy of T. Smith.

No. 20. Copy, Henry Motz to the Board.

5th October, '89.

GENTLEMEN,—The minute of the board of the 14th and your report of 28th August, have had the consideration of his Excellency Lord Dorchester.

[98] I am commanded to express his Lordship's approbation of your conduct, and his hope that the additional regulations of the 25th August and His Lordship's special instructions to you of 2nd September (neither of which could have reached you at the time of your report), will meet all the difficulties which appear hitherto to have obstructed your progress, and that

your proceedings under them may be received at Quebec early enough to enable the Governor and Council to transmit the proper orders thereupon before the arrival of any emigrants in your district next spring, whose speedy accomodation His Lordship observes to be a proper object of your attention.

To guard against Contingencies duplicates of the said regulations a d instructions are despatched by this conveyance, and if anything should occurr to you to be expedient for accelerating the business of your board, [99] in addition to the orders already issued, His Lordship desires to receive your suggestions of it by the earliest opportunity.

I am, gentlemen, etc.,

Entered by D. W. Smith.

No. 21. Copy, Circular from Henry Motz to the board.

19th January, 1790.

GENTLEMEN,—A Schedule of locations made in your district by the Surveyor General's Office is transmited to you by this conveyance agreeable to the 15th Article of the rules and regulations for the conduct of the Land office department of the 17th February last.

If the board shall not have already received the Report, directed by the first Article of the additional rules and regulations of the 25th August last, to be made to them by the Acting Surveyor of the district, it is Lord Dorchester's desire that they call upon him to render the same with all con- [100] venient speed, in order to enable the board to Communicate such full information to His Lordship, in pursuance of the said article, as the interest of the district requires.

The board will perceive that for this purpose their report should exhibit:

1. An accurate map of the district or such parts at least as are occupied or claimed by individuals under any pretence whatever, to be prepared, if not already done, by the acting Surveyor of the district.

2. The names and descriptions of all the actual occupants, or claimants of any lands in the district.

3. The number of acres occupied, or claimed by each

4. The Situation and dimensions of all tracts occupied or claimed by Settlers and numbers of reference corresponding with the map.

5. The Grounds of all such claims or pretensions whether as reduced officers, or otherwise, under the King's Instructions of 1783, or under the [101] order of the Governor in Council of the 22nd October, 1788, or under the rules and regulations for the conduct of the land office department of the 17th February and the 25th August, 1789, or any special order of the Governor in Council, or in any other way whatever, with the proofs of all such allegations, by documents affidavits, or otherwise, carried as high as the nature of the case will admit.

6. The authority by which all such occupants, or claimants have obtained possession of the respective tracts, whether by authority of Certificates of location from the Surveyor General or Deputy Surveyor, of such a nature, or by certificates of the board and the acting Surveyor in consequence thereof, by anything whatever specifying the dates of all such authority and the [102] period at which the lands were taken possession of.

7. The actual state of the improvements made on all tracts occupied, or claimed, whether by any authority or not, upon such saisfactory proof, as is required by the 5th article.

These particulars being fully spread before the Government with such further observations as the local knowledge, and experience, may suggest to the board, will pave the way for a clear course, by loyal Grants agreeable to the King's instructions, to secure to all bona fide settlers (whether located erroneously or in the regular mode.) the fruits of their industry, upon lands, the possession of which, they may reasonably expect to be confirmed to them, and on the other hand, to apprize such, whose pretensions shall be found inadmissible, of their precarious situation.

[103] For the Guidance of the board in taking the necessary proofs required by the 5th and 7th articles aforementioned, and forming accurate opinions and reports, upon those cases, respectively, I am to add the following observations.

The King's instructions to the Governor in 1783, direct allotment of lands to be made to Loyalists, and to such officers of the provincial troops and to such non Comd. Officers and privates of the King's forces, in general as may be reduced in the Province, of Quebec, and shall be willing immediately to settle and improve the said lands, upon their application, in the following proportions, that is to say.

To every field officer 1,000 acres; to every Captain, 700 acres; to every Subaltern officer, 500 acres; to every Staff officer, 500 acres; to every Warrant officer, 500 acres; to every Non-Comd. officer, 200 acres; to every Private man, 100 acres; to every Loyalist, being the Master of a family, 100 acres, exclusive of 50 acres for each person of which the family of [104] such officer, non comd. officer., private or loyalist, shall consist, and 50 acres for every single loyalist. Such commissioned and non-comd. officers and privates of the Corps known and distinguished by the name of the Corps of associated loyalists, as may take refuge in the Province of Quebec, are by the same instructions to be in every respect entitled to the same allotments of land, and every encouragement intended and given by the said instructions, to the comd. officers, Non-commissioned officers and privates of the provincial Forces who shall be reduced.

The King's instructions to the Governor relative to the late 84th Regiment direct Allotments to be made to them, in the following proportions, that is to say.

To the field officers, 5,000 acres; Captains, 3,000 acres; Subalterns, 2,000 acres; Non-Comd. Officers, 200 acres; Privates, 50 acres.

The Governor's order in Council of the 22nd Oct. 1788, upon certain petitions of reduced provincial officers, praying an equal bounty in regard [105] To Allotments of lands, with the officers of the late 84th Regiment in favor of all such officers, as have *improved the lands already granted to them as reduced officers since the peace of 1783* referring it to the Surveyor General, or Deputy Surveyor General, to make returns of their locations and directing him to give them Certificates thereof under his hand, as further testimonials of the faith of Government for issuing the patents, pursuant to His Majesty's instructions if they shall apply for their several locations in the course of one year to be computed from 1 day of May, 1789, adding that it is to be understood, that deductions are to be made of all such tracts, as have been already granted to any of the objects of this order *that upon the whole they may receive equivalents with the Corps of the 84th Regiment.*

The King's instructions aforementioned being in both instances addres- [106] sed to the Governor, it follows that neither of them can be applied and executed by any subsordinate officer, without special authority, for

that purpose from the Governor, with the Concurrence of the Council, who are by the Royal instructions joined with him in the trust of disposing of the Waste lands of the Crown, and the Governor's order in Council, of 22nd October, 1788, being directed to be executed by the Surveyor General, or Deputy Surveyor General, is of course under the same predicament with regard to any other subordinate officer.

I am further to observe upon this occasion that the Royal indulgence granted to all loyalists settled under the King's instructions of 83, with regard to their obtaining patents of their allotments, free of any expense, is to be understood, to extend not only to the patents for the lands so to be alloted to them, under the aforementioned instructions, but also to those, for any subsequent allotments, by provincial authority, whether the additional [107] bounty of 87, or under the orders of the Governor in Council, of 22nd October, 88, and the 9th November, 89, or otherwise.

The board are therefore to take care that the Clerks which they may find it necessary to employ under his Lordship's directions, signified in my circular letter, of 2nd April last, do not accept of any fees whatsoever, from any of the loyalists, who have adhered to the Unity of the Empire and joined the Royal Standard, before the treaty of separation in the year 1783, or any of their children and their descendents by either sex. But whenever the emoluments arising from such fees, as may be taken under the aforementioned letter, from all other settlers, shall in the opinion of the boards, not amount to an adequate compensation, for the services to be performed, by their clerks, the boards are to transmit the state of the actual Receipts and [108] further reasonable claims of their clerks, with the Certificate and recommendation of the boards, for the consideration of the Government.

His Lordship trusts the Board will take the most effectual means, to bring the Loyalists acquainted with this, and every other article of which it is material to their general interest and comfort to be informed.

I am Gentlemen, etc.,

Entered by D. W. Smith.

Addenda in the Margin.

The Schedules of locations from the Surveyor General's office not being completed for transmission, will be sent by the next conveyance.

H. M.

Entered, D. W. Smith.

MINUTES OF MEETINGS—*Continued.*

*At the Council Chamber of Detroit, 20 August, 1790.

Present: Major Smith, Wm. Robertson.

There being an insufficiency of members to form a board, the above members adjourned, to Fryday, the 27th August, 90.

D. W. Smith.

The President allowed D. W. Smith to receive the following petition, etc., to be presented to the next quorum.

Joseph Springfield's petition, N. Set	No. 176
Joseph La Foret's petition, 14 August. 90, N. Set	177
André Skeenis, petition, 14 August, 90, N. Set	178

D. W. Smith.

* Report A commences here.

To Henry Motz, Esquire, Secretary to the Governor.

Detroit, 22 August, 90.

Sir,—I am directed by the Land board for the District of Hesse, to transmit to you, for the Information of the Governor, extracted minutes from their Register, since they were last sent, which having done by this conveyance, I have the honor to be, Sir Your Humble Servant.

D. W. Smith.

[110] To Mr. Edwards, Postmaster, Montreal, 22 August, 90.

Sir,—I have forwarded to your care, a Roller of papers, from the Land Board of Hesse, for Mr. Secretary Motz, as it is of considerable weight, I request you will have the goodness to write him, to know whether he cares, to have it forwarded by post, or wait for private conveyance and opportunity, I have the honor to be Sir your Humble Servant.

D. W. Smith, Secretary.

The letter for Mr. Motz, to be sent per post.

Received from Judge Powell, the Memorial of I. B. Antaglia addressed to the Court of Common pleas No date, and now numbered 179.

D. W. Smith.

At the Council Chamber of Detroit,

Fryday, 27 August, 1790.

Present: William Robertson, Esquire; Alexander Grant, Esquire.

Being informed Major Smith was ill and in his bed, and there being an insufficiency of members to form a board, the above members adjourned to Fryday next.

[111] The president allows D. W. Smith to receive the following petition to be presented to the next board.

John Smith, dated 25 August, No. 180.

D. W. Smith.

At the Council Chamber of Detroit,

Fryday, 3rd September, 1790.

Present: Major Smith, W. D. Powell, Esquire.

Filed the petitions No. 176, 177, 178, 179, 180.

Alexander Grant, Esquire, arriving, the board formed itself into a Quorum.

The board received a letter from Mr. McNiff, addressed to the Clerk, with a plan of Survey, also a note from Wm. Robertson, Esquire.

Upon Receipt of the rough sketch of the Survey, above mentioned, of the front of 2 townships on the Streight and Lake Erie conformable to the Instructions and minute of 11th August, 1790.

The board taking into consideration the latitude afforded by Mr. Motz's letter of 21 January, to depart in cases of necessity from the strict prohibitions of His Letter of 2nd September last, being sensible that no claimant [112] under private Indian Purchases, or Cessions, can sustain an equitable pretence to any part of the tract surveyed, in exclusion of the actual occupant or Claimant under Certificate by Commanding Officers, and the necessity of quieting the actual settlers, hitherto unassured, agree to give Notice,

to the Petitioners and claimants of Lots in the New Settlement from No. 1 to No. 97, to attend the board, to make good their pretensions and receive the Certificates pledging the faith of Government, for their improvements, which Advertisement is directed to be in the following words:—

"Notice is hereby given to all Petitioners and Claimants of Lots in the New Settlements from No. 1 to 97, that the Land board for the District of Hesse, will, on Fryday next at 11 o'clock, at the Council Chamber of Detroit, hear the Pretensions of the said several Petitions and Claimants, in order [113] to their granting Certificates, for securing them in their improvements."

"And whereas the Surveyors report to the board states the location of several people in Lots in the New Settlement, who have never petitioned the board for such lots, they are hereby acquainted that unless they show pretensions to said lots by memorial to the board they cannot receive Certificates for them, or be secured in their improvements on the faith of Government."

I certify that I exposed the above advertisement in the usual place of advertising, and that I sent a copy of it to the New Settlement, to be made public amongst the Settlers there.

D. W. Smith, Secretary.

Read and filed the following petitions:

No. 181. Mat. Gibson, R. La tranche, 31 August, 1790.

No. 182. Thomas Kelly, R. La tranche, 1 September, 1790.

No. 183. And. Hamilton, R. La tranche, 1 September, 1790.

The board refused to receive the Petition of Valentine Eiler, being for a Consideration, contrary to their appointment.

The board are obliged to defer the Consideration of the most proper place for a *town* in the New Settlement, agreeable to the general instructions, til [114] the Surveyor is well enough to attend the board, and give them such information as they may require on that head.

John Smith,
William Dummer Powell,
Alexander Grant.

(Minutes in Report A continued on p. 43.)

OFFICIAL LETTERS, ETC.

No. 25, Copy, Henry Motz to the Board dated 21 January, 1790. Circular.

I am commanded by Lord Dorchester to signify to you that for promoting the Settlement and industry of the Loyalists as prolongations of the authority of the boards, under a new appointment, may probably be thought advisable.

In that expectation and with a view of rendering the trust as generally beneficial as possible, His Lordship desires the board will pay particular attention to the operating of their present Instructions, and communicate to him the Result of their observations, as soon as matured, concerning any alterations or additions, the utility of which in the course of their experience they may have had occasion to discover, to the intent that their new appoint- [115] ment, if it should take place, may be accompanied with a proper digest of Instructions, framed upon the best lights to be had.

Entered by D. W. Smith.

Copy, No. 23.

No. 23, Copy, Henry Motz to the Board, Dated 21 January 1890. Circular.

I enclose a Copy of Lord Dorchester's order in Council of 9 November, 89, for making allotments of Lands to the Sons and daughters of Loyalists who have adhered to the Unity of the Empire, and joined the Royal Standard In America, before the treaty of Separation in the year 1783—together with the form of Certificates of occupation, to be issued under the said order for the guidance of the board—50 Copies of the said order in Council and 50 blank Certificates for the use of the board are sent unsealed by this Conveyance.

Entered by D. W. Smith.

No. 28, Copy, Patrick McNiff to the Board, dated 14 April, 90.

The pressing reasons set forth in my petition of the 10th October last, which was laid before you on that day with the advanced period of the [116] Seasons, I hope will be an inducement to you at your first meeting, to give me a decisive Answer on the subject of my said petition for fear I should be another year exposed to the Hardships and Inconveniences I have experienced the year past, by paying house rent, purchasing fuel, etc. I was induced to forward a Copy of my petition to be laid before his Lordship in Council, to which I have the following Answer, in Mr. Motz's letter of 21 January:—"The General Instructions issued do not admit of grants being made here of lands in the District of Hesse, without the Intervention of the board, who being well acquainted with your Caracter and situation will be enabled under their general powers to put you in possession of a sufficient quantity of Acres to begin your Improvements the *Ensuing season*, and to recommend any farther Claims you may exhibit for His Lordship's consideration and orders in Council." I have only to observe that should my petition appear to be the first that have gone through the regular Channel for that Land, I doubt not you will see the propriety of putting [117] me in possession of a sufficient quantity of the front land, alluded to in my petition, to make me a small Farm, which is all I at present require. Had I known prior to my petitioning that Captain McKee had the most distant wish to have these lands, I had not asked for any part of them, I would even now give up my claim at that place in his favor, were it not for a certain Clause, which I perceive to be contained in the body of his petition, for 6 miles square, in which space is comprehended the Land I have referred to. The Clause plainly expresses that he does not want that land for his own use, but wishes to have it secured to him, so that he may have it in his power to place such loyal subjects upon it as he may conceive worthy of such an Indulgence; if Loyalty be the Criterion which justifies the conferring such favors, on Individuals, I think in that point I have no right to give way to any one claimant in the District, not even to Captain McKee [118] himself, or if long and faithful service, and that of the most labourious kind under the Crown can be deemed meritorious, or an essential qualification in obtaining such grants, I presume I ought to be ranked among the first favourites, but in that case I should conceive to be receiving the land from His Majesty, and not from Captain McKee, nor would I on any other consideration have any part of it.

Entered by D. W. Smith.

No. 29, Copy, Alexander McKee, Esquire, to the board, dated May 21st, 1890.

I take the earliest opportunity of informing you that the Cession from the Indians to the Crown is now Complete according to the limits specyfied in a resolve of a Land board of last, excepting the land between the Huron church and River au Jarvies, running in depth 120 arpents, which is reserved for the Hurons. And a tract beginning at the Indian officer's land running up the streight to the French Settlement, and 7 miles in depth, which the Indians have also reserved, the deed will be entered into the Register and then transmitted to the Superintendant General.

Entered by D. W. Smith.

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No. 31, Copy, Alexander McKee, Esquire, to the board, dated May 23rd, 1790. Entered in Page 23.

Noted by D. W. Smith.

No. 24, Copy, Henry Motz to the board, dated 21 January, 1790. See folio 92.

I am commanded by Lord Dorchester to acknowledge the receipt of your report of the 17th of October, and to signify to you that a strong desire of exercising that high equity, liberality and good faith towards the Indians, as well as the white people, which it is the duty of every servant of the Crown never to depart from, for the honor and dignity of the King's Government, was the leading principle of the restrictions contained in His Lordship's instructions to you of the 2nd September, but that His Confidence in your judgment and Integrity will always inclines him to hold you justified in the prudent Exercise of such discretionary Authority, as on Account of the Remoteness of the District, it may be necessary for the board to assume for a more perfect discharge of their trust under unforeseen circumstances, taking for granted that a religious adherence to the same principles which [120] actuates His Lordship will be maintained by the Board in all such cases.

Confined to the Information hitherto obtained, his Lordship perceives no ground to suppose that there is any pretense of equitable claims within any *other* Indian purchases or Cessions, than that of June, 1784, etc. Consequently, that you will find scope for your trust to operate in every *other* part of the district. You will, therefore, be very particular in your minutes, if you shall see cause in the exercise of your discretion to give hopes to persons that indulge expectations under such indian Grants, as were not made agreable to the Royal Instructions, nor have yet had the Countenance or approbation of Government.

Mr. McKee's memorial for a tract ceded by the Indians to the Crown on the 15 May, 1786, with the deed, left here in his behalf, is inclosed for the Consideration and proceedings of the board, agreable to their general Instructions.

Entered by D. W. Smith.

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[121] Lord Dorchester to the board, dated 2nd September, '89.

No. 33. Duplicate of No. 10. Entered folio 80.

Noted by D. W. Smith.

No. 34, Copy, Henry Motz to the Board, dated 19 April, '90.

I have Lord Dorchester's Commands to transmit a petition said to be on behalf of certain inhabitants of the United States formerly of the District of Hesse. It appears extraordinary to his Lordship that these people should not have found their way to the district of Nassau and the lower Settlement of the Loyalists, where they might have obtained land and provisions, in common with others, instead of going to the United States.

But though their representation does not seem to deserve much attention His Lordship sends it for the Information of the board and wishes to receive their observations upon it.

Entered by D. W. Smith.

No. 36, Copy, J. Williams to the board, dated 21 March, '90.

On the 8th instant I transmitted to your board, the order of His Excellency, Lord Dorchester in Council of the 2nd of this month comprehending [122] a report of the land committee, dated 19th February last, and a report of a committee of the whole Council, to whom that report was referred, dated the 23rd of that month, which received in the said order, His Lordship's approbation.

Upon revising my notes of official dispatches I am led to apprehend that the order of reference recommended in the said report, of the committee of the whole Council to be transmitted along with the said Reports (comprehended in the said order of 2nd instant) to the Land boards of Luneburg and Mecklenburg, and directed to be communicated to every board in the Province, was omitted to be dispatched therewith, to your board. I have now the pleasure of inclosing to you the said order of reference in full execution of His Lordship's Commands, in that report.

Entered by D. W. Smith.

No. 35, Copy, At a Council holden at Quebec, on Monday the 22nd February, 1790.

At a Council holden at Quebec, on Monday the 22nd February,1790.

Present: His Excellency Lord Dorchester, Governor, the Honourable William Smith, Esquire; Chief Justice and The Honourable Hugh Finlay, [123] Esquire; Edward Harrison, Esquire; John Collins, Esquire; Adam Mabane, Esquire; George Pownall, Esquire; Henry Caldwell, Esquire; William Grant, Esquire; J. G. C. DeLeary, Esquire.

Read a report of the Land Committee of the 19th instant, respecting the corrected Schedules of Grants, of Lands, in the new districts.

His Lordship expressed his desire to make the Distribution of the waste lands, of the Crown with such accuracy, as may enable the Government to make the Intended Grants, in the easyest and cheapest manner, to all, to whom the public faith may be pledged and hereby to prevent the disputes and Lawsuits, which might otherwise arise among the Settlers to their own and the public detriment.

Ordered that the said reports be referred to a Committee of the whole Council, for their opinion and report on the proper steps for, fulfilling His Lordship's Design.

Entered by D. W. Smith.

MINUTES OF MEETINGS—*Continued.*

[124] Report A.—*Continued.*

At a land Board for the District of Hesse holden, at the Council Chamber, of Detroit, Fryday, 10th day of September, A.D. 1790.

Present:—Major Smith, Esquire; W. D. Powell, Esquire; A. Grant, Esquire.

In conformity to the Notification given by the board, last sitting day, to the Claimants of Lots in the New Settlement, they have for the most part appeared before the board this day, upon the statement from several of them, that they had neither time, or opportunity of preparing petitions to the board, for the confirmation of Lands, which they occupied on the faith of tickets they received from the several Commandants, the board in order to accelerate the Settlement, and to prevent the delay of people who are so far from their homes and occupations, forego, the necessity of such form to them, who have the said tickets to produce, presuming such tickets [125] to have been granted upon due enquiry and in conformity to Instructions.

Alexander Clarke, produced to the board a ticket for Lot No. 2, said he in the New Settlement (and so confirmed by Schedules signed by Majors Mathews and Close, in the possession of the board) dated Detroit, 10 October, '87, and suscribed, R. Matthews, Major Commandant, and the said Alexander Clarke, having taken and subscribed the oaths of Allegiance, Supremacy and Abjuration, and declaration required by the Royal instructions of 23rd August, 1786, and the 42nd article of said Instructions. The board subscribed and delivered to him a certificate for a single Lot of about 200 acres, being Lot No. 2 in New Settlement, upon Lake Erie, which will be Lot No. in township A Like Ticket subscribed R. Matthews of the same date, was produced by Joseph Windale, for Lot 6, and he having subscribed the said oaths and declaration, the board delivered to him a similar certificate for the Lot which will be No. in the said township [126] and Christian Bonsack, having produced a ticket for lot No. 9 subscribed and dated as before, and having been duly sworn etc., as before, the board deliver him a Certificate for Lot to be No. in township aforesaid.

The following tickets signed by the Commandants were then produced to the board.

Leonard Scratch, Lot	No. 12
Martin Tolphelmire	13
Asa Holmes	20
Joseph Countryman	26
Jacob Arner	27
Richard Whittle	29

Which agreeing with the Schedules signed by Majors Matthews and Close, as well as the Surveyor's report, and they having taking the oaths prescribed as aforesaid, the board proceeded to grant them certificates for single lots, of about 200 acres, severally, to be Lots in township respectively, and

James Steward,
John Top,
Prince Robertson,
John Moss.

[127] having declared to the board that they received also tickets for the several lots opposite to their names, viz.:

James Steward ....No.	14
John Top	17
Prince Robertson	22
John Moss	21

B No. 22 reverts to the gift of the Board, See Regr. folio 131.

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Which tickets they declare to be lost, and the board in order to ascertain the truth of said assertion, having examined the Schedule signed by Majors Matthews and Close, find therein their several names adjoin to those several lots respectively, and they having taken the oaths, etc., prescribed as aforementioned, the board delivered to them severally Certificates for a lot of about 200 acres each, in the New Settlement to be lots respectively in township

The Board adjourned till to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

JOHN SMITH,
WM. DUMMER POWELL,
ALEX GRANT.

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[128] Detroit, Saturday, 11th September, '90.

The Land board for the District of Hesse, having met pursuant to adjournment of yesterday.

Present: Major Smith, Esquire; W. D. Powell, Esquire; A. Grant, Esquire.

Filed the following petitions, presented to the Board yesterday,—

Catharine Speakman, dated 6 September, for Lot 72 N. Set; Pierre Faucher, dated 6 September, R. La tranche; Edward Butler, dated 7 September, for Lot 32, N. S.; John Prince, dated 8 September, for Lot 89, N. S.; James Willcox, dated 10 September, for Lot 65, N. S.; Edward McCarty, dated 10 September, for Lot 72, N. S.; Robert Dowler, dated 10 September, for Lot 78, N. S.; Peter Barril, dated 10 September, for Lot 95, N. S.; James Baker, dated 10 September, for Lot N. S.; J. B. Reaume, dated 10 September, abt. Huron Church, John Williams, dated 10 September, R. La tranche; John Ronan, dated 11 September, for Lot 35, N. S.

The board received the following tickets of the several Commandants.

Harry Ramsey, for Lot No. 33, N. S.; Jno. Pardo, for Lot No. 47, N. S. James Tracey, for Lot No. 64, N. S.; Benjamin Knapp, for Lot 66, N.S.; [129] Andrew Hamilton, for Lot 67, N, S.; Harry Facer, for Lot 80, N. S. and having examined the Schedules of Majors Matthews and Close, as well as the Survey, finding them correspond, they administered the oaths of allegiance,etc., to the aforesaid persons, and then delivered them severally certificates for about 200 acres each, to be Lot No. respectively in Township.

The board then examined Jno. Sniders ticket for Lot No. 73, New Settlement, and finding no reason why he should not be located, they proceeded

to take his solemn affirmation of and subscription to the oaths of Allegiance, etc., and granted him a Certificate for a single Lot to be Lot in township.

The board then found the following tickets correct,—

Thomas Hall, for Lot 40, N. S.; Charles Filpley, for Lot 48, N. S.; Amos Weston, for Lot 79, N. S.; James Robertson, for Lot 81, N. S.; Elisha Willcox Senr., for Lot 83, N.S.

[130] And they having taken the oaths, etc., as aforesaid, the board gave them severally, a certificate of about 200 acres each, to be Lots respectively in township .

The board then heard John Dalton, who asserting he had lost his ticket, No. 37 and the board finding that number attached to his name in the Schedules aforementioned and the Survey, he was sworn, and in the manner aforesaid, and received a Certificate for a single Lot to be Lot in township The ticket of Thomas Ashworth, for Lot No. 84, find in the Survey it is occupied by James Wilcox, but in the Schedules of original occupants marked to Thos. Ashworth, James Wilcox, appeared before the board, and surrendered his pretensions to the said Lots John Stockwell produced a ticket for Lot No. 47, originally given to Hazel, and asserts he has liberty to change with said Hazel for Lot 90—on searching the Schedule of Major Close, find such permission to be acquiesed in, therein [131] George Jacob Rhuart produced a ticket No. 87 originally granted to Alexander Fraser, and asserts he has liberty to change with said Fraser, for lot No. 93, and on examining Major Close Schedule, the board find such change therein authorized—they therefore proceeded to swear, Thomas Ashworth, John Stockwell, George Jacob Rhuart, in the manner aforesaid, etc., and issued to them separately and severally, certificates of about 200 acres to each, which will be Lots No. respectively, in township.

Danl. Field appeared before the board and surrendered his right and title to Lot No. 89, alledging he received a ticket from the Commandant for that Lot, but lost it, the board find that account to correspond with the Schedules, and Survey, accept his resignation, and transfer said lot to Prince Robertson, in consequence of His petition for the same, being the only one preferred to the board for it, His Certificate was therefore called in and [132] No. 89 was inserted in the Margin, and No. 22 erased.

They board minute that on examining the 2 Schedules of locations, originally settled by Majors Matthews and Close, they find the latter to contain a column, topped, "changes" which should seem to be certified by the authority of the Signature, but the board learning from several of the attendants that the said changes were not authorized till subsequent to Major Close's Command and the record appearing in the hand writing of Mr. Thomas Smyth, he was sent for by the board, and asserted by certificate under his hand, that several of the said changes were inserted after Major Close's Signature to said Schedule, by order of the subsequent Comg. officer.

JOHN SMITH,
WM. DUMMER POWELL,
ALEX. GRANT.

[133] At the Council Chamber of Detroit.
Fryday, 17th September, 1790.

Present: Major Smith; Alexander Grant, Esquire.

The above members waited till noon, when they received a message for Judge Powell of his being unable to attend, so adjourned to next Fryday.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

At a land board for the District of Hesse, holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit, Fryday, 24th September, '90.

Present: Major Smith; W. D. Powell. Esquire; Alexander Grant, Esquire.

Filed the following petitions:

No. 197—Henry Wright, N. Settlement, No. 77, 10th September, '90; No. 198—William Wright, N. Settlement, No. 3, 10 September, '90; No. 199—Jacob Manicle, R. La tranche, 11th September, '90; No. 200—Robert Gill, R. La tranche, 11th September, '90; No. 201—John Little, N. Settlement, Nos. 58, 59, 46, 11th September, '90; No. 202—Robert Little, N. Settlement, No. 61, 11th September, '90; No. 203—James Little, N. Settlement, No. 56; No. 204—Antoine Concemie, Cedar River; No. 205—Nathan Millar, N. Settlement, No. 3, 11th, September, '90; No. 206—John Cray, N. Settlement, No. 46 and 71, 13th September, '90; No. 207—Wm. Searl, N. Settlement, No. 11, 9th September, '90; No. 208—John Wheatton, N. Settlement, No. 54 and 55, 16th September, '90; No. 209—Edward McCarty, N. Settlement, No. 72, 17th September, '90; No. 210—Wm. Lee, N. Settlement, 17th September, '90; No. 211—Edward Heazel, N. Settlement, No. 58, 17th September, '90.

[134] Received and Read the following papers:—

Letter from J. Williams to the board, dated 29th July, '90, covering, No. 1—Mr. Collins' Letter to Mr. Secretary Motz, dated 18th June, 1790; No. 2—A paper headed "Tableau des terres en roture & ca"; No. 3—A paper headed "List of disbanded troops," &c., and an order in Council of 21st Julv, '90.

Letter from J. Williams to the board, dated 20th August, '90, with a board of Council of 21st July, 1790—also of 22nd October, 1788.

The board then Received the tickets of location.

No. 49—John Smith, dated 10th October, '87, and Signed R. Matthews; No. 53—John Daine, dated 10th October, '87, and Signed R. Matthews.

Upon which the board proceeded to administer the said John Smith and John Daine the usual oaths required, and they having signed the directed declaration, by the R. Instructions, granted them certificates for about 200 acres of land each, to be lots No. — in township respectively.

[135] Mr. McNiff having attended the board, and it being proposed to take his petition (filed No. 184) into consideration, He resigns his pretension to the specyfic Lots of 70 and 71 prayed for in said petition.

Filed the petition of James Wilcox, No. 212, dated 24th September, 1790, for Lot 60, N.S.

The board requested from Mr. McNiff to be informed when they might expect a regular plan and Report of the Survey lately made in conformity to the Minute of 11th August last, and learn from him that the advanced

Season requires him to expedite the Survey at the R. La Tranche ordered by the same minute, and requests the further Indulgence of the Board for his Report.

(Signed) JOHN SMITH, WILLIAM DUMMER POWELL, ALEXANDER GRANT.

After Signing the minutes of the Day, Received the petition of Augs. Fr. Weesybach.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

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[136] At a Land Board for the District of Hesse, holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit, 1st October, 1790.

Present: Major Smith; W. D. Powell, Esquire; A. Grant, Esquire.

The board compared the Extracts from their register to be transmitted to Mr. Secretary Motz, which they find correct (and call their Report A) and Judge Powell having read a letter from Mr. Finlay, chairman of the Land Committee, on the subject of making the land office business easy to the Council officer, particularly in cases of reference, and having produced a paper backed as below.

District of Hesse.
No. 1—Jacob Wilson.
Report A, page 2.
Certificate granted 20th August, 1790.
200 acres.

[137] the adherence to which form, Mr. Finlay conceives, will facilitate the Land business, and the board, ever willing to adopt any measures condusive to the execution of their appointment, particularly when it comes from a member of the Honourable Legislative Council, readyly agree to adopt that form, and the petitions herewith transmitted are all backed in that manner. Refering to the several folios in this Report, called "A," and in those cases where the board have, for the acceleration of location and other considerations, stated in their minute of 10th September foregone, the necessity of the usual petition, they have adopted pieces of paper, enclosing the original tickets of the commandants, and backed as if they were *ipso facto* petitions, and where the tickets of such Commandants have been lost and the [138] board has, nevertheless, granted certificates, upon due investigation, they have substituted papers backed in the same form and reference within, to answer the petition required.

On examining the Rough Sketch of Mr. McNiff's Survey in the New Settlement the board find only 3 Lots, between No. 1 and 97 to be actually ungranted, that is to say, No Lot but for which a ticket has been issued by the Commandants as appears by their Schedules, except Lots No. 68, 69, 70, which Lots are noted in all the Schedules to be reserved for a town, but that space being only about 12 Acres, and thereby insufficient for the General Scope of a town plot, agreable to the particulars stated in the 3rd Article of the added Rules and Regulations, the board go into the latitude allowed them by the 7th Article of the said Rules and Regulations and agree to transmit a Regular Schedule for a town plot (submitted to them by the Clerk) with their report, noting that as there is no justice of the peace in [139] that Settlement, or Captain of Militia, they have no opinion or information to get from such persons. As these are the only ungranted Lots centrically situated in the two Connected Townships of the New Settlement, at the mouth of the Strait, they conceive such a situation as the properest site for a town plot for the said two connected townships, and as the settlers who appeared before the board on the 10th September generally considered

and approved the 3 Lots aforesaid, to be reserved for a town, and submit the Sketch to His Excellency, the Governor, for his consideraton, before the Board give any specific directions to the Surveyor on that head.

John Little presented to the board two permits signed by Pat Murray, Major Commanding, countersigned, T. Smith, and dated 25th November, '89, granting Permission, the one to his Son John Little, Junior, to take possession of Lot No. 46 in the New Settlement, at the mouth of the River, [140] The other to Thomas Little, to take possession of Lot No. 50 said Settlement, both of which are therein said to be uncultivated, and it is being suggested to the said Little, that the original proprietors of tickets for the said Lot, viz:—

Lot No. 46—Francis Johnson. Lot No. 58—Sam Newkirk.

have deceased without making any improvements in the Respective Lots, The Board think proper, and direct, by notice in the usual modes of advertising, that the said Johnson and Newkirk, or their representatives, or within one month from the date hereof, lay before the board their objections, if any they have, to the Regranting those Lots Respectively.

[141] Similar permission, so subscribed and countersigned, being date the 16th and 25th November, '89, being presented to the board by Robert Little for Lot 61 and by Jas. Little for Lot 36, which the board find to have been granted, to Jos. Fry, Lot 36, and Jno. Clearwater, Lot 61, altho neither have applied to the board for Certificates, direct similar notification, for them or their representatives.

JOHN SMITH,
WM. DUMMER POWELL,
ALEXANDER GRANT.

Land Office, District Hesse.

1st October, '90.

Notice is hereby given, that if the following persons or their representatives, have any objections to the regranting of the Several Lots adjoined [142] to their names respectively, they will lay them before the Land board of this District, on or before Fryday, the 29th November:—

Francis Johnson, Lot No. 46; Sam Newkirk, Lot No. 58; Joseph Fry, Lot No. 36; Jno. Clearwater, Lot No. 61.

In the New Settlement, on the North side of the Entrance, of the Strait of Detroit.

Per order of the board. D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

Exposed the above advertisement in the usual place of advising the public, and sent a copy of it to the New Settlement.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

Circular Letter to the Land boards of Montreal, Lunenburgh, Mecklenburgh and Nassau and Gaspé.

Detroit, 3d Octr., '90.
Land office, District of Hesse.

GENTLEMEN: I am directed by the Land board for this district to communicate to you copys of the Certificates granted by them for Locations in Conformity to the 6th Article of the rules and regulations for the conduct of the Land office department.

I have the honour,

D. W. SMITH.

[143] Copy. Land office board, District of Hesse, Detroit, 7 Octr., '90.

SIR,—The Land Board for this district having received most of their communications from the Governor's Secretaries, etc., through your care, I am directed by them to take the liberty of transmitting to you some packets for Mr. Motz, with the confidence that your goodness will excuse this measure and that your care is the confidential channel, approved of to the officers of the Governor's Secretary.

I have the honour, etc.,

D. W. SMITH.

J. W. Clark, Esq., etc.

N.B.—The proper and correct method of spelling the granteé's names in this Report, is according to the statement of them in the Schedule of Locations and Certificates granted.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

Fryday, the 8th of October, 1790, Detroit.
Land Board, District of Hesse.

Present: W. D. Powell, Esquire, A. Grant, Esquire.

Major Smith being indisposed and unable to attend the board, no busi-

[144] ness was done officially.

Received the following note from Mr. Pat. McNiff, dated October 8th, 1790 (in pencil): "from the Improvements already made on River La Tranche, the two first townships on that River can never be laid out agreable to this plan, without dispossessing every one of these of their improvements."

With this note, came the approved plan of Survey, which the board sent for to Mr. McNiff, hearing he was returned from River La Tranche, very ill and unable to carry that survey into execution.

Filed the following petitions:—

Patrick of 'flaherty. River La Tranche, dated 16 July, 1790. Joseph Vivier, Detroit River, dated 6 October, 1790. Jean Baptiste Nantois, Detroit River, dated 6 October, 1790. P. L. I. de Chabert, Detroit River, dated 6 October, 1790. P. L. I de Chabert, River Latranche, dated 6 October, 1790. Henry Racus, New Settlement, dated 8 October, 1790. George Tice, New Settlement, dated 8 October, 1790. Henry Hoffman, New Settlement dated 8 October, 1790. Nicholas petit, Detroit River, dated 8 October, 1790.

Adjourned to Fryday next.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

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MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS.

No. 30. At a Council holden at Quebec, on Wednesday, the 20th of January, 1790.

Present: His Excellency Lord Dorchester, Governor; the Honourable W. Smith, Esquire, Chief Justice, and the Honourable Hugh Finlay, Esquire, Edward Harrison, Esquire, John Collins, Esquire, I. P. C. Delery, Esquire, George Pownall, Esquire, Henry Caldwell, Esquire, William Grant, Esquire, Charles Delanaudiere, Esquire, Le Comte Dupre.

Whereas there were this day read at the Board the following Reports, viz.:—

To his Excellency the Right Honourable Guy Lord Dorchester, Governor General and Commander in Chief of the Province of Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, etc., etc. Journal and report of the Land Committee on a reference of the Schedules of Location made in the districts of Luneburg and Mecklenburg. Reported by the Surveyor General's office to [146] His Excellency Lord Dorchester.

At a meeting on Fryday, 11th December, 1789.

Present: Mr. Finlay in the chair. Messrs. Collins, Grant and Delauniere.

The Chairman laid before them a Letter from Mr. Secretary Motz, of the 9th Instant, addressed to Mr. Finlay, as president of this committee, and in obedience to his Excellency Lord Dorchester's commands therein, specyfied, they proceeded to consider

I. How far the Schedules referred to their examination are conformable to the Rules and Regulations, laid down for the Conduct of the Land office department on the 17 February last.

II. How far they are adequate to the objects therein proposed.

III. What further course is necessary to render the Schedules adequate to the end proposed, by the said rules and Regulations.

[147] IV. What communications ought to be made to the boards on transmitting the Schedules to them, for the greater accuracy of the proceedings to be founded upon them.

V. To enquire of the Surveyor General's office what the views were there, touching the Nature, utility and effect of the Schedules.

VI. Whether the Acting Surveyors of the districts are furnished with Copies of the Surveys of their districts, etc.

Lastly to examine the particular Surveys of the different townships, compare them with the Schedules and report thereon.

The Committee took up the Schedule of the Locations, made in the township of Lancaster, in the district of Luneburg, which they found framed with all the columns directed by the 15th Article of the Rules and Regulations of the 17th of Febuary last, viz.: A column for the names of the petitioners, [148] a column for the Quantum of Location, another for the place, where the Location is situated, together with a column for the dates of the certificates granted, which last column is uniformly blank throughout the whole Schedule, and so it is likewise in all the other Schedules referred to this committee, and having made inquiry of the Surveyor General's office, why that column has not been filled up, Mr. Collins (the Deputy Surveyor General) made answer that when he received directions to issue cretificates of location in the new district above Montreal, by order of Government, from the year 1784 to the year 1789, inclusive, it had not not been required of him to make any entry or memorandum of the dates, of the Certificates issued for Locations, and [149] he added, that if it shall be now considered, that the dates of the certificates formerly granted should appear on the Schedules, in order to give greater security to the persons who hold them as pledges of the faith of Government, for grants hereafter to be made out in one form. he conceives, that without much difficulty they may be obtained through the justices of the Respective Districts at their next meeting in general 2 Justices of the peace, by giving persons notice that they are wanted, or they may be procured by

the Land office boards on advertisement for that purpose, and when procured, entered on the Schedules in their keeping, and copies of the said dates may be ordered down, from the boards, to be entered on the Schedules remaining [150] in the Surveyor General's office at Quebec.

Finding in the Schedules referred, three Columns not required by the rules aforementioned, the first under the head *wife*, the second headed *males*, and the third *females*, the committee Questioned the Deputy Surveyor General thereupon, who informed them that they had been inserted, by a mistake of the Clerk, who had rules the forms.

The committee next considered how far the Schedules are adequate to the objects proposed in the rules and Regulations, and they are humbly of opinion, that they may serve as a Register of the Names of those persons who have obtained locations in the New districts, who rely on the faith of Government for a confirmation of the lands they actually possess under certificate, by grants under the Grant seal of the province; those Schedules will likewise [151] shew the No. of acres each occupant is entitled to hold, they will point out the District and township where situated, and ascertain the concession or range of Lots in which the lands lie, so precisely, as that a patent under the great Seal, or otherwise as Government shall think proper, may issue thereupon.

It does not appear to the committee that any further cause is necessary to render those Schedules adequate to the end proposed, notwithstanding the column for the dates of the Certificates of Locations is blank, they may, nevertheless, be improved in form, was to render it easier for the Land boards to discover the unlocated Lots, in the Townships of their respective Districts, and for that purpose the Committee submit hereby the Model of a Schedule hereunto Annexed, and marked A, together with an index, to that Schedule, marked B.

[152] No further Communications occur to the Committee needful to be made to the respective Land Boards, on transmitting the Schedules for the greater accuracy of the proceedings to be founded thereon, but it may be expedient to remind them that the locations made in their districts from time to time are to be entered on the Schedules, and as is directed by the 5, 6 and 7 Article of the rules and Regulations for their Conduct, they are to transmit to the Office of the Governor's Secretary, and to one another, lists of Certificates granted by them to prevent any person from obtaining by applications in different districts more land than he is entitled to.

The Comimttee humbly subject, that if Surveys of such townships as the land office boards are not possessed of, were to accompany the Schedules, they might be very useful in enabling the boards to discriminate, on simple inspection, the vacant lands of the Crown, from these already located.

[153] The Deputy Surveyor General, in Answer to the Question: *What were the views of the Surveyor General's office touching the nature, utility and effect of the Schedules reported by that office?* said: He presumes the intentions of Government in ordering the Surveyor General's office to form Schedules of all lots under Certificates, was, that those Schedules should shew at one view the Quantity of land each proprietor has received, and as to their *utility* and *effect*, he conceives they were intended to serve as a Record in the Surveyor General's office, and give greater Security to the proprietor for the location assigned him, and on asking further whether the Acting Surveyors of the respective districts are furnished with Copys of the Surveys of their districts, he answered that Mr. Chewet, Surveyor of the District of Luneburgh, has been furnished with all the Surveys made in that district that have been returned into the Surveyor's General office, and the

[154] Surveys of all townships in Mecklenburgh were sent to the land board for that district, excepting the plans of certain townships, kept back by the Surveyor General's office for reasons assigned by the Deputy Surveyor General, and reported by the land Committee to his Excellency Lord Dorchester on the 20th of last November, but he informed the Committee that the Surveys so kept back are now in readiness to be transmitted, and they will accompany the Schedules of Location, which are to be sent to the Land board, for their more ample information.

The Committee then directed the Deputy Surveyor General's office to lay before them the particular surveys of the different townships that they might examine how far they correspond with the Schedules referred, and, on their being produced, the Committee took up the plan of the first township named Lancaster, in the district of Luneburg, and proceeded to compare it with [155] the Schedule of locations made therein, and on inspection they found that the plan does not correspond with the Schedule in the following particulars, viz.:

Entries in the Schedule:

D. Wm. Sutherland.
Thomas Graham, ¾ of Lot No. 12 in 4th Concession.
John Cameron, ½ of No. 30 in 4th Concession.
Wm. Noble, ¼ of Lot No. 32 in 4th Concession.
John McDougall, ¾ of No. 33 in the 4th Concession.
Ralph Falconer, Junior, No. 35 in 3rd Concession.

[156] James Young, ½ of 26 in 3rd Concession; 26 in 4th Concession; ½ of 12 in 4th Concession.

Moses Williams, ½ of No. 7 in 2nd Concession; No. 7 in 3rd Concession.

Edward Tonson, ½ of 32, 2nd Concession.
Alexander Grant, ¼ of No. 33, 4th Concession.
Sambo, a Negro, ½ of 30, 3rd Concession.
Luke Bowman, ¼ of 28, 3rd Concession.
John Castles, ½ of No. 26, 3rd Concession.
Widow Curry, ¾ of No. 8, 3rd Concession.
Finlay McDonnel, No. 8, 6th Concession.
Angus McDougald, No. 17 in 7th Concession.

Entries on the Survey:

D. Sutherland.
Thomas Graham and James Young.
John Cameron, No. 30 in the 4th Concession, 300 acres.
N.B.—No Lot contains more than 200 acres.
Wm. Noble, ¾ of 32 in 4th Concession.
John McDougal, ½ of No. 33 in 4th Concession.
Ralph Falconer, No. 35 in 3rd Concession.
N.B.—There is Senior and Junior, but this is without distinction.
James Young, No. 26 in 4th Concession, 300 Acres. Nothing of No. 12 in 4th Concession.
Moses Williams, No. 7 in 2nd Concession; 7 in 3rd Concession; ½ of 8 in 3rd Concession.
Ed. Tonson, No. 32, 2nd Concession.
Alexander Grant, ¼ of 33, 4th Concession.
Sambo, No. 30, 3rd Concession.
Luke Bowman, ½ of 28, 3rd Concession.
John Castles, No. 26, 3rd Concession.
Widow Curry, ½ of No. 8, 3rd Concession.

Blank.

Angus McDonnell. 17 in 7th Concession.

The Committee further observed in comparing the Survey with the Schedule that some of the names in the Schedule are differently spelled from those marked on the corresponding Lots in the Survey.

[157] Example:

Schedule:	Survey.
Lot 8, 3rd Concession, Wid Currey.	Lot 8, 3rd Concession, Wid Carey.
Lot 20, 5th Concession, Jo. Canada.	Lot 20, 5th Concession, Jo. Kennady.
Lot 24, 1st Concession, Wm. Bland.	Lot 24, 1st Concession, Wm. Blond.

The Committee are of opinion that these inaccuracies may lead to perplexities, and as at the Surveyor General's office alone, it can be determined whether the mistake found lies in the Schedule, or in the Survey, the necessary Corrections will be made in the office; the Committee, therefore, humbly recommend that both may be sent back to the Surveyor General's office, there to be examined and returned without error into the office of the Governor's Secretary as is directed by the 15th Article of the rules and Regulations of the 17th February last. All which is, nevertheless, humbly submitted to your Lordship's great wisdom.

Signed by order of the Committee,

(Signed) HUGH FINLAY, in the chair.

Council Chamber, Bishop's palace, Quebec, 18 December, 1889.

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158. Schedule.—Township of Lancaster, District of Luneburg. The lots contain 200 acres.

Lots.	First Concession. Name of Grantees.	Date of location.	Qy. grd. in acres.	Refer to the index.
1, 2, 3	Heirs of C. Morrison		600	M.
4	D. David McFall		200	Mc.
5	Peter McIntosh		200	Mc.
6	Joseph Sutherland		200	S.
7	Alexr. Sutherland		200	S.
½ of 8	Thomas Sutherland		100	S.
½ of 8	Alexr. Sutherland		100	S.
9, 10	D. Walter Sutherland		400	S.
½ of 11	Anna Sutherland		100	S.
½ of 11	Mary Sutherland		100	S.
12	George Sutherland		200	S.
13	Widow Campbell		200	C.
14	D. Walter Sutherland		200	S.
½ of 15	James Morrison		100	M.
½ of 15	Mary Morrison		100	M.
16	Thomas Busby		200	B.
17-18	Nathaniel Hyler		400	H.
19	John Grant		200	G.
20	John Dunn		200	D.
21	James Hair		200	H.
22	Thomas Graham		200	G.
23	D. Walter Sutherland		200	S.

Schedule—Township of Lancaster.—*Continued.*

Lots.	First Concession.—*Continued.* Name of Grantees.	Date of location.	Quantities granted in acres.	Refer. to the index.
24	William Bland		200	B.
25	Alexander Cameron		200	C.
26	Donald Ross		200	R.
½ of 27	William Grant		100	G.
½ of 27	Alex. Grant		100	G.
28	Thomas Taylor Ross		200	R.
29	Thomas Ben Ross		200	R.
½ of 30	John Cameron		100	C.
½ of 30	Jane Dixon		100	D.

By this Schedule of Locations in the First Concession or range of Lots, it appears that the whole are granted.

159. Township of Lancaster.

Lots.	Second Concession. Name of Grantees.	Dates of location.	Quantities granted in acres.	Refer to the index.
1.				
2.				
3.				
4.	Lt. David McFall		200	Mc.
5.	Edward Tonson ½		100	T.
6.	Richard McBean		200	Mc.
7.	½ Moses Williams ½		100	W.
8.	½ John Carey ½		100	C.
½ of 9.	D. Walter Sutherland		100	S.
½ of 9.	John Curry		100	C.
10.	Cate Prince		200	P.
11.	Ben Baker		200	B.
12.	John McDowell		200	Mc.
13.	John Lemon		200	L.
14.	James Fonda		200	F.
½ of 15.	Widow Blakeley		100	B.
½ of 15.	John Flynn		100	F.
16.	Jack Powell		200	P.
17.	Richard Fountain		200	F.
18.	John Scarnot		200	S.
19.	John Grant		200	G.
20.	John Dunn		200	D.
21.	James Hair		200	H.
22-23.	Jacob Snyder		400	S.
24.	D. Walter Sutherland		200	S.
25.	Alexander Cameron		200	C.
26.	James Young		200	Y.
½ of 27.	William Grant		100	G.
½ of 27.	Alex. Grant		100	G.
28.	Thomas Taylor Ross		200	R.

By this Schedule of the Locations in the 2nd Concession or range of Lots, it appears that ne lots remain to be granted, viz. :—1, 2, 3—½ of 7 and ½ of 8.

160. Township of Lancaster.

Lots.	Third Concession. Name of Grantees.	Dates of location.	Quantities granted in acres.	Refer to the index.
1.				
2.				
3.				
4.				
5.	Richard Fountain		200	F.
6.	Joseph Sutherland		200	S.
7.	Moses Williams		200	W.
8.	Moses Williams ¼		50	W.
	Widow Curry ¾		150	C.
9.	D. Walter Sutherland ½		100	S.
	John Curry ½		100	C.
10.				
11.	Ben Baker		200	B.
12.				
13.	John Leman ¾		150	L.
14.	Thomas Fonda ½		100	F.
15.	Widow Blakely ½		100	B.
	John Flynn ½		100	F.
16.				
17.				
18.				
19.	John Grant		200	G.
20-21.	Augustus Sealy		400	S.
22.	Thomas Graham		200	G.
23.	Jacob Snider		200	S.
24.	Jeremiah Snider		200	S.
25.	Augustus Sealy		200	S.
26.	James Young ½		100	Y.
	John Castles ½		100	C.
27.	Londonderry		200	L.
28.	John Wright ½		100	W.
	Luke Bowman ¼		50	B.
29.	Mary Edge		200	E.
30.	John Cameron ½		100	C.
	Sambo ½		100	S.

It appears by this Schedule of Locations in the Third Concession, or Range of Lots, that Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 10, 12, 16, 17, 18, ¼ of No. 13, half of No. 14 and one-quarter of No. 28 remain vacant.

161. Index to the Schedule of Locations in Lancaster.

Names of Grantees.	Concessions. I.	II.	III.	Acres granted.
	Lot.	Lot.	Lot.	
Busby, Thomas	16			200
Bland, William	24			200
Baker, Ben		11	11	400
Blakely, Widow		¼15	¼15	200
Bowman, Luke			¼8	50
Campbell, Widow	13			200
Cameron, Alexander	25	25		400
Cameron, John	¼30		¼30	200
Carey, John		¼8		100
Curry, John		¼9	¼9	200
Curry, Widow			¾8	150
Castles, John			¼26	100

Index to the Schedule of Locations in Lancaster.— *Continued.*

—	Name of Grantees.	Concessions. I.	Concessions. II.	Concessions. III.	Acres granted.
		Lot.	Lot.	Lot.	
162.	Dunn, John	20	20	.....	400
	Dixon, Jane	½30	.....	.....	100
	Edge, Mary	.....	.....	29	200
	Fonda, James	.....	14	.....	200
	Flynn, John	.....	½15	½15	200
	Fountain, Richard	.....	17	5	400
163.	Grant, Js.	19	19	19	600
	Graham, Thomas	22	.....	22	400
	Grant, William	½27	½27	.....	200
	Grant, Alexander	½27	½27	.....	200
	Hyler, Nathaniel	17-18	.....	.....	400
	Hair, James	21	21	.....	400
164.	Lemon, John	.....	13.	½13	350
	Londonderry	.....	.....	27	200
	Morrison, C., heirs of	1,2,3,	.....	.....	600
	McFall, D. David	4	4	.....	400
	McIntosh, Peter	5	.....	.....	200
	Morrison. James	½15	.....	.....	100
	Morrison, Mary	½15	.....	.....	100
	McBean, Richard	.....	6	.....	200
	McDowell, John	.....	12	.....	200
165.	Prince, Cato	.....	10	.....	200
	Powell, Jack	.....	16	.....	200
	Ross, Donald	26	.....	.....	200
	Ross, Thomas Taylor	28	28	.....	400
	Ross, Thomas Ben	29	.....	.....	200
166.	Sutherland, Joseph	6	.....	6	400
	Sutherland, Alexander	7-½8	.....	.....	300
	Sutherland, Thomas	½8	.....	.....	100
	Sutherland, D. Walter	9,10,14,23	½9, 24	½9	1200
	Sutherland, Anna	½12	.....	.....	100
	Sutherland, Mary	½11	.....	.....	100
	Sutherland, George	12	.....	.....	200
	Scarrot, John	.....	.....	18	200
	Snyder, Jacob	.....	22,23	23	600
	Sealey, Augustus	.....	.....	20,21,25	600
	Snyder, Jeremiah	.....	.....	24	200
	Sambro	.....	.....	½30	100
167.	Williams, Moses	.....	½7	7, ½8	350
	Wright, John	.....	.....	½28	100
	Young, James	.....	26	½26	300

Report on Schedules.

[168] Report of the Committee of the whole Council to his Excellency the right Honourable Guy Lord Dorchester, Governor General of the province of Quebec, etc., respecting the Schedules of Locations in Luneburg.

May it please your Lordships,

The Committee being assembled this day in obedience to your Lordships' order in Council of the 24th Dec. last, to the consideration of the subjects of the Reference, with manner stated in their Journal, a copy whereof is hereunto annexed.

All which is, nevertheless, humbly submitted to your Lordships' great wisdom.

Signed by order of the Committee of Quebec, Council Chamber, 12th Jany., 1790.

Signed. WILLIAM SMITH, Chairman.

Journal of a Committee of the whole Council on the Reference of 24th Decr. last, of the Journal and Report of the Land Committee respecting the Schedules from the Surveyor.

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General's office of Locations in the district of Luneburg and Mecklenburg.

At a meeting, Tuesday, 12 January, 1790.

Present: The chief justice, Messrs. Finlay, Pownall, Harrison, Caldwell, Collins, Grant, Dellery, Baby, Dupre.

Read a letter from his Lordship, by Mr. Secretary Motz, with its enclosures, in these words—

Quebec, 1st Jany., 1790.

SIR,—The 42nd article of the royal instructions of the 23rd of August, 1786, requiring that all persons, applying for lands, that take the oaths directed by Law, subscribe the declaration mentioned in the said article. I have it in command to signify Lord Dorchester's desire, that the Comittee of the whole Council, to whom was referred the report of the land Committee on the Schedule of locations, exhibited by the Surveyor General's office, cause [170] enquiry to be made, whether the proper records be extant of all or any of the persons therein mentioned, having taken and subscribed the said oaths and declarations, and that they report to his lordship, whether it may not be adviseable on transmitting the said Schedules to the respective boards, to direct them to take course for completeing the record of the Signatures of all land holders in the respective districts, if it shall be found defective, that nothing may be neglected to clear the way for the Loyalists being put into posession of legal titles for their lands, agreable to His Majesty's expected instructions as soon as they shall arrive.

His Lordship also commands me to transmit to vou divers extracts from public Letters, as connected with the General Subject of your deliberations, upon the present Reference, and to signify his desire that the Committee [171] make it a part of their report in what way their contents may best subserve the end of giving comfort and tranquility to the loyalists, and encouraging and strengthening the western settlements and frontiers.

I am, sir, HENRY MOTZ.

To the honourable William Smith, Esquire, President of the Honourable His Majesty's Council for this Province of Quebec:

Extract of a letter from the Right Honourable Lord North, one of his Majesty's principal Secretaries of State, to his Excellency Governor Haldimand, dated Whitehall, 24 July, 1783.

And as a part of that instruction directs, that all persons whatever, upon their application for lands, besides taking the usual oaths, as directed by law, shall make and subscribe a declaration acknowledging His Majesty

[172] in parliament to be the Supreme Legislature of the province. I think it necessary to observe to you, that the declaration, however general, cannot extend to taxation. Parliament having by the Act of the ..... of his present Majesty intitled "An Act for removing all doubt and Apprehensions concerning taxations by the Parliament of Great Britain, in the Colonies, Provinces and plantations in North America, and the West Indies, etc." in the most express terms restrained itself from ever imposing any taxes or duties in the Colonies except for the Regulation of trade, the produce of which taxes or duties, to be disposed of by the Provincial Assemblys, such being the case, it was judged not only unnecessary, but implying some doubts of the Sincerity of Parliament to make any exception in the declaration, the excep-
[173] tion being already made by Parliament itself, in a manner so solemn and effectual, that nothing can add to the security the Subjects in the Colonies derive under it. These observations you will naturally make a proper use of. Should any objection be made to the declaration, or the construction of it, and I doubt not but the necessity of guarding against disaffected persons becoming settlers in Quebec, will convince his Majesty's Loyal Subjects of the propriety of that test, by which they cannot be affected or deprived of any indulgence or Encouragement to which they are so justly entitled.

A true extract. Signed. F. H.

A true copy. HENRY MOTZ.

[174] Extract of a letter from the Right honourable Lord Sydney, one of His Majesty's principal Secretaries of State, to the Right honourable Lord Dorchester, dated Whitehall, 3rd September, '88:—

Your Lordship will, however, understand that it is the King's intention that the New Settlers in that part of the province "*meaning the Districts west of point au Baudet*" who now hold their lands upon certificate of Location, shall, at all events, be placed upon the same footing in all respects, as their Brethren in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, by having their lands granted to them in free and common soccage with remission for quit, for the first 10 years.

A true extract. HENRY MOTZ.

Read the Journal and Report of the Land Committee on a reference of the schedules of Location made in the Districts of Luneburg and Mecklen-
[175] burg, reported by the Surveyor General's officer to his Lordship.

Referred to a Committee of the whole Council.

Mr. Collins, deputy Surveyor General, submits to the committee, the manner in which he is forming the Schedules and plans for the land boards of Luneburg and Mecklenburg.

Agreed that the Committee are not aware of any substantial objection to his mode at present, and that they may be transmitted in that form; if any amendments shall be suggested by the land boards, for the further security of the Loyalists, due consideration may be had of them, for such further course as Government may approve.

Mr. Collins adds that the copies of the said Schedules and plans will be
[176] ready to go from the office of his Lordship's Secretary, to be transmitted accordingly, by 21st Instant.

In the Communications from his Lordship in the Letter to the Chairman, the Committee put several questions to the Deputy Surveyor General, who reported:

That he believes all persons holding under occupation Certificates prior to November, '87, did subscribe the declaration, as well as take the oaths, by His Majesty's Instructions required.

But as to what has been done since that period, under the conduct of the Land boards and his country agents and deputys, he can give the committe no certain information, but he supposes it may be obtained by the aid of those boards.

Resolved thereon to be the opinion of the Committee.

First—That the Several Land boards, be desired to make the proper enquiries and to take course for exacting a compliance with the Royal [177] Instructions, from all persons holding, or to hold in future, under occupation certificates, and that they return a list into the office of the Clerk of the Council, of such as have neglected or shall refuse such compliance, that the Grants of title, may be suspended as to such as shall wilfully make default.

Second—To the Intent of informing the Settlers of the benevolent design and true use of the Royal Requisitions, as well as to convince them of the Solidity of the plighted faith of Government, and the manner of preserving the evidence of it, it is expedient that there be transmitted to each of the Land boards, to be made known in their districts, a copy not only of the Report of the Land Committee, but of the present report thereon.

Signed by order, 12 January, 1790.

Signed. WILLIAM SMITH, Chairman.

[178] His Lordship, taking the said Reports into consideration, was pleased, with the advice of the Council, to approve of the Resolves of the Committee of the whole Council therein contained, and to order, as it is hereby ordered, that the same be duly and punctually complied with, and carried into execution, whereof the different Land office boards, and all other persons, whom it may concern, and to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

J. WILLIAMS, C. C.

Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary.

MINUTES OF LAND BOARD MEETINGS.

[179] District of Hesse, Detroit, 15 October, 1790.

Report A, Folio 25.

No person having attended, at the Council Chamber to transact business, the board did not form itself into a Quorum, this Day.

D. W. SMITH, Secy.

At a meeting of the Land board for the District of Hesse, holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit, Fryday, the 22nd day of October, 1790.

Present: Major Smith, W. D. Powell, Esquire, A. Grant, Esquire.

The board received 10 petitions for so many lots of the 12 unlocated ones eastermost in the new Settlement, at the mouth of the Strait of Detroit, and having examined the Schedules for Locations before the board, find no other [180] interfering petitions for the specified Lots, prayed for, the board therefore, willing to establish such settlers, having examined into their loyalty, characters and pretensions, and seeing no special cause why they should not be located, proceeded to administer the directed oaths and declaration, and they having taken, declared and subscribed the same, the board delivered to

them, severally and separately, single Lots of about 200 acres each, as follows—

Marten, for Henry Tofflemire, Lot No. 1, eastermost; Henry Racus, Lot No. 3, eastermost; Nicholas Weatherhold, Lot No. 4, eastermost; George Lichelstil, Lot No. 6, eastermost; Aug. Fred. Weizback, Lot No. 7, eastermost; Philip Fox, Lot No. 8, eastermost; Jonas Fox, Lot No. 9, eastermost; Henry Hoffman, Lot No. 10, eastermost; George Dice, Lot No. 11, eastermost; John Lipps, Lot No. 12, eastermost.

[181] In the case of Henry Tofflemire, the Board took into consideration the remarkable circumstances of his Father, the petitioner's sufferings as known to a part of the Board, His being Prisoner of war to a british officer who had not authority over the Indians to rescue his children, captured at the same time, from Slavery; His wonderful exertions to support so large a family, and to pay so heavy a ransom for one of his children to the Indians, induce the Board to meet the Father's Petition and readily grant a certificate for a Single Lot to his eldest son, who, being presented to the Board, altho' not of full age, appears fully equal to such an Improvement of the Lot granted as becomes a useful Settler.

Filed the petition of Jean Marie Baubien, No. 224.

[182] *Vide* folio 189.

Mr. Thomas Smith handed to the board a letter addressed to them as a body, representatives of the District, enclosing on Acct. Stated "the Crown, Dr. to Thomas Smith, totaled in the sum of £427 3s. 4d., arising from a charge for his services as Depy. Surveyor, from 8 May, '87, to 1 August, '89, £305 12s. 6d., and for expences of men, etc., in laying out the N. Settlement on the N. side of Lake Erie, £121 10s. 10d.,—£427 3s. 4d.—and stating that he received only 81 rations during all his Surveys.

The board not knowing or considering themselves under the title of address, are obliged to return Mr. Smith his account, no pecuniary concerns, being committed to their charge, and the time of the account stated, being [183] for the most part previous to their appointment.

Mr. Thomas Smith presented to the board, a ticket, Signed R. Matthews, dated 1 October, '87. No. 30. Thomas Smith, Lt. M. Mr. Richard Cornwall's petition for Lot No. 45 was then canvassed; it appears by the Schedules to have been originally granted to Antn. de Quindre, but he having delivered up his ticket, signed Matthews, dated 10 October, '87, certified his willingness to do the same, and having asserted his consent thereto before the boards, and there being no other petition for that Lot; the board attend to that of Rr. Cornwall. Louis Viscineaux, produced a ticket, No. 44, (Signed J. Viseman,) dated 21 December, '87, and his name thereon.

John Gordan, States to the board, that he was originally granted Lot No. 41, that he was allowed by Major Close to exchange it for 96 (which [184] appears by the Schedules), he produces also a Certificate of Thomas Deekers, who was original grantee to Lot No. 96, declaring to have lost the ticket, and resigning all right and title to the said Lot.

The board then administered the oath of fidelity to Louis Visenau, as directed by the 83 Chaptr. of 14 State. of George 3rd, and he having subscribed that, and the usual declaration, the board delivered to him a Certificate for a single Lot of about 200 acres, in the New Settlement, to be Lot ... in township .....

Richard Cornwall and John Gorden then took the Oaths of Allegiance, etc., and having subscribed them and the directed declaration, the board

delivered to each of them Certificates for Single Lots, of about 200 acres each, to be Lots ..... in Township ..... Respectively.

[185] Mr. Thomas Smith was then sworn, etc., and having signed the oaths of declaration, the board gave him a certificate for about 200 acres, to be Lot ... in Township .....

Received a Letter from Mr. Askin.

JOHN SMITH.
WILLIAM DUMMER POWELL.
ALEXANDER GRANT.

Copy. Detroit, 22d Octr., '90.

GENTLEMEN,—As my son is absent, I thought it necessary to acquaint you in his behalf, that he exchanged some Land with John Clearwater, in lieu of his Lot No. 61, in the New Settlement, the ticket for which he lodged with me.

I am, Gentlemen, your most obedient Servant,

JOHN ASKIN.

To the Land Board, District Hesse.

Entered by D. W. Smith, Secy.

Original paper sent to Quebec with Certificate No. 66.

[186] Schedule of petitions, continued (folio 61): No. 225, Martin Tofflemire, New Settlement; No. 226, Nicolas Wetherholt, New Settlement, 22 October, 1790; No. 227, George Lichilstil, New Settlement, 22 October, 1790; No. 228, Aug. Fred. Wurzbach, New Settlement; No. 229, Philip Fuchs, New Settlement; No. 230, Jonas Fuchs, New Settlement; No. 231, John Seps, New Settlement, 22d October, 1790.*

D. W. S.

Petition, Schedules for Report B, begin with No. 232.

N.B. Petition, Schedules for Report B, begins with No. 232. No. 232, William Chambers, River La tranche, 24 October; 233, Francois Miloje, Detroit River, 3 November; 234, Thomas Curtis, New Settlement, 3 November.

D. W. S.

REPORT B.

[187] At a land board for the District of Hesse holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit, Fryday, 29th October, 1790.

Present: Major Smith, Esquire; W. D. Powell, Esquire; Alexander Grant, Esquire.

Received the petition of several Inhabitants on the North East side of the Fort of Detroit, referred to the board by order of His Excellency, Signed H. Motz, and dated 13 September, 1790. In consequence, sent for the Deputy Surveyor. James Little appeared to claim the sanction of the board for Lot No. 36, in the New Settlement, the time having elapsed, that the board advertised for the appearance of Joseph Fry, or his representitive, the board, therefore, took up his petition, and granted him a Certificate for

* Schedules of Petitions Continued in Register No. 2, folio 314.

a Single Lot of about 200 Acres to be Lots —— in Township ————, he having been duly sworn, subscribed the oaths and directed declaration.

[188] Received a message from the Deputy Surveyor, that from Indisposition he could not attend.

Andre Woolche presses the board to take his case into consideration, he produces a ticket of occupation, which he considers as his title, as follows:

By Pat. Murray, Esquire, Major in the 60th Regiment of foot Commanding Detroit and its dependencies, etc.

The bearer hereof, Andre Woolche, is permitted to take possession of Lot No. 91, situated in the first Concession in the New Settlement, near the mouth of Detroit River, it being vacant and unimproved.

Given under my hand at Detroit, this 29th day of November, 1789.

By order of the Commandant, T. Smith.

PAT. MURRAY,
Major Commanding.

He states that he has cleared, in the presumption of the above authority 6 or 7 Acres, and that he has built a Cabin on the Lot.

[189] He produces William Macomb's Certificate of his having taken the oath of allegiance to His Majesty King George the third, 20th November, 1788. Joseph Springfield appeared before the board and declares his* unwillingness to resign his title to Lot No. 91 (as he originally received a ticket for it, from Major Matthews), which he has not improved, for want of the promised provisions, being a reduced Ranger.

JOHN SMITH,
WILLIAM DUMMER POWELL,
ALEXANDER GRANT.

Report B is continued in folio 197.

No. 51. Entered in Report A. Index, page 3. *Vide* folio 182.

GENTLEMEN,—I presume the Services I rendered Government is well known to you individually, yet I beg leave to embrace this opportunity before the last vessal (for the season) sails from hence, of laying my claim in quality of a Surveyor before you, as a body, representatives of this district, not doubting but you will at least do me so much Justice of inform-

[190] ing his Lordship, through your official Intercourse how far my merit entitles award, if any, I may be allowed, by hazarding on the liberality of Government my money and near 3 years of my time with a motive of advancing as well as encouraging aggriculture in this settlement—as to my authority given or proffers made to me by the different Commanding officers at this post, I shall not mention at this time—relying solely on the fidelity of my Services to vouch for my claim.

With due deference to your wisdom I now submit my case to your report.

I have the honour, etc.,

T. SMITH.
22nd October, 1790.

To the Land board for the District of Hesse.
Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary.

* See register No. 3, page 618.

[191] Copy. Entered in Index to Report A, folios 5, 6, 7, 8, 9.

Letter from the Land board, District of Hesse (accompany their report A) to H. Motz, end of the month October, 1790:

Sir,—In conformity to the Regulations for the Conduct of this board we transmit to your office, Copy of its minutes of proceeding continued from 20 August, 1790; since our last Communication we have received from the Council office Extract of the deliberations of the Committee of 21 July, 1790, by which is confirmed to us that my Lord Dorchester cannot expect from this board any progress towards the Settlement of the District, until enabled to do it by the proper aids from the Surveyor General's office and its deputy. The board has not only no general plan of the district, but has no official delineation of any portion of it in which to grant allotments agreable to the additional instructions. It has, indeed, directed the Deputy Surveyor to report a Survey of 4 townships, comprising divers Settlements made at Lake Erie, by Authority of former Commanding officers, and the Establishments without any authority at the River La tranche. [192] The first 2 Townships on the Lake Eastward are Surveyed, but not yet laid out according to the 10th Article of the Regulations, particularized in the 3rd Article of the additional Regulations; the other two on the River La tranche cannot be done this Season on Account of the Indisposition of the Deputy Surveyor. His reports to the board shew that neither of the Surveys ordered can be completed upon the plan furnished by the Surveyor Generals without removing the Settlers from their actual improvements, which the board can not think it advisable to recommend, even when they have improved without authority. These 4 townships, or at least the fronts of them will not be conformable to the general plan, but as there is a vacant spot on Lake Erie designed for a town plot, in the centre of the Establishment, we submit to my Lord Dorchester a Scetch adapted to that space on [193] the principle of the General Rule to serve as a town plot for the two connected townships for which as well as the others we may expect to lay out, the board submits that names should be assigned, and, until that is done, will distinguish them as in the lower Districts by numbers. Having heretofore no official report upon which we could presume to state any difficulty in carrying into execution the general plan, we forbear any animadversion, as the effect of the Reserves on that plan, having only two water lots to be granted at first, appears to threaten a very serious Inconvenience to the early settlers. The minutes of the board are so full, that we presume little explanation can be requisite in a report, but one difficulty is [194] before it which requires higher authority to remove. Major Matthews and succeeding Commandants granted tickets for allotments by number on Lake Erie without specification of any Conditions. Many of these were granted to disbanded Rangers, who were entitled, by general orders, to the aid of tools and provisions, not receiving which they neglected to settle until the board was established, there does not appear any Instance of a Commandant resuming or regranting any of these Lots so abandoned without Consent of the first Proprietor of the ticket, but Major Murray has in divers Instances granted authority to settlers to take possession of vacant Lots, the original Grantees of which now reclaim their land, producing the [195] original Ticket. The board knows not where to draw the line; it appears evident that the Condition of Settlement, if any existed, could not be enforced, while the means promised them were withheld. But it is not so clear in the case of such persons, who had no claim on Government, for aids to settle, yet the board cannot advise the Resumption of a Gift of the Crown, without a record of its forfiture, and no proceedings are auth-

orised to establish such a record. The board has advertised to learn the extent of these Grants, and where an Accomodation could be effected between the 2 Claimants, it has lent its aid, but there will remain Instances, in which one of the parties must be deprived a right under the Grant of One Commandant, and, as it is required, the board hazard their opinion that the [196] original Grant should be sustained on Condition that the Claimant should make good to the Occupier the value of the improvements exceeding the value of the Enjoyment. Should such opinion prevail, it will be requisite that power should be lodged somewhere to put the Claimant under the original ticket into possession; we beg leave to refer to our Minutes for further l'claircissement of the Cause of the delay attending the operations of this board, and have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

JOHN SMITH,
W. D. POWELL,
A. GRANT.

To H. Motz, Esquire, Secretary to the Governor.
Entered by D. W. S.

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[197] Report B. Continued from folio 189.

District of Hesse, Land Board.

Detroit, Fryday, 5 March, 1790.

Major Smith and Alexander Grant, Esquire, attended and adjourned the board to Fryday next.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

District of Hesse, Detroit, Fryday, 12 November, 1790.

The Land Board did not assemble this day.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

On the 16 November, 1790. The Secretary, recd. the following Letter from the Deputy Surveyor:—

Copy.

Detroit, 16 November, 1790.

SIR,—I will be much obliged by your sending me my Survey of the Settlement on the Lake with the plan directed for townships situated on Iakes or Rivers, you can have them again when required.

I have hitherto communicated to Individuals of the Land board my inability to carry on the Survey of the District for want of Stationary of [198] every kind, this prevents my furnishing the board with a plan of the front of the District, from Long Point to River St. Clair, but as such communication may not be deemed official, have to request you will please to make the communication the next board day.

I also wish to observe to you that the Certificates issued by the board for Lots in the New Settlement East of the Entrance of Detroit River (I mean them issued for the Lots granted formerly by Major Matthews) are improper, they specifying two hundred acres, whereas there is not in any

of them much more than one hundred, and some not so much, they, almost every one, differing in breadth, them Certificates were only designed to be given for farm Lots, laid out Agreable to the New plan of Survey, each [199] containing two hundred acres.

(Signed) P. McNiff, Deputy Surveyor.

Lieut. Smith, etc.

A true Copy.

D. W. Smith, Secretary.

Report B continued in folio 218.

No. 32. Copy.

At a Council holden at the Castle of Saint Lewis in the City of Quebec: On Tuesday, the 2nd March, 1790,:—

Present: His Excellency Lord Dorchester, Governor, and the Honorable Hugh Finlay, Esquire: Thomas Dunn, Esquire; Edward Harrison, Esquire; John Collins, Esquire; J. G. C. Delery, Esquire; George Pownall, Esquire; Henry Caldwell, Esquire; Francois Baby, Esquire; Le Comte dupre, Esquire.

[200] Whereas there were this day read at the board the following Report of the Land Committee viz:

To His Excellency the Right Honorable Guy Lord Dorchester, Governor General of the Provinces of Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, etc., etc., etc.

The Report of the Land Committee:

Present: Messieurs Finlay, Collins, Caldwell, Grant and Delanaudiere, on the corrected Schedules of Grants of Land in the New districts.

May it please your Lordship In obedience to your Excellency's order in Council, of the 20 January last, subjecting to the Inspection of this Committee the Schedules of Grants of Land, made in Certain Townships in the New Districts Westward of Montreal, as corrected by the Surveyor Gen-[201] eral's office, and requiring of us to report our observations upon the Execution of the work.

We humbly beg leave to inform your Lordship that we have compared the Corrected Schedules of Grants made in the township of Lancaster in the District of Luneburgh, with the plan of that township whereon the Concessions are protracted, the lots in each Concession laid down and numbered with the name of the Grantees wrote upon the Respective Lots, and we find that that Schedule corresponds with the plan, shewing the names of the Grantees, the township, in which their Grants are Situated, the Number of the Concessions in which they have drawn, with the Numbers of the Lots they possess, on Examining the plan of the adjoining Township [202] (Charlottenburg) we found it difficult to discriminate the Concessions, or ranges of Lots, upon the plan, by their Numbers. The Confusion that appears on the face of the plan or Survey has arisen by a deviation on the part of the Deputy Surveyor from the plan originally projected for laying out the Seigneuries in the New Districts at this day better known by the name of Townships.

The first project, as the Committee have understood from the Deputy Surveyor General, was to have the townships laid out into 8, 10, 12 or more ranges of Lots called Concessions, according to the depth of the Township, [203] the Concessions were to run parallel to each other, the Ranges to contain a certain number of Lots of 200 Acres each, the front of every Lot to run parallel to the front of the Township.

The Township of Charlottenburg lies on the R. St. Laurance, and fronting it through that Township there runs a considerable stream called Rivière aux Raisins. The Deputy Surveyor who was employed to divide

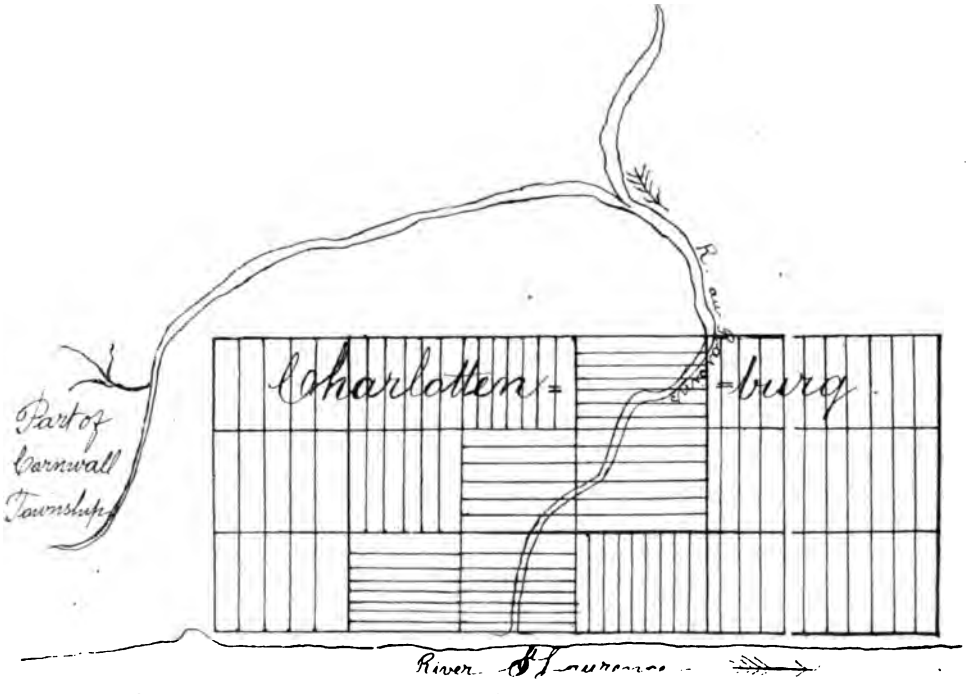
the Concessions in Charlottenburg into Lots deviated from the original plan, instead of making all the fronts of the Lots lie parallel with the Front of [204] the Township he gave fronts upon the North Side and fronts upon the south side of the Rivière aux Raisins in such manner (as appears by the plan) that some of the Lots will contain more than 200 acres, whilst other lots (owing to the bends in the River) will not contain, perhaps, one-third of that quantity.

From this deviation the Committee apprehend that difficulties and disputes may in time arise between the Grantees of the Concessions fronting on the River St. Lawrence and the Grantees in the Concessions that have their fronts on the Rivière aux Raisins, each Grantee conceiving that a Lot [205] is to contain not less than 200 Acres.

Were some of the Lots upon the Rivière aux Raisins to be extended to contain 200 Acres they would intersect the Lots lying immediately behind them, that front in a parallel with the front of the Township.

Part of this stream runs through the next Township, called Cornwall.

That the effect of this deviation from the original Plan may more clearly appear and the confusion thence arising be better understood, the Committee humbly submit the following Diagram Descriptive of the manner in which the Lots in Charlottenburg have been laid out, to your Lordship's Inspection.



[206] The Committee humbly conceive, that in order to prevent disputes between the Settlers whose Lots front the River St. Lawrence and those who have the Riviere aux Raisins for their front, in the Township of Charlottenburg, Cornwall and Elsewhere, it may be advisable to give intimation through the Land Office Boards, of the District, to the Grantees upon the Riviere aux Raisins, that the depth of their Lots is bounded by the nearest Concession behind them when it shall be found that any such Lot, is short of 200 [207] Acres the Deficiency may be made good by grant in some other part of the Township, or in any part of the District, where waste lands may be *found.*

The Committee do not perceive that to proceed here, on the further comparison of the Schedules with the plans of the Townships, could be attended with any advantage, presuming that from that part of the book, that has been corrected by the Surveyor General's Office, and which the Committee examined, the rest is equally correct.

It is not in Quebec, where errors in the plans can be corrected; all that can be done in this place, is to see whether the Schedules which are taken [208] from the plans correspond with them in showing the Grantee's Name, the Number of the Lot, the name of the Township, where situated, and in what Concession there, and this the Deputy Land Surveyor has certified to be accurately done. The Committee, therefore, humbly submit, whether it might not be advisable forthwith to transmit the plans and Schedules which have been subjected to the Inspection of this Committee to the Respective Land office boards, as there alone, the plans from which the Schedules have been composed can be corrected and made perfect, if any error has been made in entering a wrong name or any Lot, or Lots, in any Township, and the [209] Committee likewise humbly submit, whether directions ought not to be given to the boards, to transmit from time to time, to the Surveyor General's Office, a note of all Errors they may find upon the plans, in order, that the General plan lodged here may be corrected thereby.

The Committee observed in Examining the Index, to the Schedule of Grants made in Charlottenburg that under the Letter M, John McDonell, appears to possess 2,400 Acres of Land, and on Enquiry of the Deputy Surveyor General, it was found that that quantity does not belong to one, but to many John McDonells, but for want of some mark of Distinction upon the plan, these John McDonells have been considered as one and the same [210] person.

To correct this and such like Inaccuracies the Committee humbly conceive that it may be expedient to order the Deputy Surveyor of the district to advertise the Grantees of that Name, to produce to him their Certificates of Location, and from each learn the Name or Epithet by which he is distinguished from another, John McDonell, among his Countrymen, and let that name be added to the name already entered on his Lot or Lots upon the plan, the same will be done upon the Schedule, from which the Alphabetical List, or Index, may easily be corrrected.

[211] The Entry in the Index appears thus

	Lot.	Acre.	Situation.	Total of Acres.
McDonell, John.....	½ 15	100	In 1st Concession	
	½ 20	100	In 2nd "	
	½ 12	100	In 2nd "	
	½ 20	100	S. Side R. Raisins.....	
	½ 55	100	N. Side "	
	½ 12	100	S. "	
	½ 14	100	"	
	½ 9	100	"	
	½ 14	100	"	
	19	200	In 11th Concession	
	½ 16	100	In 12th "	
	28	200	In 13th "	
	26	200	In 14th "	
	9	200	In 14th "	
	9	200	In 16th "	
	4	200	In 16th "	
	32	200	In 17th "	
		2,400		

[212] When corrected it will stand thus

	Lot.	Acre.	Situation.	Total Granted.
McDonell, John, A.	½ 15	100	In 1st Concession	
C.	½ 20	100	In 2nd "	A
B.	½ 12	100	In 2nd "	500
B.	½ 12	100	S. Side R. Raisins	
A.	½ 55	100	N. Side "	
C.	½ 12	100	S. "	B.
C.	½ 14	100	"	200
A.	½ 9	100	"	
D.	½ 14	100	"	
A.	19	200	In 11th Concession	C.
E.	½ 16	100	In 12th "	500
E.	28	200	In 13th "	D.
C.	26	200	In 14th "	500
D.	9	200	In 14th "	
D.	9	200	In 16th "	
E.	4	200	In 16th "	E.
E.	32	200	In 17th "	700
		2,400		2,400

[213] All which is nevertheless must humbly submitted to your Lordships great wisdom.

Signed by order of the Committee.

(Signed) HUGH FINLAY, in the Chair.

Council Chamber, Bishop's Palace, Quebec, 19 February, 1790.

And the following Report thereon by a Committee of the Whole Council. To His Excellency the Right Honourable Guy Lord Dorchester, Governor-General of the Province of Quebec, etc., etc., etc.

Report of a Committee of the Whole Council, the Chief Justice and Messrs. Finlay, Harrison, Collins, Delery, Pownall, Caldwell, Grant and Dupre.

To whom was referred the Report of the Land Committee respecting the Corrected Schedules of Grants in the new Districts.

[214] May it Please your Lordship:

The Committee being assembled in obedience to your Lordship's order of reference of yesterday, and having considered the same with the Report therein mentioned are humbly of opinion.

That the Landboards of the several Districts being in the best Circumstances and under the strongest motives, to make discovery throughout their respective Districts, how far your Lordship's benevolent intentions will be practicable under the occupation certificates already issued, especially when they shall be furnished with the Schedules that are come in from the Surveyor General's Office, and with the Remarks made by the Land Committee upon such parts of the said Schedules as they have hitherto had time [215] to scrutinise.

The Committee therefore advise that a copy of the Schedules with the Report of the Land Committee, the order of Reference, and this Report, be forthwith transmitted by the Clerk of the Council to the Landboards of the Districts of Luneburg and Mecklenburg, the better to apprise them of the utility of their immediate attention to those concerns, by their early communication of the Result of their researches and examinations, with their opinion of the best means to correct any errrors that may have happened, that the Government may be enabled to secure to Individuals the

Benefits intended them, and promote the General tranquility and prosperity [216] of the Settlements, in the Western Districts.

All of which is nevertheless most humbly submitted to your Lordship's Great Wisdom.

Signed by order, Council Chamber, Bishop's Palace, Quebec 23rd February, 1790.

(Signed) WM. SMITH, Chairman.

His Lordship taking the said Reports into consideration was pleased with the advice of the Council to approve thereof, and to order, as it is hereby ordered, that the same be punctually complied with and carried into Execution.

And his Lordship is further pleased to order, that the same Communi- [217] cations which are hereby directed to be made to the Land Boards of the Districts of Luneburg and Mecklenburg, shall be made to every board in the Province, excepting the Copies of the Schedules of Location, which it may suffice to transmit to the boards of those Districts only, to which they respectively appertain.

J. WILLIAMS, C.C.

Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary.

[218] Land Board, District Hesse, Detroit, Fryday, 19 November, 1790.

Report B. Continued from folio 199.

The Board did not assemble this day.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

Land Office Board, District of Hesse, Detroit, Fryday, 26 November, 1790.

(Report B. continued in Register No. 2, Folio 301.)

No Quorum formed this day.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

No. 37, Copy—Detroit, 26 June, 1790.

GENTLEMEN, In answer to yours of Yesterday, I am to inform you that I am in my official Capacity bound to obey every Officer who has a right to command me.

Not being in possession of the minutes alluded to in your note, cannot answer that part untill such communication is made.

Having nothing so much at heart as a punctual performance of duty, I beg to acquaint you Gentlemen, that all orders from my Superiours have [219] ever been executed to the best of my abilities.

As the Minutes alluded to by you were never officially communicated, I conceive the Survey I have lately performed to have been done under the immediate direction of the Commanding Officer, and as hitherto any order made by the board directing Surveys to be made, is entirely unknown to me, I think for the present, any other answer than the foregoing to the general meaning of your note unnecessary, but as I wish the board to have every information which may tend to facilitate the business of their office, or forward the Settlement of the Country, I will furnish you through the Channel of the Clerk of the Land Board, with a copy of the Report which I on yesterday made the Surveyor General, of my late Survey, being now ready to [220] receive and execute the orders you may issue for the performance of any surveys.

I have the honour, etc.

P. MCNIFF, D. Surveyor.

Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary.

Copy.

Pursuant to the order of Patrick Murray, Esquire, Commandant of Detroit, etc., I did on this day proceed to take a Coasting Survey of the North Shore of Lake Erie, from Long Point westward, a Report of which Survey so far as respects the Quality and situation of the Land is as follows, viz.:

From the east end of the present new Settlements easterly along the Shore 12 miles to the bottom of the bay that forms one side of Pt. Pele; this space a very high bank, where no access can be had to the Lake, but the Land [221] Good. From the bottom of the said Bay running east to the east side of Pt. Pele, 4 miles, very good land, but the front marshy.

From the east side of Pt. Pele running easterly along shore, to a little west of Pt. Aupins, 37 miles, an inaccessible high bank from 50 to 100 feet high, clay and yellow sand, covered on top with Chestnut and scrubby, and remains of this quality from one to two and a half miles back, where much lower and good Land commences.

From a little west of Pt. Aupins running northeast, behind the Little Lake to east side of Pt. Aupins, 10 miles, exceeding good land. In this place there had formerly been a large Indian Settlement and Village; the Vestiges of many of their Houses still appearing; but now abandoned. Timber, Hard Maple, Bass and Black Walnut, from this place to River La Trench, 22 miles, there is an open road. From Pt. Aupins to the portage [222] at Long Point, no possibility of making any settlement, to front on the Lake, being all the way a yellow and white sand bank, from 50 to 100 feet high, top covered with Chestnut and scrubby oak, and no harbours where even Light Boats may enter, except River Tonty, and River a la Barbue, a load boat may enter the latter having 4½ feet water on the Bar; on each side of River a La Barbue are flats of excellent Land, but not above 15 or 20 chains wide, before very high land commences, which in many places does not appear to be accessible for any carriage; on the tops of these very high hills, good Land, timber, some large Chestnuts, Hickory, and Bass.

These hills are separated by dry Ravines almost Impassable from their great depth. On the back of Long Point very good land, not so hilly as what [223] I have passed, timber, Bass, Black Walnut and Hard Maple, but marshy in front for 20 or 30 Chains.

P. McNiff, Deputy Surveyor.

16 June, 1790.

A Copy of the above transmitted to the Surveyor General, 25 June, 1790.

For W. D. Powell, W. Robertson and A. Grant, Esquires, Members of the Land Board, etc.

Delivered to the Clerk of the Land Board on the 26 June, 1790.

No. 38 Copy—Detroit, 3 July, 1790.

Gentlemen,—I have to acknowledge the Receipt of the Instructions of the Land Board, dated the 2nd Instant, in conformity to which I make the following Report of the late Survey made of the front of the Land, com- [224] mencing at the portage of Long Point and ending at the Entrance of Detroit River, in order to enable the board to give such directions as it may judge proper, Respecting the deviations to be made from the General plan of Survey where local Circumstances require it.

From the portage at Long Point to the east side of Point Aupins, a broken Country, no possibility of farming any settlement fronting on the

From east side of Point Aupins to west side of the same a space of ten miles good land, in this space the General plan of Survey may be carried into Execution, there being a very convenient Scite for a town at the back of the Little Lake.

From west side of Point Aupins to east side of Point Pele a broken Country where no settlement can be made to front on the Lake.

[225] From East side of Point Pele to commencement of the New Settlements, 16 miles, good Land. Here also the General plan of Survey may be complied with, but the only place in that space where a town can be laid out is on very high land where no access can be had to the Lake nor any harbour for water craft, but on this high land are plenty of Springs.

From the east end of the present new Settlements to the Entrance of Detroit River, 20 miles, 15 miles of this space Settled. Here it is impossible to comply with the General plan of Survey without injuring many of the Inhabitants in their improvements; nearly in the Centre of this Settlement is a space left for a town, but not quite of the Extent specyfied in the [226] General plan. This is by no means so proper a place for a Village, as many others, that might have been pointed out in the Settlement, but those situations are now the property of Individuals, and under Improvements.

The spot reserved for a village is on high land, a dry and healthy situation, but in front of it there is no coming to the Lake nor Harbour for any kind of water craft. Water may be had on the hill by digging.

From west end of New Settlements, to Entrance of Detroit River, 5 miles, is either a marsh or what is not is claimed by Individuals. The Marsh is the property of William and James Caldwell, by an order of Council passed in their favour on 29 December, 1788.

[227] In order to illustrate the foregoing Report, you will herewith receive Scetches of the places, pointed out as proper for settlements.

If the foregoing corresponds with the Informations you wish to obtain from me, you shall, on every such occcasion, have similar Reports, corresponding with the situation and Quality of the Land through which I pass. Nor can I in any respect conceive your requisition to interfere with my accustomed line of duty or intercourse with the Surveyor General's Office.

As to the particular information required by Mr. Motz' letter, of the 19th January last, every attention shall be paid to the obtaining of these objects, so far as within my sphere where I may travel through the settled part of the district, but to complete the whole of what is required there will be the work of time. I am, etc., P. McNiff, Deputy Surveyor.

To W. D. Powell, Esquire, A. Grant, Esquire, W. Robertson, Esquire.

[228] Copy. Detroit, 30th July, 1790.

Gentlemen,—Your order of the 2nd July, instant, directing certain surveys to be made was for the first time, communicated to me, on the 9th instant. On the 9th my late Surveys were not laid down on paper, and would require a few days longer to finish that work, which I on that day made known to the board, doing this work, prevented my paying attention, to any part to your said order until the 22nd instant, when I had everything prepared to proceed on the Survey; but on perusing your order of survey with that attention, requisite to put it in Execution and comparing it with the different Rules and Regulations, for the Land Office department, I found myself entirely at a loss to comprehend said order so clearly as to enable [229] me to carry the same into execution, from various causes. These difficulties, or Inaccuracies, Induced me to think of waiting on the Board

on Fryday the 23rd instant to point out these obstructions, at 12 o'clock on that day I went to the place where the board usually meet, and was informed the members (only 2 in Number) had some time before set off for Gross point, therefore was out of my power before this day to communicate to the Board my inability to comprehend the meaning of said order, it not being given in that explicit manner, that orders are usually issued from the Surveyor General's Office, and to assume any authority of my own in order, to correct the Inaccuracy of it and forward the interest of Government, I could not think of doing as thereby I would lay myself open to [230] censure, I therefore have on this day communicated to the board part of the Imperfections of said order, shewing the Impossibility as a Regular Surveyor of my comprehending its meaning; I also meant at that time to have pointed out the whole of the Impropriety of that order, when compared with the established Rules and Regulations of the Land Office department, had I not been told by the board, that if they committed Errors in giving orders, they knew how to rectify them without the Information or assistance of the Deputy Surveyor.

In my present situation I consider myself under the immediate direction of the board, whose ability and Superior Knowledge of the Business [231] of the Surveyor General's Department, must far exceed anything that a deputy Surveyor could communicate, for these Reasons, I beg to decline giving any written opinion to my Superiors upon any order by them heretofore issued, or that may hereafter be issued—but in order to promote the Interest of the Crown, in settling the Country, in such a manner, as may best conduce to carry the orders of the Governor and Council into effect I will at any time give my opinion to Individuals of the board on such questions as they may see cause to propose to me on that subject.

P. McNiff, Deputy Surveyor.

[232] To the Landboard District of Hesse. 31 July, 1790.

No. 42. Copy.

Sir,—I have to aquaint that I have this morning received the order of the Land Board for the District of Hesse, dated the 30th July, Instant, directing a survey to be made, am truly sorry it is not so explicit, as I could wish, only pointing out, to me, where to commence, but when at that spot, leaves me entirely at a Loss, what to do without taking the Rest on myself which is a thing, I cannot do, having no authority for that purpose, this prevents my going off to-morrow.

P. McNiff.

[233] No. 43. Copy. 12 August, 1790.

Gentlemen,—In September last, in my going through the New Settlements east of the Entrance of Detroit River, I found the Inhabitants placed on the Land in such a manner, and their improvements such as to render the present plan of Survey impossible, to be carried into effect, without injuring Numbers of the Inhabitants and entirely removing others, they were all at first intended to have 4 acres in front, on my Examining many of their farms to contain 3.3¼, 3½ and etc., in front, this I communicated to Major Murray as president of the board at that time.

P. McNiff, Deputy Surveyor.

Landboard, District of Hesse.

[234] No. 44. Copy. Detroit, 12th August, 1790.

In order to enable me to carry your instructions of this date (requiring certain surveys to be made) into Effect, have to request you would please to furnish me with the following articles, viz.:—

Nine active men; 24 days provisions (field Rations) for that number; one bateau, oars, sail and cable; and one Grindstone Crank and Spindle; 3 felling axes; 2 Tomahawks; 2 Oil Cloths; 1 Small Lead and Line; 3 Kettles for Cooking; Some one of the party to have the charge of and be answerable for these articles.

P. McNiff, Deputy Surveyor.

Honorable Landboard, District of Hesse.

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[235] No. 45. Copy. 10 September, 1790.

Sir,—In as much as the public convenience was not attended in the subdivision of the land forming the Settlement, East of the Entrance of Detroit River, by omitting to have vacant spaces for roads, etc., at certain distances between the Lots—

I therefore beg leave to suggest to the Land Board, the propriety of now reserving out of the unimproved Lots returned in my Sketch, two lots in each Township of the New Settlement; the Lots so situated, if they can be had so, as to divide the township into 3 equal parts or as near that as may be, I would farther observe that the high land East of mill Creek of which I have laid out 12 Lots, in the manner directed by the General plan of Survey for farm Lots.

[236] That tract of County has (I believe) been applied for, for use of a body of Quakers from Red Stone, a little South east of Fort Pitt, they had their Agent Davis England here in the Summer, 1789—he told me, that this was the spot, above any in this Country, that he could wish to have, but was sorry to be informed that they could not have it, being given to understand that it was claimed by a few Individuals under Indian Grants. Now as these Grants are made void, and I hope no more pretensions of that kind, would it not be proper, to acquaint Mr. England by Letter (as there is a person going to the very place) that the land wished for is surveyed and reserved for himself and associates; should these hints meet the approba-
[237] tion of the board, it is well, if not they are to consider them, as the rather too officious and premature plans of a busy person, having nothing to do with these things.

P. McNiff, Deputy Surveyor.

Lieutenant Smith, Secretary.

No. 53. Copy. Detroit, Fryday, 3rd August, 1790.

Mr. Robertson presents his Compliments to the Gentleman of the Landboard for this District and informs them, that as he is on the point of leaving this Country for England, he shall not again have the pleasure of meeting them. He however, most sincerely wishes, that their Efforts in prosecution of the object of their appointment may be attended with much success.

[APPENDIX A. TO REGISTER No. 1.]

[1] Rough Sceteh of a townplot, in the New Settlement, on the North side of the mouth of the Strait, of Detroit. (See opposite page.)

Lots Number 68, 69, 70, said to be 12 acres in front, and 38 in depth, but are found to contain somewhat less.

The Complete execution of the directions contained in the 3d article of the addl. Rules and Regulations, for the conduct of the land office department, being prevented, by reason of the necessary space for that purpose, being already under tickets of Location to individuals, who are unwilling to relinquish their claims, the following order in providing spaces for the general convenience of the Township, (In conformity to the 7th article of the said rules and Regulations) is most humbly submitted to the Landboard for the District of Hesse, by D. W. Smith, Secretary.

Detroit, 30 September, 1790.

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[2] References to plan on opposite page.

No. 1. A place for the public worship of God, being a square containing about 4 acres.

2. Common burying grounds about 4 acres each.

3. Parsonage house, etc., 4 acres.

4. Common Schoolhouse, 4 acres.

11. Poor or work house, 4 acres.

J. Townpark for a minister, 24 acres.

H. Townpark for a Schoolmaster, 24 acres.

7. Glebe for a Minister, 72 acres.

8. Glebe for Schoolmaster, 72 acres. Common to the Town.

9. Court or town house, 4 acres.

10. Prison, 4 acres.

12b. 2 meat Market place, 4 acres.

12c. Fish Market place, 4 acres.

12a. Green Market place, 4 acres.

G. Public square or parade, 4 acres in the centre of the town

8. Four more public Squares or parades, 4 acres each.

F. Two squares for Hospitals, 4 acres each.

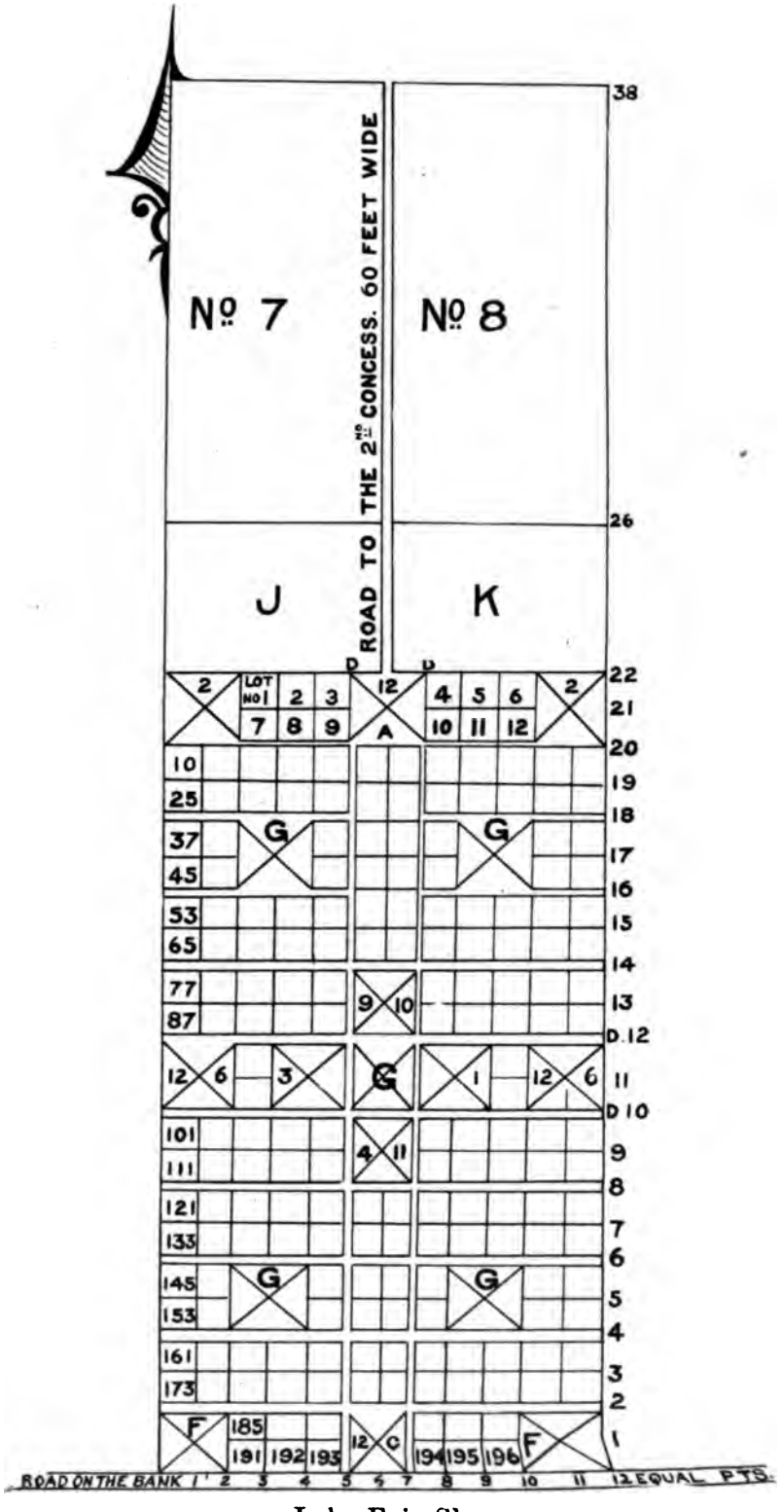
196 Town lots about one acre each.

N. B. The streets are taken off some of the Town Lots.

d. The 8 principal Streets 96 feet wide.

c. All the other 60 feet wide All the public Squares open at the angles.

TOWN PLOT IN NEW SETTLEMENT.



Lake Erie Shore.

[APPENDIX B. TO REGISTER No. 1.]

TWO CONNECTED TOWNSHIPS—SCHEDULES AND INDEX.

APPENDIX 2.

[3] Description of two Connected Townships, in the New Settlement on the North side of Lake Erie; from a Creek, 4 miles from the mouth of the River Detroit, to a small Creek, about a mile and a half beyond Cedar River, including 97 Lots, laid out by Authority of Majors Mathews and Close, and 12 Lots, in addition, to the eastward of the aforesaid 97 Lots, making an extent of two Townships, Agreeable to Mr. P. McNiff's Survey.

D. W. SMITH,
Secretary.

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[4] SCHEDULES OF LOTS.

District of Hesse. The Lots contain about 200 acres each.

Report.	Lots.	First Concession. Names of Grantees.	Date of Location.	Quantity granted in Acres.	Reference to the Index.
	1				
A...	2	Alexander Clarke.....	Sept. 10, 1790....	Ab 200	C
K...	3	William Wright.....	May 4, 1792....	200	W
F...	4	Robert Denniston.....	Sept. 30, 1791....	200	D
K...	5	John Hocust.....	May 4. 1792...	200	H
A...	6	Joseph Windale.....	Sept. 10, 1790....	200	W
	7				
	8				
A...	9	Christian Bonsack.....	Sept. 10, 1790....	200	B
K...	10	Michael Shaver.....	May 4, 1792....	200	S
	11				
	12	Leonard Scratch.....	Sept. 10, ...	200	S
A...	13	Martin Tofflemire.....	" 10, ...	200	T
	14	James Steward.....	" 10, ...	200	S
	15				
K...	16	Adam Darkness.....	May 4, 1792....	200	D
A...	17	John Top.....	Sept. 10, 90...	200	T
	18				
E...	19	Samuel Hall.....	May 27, 1791....	200	H
A...	20	Asa Holmes.....	Sept. 10, ...	200	H
A...	21	John Moss.....	" 10, ...	200	M
	22				
B...	23	Wm. Harpur.....	April 22, 91....	200	H
G...	24	James Empson.....	Nov. 25, 91....	200	E
	25				

Schedule.—*Continued.*

Report.	Lots.	First Concession. Names of Grantees.	Date of Location.	Quantity granted in acres.	Reference to the Index.
A.	26	Joseph Countyman	Sept. 10, 90	200	C
	27	Jacob Arner	" 10, 90	200	A
[5] E.	28	Joseph Vallade	July 29, 1791	200	V
A.	29	Richard Whittle	Sept. 10, 90	200	W
	30	Thomas Smith	Oct. 22, 90	200	S
	31				
E.	32	Edward Butler	June 3, 91	200	B
A.	33	Henry Ramsay	Sept. 11, 90	200	R
E.	34	Jean Baptiste Vallade	May 27, 1791	200	V
	35				
B.	36	James Little	Oct. 29, 90	200	L
A.	37	John Dalton	Sept. 11, 90	200	D
B.	38	Gregor McGregor, Esq.	April 22, 91	400	M
B.	39				
A.	40	Thomas Hall	Sept. 11, 90	200	H
B.	41	Samuel Weston	April 15, 91	200	W
D.	42	Thomas Jones	May 13, 1791	200	J
	43				
A.	44	Louis Viseneau	Oct. 22, 90	200	V
	45	Richard Cornwall	" 22, 90	200	C
K.	46	John Little, Jun	May 11, 92	200	L
A.	47	John Pardo	Sept. 11, 90	200	P
	48	Charles Filpley	" 11, 90	200	F
	49	John Smith	" 24, 90	200	S
B.	50	John Cray	April 22, 91	200	C
E.	51	Edward Nevel	Sept. 9, 91	200	N
	52				
A.	53	John Daine	Sept. 24, 90	200	D
	54				
K.	55	Joseph Bondé	May 4, 1792	200	B
I.	56	William Monger	Mch. 23, 92	200	M
	57				
K.	58	Thomas Little	May 4, 1792	200	L
	59				
B.	60	John McClaine	April 22, 91	200	M
[6] E.	61	John Clearwater	22 July, 1791	200	C
K.	62	John Joseph Waters	4 May, 1792	200	W
E.	63	Daniel McKillip	3 June, 1791	200	M
A.	64	James Tracey	Sept. 11, 90	200	T
K.	65	James Wilcox	4 May, 1792	200	W
A.	66	Benjamin Knapp	Sept. 11, 90	200	K
	67	Andrew Hamilton	do	200	H
	68				
	69	Reserved for a town		600	R
	70				
E.	71	François Dequindre	22 July, 1791	200	D xx
E.	72	Edward McCarty	24 June, 91	200	M
A.	73	John Snider	Sept. 11, 90	200	S
	74	John Stockwell	do	200	S
	75				
K.	76	John Baptiste Cicot	4 May, 1792	200	C
	77	Henry Wright	4 May, 1792	200	W
K.	78	William Scot	do	200	S
A.	79	Amos Weston	Sept. 11, 90	200	W
	80	Harry Facer	do	200	F
	81	James Robertson	do	200	R
B.	82	Elisher Wilcox, Senr	22 April, 91	200	W
A.	83	Elisha Wilcox, Sen. (say Jun.?)	Sept. 11, 90	200	W
	84	Thomas Ashworth	do	200	A

Schedule — *Continued.*

Report.	Lots.	First Concession. Name of Grantees.	Date of Location.	Quantity granted in acres.	Reference to the Index.
	85				
K. . .	86	Rudolph Hoffman.....	4 May, 1792.....	200	H
A. . .	87	George Jacob Rudhart.....	Sept 11, 90.....	200	R
B. . .	88	Thomas Reynolds	22 April, 91.....	200	R
A. . .	89	Prince Robertson.	Sept. 10, 90.....	200	R
E. . .	90	Joseph Drouillard.....	24 June, 91	200	D
K. . .	91	Andrew Wooleche.....	4 May, 1792.....	200	W
K. . .	92	Daniel Cameron.....	do	200	C
B. . .	93	Cameron, John	22d April, 91.....	200	C
K. . .	94	½ to Daniel Cameron	4 May, 92	100	C
		½ to John Cameron.....	do	100	C
B. . .	95	Joseph Baro.....	April 15, 91.....	200	B
A. . .	96	John Gordan	22d Octb., 90	200	G
	97				
[7] A. . .	1	Henry Tofflemire	22 October, 1790.	200	T
E. . .	2	Wirt John.....	3 June, 1791	200	W
A. . .	3	Henry Ragus	22nd October, 90.	200	R
A. . .	4	Nicholas Wetherholt.....	.....	200	W
	5	Reserved for public uses.	.....	200	R
	6	George Sichilstil	22 Oct., 90.....	200	S
	7	Aug. Fred. Wurzbach	"	200	W
	8	Philip Fuchs.....	"	200	F
	9	Jonas Fuchs	" .	200	F
	10	Henry Hoffman.....	"	200	H
	11	George Deiss.....	"	300	D
	12	John Leps.....	"	200	L
Exam'd. Lot No.	71	Transferred to John Stockwell	22nd July, 1791..	About 200	S
Exam'd. Lot No.	45	" to Elizabeth Viscenau.....	27 April, 92.....	200	V
	78	" to Robert Dowler	4 May, 92.....	200	D
	86	" to Charles Filpley	"	200	F
	5	" to Peter Williams	"	200	W
	16	" to James Stewart.	"	200	S
	53	" to Edward Nevill.	"	200	N
	62	" to Danl McKillup	"	200	M
	76	" to Henry Wright.	"	200	W

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Report.	Names of Grantees.	1st Concession. Lot.	Acres granted. About
[8] A.....	Arner, Jacob.....	27	200
	Ashworth, Thomas.....	84	200
A.....	Bonsack, Christian.....	9	200
B.....	Baro, Joseph.....	95	200
E.....	Butler, Edward.....	32	200
K.....	Bondé, Joseph.....	55	200
	Clarke, Alexander.....	2	200
[9] A.....	Countyman, Joseph.....	26	200
	Cornwall, Richard	45	200
B.....	Cameron, John.....	93	200
B.....	Cray, John.....	50	200

Index to Schedules of Locations in Two Connected Townships.—*Continued.*

Report.	Names of Grantees.	1st Concession. Lot.	Acres granted. About
E	Clearwater, John	61	200
K	Cameron, Daniel	92	200
K	" "	94	200
K	Cameron, John		
K	Cicot, John Baptiste	76	200
A	Dalton, John	37	200
A	Daine, John	53	200
A	Deiss, George	11 E	200
E	Drouillard, Joseph	90	200
E	Dequindre, Francois	71	200
	Transferred to John Stockwell		
F	Denniston, Robert	4	200
K	Darkness, Adam	16	200
K	Dowler, Robert, by transfer	78	200
[10] G	Empson, James	24	200
A	Facer, Farry	80	200
A	Filpley, Charles	48	200
A	Fuchs, Philip	8 E	200
A	Fuchs, Jonas	9 E	200
K	Filpley, Charles, by transfer	86	200
[11] A	Gordan, John	96	200
A	Holmes, Asa	20	200
A	Hamilton, Andrew	67	200
A	Hall, Thomas	40	200
A	Hoffman, Henry	10 E	200
B	Harpur, Wm	23	200
E	Hall, Samuel	19	200
K	Hoffman, Rudolph	86	200
K	Hocust, John	5	200
[12] D	Jones, Thomas	42	200
A	Knapp, Benjamin	66	200
[13] A	Leps, John	12 E	200
B	Little, James	36	200
K	Little, Thomas	58	200
K	Little, John	46	200
A	Moss, John	21	200
B	McClaine, John	60	200
B	McGregor, Gregor, Esq	38, 39	400
E	McKillip, Daniel	63	200
E	McCarty, Edward	72	200
I	Monger, William	56	200
K	McKillip, Daniel, by transfer	62	200
[14] E	Nevel, Edward	51	200
K	Nevel, Edward, by transfer	35	200
[15] A	Pardo, John	47	200
A	Robertson, Prince	89	200
A	Ramsey, Henry	33	200
[16] A	Robertson, James	81	200
A	Rudhart, George Jacob	87	200
A	Ragus, Henry	3 E	200
B	Reynolds, Thomas	88	200
	Reserved for a town	68, 69, 70	600
	" for public uses	5 E	200
A	Scratch, Leonard	12	200
A	Steward, James	14	200
A	Snider, John	73	200
A	Stockwell, John	74	200
A	Smith, John	49	200
A	Sichilstil, George	6 E	200
A	Smith, Thomas	30	200

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Report.	Names of Crantees.	1st Concession. Lot.	Acres granted. About
E	Stockwell, John, by transfer from Francois Dequindre.	71	200
K	Scot, William	78	200
K	Stewart, James, by transfer	16	200
K	Shaver, Michael	10	200
[17] A	Tofflemire, Martin	13	200
[17] A	Top, John	17	200
[17] A	Tracey, James	64	200
[17] A	Tofflemire, Henry	1 E	200
A	Viseneau, Louis	44	200
E	Vallade, Jean Baptiste	34	200
E	Vallade, Joseph	28	200
K	Viscenau, Elizabeth, by transfer from Richard Cornwall.	45	200
[18] A	Windall, Joseph	6	200
[18] A	Whittle, Richard	29	200
[18] A	Weston, Amos	79	200
[18] A	Wilcox, Elisha, Sen. (Say Jun.)	83	200
[18] A	Wetherholt, Nicholas	4 E	200
[18] A	Wurzbach, Aug. Fred.	7 E	200
B	Weston, Samuel	41	200
B	Wilcox, Elisher, Sen.	82	200
E	Wirt, John	2 E	200
K	Wright, William	3	200
K	Wilcox, James	65	200
K	Wright, Henry	77	200
K	Woolche, Andrew	91	200
K	Waters, John Joseph	62	200
K	Williams, Peter, by transfer	5	200
K	Wright, Henry, by transfer	76	200

(End of Register No. 1.)

LAND BOARD

OF THE

DISTRICT OF HESSE.

REGISTER No. 2.

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CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS.

[238] (No. 41. Copy.)

Draft Report from the Land board, District of Hesse.

Detroit, 1st June, 1790.

My Lord,--In conformity to your Lordship's instructions of 2nd September last respecting the purchase of a tract of Land from the Indians for the accomodation of the Loyalists of the District of Hesse, we called upon Mr. McKee, the deputy Agent, with whose advice and concurrence, we did by the minute of 7th December last, recommend to him to treat with the Indians for the purchase of a tract of Land, from the end of the last purchase from the Mississagues, commencing at the mouth of the River au Chaudiere or Kettle Creek, running around the north side of Lake Erie and up the Streight to the mouth of Channail Ecarté and up the said Channail Ecarté to the first south Fork; then a due east line, until it intersects the River Latranche, and the River Latranche to the Boundary of the purchase from [239] the 6 nations, and following the direction of which a due South Course to the mouth of said Kettle creek.

By his Letter of 21 May the conclusion of that business is announced to the Board, whose first duty in further compliance with your Lordship's Instructions was to preceed to chuse a scite for a Country town on the East side of the Detroit.

Our progress, however, being obstructed by the Reserves, mentioned in the Deputy Agent's Letter, which occupy all the unimproved Land in that space, we called upon Mr. McKee for the Reason of such an unexpected disappointment, and are informed that it was necessary for the comfort of the

Indians, so particularly enjoined by your Lordship, and that without such Reserves, the purchase could not have been made.

[240] We cannot with propriety express our disapprobation of the Reserves in Question, without premising to your Lordship that from the 7th of December, when the limits for the purchase were assigned by the board, we were ignorant of the progress towards the treaty and received the first notification of it, by the Deputy Agent's letter of the 21st May.

Had the board been consulted upon the subject, more especially of the Reserves, at the River au Canard, its opinion would have been decidedly against the derelection of what was already vested in the Crown, by a deed from the Indians of 15th May, 1786, which was before the Board, on a reference from your Lordship of Mr. McKee's petition for that tract; not only the respectful caution which the board would observe in not exceeding the Instruc-[241] tions of your Lordship would have prevented its consent to such reserves, but other circumstances as material to the peaceable and comfortable Enjoyment of what is ceded: first from the evil precedent to the Indians for counteracting their own deeds, next from the Interruption of the settlement, and its communication, at its very heart, by an extensive waste, through which no roads can be made, and finally, though not the least inconvenience, the neighborhood of an uncivilized Horde.

With such sentiments on the Effect of these Reserves, it would be unworthy the confidence your Lordship has been pleased to place in the board for seconding your Lordship's gracious and paternal Designs to promote the [242] welfare, of the Loyalists, and of this settlement, if we did not in their behalf earnestly intreat your Lordship to procure from the Indians an unreserved Cession of the tract at the River au Canard, if that of 1786, shall not be deemed sufficient, and that the Hurons may be treated with for the waste Reserve near the Church, leaving to them, a building for occasional retirement, when they attend public Worship.

We cannot conclude our Report on this subject, without assuring your Lordship of our individual and joint endeavours to Maintain the national reputation for Humanity and justice, while we humbly represent to your Lordship, the Expediency of repressing the Insolence of the Indians, by a steady and firm support of the laws within the Settlement, without Discrimination, and of avoiding any submission to their caprice, which may indicate [243] apprehension of their power to injure.

In presuming to Hazard advice on a subject which may be supposed unconnected with our immediate duty, we intreat your Lordship to believe that the only gratification we expect from our Agency, is to flow from the prosperity and happiness of the Colony depending much on the powers of Government, to protect it from insult and rapine.

The Commanding officer having intimated to the board that the Deputy Surveyor, was not engaged on military duty, we have directed an early report [244] of Survey, of the front of the Tract purchased and as soon as we are possessed of it, shall proceed to the Location of Individuals, when our progress, heretofore interrupted by unforeseen delays, will be regularly reported to your Lordship.

We have the honour to lay before your Lordship transcript of our Minutes to this period, and are, my Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient and most humble Servants.

Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary.

[245] (No. 39. Copy. Circular.)

Quebec, 17th June, 1790.

GENTLEMEN,—Sir John Johnson, Baronet, having received directions to visit the 4 western districts of the Province, and in order that he may be more effectually enabled to aid in all matters, interesting to the prosperity thereof, His Excellency Lord Dorchester, has directed and appointed him to sit as President of the different Land boards wherever he may be present.

The boards will therefore bring him acquainted with the impediments they have met with, if any, in executing the General orders, and will take advantage of his presence and assistance in concerting means for removing them and for the speedyest and fullest Representations in all the Instances [246] requiring the special and more effectual interposition of the Government, in order that the Legal Settlers who have obtained Locations under the authority of the boards, may sit down in firm Confidence of the Royal protection, and their minds be free from any apprehension of insecurity and vexation.

I am, Gentlemen, your most obedient, humble Servant,

THOMAS ASTON COFFIN.

To the Land Board for the District of Hesse.

Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary.

[247] (No. 46. Copy.)

I certify that the undermentioned names Inserted in the Column under the word Changes, in the Annexed Schedule, were so inserted by me under orders from Major Murray, subsequently to the Certificate at the foot thereof signed by Major Close, viz.:—

William Lamothe, Michael Shaver, Leonard Scratch, James Little, Thomas Jones, Thomas Ferris, Joseph Ferris, John Little Junior, Thomas Little, John Little Senior, Robert Little, James Wilcox, John Simmerman, Andre Woolche, John Cameron.

T. Smith. 11th September, 1790.

Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary.

[248] (No. 47. Copy.) Council Office, Quebec, 29 July, 1790.

GENTLEMEN,—I have the honour of transmitting to you an official Copy of an order of His Excellency Lord Dorchester, in Council of the 21 Instant, respecting the District of Hesse, to which is subjoined A Copy of the proceedings of the Land Committee of the 25th and 28th June, mentioned therein, together with the three papers, to which the order, as well as the proceedings refer, Viz.

No. 1 Mr. Collins's Letter to Mr. Secretary Motz, dated "Surveyor General's Office, Quebec, 13 June, 1790."

No. 2. A paper headed, "Tableau des terres en roture conceedees a perpetuité extrait des Registres d'intendance A du Conseil Superieur."

[249] No. 3. A paper headed "List of disbanded Troops and Loyalists to be settled on the north side of Lake Erie, from a Creek, four miles from the mouth of the River Detroit, to a small Creek, about a mile and a half beyond Cedar River." Certified to be a true copy by J. Collins, D.S.G. 18 June, 1790.

I am, Gentlemen, your most obedient humble Servant,

J. WILLIAMS.

The Gentlemen composing the Land board for the District of Hesse.

Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary.

[250] (Copy.) Wednesday, 21st July, 1790.

At the Council Chamber in the Bishop's Palace.

Present: His Excellency the Right Honourable Lord Dorchester, Governor; the Honourable William Smith, Esquire, Chief Justice, and the Honourable Hugh Finlay, Esquire, George Pownall, Esquire, Thomas Dunn, Esquire, Henry Caldwell, Esquire, Edward Harisson, Esquire, William Grant, Esquire, John Collins, Esquire, Francis Baby, Esquire, Adam Mabane, Esquire, T. G. C. De Lery, Esquire, and Charles de Lanaudiere, Esquire.

[251] Extract from the Minutes of this day:

Ordered by his Lordship, with the advice of the Council, that a copy of the proceedings of the Land Committee of the 25th and 28th June relative to a Letter, of the 18th of the same month, from the Deputy Surveyor General, respecting the District of Hesse, for their information, apprising them that no Survey of their District can be sent from hence, none being in the possession of the Surveyor General's Office.

D. W. S. J. Williams, C. C.

[252] Copy of the Proceedings above referred to:

Fryday, 25 June, 1790.

Present: Messieurs Finlay, Collins and Grant.

Read a Letter written by John Collins, Esquire, the Deputy Surveyor General, to Mr. Secretary Motz, of the 13th Instant, referred to this Committee by his Lordship, together with 2 papers, mentioned in the Letter, which States, that in consequence of the Request, of the Land Office Board, for the District of Hesse, communicated to him, relative to Grants made there, he had sent, (to Mr. Motz) all the knowledge he had been able to obtain, touching Grants of Land made in that District, being simply an [253] Extract from the French Register of Grants made *En Roture* at Detroit previous to the Conquest of Canada, without distinguishing, which may be on the East, or which upon the west side of the Straight or River; together with a paper dated at Detroit the 1st of October, 1787, and thus headed "List of Disbanded Troops and Loyalists to be settled on the North side of Lake Erie, from a Creek 4 miles from the mouth of the River Detroit, to a small creek about a mile and a half beyond Cedar River."

The day being far spent, the Committee adjourned until Monday next at 10 o'clock. D. W. S.

[254] (Copy.)

At a special meeting of the Land Committee, Monday, 28 June, 1790.

Present: Messieurs Finlay, Collins and Grant.

Resumed the consideration of the papers delivered to Mr. Motz, by Mr. Collins, containing all the Information, he had been able to collect, relative to Grants of lands made in the District of Hesse.

The Committee do not perceive that the first paper, which is a List of Roture Concessions, or Grants made under the French Government, nor the second paper, Major Mathews's List of Grants to be made, at Detroit, can convey to the Land office Boards, of Hesse, any satisfactory Information, or guide them to the discovery of the situations of the occupances of the Settlers [255] in that District, nor will that Board be enabled to grant Location Certificates in the mode prescribed by His Excellency Lord Dorchister's Instruc-

tions for the Conduct of the Land office Department, until the board can be furnished with Surveys of the parts settled, laid out into Regular Townships, and every occupant's Lot, laid down thereon, and the Committee humbly would submit, whether it might not be expedient to transmit to the Land Office board of Hesse, a Survey from the Eastern Boundary of the District at Long Pointe, following the Coast of Lake Erie, up the East Bank, of Detroit River, following the Eastern Shore of Lake St. Clair, all the way to the Entrance of Lake Huron.

[256] Mr. Collins informs the Committee that the tract on which the disbanded troops and Loyalists were to be settled, was (as he has been told, by Major Mathews) surveyed by Mr. Thomas Smith, now Clerk of the Courts, for the District of Hesse, of whom more ample Information may be had, by the Board, relative to that Settlement.

From the minutes. Signed by order.

(Signed) HUGH FINLAY in the Chair.

A true copy. J. WILLIAMS. C. C.

Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary.

[257] (Copy. No. 1 J. W.)

Surveyor General's Office, Quebec, 18 June, 1790.

SIR,—In obedience to his Excellency Lord Dorchester's Commands, signified by your Letter of the 16th Instant respecting the Information required by the Land board of the District of Hesse, from this Office, I herewith transmit the Copy of an Extract from the French Register of all such Grants, as have come to my knowledge, made during the time of the french Goverment, and likewise a copy of a List dated, Detroit, 1 October, 1787, Lodged in this office, by Major Mathews, of such Locations as had been made at that place during the time of his Command, and an Extract from the minutes of Council, [258] 29 December, 1788. Captain Caldwell, late of Butler's Rangers, praying for a Grant to his Sons William and James, for a certain marsh at Detroit.

The several papers above contain all the information that has come to my knowledge respecting the Settlement of the District of Hesse.

I am, Sir, your obedient humble Servant,

JOHN COLLINS, D.S.G.

Henry Motz, Esquire.

Referred to the Land Committee, together with an Extract of a Letter from the Land Board of Hesse, of the 21st April last, for a report of what may appear to them expedient to remove the impediments stated by the board, upon further conference with the Surveyor General's Office, if they shall judge it necessary. By order of His Excellency Lord Dorchester, Quebec, 23rd June, 1790.

HENRY MOTZ.

Filed 23 June, 1790. J. W.

Read in Committee. Entered on minute, 25 June. H. F.

Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary.

[259 and 260]

Tableau des Terres en Roture, concédés àperpétuité, Extrait des Régistres D'Intendance, et du Conseil Supérieur.

Charges de la Concession.

A. De porter leurs Grains moudre au moulin Banal, lorsqu'il y en aura un d'etablà i peine de confiscation des Grains et d'amende arbitraire.

Clauses and Conditions de la Concession.

B. De tenir feu et lieu dans une Année ou deux au plus, à compter de la Date de la Concession, sous peine de Réunion.

Bb. De Découvrier les déserts des voisins a mesure qu'ils en auront besoin, et de culiver leurs terres.

Bbb. De Laisser tous les Chemins, qui seront jugés nécessaires pour

Bbb. De Laisser tous les Chermins, qui seront jules nécessaires pour l'utilité publique, et de faire les clôtures mitoyennes ainsi quil sera reglé.

Bbbb. Et de faire aligner mesurer, et borner la dite Concession dans toute la larjeur et profondeur à leurs dépens.

Droits, et Réserves au Roi.

C. De paier, par chacune anneé au Jour et fête de St. Martin, au Receveur du Domaine de sa Majesté, ou à son commis, un sol de Cens par chaque arpent de front, et vingt sols de rente par chaque vingt Arpens en superficie, et en outre au demi-minot de Blé froment par chaque deux arpens de front, les dits Cens portant profit de Lots et ventes défaut et amende, avec tous Droits Royaux (Sont les Droits D'Echange d'héritages contre héritages, Eta- [261 and 262] blie par l'édit du Roy de Mars, 1673, dont les Seigneurs particuliers ne sont pas en droit de Jouir, sans les avoir acquis de sa Majesté) Et, Seigneuriaux, quand le Cas y Echoiera, suivant le Coutume, de la Prevoté et Vicomte de Paris.

Cc. Se Réserve Sa Majeste de prendre sur les dites Concessions, tous les bois dent elle aura besoin, pur charpente et Constructions des forts, Eglises, Presbytères et Bâtimens, qu'elle pourra établir par la suite, ainsi que la Propriété des Mines, minières, ou minéraux, sils s'en trouvent dans l'entendue des dites Concessions.

Ccc. De conserver tous les bois de Chesne, et autres propres à la Construction des vaisseaux de sa Majesté.

Par qui les Concessions ont été accordées.	Noms de Concessionaires Primitifs.	Dates. Des Concessions.	Dates. Des Ratifications.	Situation Des Concessions	Etendue des Concessions Arpens. En front.	Etendue des Concessions Arpens. Enpro fond'r.	Etendue des Concessions Arpens. Suivant
[261] [262] Par Beauharnois et Hocquart	Chauvin	16 Juin 1734	28 Fevrier, 1735.	Fort Ponchartrain au Detroit du Lac Erie	2	40.	A, B, Bb, Bbb, Bbbb, C, Cc;
	Pierre Esteve..... La Jeunesse.....	3 Juillet 1734			2		
	Binault	4 do 1734			2		
	Louis Campault	5 do 1734			5		
	Marsal Desrochers .. pere.....	6 do 1734			4		
	Jean Chapoton	7 do 1734			3		
	Pierre Maloche	8 do 1734			4½		
	Jean Gilbert..... sans peur.....	9 do 1734			4		

Par qui les Concessions ont ètè accordées.	Noms de Concessionaires Primitifs.	Dates. Des Concessions.	Dates. Des Ratifications.	Situation Des Concesions.	Etendue des Concessions Arpens. En front.	En profondeur.	Suivant.
Par Beauharnois et Hocquart.	[263] Jacques Campault	10 Juillet 1734	28 Fevrier, 1735.	Fort Ponchartrain, au Detroit du Lac Erie	4	40	A, B, Bb, Bbb, Bbbb, C, Cc,
	[264] Moran	11 do 1734			4		
	La Butte	12 do 1734			3		
	La Deroute	13 do 1734			4		
	Chesne	14 do 1734			4		
	St. Aubin, père	15 do 1734			3		
	Francois Lauzon	17 do 1734			3		
	Charles Bonhomme dit Beaupré	1 Sept. 1736					
	Jacques Cardinal pere	2 do 1736					
	Jacques Cardinal fils	3 do 1736					
	Philipp Daniau	4 do 1736					
	Joseph Dutremble	5 do 1736					
	Francois Gilbert dit sans peur	6 do 1736					
	Claude Campault	7 do 1736					
	Pierre Cosme	8 do 1736					
	Pierre Laurant	9 do 1936					
	Galtan Saguin	10 do 1736	16 Avril, 1737.				
Par Beauharnis et Hoquart.	[265] Jacques Seguin	11 Sept'r., 1736	16 Avril, 1737	Fort Ponchartain, au Detroit du Lac Erie.	4		C, Cc.
	[266] Gabriel Cass St. Aubin	12 "					
	Jacques Cass St. Aubin	13 "					
	Etienne Saffard	14 "					
	Hébert Hébert	15 "					
	Jean Baptiste Mallet	16 "					
	Jean Chapoton	18 Fevr'r, 1743			3		
	Jean Baptiste Beaubien	30 May, 45			3		
	Robert Navarre	1 May, 47			2		2nd above Fort.
	Marie Banois	1 "			2		1st above fort.
Par la Jonquiere et Bigot.	Eustache Gamelin	1 "	1 Avril, 1750.		12	40	A, B, Bb, Bbb, Bbbb, District of Hesse.
	Le Chevalier de Longueil				2		
	Pierre Réaume				2		
	Joseph Pilet				3		
	Alexis Delisle				3		
	Charles Chesne				3		
	Claude Audrey				2		
	Zacharie Chicot				3		
	Hiacinthe Réaume						
	Claude L'esprit dit Champagne						

Par qui les Concessions ont été accordes.	Noms de Concessionaires Primitifs.	Dattes. Des Concessions.	Dattes. Des Ratifications.	Situation Des Concessions.	Etendue des Concessions Arpens. En front.	En profondeur.	Suivant.
[267] [268] Par la Jonquiere et Bigot.	Antoine Robert	1 Avril, 1750.		Fort Ponchartrain, au Detroit du Lac Erie.	3		
	Antoine Campault ...				3		
	Pierre Labadie				2		
	Charles Chesne				3		
	Vital Cason.....				2		
	Pierre Jonville				2		
	Francois Barois.....				3		
	Desbutes St. Martin...				2		
	Jacques Godet				2	40	A, B, Bb, Bbb, Bbbb, C, Cc.
Par Duquesne et Bigot	Dequindre	16 May, 1753.			8	60	

(A true Copy.) Quebec, 20 June, 1790.

JOHN COLLINS, D. S. G.

No. 2 J. W. With M. Collins' Letter of 18 June, 1790. J. W. Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary.

DISBANDED TROOPS AND LOYALISTS.

[269 and 270] List of disbanded troops and Loyalists to be settled on the north side of Lake Erie, from a Creek, 4 miles from the mouth of the River Detroit, to a small creek about a mile and half beyond Cedar River.

No.		Names.	Remarks.	No. in family.	No. Lot.
[269]	1	John Sheifflin	Lieutenant Detroit Volunteers		43
[270]	2	Edwd. Haizil	"		74
	3	Ante. de Quindre	" Indian Department	5	45
	4	Fras. de Quindre	" "	5	71
	5	Fonte. de Quindre	" "	3	35
	6	Dage. de Quindre	" "		11
	7	Simon Girty	" "		52
	8	Joseph Bonde	" "	5	55
	9	Nichs. Guin	" Minute Man		65
	10	I. B. Chicott	" "		76
	11	Thos. Reynolds	Commissary Provisions		88
	12	Col. Andrews	Son of Capn. Andrews, lost in the Ontario		85
	13	Walter Roe	Wr. Officer Marine department	2	25
	14	Harry Fecer	Engaged Smith "	4	80

List of disbanded troops and Loyalists to be settled on north side of Lake Erie, etc.—*Continued.*

No.		Names.	Remarks.	No. in family.	Lot No.
[271]	15	James Tracey	Private 4th Regt. 10 Years, 3 years man		64
[272]	16	Thomas Hall	" Kings Regiment "		40
	17	William Dugan	" " "		5
	18	John Pardo	" " "	2	47
	19	Thomas Ashworth	" " "		84
	20	Walter Dalton	Sergeant 47, Drafted to the Kings		42
	21	Nichs. Lichemburg	Private 60 Regiment		75
	22	—— McCarthy	" 84 "		72
	23	Duncan Cameron	" "	2	94
	24	Danl. McPherson	" "		86
	25	Vancamp	" R! Reg. New York		44
	26	Vancamp Junr	" "		20
	27	Alex. Fraser	Guards 10 years, and Sergt. Nova Scotia Volunteers		87
	28	Samuel Hall	Private Queens Rangers	1	19
	29	Alex. Clarke	Sergeant McAlpins Corps		2
	30	Randal McGilles	" Lt. Col. Butlers Rangers		90
[273]	31	Peter McDonell	" "		73
[274]	32	Daniel Fields	Corporal "		89
	33	Edwd. Nevill	" "	3	51
	34	Andrew Hamilton	" "		67
	35	John Elliot	Private "		81
	36	Eley Wilcox	" "	6	83
	37	Pat Hill	" "		57
	38	Pat Johnson	" "		22
	39	John Arnold	" "		27
	40	John Moss	" "	1	21
	41	John Cameron	" "		50
	42	Samuel Newkirk	" "		58
	43	John Top	" "	2	17
	44	Helmes Yoger	" "		16
	45	Nathl. Lewis	" "		59
	46	James Empson	" "		60
	47	John Clearwater	" "		61
	48	Thomas Parsons	" "		62
[275]	49	William Munger	" "		56
[276]	50	John Dalton	" "		37
	51	John Wright	" "		15
	52	Samuel Finlay	" "		14
	53	Jos. Springfield	" "		91
	54	Jacob Ruhart	" "		93
	55	William Yarnes	" "	2	13
	56	Jacob Quant	" "		92
	57	Joseph Fry	" "		36
	58	John Young	" "		46
	59	John Williamson	" "		23
	60	Jacob Segar	" "	1	77
	61	Thomas Harper	" "		28
	62	Thomas Dyker	" "		96
	63	Leonard Scratch	" "		12
	64	John Wormwood	" "		82
	65	Luke Casety	" "		31
	66	John Goodnight	" "		24
	67	Benjamin Knapp	" "	5	66
[277]	68	Miel. Harnes	" "		32
[278]	69	John Carnwall	" "		97
	70	Christ. Winter	" "		79
	71	Henry Ramsey	" "		33
	72	James Wood	" "		3
	73	Francis Robert	Serg.-Major Detroit Volunteers		4
	74	Jos. Brone	" "		95
	75	I. B. Souvraint	" "		10
	76	I. B. Begras	Corporal "		18

List of disbanded troops and Loyalists to be settled, etc.—*Continued.*

No.		Names.	Remarks.	No. in family.	No. Lot.
	77	Joseph Robert	Private Detroit Volunteers		54
	78	Francis Vallade	" "		34
	79	I. B. St. Eudre	" "		41
	80	William Scott	" "		78
	81	Jonathan Deane	" "		53
	82	Nathl. Miller	" "		29
	83	Jon. Countryman	" "		26
	84	John Smith	Soldier at the taking of Quebec, & in the 84th	7	49
	85	Charles Philipley	Soldier 44 10 years, & Volunteer all the war		48
[279]	86	Christian Bunsack	Soldier 29th, 8 years, a 3 years Man		9
[280]	87	James Girty	Partizan all the war		8
	88	George Girty	" "		7
	89	Danl. McKillip	Serg. Butlers Rangers	1	63
	90	Jas. Windall	Private 8 Regr. 3 Years Man		6
	91	Thomas Smith	Loyalist, came into Niagara in 76 with a plan of fort Stanwix & Intelligence		30
	92	Robert Surphlet	Loyalist came in with Mr. McKee		
	93	Frederick Arnold	" Came in Since the War		
	94	Amos Weston	Blacksmith, many years with Stedman		
	95	John Waters	Loyalist, in many Years		
	96	James Robertson	Private in Butlers Rangers		
	97	John Little	Loyalist		
	98	Adam Dorkney	" in many Years, much persecuted		
	99	Thomas Gaubb	" in many Years with Stedman		
	100	Gregg	Loyalist, Express in the War		
	101	Daniel Garret	" "		
281]]	102	Frederick Fisher	Loyalist, Prisoner by the Indians, much attached		
[282]	103	Thomas Alexander Clarke	2 years from England, a Millwright		
	104	John Gordon	Loyalist		
	105	John McLean	"		
	106	Jacob Snyder	"		
	107	Harbour	"		
	108	Fox	" in Since the war		
	109	Holmes	" "		
	110	Reynolds	"		
	111	McDunach	"		
	112	Chalmers	"		
	113	Robert Dowlar	"		
	114	Henry Wright	"		
	115	James Little	"		
	116	Jacob Lans	German troops taken with Lord Cornwallis		
	117	Robert Dennison	Volunteer to Post Vincenne		
[283]	118	Richard Whittle	Volunteer to Post Vincenne		
and	119	John Lebour	Private in Butlers Rangers		
[284]	120	Charles Dice	Loyalist		
	121	James Steward	" Sent on many Scouts		
	122	James Rogers	Long Prisoner with Indians, attached to us		
	123	John Prinnie	Private Butlers Rangers		
	124	Thomas Williams	Blacksmith Indian Department		
	125	William Cook	Warrant Officer, Royal Artillery		
	126	Thomas Kelly	Three years, provincial Navy		
	127	West	Sergeant 52nd Regiment		
	128	James Understone	Master Provincial Navy		

N.B.—Nos. 68, 69, 70, including a beautiful Plain, are reserved for Towns.

Nos. 38 and 39 are given to Mr. McGregor, Major of Militia, as a mark of attention for his long services at this Post.

The Lots now given are 4 acres in front, and 38 back, and are intended for the purpose of immediate settlement. The back Lots will be hereafter laid out, and distributed to those who occupy the front, in the proportions directed by Government for their families.

Detroit, 1st October, 1787.

(Signed) R. MATHEWS, Major Commanding.

A true Copy. Quebec, 18 June, 1790. JOHN COLLINS, D.S.G.

No. 9, J. W., with Mr. Collins's Letter of 18 June, 1790, J. W.

Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary.

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[285] (No. 48. Copy.)

Council Office, Quebec, 20 August, 1790.

GENTLEMEN,—On the 16th of this month I dispatched to you (to the Care of Isaac Winslow Clarke, Esquire, at Montreal) a Copy of an order of His Excellency Lord Dorchester in Council, of the 21st of July last, in explanation of His Lordship's order in Council of the 22d October, etc., etc. As the Land Boards for the several Districts were not then established and consequently no communication of it could have been given at that period, I now transmit you a Copy of the said order of 22 October, etc., etc., for your clearer apprehension of that of the 21st of last month. I have the honour to be, Gentlemen, your most obedient humble Servant.

J. WILLIAMS.

The Gentlemen of the Land Board for the district of Hesse.

D. W. S.

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[286] (Copy.) At a board of Council on Wednesday, 21 July, 1790.

Present: His Excellency the Right Honourable Lord Dorchester, Governor; the Honourable William Smith, Esquire, Chief Justice, and the Honourable Hugh Finlay, Esquire, Thomas Dunn, Esquire, Edward Harrison, Esquire, John Collins, Esquire, Adam Mabane, Esquire, T. G. C. Delery, Esquire, George Pownall, Esquire, Henry Caldwell, Esquire, William Grant, Esquire, Francis Baby, Esquire, and Le Comte Dupre, Esquire.

Extract from the Minutes.

His Lordship caused the order of the 22nd October, etc., etc., to be read, and the same appearing to require explanation, it was declared by His Lordship, with the concurrence of the Council, that the Benefits intended by the said order are to extend to all reduced Officers, without Distinction of Corps, who, being entitled to lands as such under the King's Instructions of 1783, had actually obtained and improved the same, previous to the aforementioned order of the 22d October, 17, etc., etc.

D. W. S. J. WILLIAMS.

[287] (Copy.) Wednesday, 22nd October, 1788.

Present: His Excellency the Right Honourable Lord Dorchester, the Honourable William Smith, Esquire, Chief Justice; Hugh Finlay, Esquire; Thomas Dunn, Esquire; Edward Harrison, Esquire; John Collins, Esquire;

Adam Mabane, Esquire; T. G. C. Delery, Esquire; George Pownall, Esquire; Henry Caldwell, Esquire; William Grant, Esquire; Francis Baby, Esquire; Charles De la Naudiere, Esquire; Le Comte Dupre.

His Lordship ordered to be read the 41st Article of His Majesty's Instructions in favour of the Corps, late the 84th Regiment, in the following words, Viz.:

(Granting Lands to the Corps, late the 84th Regiment).

41. "And whereas upon the raising and establishing the Corps Late the 84th Regiment of foot we did promise and declare that the Officers and privates of the said Corps should when reduced be entitled to and receive Grants for certain allotments of Lands in proportion to their respective ranks therein, it is our will and pleasure that you do in manner as herein before directed Grant warrants of allotment and survey to such of the Officers and privates of the said late 84th Regiment of foot, now reduced, who shall be willing to settle and become Inhabitants of our Province of Quebec and shall apply for the same for such quantities of Land as they shall be respectively entitled to, in consequence of our said promises, and declaration contained in our Instructions to our Governors of New York, and North Carolina, dated the 3rd April 1775, that is to say:

To field officers	5,000	Acres.
To Captains	3,000	"
To Subalterns	2,000	"
To Non Commissioned Officers	200	"
To Privates	50	"

[289] and that the Surveys be made and Grants for the same delivered to them respectively, free of expence as herein before is directed, provided nevertheless that every Commissioned and non commissioned Officer, or private belonging to the said late 84th Regiment of foot, who shall claim and apply for lands in our province of Quebec as aforesaid shall declare upon oath that no Land has been obtained by him in any of our other provinces in America, under our Royal Declaration as aforesaid.

Read also a petition from Sir John Johnson Baronet, and a memorial of Lieutenant-Colonel Butler, and as others as follows, viz.:

"To his Excellency the Right Honourable Guy Lord Dorchester, Captain General and Governor in chief of the Colonies of Quebec, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick and their Dependencies, vice admiral of the same, [290] General and Colonel in Chief of all his Majesty's forces in the said Colonies, and the Island of Newfoundland, etc.

Sir John Johnson, Baronet.

"The memorial of Sir John Johnson, Baronet, Lieutenant-Colonel, Commandant of His Majesty's late provincial Regiment called the King's Royal Regiment of New York, Humbly sheweth—

"That your memorialist and the officers of his said Regiment very early evinced their Loyalty and attachment to His Majesty's person and Government, and that having served faithfully and zealously and shared equally in the dangers and fatigues from the Commencement to the Conclusion of the [291] late unhappy war, they humbly submit their pretensions to your Lordship's Consideration, and though they cannot claim a right, they hope they may be considered to have equally merited the same bounty, and indulgence that is granted to the officers of the late 84th Regiment, by His Majesty's Instructions to your Lordship dated the 23rd day of August, 1786.

"Your memorialist therefore in behalf of the Officers of His Regiment prays that the same proportion of land may be granted to them that is

ordered by the aforesaid instructions for the Officers and of the said 84th Regiment and your memorialist as in duty bound will ever pray, etc.

(Signed) JOHN JOHNSON.

"Montreal, 23rd September, 1788."

[292] Lieutenant-Colonel Butler.

"To His Excellency the Right Honourable Guy Lord Dorchester, Captain General and Governor in Chief of the Province of Quebec, etc.

"The memorial of Lieutenant-Colonel John Butler, and the Officers of the late Corps of Rangers and Indian department, at Niagara, Humbly sheweth—

"That your Lordship's memorialists having left their families and properties, at the Commencement of the late troubles in America, and served faithfully during the war, and now settled at Niagara, do humbly beg that your Lordship will be pleased to consider their services, and all the Officers and non-Commissioned Officers such additional Quantity of Lands, as the 84 Regiment has received, and your memorialist as in duty bound shall ever pray."

(Signed) JOHN BUTLER, Lieutenant-Colonel.
PETER TENBROOK, Captain.
ANDREW BRADT, Lieutenant.
ANDREW BRADT, Captain.
JACOB BALL, Lieutenant.
H. BALL, Lieutenant.

[293] Order on the foregoing petitions:

The opinion of the board being desired by his Lordship, the Council concurred with his Lordship in granting the Prayer of the petition and memorial, in favor of all such officers as have improved the lands already granted to them as reduced officers since the peace of 1783.

And it is referred to the Surveyor General, or Deputy Surveyor General to make returns of the Locations of the petitioners, and he is directed to give them certificates thereof, under his hand as further testimonials of the faith of Government, for issuing the patents pursuant to His Majesty's [294] Instructions, if they shall apply for their Locations in the course of one year to be computed from the first Day of May next.

But it is to be understood that Deductions are to be made of all such tracts as have been already granted to any of the objects of this order, that upon the whole they may receive equivalents with the Corps of the 84th Regiment.

J. WILLIAMS, C.C.

Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary.

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[295] No. 54. Plan from Long Point to the Streight. Q.V.
Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary.

(No. 55. Copy.)

On application of Valentine Oyler of Frederick County, Maryland, for a few lines of Recommendation.

We the Subscribers his Neighbours hereby inform that his General Caracter as a member of the Community has not, that we know of, been

charged with any thing unfavourable, except his Attachment to the British Interest in the late war, for which he suffered Imprisonment, and had his Estate confiscated.

Frederick County, Maryland, 20th October, 1788.

(Signed) JOEL WRIGHT, and by 15 others.

Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary.

[296] (No. 56. Copy.)

This is to certify that one Johnston that drawed Land, and returning into the Colonies died on the Road. His own Brother informed me that he was the one that buried him.

JOS. CISSNE.

River Rough, October 27th, 1790.

Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary.

(No. 57. Copy.)

Received, Detroit 27th November, 1790, of Lieutenant D. W. Smith, Six Shillings New York Currency for three Sheets Blue paste Board, for the use of the Land Board. George McDougall.

Entered, D. W. Smith, Secretary.

Delivered the original paper to Mr. Robertson, 24 May, 1791. D.W.S.

[297] (No. 58. Copy.) District de Hesse.

A Son Excellence, Le très Honorable Lord Dorchester, Gouverneur Général, de la Province de Québec, etc.

Humbles Représentations,

Des Habitants et Citoyens, de la coste du Nordést de cette ville; Etant alarmees, d'avour vu il y a quelques jours, un des arpenteurs de sa majesté tirer la ligne d'entre le Domaine de sa dite Majesté, et leurs terres, et que le Rhimb devent que le dit Arpenteur a suivi, est tout différent de celui pu'on a toujours suivi de puis le commencement de l'establ'ssement de ce pays, ce qui oblige les Représentants de supplier très [298] respectueusement votre Seigneurie de considerer que les terres, qu'ils possèdent aujour d'hui, sont les mêmes, qui leur ont etes concédés parle Roy de France en 1705, 1706, 1707, et suivant, et que la difference qui se trouve présentement pouvait être du dérangement des compas, de puis un si long espace de temps ou bien de l'incapacité des anciens arpenteurs, Car les Clotures sonts plantees suivant les lignes qui ont etées tires dans le principe de L'établissement de ce pays; et s'il falait, que quelques changements se fissent dans les dites Lignes, tel que L'arpenteur les a tirées, il y a quelques jours cela causerait, un dérangement, et un dommage tres con- [299] siderable jusqua l'étendu de six lieux de front en remontant dans la dite Coste du Nordést, plusieurs Maisons, Granges, autres Bâtiments, et vergers se trouveraient sur les terres d'autrui, et en outre toutes les Clôtures de cette partie de l'établissement seraint changés de places et occasionneraient des travaux aude-là de leurs forces.

Les Représentants Espèrent que votre Seigneurie prandra cet object en consideration.

Et ne Cesseront d'offrir leurs voeux pour la conservation de votre Excellence.

Detroit, le 17me Aoust, 1790.

[300] (Signed) Louis Tremble, Pierre Tremble, L. Jonard Tremble, Joseph Cadet, Jacques St. Obin, Louis Beufeit, Petties Pere, Veuve Gouin,

Pierre Cardinal, T. B. Pitre, T. B. Beaubien Père, Jacques Loson, Joseph Grifard, Bte. Chovin, Gageton Sequens, T. B. Marsae, Antoine Boyer, B. Chapoton, T. B. Meloche, Noe St. Obin Pere, J. B. Campau, Antoine Miny, Jo Sossier, Beaubien Fils, Charle Chovin, T. Chovin, Revard Fils, Augr. Tremblé, J. B. Duprat, Louis Desauniy, Joseph Sequen, Ant Moras, Louis Campau, Louis Chapotons, N. Gouin, Ant Dequindre, Francois Gouin, Jacques Campau, T. B. Beauperlant, — Rivard, John Askin ("11").

[301] (Copy) Quebec, 13th September, 1790.

Memorial of Canadian Settlers, in the District of Hesse, stating apprehensions of a change of the ancient boundaries of their farms (Received, Quebec, 11th September, 1790). "Referred to the Land Board for the District of Hesse, by order of His Excellency Lord Dorchester."

(Signed) "HENRY MOTZ."

Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary.

MINUTES OF MEETINGS.

Report B. continued from Register No. 1, Folio 218.

(Copy.) Land Office Board, District of Hesse, Detroit, 1 December, 1790.

SIR,—No Quorum of the Land Board having assembled, since I received your Letter, I am directed, by the President, to desire you will state what Quantity, and the particular articles of Stationery that will be necessary to effect the Accomplishment of the Surveys, to be laid down for the board. I have the honour to be Sir, your humble Servant.

To Mr. McNiff, Deputy Surveyor.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

[302] (Copy.) Land Office Board, District of Hesse, Detroit, 1 December, 1790.

Whereas there are still extant several occupation tickets for Lots in the New settlement, of which the Board have no entry on their Register, and whereas the Board did resolve to advertise the public to learn the extent of such tickets; I request that all persons, holding authoritys, from Major Mathews, Captain Wiseman, Major Close, Major Murray, or by their order, or any of them, to go upon, or take possession of any of the Lots, in the New Settlement, at the mouth of the Straight, do send me Copys of such permissions, or authoritys, that I may present them to the said Board.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

[303] (Copy. No. 59.) 3rd December, 1790.

SIR,—Drawing and Comon writing paper, Quills, black lead pencils, and India Ink are all wanted for the Surveyor General's Department at this place.

What quantity of paper it may take to lay down the plan required by the Landboard I cannot say, as the Board has not informed me, to what scale the plan should be drawn, if laid down by the Scale that I generally lay down my Surveys by, four quires of imperial paper will be wanted for that use only. I am with due Respect, etc.

P. MCNIFF, Deputy Surveyor.

Lieutenant Smith, Secretary Land Board.

Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary.

[304] The Land office board for the District of Hesse, did not meet, Fryday the 3rd December, 1790.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

Circular. Detroit, 6th December, 1790.

GENTLEMEN,—I am directed by the President of the Land Office department, for the District of Hesse, to inform you, that the Board have been incompetent to form itself into a Quorum, from an insufficiency of members, since the 29th October last.

That the Deputy Surveyor has twice made an application for Stationery, particularly 4 Quires of imperial paper, to lay down his Surveys on the usual [305] Scale. That as there are no specified directions on this head, among the papers of the Board, the President wishes for your opinion on this subject and the advisable steps to be taken, if your attendance at the board cannot be had, to effect this measure in a Quorum.

I am directed also to submit to your consideration, whether it is not expected that a report should be made on the petition of the Canadian settlers, referred to the Board by Mr. Secretary Motz; and that there are several petitions before the board, for Locations, not in their gift, the propriety of sending which, to the Secretary's Office, with the next Report, The [306] President wishes to submit to your consideration also.

I have the honour to be, Gentlemen, your most Obedient Servant,

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

To the Members of the Landboard for the District of Hesse

At a special meeting of the Land Board for the District of Hesse; holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit, the 7th December, 1790. Present: J. Smith, W. D. Powell and A. Grant, Esquires.

Read McNiff's two Letters, applying for Stationary, for the Surveyor General's Department, at this place.

[307] The Board took the same into consideration and after deliberating thereon, do not find themselves warranted to take measures for the furnishing of the required stationary, not having any special or general directions on that head and wishing to avoid any interference between the Surveyor General's Office and its Deputys, which should seem the most natural channel, for equipments of the above nature.

The board can give no answer to the Deputy Surveyors observation on the impropriety of their fillling up the approved certificate for 200 acres, stating the Lots to be less. The Board could not take the liberty of deviating from the forms transmitted to them, for their Guidance, more than [308] having inserted in the body of the said certificates, that the Lot was for *about* 200 acres, instead of 200 *absolute* ones. The Board having no guidance for their contents—these lots being laid out and settled, and Major Mathews authority; and the Deputy Surveyor only can mark the precise superficies of those Lots, which, tis concluded by the Board. He will do in his certificate of assinment at the bottom of the Board's Certificate.

The board then resumed the petition of the Canadian settlers, referred to them by order of the Governor, and having read the same to the Deputy

Surveyor, He says he made a Survey by order of the commanding officer, to ascertain the Limits of the King's Domain, and that he never gave any [309] reason, without Survey, to be cause for the preferring such a petition to the Governor, and that the substance of it does not appear to him, to state facts, as they exist.

The board direct notice to be given to the Subscribers to attend at a day, which they will fix on at some of their future adjournments.

The Board then considered the propriety of transmitting the petitions for Land (chiefly in the Reserve made for the Hurons) and not at present, in their gift, to the Secretary's Office; think it most advisable to withhold [310] the transmission of such petitions, til the Governor and Council have granted that tract, and divested the Board of any expectation of their Locating any part of it.

From the precariousness of the weather, only three members to do the business of the board, and the few special matters before them, they agree to adjourn, sine Die, desiring the Clerk to advise them, when any business, or Communication from the Governor occurs. John Smith, William Dummer Powell, Alexander Grant.

[311] Copy of a Letter from D. W. Smith, Secretary to the board, to Henry Motz, Esquire, Secretary to the Governor.

Detroit, 25 January, 1791.

Sir,—I am directed by the Land Board for the District of Hesse to inform you, that there appears nothing on the minutes of their journal, since they were last transmitted, the full communication of which would compensate for the bulk of its postage.

The petition of Canadian settlers, referred to the board, by order of His Excellency, on the 13 September last, has suffered some Enquiry, and I presume will be reported on, in due course.

One more certificate for a single Lot has been granted in the 2 Connected townships at the mouth of the Strait.

[312] The deputy Surveyor has applied to the board for Stationary, but they not finding themselves warranted to furnish it, and wishing to avoid any interference between the Surveyor General's Office and its deputies, have declined taking measures to supply it; "The Deputy Surveyor, however, has this day brought me, "a plan," to lay before the board, "of part of the District commencing near Point Pele, on the North Shore of Lake Erie, and extending from thence, along the waters edge, to the entrance of River Latranche, on the east Shore of Lake St. Clair, and from the entrance of said River, up to the 2nd fork of the same, deliniated from actual Surveys, made in the Years 1789 and 1790." The last Quorum of [313] the Board was formed by J. Smith, W. D. Powell and A. Grant, Esquires, on the 7th of December, when from the precariousness of the weather, only 3 members to do the Business of the board, and the few special matters before them, they agreed to adjourn, Sine Die, desiring me to advise them, when any business, or communication from the Governor occurred. I have the honour to be, Sir, your most obedient Servant,

D. W. Smith, Secretary to the board.

To Henry Motz, Esquire, Secretary to the Governor.

[314] Petitions continued from Register No. 1.—folio 186.

No.			
232	William Chambers	River Latranche	24 October.
233	Francis Meloge	Detroit River	3 November.
234	Thomas Curtis	New Settlement	"
235	George Meyrs	"	15 January, 91.
236	William Boyle	R. Latranche	28 "
237	Charles Monger	N. Settlement	1st February.
238	A. Grant	R. Latranche	14 March.
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239	D. Cameron	N. Settlement	30 "
240	J. Understone	R. Latranche	30 "
241	J. Reynolds	"	31 "
242	E. McCarthy	"	31 "
243	A. Woolche	"	31 "
244	T. B. Parre	R. Canard	31 "
		S.	
245	John Hembrow	R. Latranche	3 April.
246	Reny Campeau	"	3 "
247	James Hobbs	"	3 "
248	William Lochart	New Settlement	9 "
249	John Carrel	" or R. Latranche	9 "
250	John Reynolds	A. Latranche	13 "
251	Robert Surphlit	"	13 "
252	Marianne L'Esperance	"	12 "
253	Wm. Crawford	"	15 "
254	Samuel Edge	"	15 "
255	James Baker	N. Settlement	15 "
256	Edward Hazel	Point Pele	15 "
257	Saml. Hall	N. Settlement	15 "
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[315] Calculation for a Town and Township of 9 miles in front by 12 in depth, proposed to be situated on a River or Lake Containing, acres, 69,120.

5 Public Squares	equal	20
8 Public buildings	"	32
4 Market places	"	16
8 Streets from the Centre Square 96 feet wide each,	equal	156
Reserves round the Town	"	1.76—62140
Township Roads in the Concessions of 66 feet wide	"	939—40696
Acres		2340— 2836
416 Lots for Settlers, 1 Acre each		416
218 Town parks	equal	5303—71764
300 Township Lots	in	61060—25400
Acres		69120

Reserves for the Crown and Public Uses.

Acres detailed, Contra	2340— 2836
2 Town parks equal	48—65796
Glebe	407— 6836
Schoolmaster	203—53418
40 Township Lots in the Corners	8131—36720
! ! ! Roads, more than 939 -40696	6004
	11130—71610

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[316] Reserves for the Crown and Public Uses.

Reference to a plan of a Town and Township of 9 miles front by 12 miles in depth, proposed to be situated on a River or Lake.

The Town is one mile Square. The Town lots each one Acre. The Open Area of nearly half a mile joining the Town Lots to be reserved. The Town parks join the Reserve all round containing each 24 Acres one rood and 12 perch. The Township Lots are the large outside lots containing each 200 and 3 Acres 2 roods and 4 perch.

A Reserves for the Crown.
B and C Church, parsonage, and schoolhouse.
D Gaol and Court House.
E Work House.
F Church Yards, Hospitals, etc.
G Public Squares.
H Market places.
I Town park for a Schoolmaster.
K Town park for a Minister.

[317] (Copy.) D. W. SMITH.

Proces verbal. T. Reynolds, Esquire, 1789, T. S.

"I, Thomas Smith, acting Deputy Surveyor for the District of Hesse, have admeasured upon a line due East and west in the front Concession (New Settlement near the mouth of Detroit River), Variation of the Magnet rectified, Lot No. 88 for Thomas Reynolds, Esquire, 9 Gunters Chains, 70 Links in front, by one hundred and twenty in depth, in right angles, forming a Parrallelogram of one hundred and sixteen Acres 4/10 Statute,—proper allowance for high roads reserved—the same is entered into the Register of Surveys at Detroit, this 7th day of April, 1789.

T. SMITH.

Entered by D. W. Smith.

[318] (Copy.)"

"A Gunters Chain by which all lands are measured when laid out or divided into Statute Acres contains in length 66 feet.

Each Gunters Chain is divided into 100 Equal parts called Links.

In one mile Statute Measure there are 80 Gunters Chains.

One Square Statute acre contains 10 Gunters Chains.

The french chain contains 45 Links, each a foot long, french Measure; 4 Such Chains, or 180 Links make the Side of a Square Arpent, Consequently one Square Arpent contains 16 Such chains. I am most Sincerely Yours.

Lieutenant Smith. P. MCNIFF, 13 February, 1791.

Entered by D. W. Smith.

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[319] (Circular Letter.) Detroit, 18 March, 1790.

Report B continued from folio 313.

Report B continued in folio 338.

SIR,—I am directed by the President of the Land Board, for the district of Hesse, to request your attendance at the Council Chamber of Detroit, on Fryday next at 11 O'clock, A.M., that Communication from the Governor, etc., may be laid before you. I have the honour, etc.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary to the board.

To W. D. Powell, Esquire; A. McKee, Esquire; A. Grant, Esquire; S. M. Adhemar, Esquire.

No. 60. Copy of a Letter from Hugh Finlay, Esquire, To the Board, dated, Quebec, 19 January, 1791.

GENTLEMEN,—By order of the Land Committee, I have the honour to transmit to you a Copy of His Excellency Lord Dorchester's order of reference of the 20th October last, and to request information from the Land Office Board of the District of Hesse, touching the matters stated therein to enable the Land Committee to report as soon as may be thereupon, with due precision, as has been commanded.

[320] The Land Committee farther beg to know what your board conceives to be such a survey of the waste lands of the Crown, in the District of Hesse, as might be sufficient to effectuate their settlement, at the least expense to Government. I have the honour to be, Gentlemen, your very obedient and most humble Servant.

(Signed) HUGH FINLAY.

Major Smith, W. D. Powell, A. McKee, W. Robertson, A. Grant, and S. M. Adhemar.

Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary to the Board.

Received 17 March, 1791.

[321] (Enclosure in No. 60.)

Copy of a Letter from Henry Motz, Esquire, to Hugh Finlay, Esquire, dated Quebec, 20 October, 1790.

SIR,—The papers herewith sent relative to the transactions in the land granting Department in Hesse, are referred by His Excellency the Governor to the Consideration of the Land Committee, who are to make full investigation into the causes of the difficulties and impediments, which appear to have hitherto obstructed the Progress of Settlement in that important frontier; and to report the same with due particularity, with their opinion, on consulting with the Surveyor General's Office, of the best means of removing them, and giving effect to the several instructions issued from time to time, [322] respecting the settlement of waste Lands of the Crown in that District.

It having been suggested that the Reservations in the late Indian Cession—in favour of the Hurons may be any incommodious to the County town of Hesse, on that side of the strait, and to the Indians themselves: His Lordship with a view of serving both them and the common interest, authorizes the Land Committee to correspond with the Land Board of Hesse, as well as with Sir John Johnson and any other persons from whom they may hope for full information concerning the object and intended use of

those Reservations, as well as the practability of such means, as may be suggested for satisfying the Huron Indians, in any other part of the District [323] and upon what terms.

And the Committee are in their Report to subjoin the whole of their correspondence upon this subject, and make it known to all, from whom they may desire any information, that their Communications will be put upon the public files of that branch of the Council Office, which relates to the Grant of the waste lands of the Crown. I am, etc.

(Signed) HENRY MOTZ.

To Hugh Finlay, Esquire.

Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary to the Board.

Received 17 March, 1791.

[324] No. 61. Copy of a Letter from Thos. Aston Coffin, Esquire, to the Board, dated, Quebec, 12 January, 1791.

GENTLEMEN,—The proceedings of the Land Board of Hesse, on the application of a Number of discharged Rangers Loyalists and others for Lands and Provisions, have been laid before the Committee of Council for waste Lands of the Crown, who, concurring in opinion with the Board, have recommended that all such of the inclosed List (being in Number 76) as shall prove satisfactory to the Board that at the Close of the war they were by any General or Special order of Government entitled to Lands, Provisions and [325] Tools, and did actually forego on establishment with these advantages in Nassau, or any of the Lower Districts, to forward a Settlement at the mouth of the River Detroit, promoted by Government, should obtain provisions in the like proportion with those issued to persons of the same description who settled in the lower districts.

His Excellency Lord Dorchester, having taken the same into consideration, has been pleased to direct that provisions should be issued to them and their families, accordingly, upon monthly certificates of the Land board [326] granted from time to time in proof that they are actually improving their Lands; For the more full information and guidance of the board, Copy of the letter to the Commissary General on this subject is enclosed.

The tools and farming utensils sent out by Government have been all distributed as far as they went; and at this time, there are none remaining in the King's Stores.

Should other people than those contained in the enclosed List claim similar assistance, on the same Grounds, the board, after receiving satis- [327] factory Proof of their being of that description, and as such entitled to similar Indulgencies, are requested to transmit Returns thereof for His Lordship's Consideration and orders. I am Gentlemen, etc.

(Signed) T. A. COFFIN.

To Major Smith, etc., W. D. Powell, Esquire, A. McKee, Esquire, W. Robertson, Esquire, A. Grant, Esquire, S. M. Adhemar, Esquire.

Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary to the Board.

Received 17 March, 1791.

(Enclosure A in No. 61.)

Copy of a Letter from Francis Le Maistre, Esquire, M. S., To J. Craigie, Esquire, Commissary General, dated Quebec, 12 January, 1791.

SIR,—The Land Board of Hesse having stated to his Excellency Lord Dorchester that there are a number of discharged Rangers, Loyalists and others, residing at or near Detroit, who had drawn Lots of the waste Lands [328] of the Crown at the entrance of Detroit River, where Government was desirous to promote a Settlement; that after they had received certificates for Location, but few of them could proceed to clear their lands from want of provisions and tools, which they had been taught to expect from Government; that those among them who had made no improvements by clearing or otherwise within the year were deprived of the Lots they had drawn, and they were given to other applicants; that notwithstanding their Disappointment, the greatest part are still resident in the Settlement and are desirous to obtain Lots at the River La Tranche, not far from the mouth of Detroit River, and having submitted to His Lordship that all such as shall satis- [329] factorily prove to the board that at the Close of the War they were by any general or special order of Government entitled to lands, Provisions and tools, and did actually forego an establishment with those advantages in Nassau, or any other of the lower Districts, to forward a Settlement at the mouth of the River Detroit, promoted by Government, should now be located and provisioned in the same proportion with those who settled below—and if provisions should be granted to persons of the above description it would conduce much to their true Comfort and Relief that they may be issued only monthly, and upon proof that they are actually improving [330] their lands, the same having been referred to the Land Committee who, concurring in opinion with the Land Board, have recommended that such of them as are situated as has been set forth, by the Board of Hesse, and whose names (being in Number 76) are included in the List inclosed may obtain Grants of the waste Lands of the Crown, upon the river La Tranche, or in any other part of the Tract ceded to the Crown by the Indians in May last, as they may chuse, and that they may further obtain provisions in the Like proportion with those issued to persons of the same description [331] who settled in the lower districts. His Excellency, having taken the same into Consideration, is pleased to direct that provisions be accordingly issued to all such of the above mentioned List and their families, who shall prove to the Board that they come within the description aforesaid, an exact return of which with the Number composing each family the Commissary will transmit as soon as ascertained. The Provisions to be issued monthly, upon the Certificates of the Land Board who will continue the same, from time to time, upon Proof that they are actually improving their [332] lands, and it is expected that the Settlers will commence their Improvements without delay, as no Arrears of provisions will be allowed. I am, Sir, etc.

(Signed) F. LEMAISTRE, M.S.

John Cragie, Esquire.

(Signed) T. A. COFFIN.

Received 17 March, 1791.

Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary to the Board.

(Enclosure 6 in No. 61.)

List of the Names of discharged Rangers, Loyalists and others residing at or near Detroit to whom provisions are to be granted on proof to the satisfaction of the Land Board of Hesse, that they have actually forgone an Establishment in the lower Districts in order to promote a Settlement in the

Mouth of the River Detroit, which provisions are to be continued to them by monthly issues, and in the same proportion as were given to the settlers below, on further proof that they are actually improving their Lands.

Names.	Occupations.	Residence.
Belong to Colonel Butlers Rangers.		
Serg. Danl. Fields	Blacksmith	At Capn. McKees.
Serg. Danl. McKillup	Farmer	New Settlement.
Corpl. Andr. Hamilton	Labourer	In this settlement.
Corpl. Edwd. Nevill	"	New Settlement.
Saml. Newkirk	Farmer	R. Latranche.
Pat. Hill	Labourer	Indian Country.
Peter Shonk	Farmer	R. Latranche.
Jacob Quant	Labourer	"
Thos. Parsons	"	"
Patrick Johnson	"	at Capn. McKees.
Eleck Wilcox	Farmer	N. Settlement.
Jno. Cameron	"	"
Wm. Munger	"	Gross Island.
Lein. Scratch	"	"
Jacob Seagon	"	at present down at Niagara.
Peter Swarst	Voyager	Now at Saguina.
John Wright	Labourer	R. Latranche.
Wm. Yagor	Farmer	R. St. Clair.
Nat Lewis	Labourer	R. Latranche.
[334] James Empson	Farmer	R. St. Clair.
Rob. Empson	Labourer	"
Benj. Knap	Farmer	N. Settlement.
Thos. Deeker	Labourer	in this Settlement.
John Top	"	"
Jos. Springfield	"	"
John Clearwater	"	"
Jacob Ruhart	Farmer	N. Settlement.
J. Dalton	"	"
Jacob Arnold	"	"
Thos. Williams	Blacksmith	R. Latranche.
J. Moss	Labourer	N. Settlement.
Mat. Dobson, volunteer	Tavern Keeper	Detroit.
Names of 3 years Men discharged from 8 Regr.		
Serg. Js. Donaldson	Publican	Detroit.
Serg. Jno. Dodimide	Trader	"
Richard Easp	Labourer	N. Settlement.
J. Ashford	"	"
Willm. Duggan	Clerk	Detroit.
J. Hall	Labourer	"
Thos. Redding	"	"
Edwd. Redding	"	"
[335] Jos. Windall	"	"
Names of men belonging formerly to the 84 Regr.		
Joseph Winters	Sailor	Now departed.
—— Butler	Farmer	N. Settlement.
Timy. Desmond	Sailor	In the Merchants service here.
John Clark	"	"
John Rossan	"	"
James Robertson	"	"
James Ruff	Farmer	Gross Island.
John Barbe	Butcher	Detroit.
John Flyn	Sailor	In the Merchant service here.

Names.	Occupations.	Residence.
Saml. Hall	Labourer	Detroit.
Thos. Kelly	"	"
John Goon	"	R. Latranche.
Wm. Harpier	"	
John Embry	"	
Names of Loyalists.		
Elisha Willcox	Farmer	N. Settlement. Note—This man ought to have been put down among the names of Rangers as he belonged to that Corps.
[336] Hosikiah Wilcox	Farmer	R. Latranche.
Minis Wilcox	Labourer	N. Settlement.
Josiah Wilcox	"	R. Latranche.
Hu. Holmes	Farmer	"
Jno. Pike	"	"
Robr. Pike	"	"
Rob. Simpless	"	"
Garr. Brown	"	"
Thos. Clerk	"	"
Jno. Hazard	Labourer	"
Jacob Hill	Farmer	"
Nicholas Leek	Taylor	In this Settlement.
Jacob Kutel		
John Stockwell	Farmer	N. Settlement.
Jacob Skible		
John Gordon	Farmer	R. Latranche.
Thos. McCrea	Taylor	Detroit.
Thos. Smith	Publican	"
Isaac Dalton	Farmer	"
Wm. Scott, Sey. Detroit Vol...	Tavern Keeper	"

N.B. In *the or this* Settlement means the Settlement of Detroit.

The New Settlement means at the Mouth of the Detroit River on Lake Erie.

[337] The Ration to be the same as given to the Disbanded Soldiers and Loyalists, etc., in the lower Districts, viz.

For the First Year,—Flour one pound and Pork, 12 ounces.

Second Year,—Flour, 5 ounces ¼ and Pork, 4 ounces.

To John Craigie, Esquire Comy. General.

Quebec, 12 January, 1791.

(Signed) Dorchester.

A Copy.

(Signed) T. A. Coffin.

By His Excellencys Command,

(Signed) F. Le Maistre, M.S.

Received 17 March, 1791.

Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary to the Board.

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[338] Report B continued from folio 319.

Circular Letter.

Evening, 18 March, 1791, Detroit.

SIR,—All the members of the Landboard of Hesse, being in town, the President wishes to take this advantage and lay the papers lately received

before them. He therefore requests you will have the Goodness to attend at noon, at the Council Chamber.

I have the honour, etc.,

D. W. SMITH. Secretary to the Board.

W. D. Powell, Esquire; A. McKee, Esquire; A. Grant, Esquire; S. M. Adhemar, Esquire.

At a meeting of the Land Board for the District of Hesse, holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit.

Saturday, 19 March, 1791.

Present: Major Smith, Esquire; W. D. Powell, Esquire; Alexander Grant, Esquire; S. Martin Adhemar, Esquire.

[339] The following papers being on the Journal, were Read to the board, viz.

Filed No. 60.

Letter from H. Finlay, Esquire, to the board, dated January 7, 1791. Covering a Letter from H. Motz, Esquire, to H. Finlay, Esquire, 20 October, 1790.

Also a letter from T. A. Coffin, Esquire, to the Board, dated 12 January, 1791. Covering a Letter from F. Le Maistre, Esquire, to J. Craigie, Esquire, 12 January, 1791 and Ld. Dorchesters approved list of Loyalists, etc., to be victualled, on improving their lots, 12 January, 1791.

Laid before the board a Survey in 3 pieces of part of the District beginning near Point Pele in Lake Erie and following the Shore, to the Entrance of the River Latranch, and up that river to the second fork of the same, as delivered by the Deputy Surveyor for the Information of the Board. (Folio 314.) Filed 7 petitions, from Number 232 to number 238.

[340] The Board resolve to take the aforesaid communications into their consideration and adjourn to 8th April next.

JOHN SMITH.
WM. DUMMER POWELL.
ADHEMAR S. MARTIN.

Advertisement, 20 March, 1791.

All such discharged rangers, Loyalists and others, as shall prove satisfactorily to the Land board for the District of Hesse, that at the Close of the war, they were, by any general or special order of Government, entitled to Lands, provisions and tools, and did actually forego an establishment with those advantages in Nassau, or any of the lower districts, to forward a Settlement at the mouth of the river Detroit, promoted by Government, will (on proof that they are actually improving their lands) obtain provisions (in [340] the like proportions with those issued to persons of the same description who settled in the lower districts) upon Monthly Certificates from the said board.

Should other people claim similar assistance on the same grounds, the board will hear their pretensions by petition, and after receiving satisfactory proof of their being of the above description, will transmit their names for the Governors consideration.

It is expected the improvements will commence without delay, as no arrears of provisions will be allowed. The Settlers will therefore be prepared to meet the call of the board, with sufficient certificates that they are actually improving their Lands.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

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[342] Fort Detroit, 28 March, 1791.

Received from D. W. Smith 4 Indian deeds for lands on this side the treaty line.

J. BABY.

Memorandum. 28 March, 1791.

Delivered Mr. McNiff, Deputy Surveyor, the General plan of Survey.

D. W. SMITH.

No. 62. Copy of a letter from Mr. I. Schieffelin, to D. W. Smith.

Dated Saguina, 24 March, 1791.

SIR,—Apprehending that it may be necessary for me to appear in person at the land board to support my claim to a certain Lot or piece of the Crowns ungranted lands, situate on the South side of the Detroit River, as part of the Royal bounty for my past services as Lieutenant in a Corps of Volunteers raised at Detroit by order of General Haldimand; I memorialed my Lord Dorchester through the land board (I think) two [343] years past for the said lot of land to the which I have not had an Answer; my Memorial I apprehend having remained unnoticed til Sir Jno. Johnson took down the General Report to Head Quarters. Mr. Powell memorialed for the same spot of land after I had, and Mr. Maisonville 15 months after Mr. Powell—which I imagine recorded on the minutes of the Land board by Thos. Smith, Esquire.

I have to add, in support of my claim, that my services (to the which, Colonel McKee, Commodore Grant, Major McGregor, Captains Caldwell, Elliot and Lamothe, besides many others (gentlemen) will bear honourable testimony,) entitle me to the benevolence of Government, perhaps in preference to the *Gentlemen* who oppose my prayer.

[344] Mr. Maisonville is in the actual possession of the best farm in the Settlement of Detroit (the farm he now personally occupies) which he holds from no better authority, of title, than I do a tract of eighty leagues, situate à là riviére, á lá trenche, for the which he has not yet made application to the board; and I humbly suggest, that, being the first who applied, the minutes of my memorial should be taken into Consideration, which Major Smith as President of the board, will, I hope, be pleased to investigate, when he may think proper to order my memorial to be laid before him—I therefore hope Sir, that you will be so very obliging (should my personal attendance at the Land Board be absolutely required,) to acquaint John Askin Esquire, therewith, who will communicate the same to him, who has the honour to be.

(Signed) JOHN SCHIEFFELIN.

Entered by D. W.Smith, Secretary.

[345] At a land board for the District of Hesse holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit, Fryday, 1st April, 1791.

Present: Major Smith, Esquire; W. D. Powell, Esquire; A. Grant, Esquire.

The board met to accomodate several Rangers, whom it was said, were come to town, to receive their provisions.

Read a letter from J. Schieffelin to D. W. Smith, dated 24th March, 1791.

Several people attended to receive certificates for provisions; but some of them, not being included in the list transmitted by T. A. Coffin, Esquire, others being unprepared with certificates of their having actually improved their lands, and others again having not yet been located; the board deter- [346] mine to advise the public again by advertisement, to attend on the 15 day of April next, and the several successive frydays, to prove their claims to such issues of provisions, as directed in Mr. Coffin's Letter; the advertisement to as follows:

"The discharged Rangers, Loyalists, etc., who will receive provisions on proving to the Land board of Hesse, that they were entitled to the same, at the close of the war, not having produced to the board, the Certificates required by the late advertisement for that purpose; are again informed, that first they must produce Discharges or vouchers of their having served in [347] some of the Corps, who were reduced at the peace; secondly, if Loyalists, to Bring proof of the same, by certificate, and thirdly, that they did actually forego a settlement in the lower districts to promote one at the mouth of the Strait. The board will meet on the 15th April next and the several following frydays to receive and attend to such proofs."

Filed 6 petitions for Land (See the Schedule, from 239 to 244.) And one for provisions—No. one.

JOHN SMITH.
WM. DUMMER POWELL.
ALEXANDER GRANT.

[348] Copy. Of a Letter from D. W. Smith, Secretary to the board, to J. Schieffelin, Esquire, Saguina.

Detroit, 2nd April, 1791.

SIR,—I am to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of 24th March, which I laid before the board.

Your petition I presume, will be taken into Consideration in due Course, and should your personal attendance be necessary, I shall not fail to inform you.

I have the honour, etc.,

D. W. SMITH.

Memorandum. Detroit, 2nd April, 1791.

Put up the advertisement, framed yesterday by the board, and sent full Information to the New Settlement.

D. W. SMITH.

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[349] At a land board for the District of Hesse holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit, Fryday, 15 April, 1791.

Present: Major Smith; W. D. Powell, Esquire; A. Grant, Esquire.

One of the list approved by Lord Dorchester.

Joseph Windall, having satisfied the board by producing his discharge from 8 Regiment, and the Certificate of His Location, at the mouth of the Detroit, and having received his declaration on Oath, that he has never received any location or provisions in the lower districts. The board direct one month's provision to be issued to him.

Leonard Scrath, one of the approved List, gave the board equal satisfaction in the production of a discharge from the Corps of Butler's Rangers, and Certificates of His Location at the Straits Mouth, and having received [350] similar oath. The board direct one month's provision to himself, wife, and four Children under 10 years of age.

John Top, late of Butler's Rangers, one of the approved list, produced his discharge and Certificate of Location at the Mouth of the Strait, and having made oath that he never received Lands or provision below, the board direct one month's provision for him, his wife, and 2 children under 10 years of age.

James Robertson, one of the approved list, produced a discharge from Butler's Rangers, and a certificate of Location, at the mouth of Detroit River, and having made oath that he never received either Lands or provisions in any of the lower districts, the board direct one month's provision for him.

[351] John Stockwell, a loyalist of the approved list, produced to the board, certificate of Location at the mouth of the Strait, and certificate of His having improved it, and Commander Grant informing the board that he came into the Settlement previous to the treaty of Separation, and He, Stockwell, having made oath that he neither accepted Land or provisions to aid the settlement of lands, in any of the lower districts, the board direct a month's provisions to him, his wife and 2 Children under 10 years old.

George Jacob Rudhart, of the approved List, a Ranger, produces a discharge from Colonel Butler's Corps, and certificate of Location at the [352] Mouth of the Strait, and having called witness to prove His having improved his land. He swore that he has not received Lands or provisions in the lower districts, the board therefore direct him a month's provision.

Joseph Baro, produced to the board a ticket from Major Mathews, for Lot No. 95, in the New Settlement, and he having taken the oath of fidelity, directed by 83rd Chapter of the 14 Statute of George the 3rd and the directed declaration, and having subscribed the same the board gave him a Certificate for about 200 acres, being Lot No. 95, in the 2 Connected township, at the Mouth of the Strait.

[353] And in consequence petition No. 192 for that Lot becomes of no value.

Samuel Weston produced to the board a ticket signed by Captain Wiseman, for Lot No.41, originally granted to John Gordon, who exchanged it with Thomas Deeker, and Deeker afterwards with Samuel Weston for No. 60—as appears by Certificate to that purpose; and He, Samuel Weston, having taken the directed oaths and declaration and subscribed the same, the board delivered him a certificate for a single Lot of about 200 Acres, being Lot No. 41 in the 2 Connected townships at the Mouth of the Strait.

Thomas. Hall, one of the approved List produces a discharge from the Eighth Regiment and Certificate of Location at the Mouth of the Strait, and [354] calling witness to prove the cultivation of his Lot and swearing that

he has not received any Lands or provisions below, the board direct one month's provision to be issued to him and his wife.

(Schedule folio 313). Filed 13 petitions for land, from 245 to 257.

(Schedule folio 355). Filed 22 petitions for provisions.

JOHN SMITH.
WM. DUMMER POWELL.
ALEXANDER GRANT.

To the Landboard of Nassau. Detroit, 15 April, 1791.

GENTLEMEN,—The Land Office board for the District of Hesse, wish to be informed if Jacob Seager formerly a private in Butler's Rangers, has drawn any Land in the District of Nassau as his Name is an obstacle to the Settlement of a Lot assigned to him by Major Mathews at the Entrance of Lake Erie.

Report B continued folio 357.

I have the honour, etc., D. W. SMITH, Secretary to the board.

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[355] Schedule of Petitions for provisions.

No.		No.	
1.	D. Cameron.	19.	James Little.
2.	P. O'Flaherty.	20.	Sam Hall.
3.	L. Visceneaux.	21.	Edward Hazel.
4.	R. Whittle.	22.	Nat Millar. [356]
5.	T. Smith.	23.	Jas. Understone.
6.	A Clark.	24.	Benjamin Knapp.
7.	P. Faucher.	25.	Peter Barril.
8.	J. Hobbs.	26.	J. B. Vallade.
9.	T. Little.	27.	Harry Facer.
10.	E. McCarthy.	28.	John Snider.
11.	William Thom.	29.	James Baker.
12.	T. Reynolds.	30.	Wm. Lee.
13.	R. Surphlit.	31.	John Pardo.
14.	W. Crawford.	32.	Samuel Weston.
15.	Joncaire de Chabert.	33.	Charles Filpley.
16.	Nicholas Windenhout.	34.	Prince Robertson.
17.	John Cornwall.	35.	Joseph Countryman.
18.	James Baker.	36.	Michael Shaver.
37.	Charles Beaubien.	44.	Coleman Roe.
38.	R. Huffman.	45.	Frederick Harboth.
39.	H. Crone.	46.	James Tracey.
40.	Thos. Reynolds.	47.	Catharine Speakman.
41.	R. Dowler.	48.	Elisha Wilcox.
42.	Amos Weston.	49.	Hosekiah Wilcox.
43.	Henry Ramsay.		

To folio 373.

[357] Copy of a Letter to Col. Butler, Niagara.

Report B Continued from folio 354.

Detroit, 15 April, 1791.

SIR,—Jacob Arner a private in Captain McDonnels Company in your battalion having applied for provisions under a recent order from my Lord Dorchester is unable to produce his discharge, but alledges that it was with-

held from him because he could not sign the Receipt for all monies due to him from the Regiment, having a demand for Services as an artificer employed at the Mill, at 4 mile pond, which has since been paid him. The board wish to have from you, Sir, a Confirmation of so much of the above [358] relation as will shew that he was a dicharged Ranger entitled by General orders to Land and provisions in the District of Nassau, or elsewhere in the Province of Quebec.

I have the honour, etc.,

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

Deed—(filed No. 10.)

Jacob Schiefflin to Captain James Understone, for 1 Sterling, Lot South Side of the Detroit, near the Mouth; 4 acres in front and 100 deep, bounded in front by Lake Erie, rear by J. Schifflins Lands, North East by J. Martin, Junior, and South West by J. Schiflin.

Dated, Fort Erie, 5 June, 1784.

(Signed) JOHN SCHIEFFELIN.

Witnessed John Garner, Wm. Fleming, Saml. McClelland.

Received from D. W. Smith, Secretary to the board a Deed of the above tenor, 18 April, 1791.

JAS. UNDERSTONE.

[359] April 21st, 1791.

Delivered the Deputy Surveyor, his drafts of the Straight and River Latranche.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

At a land board for the District of Hesse holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit, April 22nd, 1791.

Present: Major Smith, W. D. Powell, Esquire; A. Grant, Esquire.

Entered an order for one months provisions to Daniel McKillup, his wife and 3 children under 10 years of age; and to Edward Nevill, his wife one child above ten, and three children under 10 years of age, they having undergone the necessary Examinations and taken the oath, etc.

[360] Lot No. 23, in the New Settlement, Lake Erie, delivered to the board, by Wm. Scott.

John Cameron produced to the board a Ticket No. 93, New Settlement, lake Erie, originally granted to J. Rudhart, but he Rudhart being located, the board administered the directed oaths and declaration to him, and he having subscribed the same, they delivered him a certificate for about 200 Acres of land, being Lot No. 93, in the first Conn. 2 Connected townships, Lake Erie.

The board direct him a months Provisions, being one of the approved List, and having sworn that he never received any before, since his discharge.

[361] The board being satisfied by the testimony of Mr. Dodemead that the Person stiled J. Ashford in the approved list of the 8th Regiment, should seem to be Thomas Ashworth, as the other Man left this with the Regiment. The board saw Ashworths discharge from the 8th Regiment and

certificate of his Lot being improved, and being sworn as others before, the board order him a months provision.

The board having examined the Schedules of Major Mathews and Close find no reason why Elisher Wilcox Lands should be located, they therefore administered the directed oaths and declaration, and he having subscribed the same, they delivered him a certificate for about 200 acres of [362] Land, being Lot No. 82, in the 2 Connected townships, Lake Erie, and direct one months provision for him and his five children above 10 years of age,—he being of the approved List, and having sworn that he has never received any provisions, for the cultivation of his Land.

Posted in the Index.

John McClaine produced a ticket No. 60 signed by Captain Wiseman, and certificate of Dykers Resignation of it in his favor, the board therefore administered the oaths and declaration to him, and he having subscribed the same, the board delivered him a certificate for about 200 Acres being Lot No. 60, in the 2 Connected townships Lake Erie.

[363] Thomas Smith delivered to the board a ticket signed by Major Mathews for Lot No. 50, given to John Cameron, transferred by Mr. Close to A. Fraser, and made over by him to said Smith.

The Deputy Surveyor presumes that A. Fraser has been located below.

The board direct one months provision to John Dalton, a Ranger of the approved list producing Certificates of Service and improvement and making oath, that he has never received any since his discharge.

John Cray being very pressing for a Lot, having long petitioned the board, and having formerly received a Lot in the Second Concession which [364] being swampy he could not cultivate, the board by the revertion to the Crown of Lot No. 50, grant him a Certificate for that Lot, being about 200 Acres, in the 2 Connected townships, New Settlements, Lake Erie, he being sworn and having suscribed the directed oaths and declaration.

In consequence his petition No. 206 is done away, and Lot No. 34, 2nd Concession reverts to the Gift of the board.

The board then delivered to Wm. Harpur a Certificate for Lot No. 23, delivered to the board by Wm. Scot, and reverted to their Gift by the death of the original Granteé. He, Harpur, having originally been granted a Lot, which for want of provisions he could not settle; he was accordingly sworn, [365] and signed the directed oaths and declaration.

(This does away his petition No. 262.)

Mr. Gregor McGregor presented to the board 2 ticket for Lots 38 and 39, and Mr. Reynolds for Lot 88, New Settlement, and they being sworn, etc., and having subscribed the oaths and declaration, the board Delivered to Mr. McGregor 2 Certificates for about 200 Acres of land each, being Lots, 38 and 29, and to Mr. Reynolds, for Lot No. 88 for about 200 acres in the 2 Connected townships Lake Erie.

Folio 402. (No. 271.)

[366] The Board received a petition signed by Elizabeth Parent and others, Inhabitants of the front of the East side of the Streight, presented by Alexis Maisonville Esquire, as Captain of Militia in behalf of his Company; and as Captain Maisonville suggested that the subject matter of the Petition was important to the peace and Quiet of the Settlement, the board agreed to give a special day to the Petitioners to substantiate their Allegations and that notice be given to Mr. Maisonville to attend on Wednesday next for that purpose; and as the Deputy Surveyor is returned from the River Latranche the same day be given to the Subscribers of the peti-

[367] tion referred by Mr. Motz's Letter of 13 September, 1790, that they may enable the board to report thereon.

(368) Filed, 14 petitions for Land No. 258 to 271.

(356) Filed 19 petitions for Provisions No. 23 to 41.

Errata for Elisha Wilcox *Senior*, read *Junior*.
(Folio 129, Register No. 1) for Lot No. 83.

JOHN SMITH.
WM. DUMMER POWELL.
ALEXANDER GRANT.

Copy of a Letter from the board to Alexis Maisonville, Esquire.

Detroit, 22nd April, 1791.

SIR,—The Board having considered the weight of your Suggestions respecting the peace of the Settlement, being affected by the matter, contained in the petition, this day presented by you, have thought it right to give a Special day for hearing the petitioners, and I am directed to notify to you that Wednesday next at 10 o'clock A. M. is appointed for that purpose.

I have the honour, etc.,

W. D. SMITH, Secretary to the board.

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[368] Schedule of Petitions for Locations, folio 314.

258	John Pike	R. Latranche	16	April, 91
259	Morris Wilcox	"		"
X 260	Wm. Lee	Mouth of the Strait		"
261	Peter Barril	New Setlement or R. Latranche		"
262	Wm. Harpur	New Settlement		"
263	Chas. Filpley	"		"
264	Joseph Vallade	"	16	April, 91
265	Michael Shaver	"	15	"
266	Charles Beaubin	R. Latranche	21	"
X 267	Chevalier Chubert	Mouth of the Strait	22	"
268	Jno. Dodemead	R. Latranche		"
269	Henry Motsford	"		
270	Charles Boulange	"	22	April, 91
271	Inhabitants of the East side of the Detroit	Their Continuations	7	April, 91
272	Wyndal Wagaly	R. Latranche	23	April, 1791
273	Robert Bedford	"		
274	Maurice Roach	Lake Erie	23	April, 91
275	Frederick Harboth	R. Latranche		"
276	Coleman Roe	"		"
277	Julius Rabali	"		"
278	Frederich Rabali	"	24	"
279	Valentine Oiler	"		"
280	Jacob Oiler	"		"
281	John Lawler	"		"
282	Thomas Jones	"		"
283	Louis Arnold	"	25	"
284	George Lyons	"	26	"
285	John Sparksman	"	26	"

[369] Copy of a Letter from the board to Canadian Settlers, inhabiting the west shore of the Detroit, above the Fort, and joining the land commonly called the King's Domain.

Detroit, 22 April, 1791.

GENTLEMEN,—Your Memorial to his Excellency Lord Dorchester of the 17th of August last, stating apprehensions of a Change of the ancient boundarys of your farms, having been referred to the Land board for the Dis trict of Hesse, by His Lordships order, I am directed to inform you, the [370] board will meet on Wednesday Next, at 10 o'clock A.M., on which day you are requested to attend, prepared with such proofs and documents as will best substantiate the assertions contained in the said Memorial, particularly your original french deeds, if all or any of them can be produced.

I have the honour, &c..

D. W. SMITH.

Secretary to the board.

Delivered to Belcour, notary, who drew and presented their petition.

Copy of a Letter from the Board to the Deputy Surveyor.

22 April, 1791, Detroit.

SIR,—The Board request that some time before Wednesday, you will [371] be so good to walk over the farms of a certain number of petitioners (whose names are enclosed) on the East side of the Strait, and note with as much accuracy as the nature of such a cursory investigation will admit of, the Quantity of Land you conceive to be cleared on their respective farms, with such general observations on this head, or others, as may give any information, or light to the board on the matter contained in the petition presented this day to the board by Captain Maisonville, whilst you attended there.

I have the honour, &c.,

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

Circular Letter from this Board to those of Montreal, Lunenburg, Mecklenburg, Nassau and Gaspé.

[372] Detroit, 23 April, 1791.

GENTLEMEN,—I am directed by the Land Board for the District of Hesse, to transmit to you a Shedule of the Certificates granted by them, for Locations (attending their Report B) in conformity to the rules and regulations, for the conduct of the Land Office Department.

I have the honour, etc.,

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

Report B Continued folo. 375.

Copy. No. 64.—Delivered the original to Mr. Robertson, 24 May, 1791. D. W. S.

Received, Detroit 20th April, 1791, of Lieut. Smith, 5 Regiment, the Sum of Eight Shillings, N.Y. Currency, being for four Sheets Pasteboard, for the use of the Land Board.

GEO. MCDOUGAL,
JNO. MACKAY.

Entered by D. W. Smith.

[373] Petitions for provisions Continued from folio 356.
No. 50—John Lawler.
No. 51—John Sparksman.
Thus far sent with Report B.

Copy. Delivered the original to Mr. Robertson, 24 May, 1791. D. W. S.

Received from D. W. Smith, Secretary to the Landboard, the Sum of one dollar and half for parchment for the use of Land board.

(Signed), Geo. Chien, Serg. 5 Reg.

Copy.
£6 Halifax Currency.

Detroit, 24 May, 1791.

Received from Joshua Winslow, Esquire, Deputy Postmaster General, the Sum of Six pounds, Halifax Currency, for Stationery, as Paiement, for the Land board for the District of Hesse, having Signed two Receipts of this tenor and Date.

(Signed), Wm. and David Robertson.
Witness, D. W. Smith.

[374] Copy. The Land Board for District of Hesse. Dr. to Wm. and David Robertson.

1790								
July	9.	5½ Quires thin post paper 5	1	7	6			
	31.	1 Blackleather Trunk		16				
August	13.	2 Quires foolcap paper 4		8				
	"	1 Piece office tape		2				
Sepr.	28.	2 Quires foolscap paper 4		8				
	"	1 Piece office tape		2				
October	6.	½ Hundred quills 16		4				
	"	1 Box wafers		4				
	"	1 Stick sealing wax		1	6			
	23.	1 Quire foolscap paper		4				
	27.	1 " " "		4				
	"	1 " folio post		5				
Novr	24.	To parchment for making roles		12				
	"	5 Quire of foolcap paper 4	1	0	0			
	27.	1 Piece office tape		2				
1791	"	Pasteboards for book and port folio		6				
Feby.	21.	1 Quire foolcap paper		4				
April	9.	1 " " "		4				
	18.	2 " " "		8				
	20.	1 " " "		4				
	"	To pasteboards for cov'g books and ca.		8				
	23.	1 Quire foolcap paper		4				
	27.	1 " " "		4				
	30.	1 " " "		4				
	"	1 Stick sealing wax		1	6			
May	9.	1 Quire foolcap paper		4				
	14.	1 " " "		4				
	17.	2 " " "		8				
	"	1 Piece office tape		2				
	23.	1 Quire foolcap paper		4				
	"	½ Quire Quarts post		2	6			
		New York Curry	9	12				
		Amounting to Six Pounds Curry Dollars at 5/	£6					

Certified. John Smith. W. D. Powell. A. Grant.

D. W. Smith. (Signed) Approved. Sec'y to the Board,

[375] Report B, Continued from folo 372.

At a land board for the District of Hesse, holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit, Wednesday, 27th April, 1791.

Present: Major Smith, W. D. Powell, Esquire, A Grant, Esquire.

Filed No. 271, folio 402.

Folios 365 and 366.

The Petition of the Several Inhabitants on the East Side of the Strait, presented to the board on fryday last by Captain Maisonville, being read to them, and most of them being present, and having severally acknowledged that they understood the Contents and had subscribed it, and thereupon being questioned as to that clause, which states, that they had already re-
[376] presented to the board the objects of that petition as to wood and Hay.

The petition of Louis Goyeaux (No. 71) being read to him and no mention appearing therein of any necessity or want of Grass and wood, upon his first Concession, the board enquire why he stated that which was not the truth? and received for answer, that he had entrusted the draft of his petition to Mr. Thomas Smith, to whom he had paid two pounds in Cash and had subscribed the same without knowing its Contents.

The petition of Jaques Chaveou (No. 84) was then read and no mention made therein, stating the want of either Grass or wood.

[377] Two petitions (Nos. 97 and 98) were then read which stated the want of firewood.

The board then asked if any of the Petitioners were troubled or interrupted in their possessions, when Laurent Parent, and J. B. Hirlette, stand forward and declare that they are.

J. B. Hirlette informs the board that Mr. T. Smith had sold his 3d Concession to Louis Trudelle.

Question by the board—Of which of your farms?

Answer. The 3d Concession of the lowest farm, at the back of his Windmill.

Being asked by the board again,

If any Person troubles him in the 2d or 3d Concession of his other (uppermost) farm?

Answer. No.

Question by the Board. Have you sold either the 2d or 3d Concession
[378] of either of your farms, to any person whatsoever?

Answer. No.

Question by the Board. Have you been in treaty with, by any one, to sell either the 2d or 3d Concession of either of your farms?

Answer. He did enter into Treaty with Vignio, for the 3d Concession of the lowermost farm, for a Consideration of £100 (on badinage) reserving a right of cutting wood and grass. And for the 3d Concession of the uppermost farm, with — LePage for 500 livres, with the same reserves; declares he has not sold either of His second Concessions.

Question by the board. Have you taken from either of your Sons, placed on your 2d Concessions, any acknowledgement, for any Sum, En avancement d'hoirie?

[379] Answers that the transaction had existed.

But no Eclairsissement taking place to the satisfaction of the board, they, to prevent any misunderstanding, request a copy of the Contracts

Question by the Board to Laurent Parent. What trouble or hindrance do you find on your Lands?

Answer—One Henry Beauchamp (who told him that he had bought this third Concession from Mr. T. Smith and that he had permission from Mr. Powell to sow and plant upon it, provided he made no fence.

Question by the board. Have you more than one front farm on the East side of the Strait?

Answer. He has a second farm, which he purchased of Mr. Casety, [380] some way up the Detroit.

Question by the board. Have you sold either of your second or third Concessions?

Answer. No, as he has several children to settle thereon.

The Board observed to the Petitioners, that as their petition represents their own Loyalty and Services, in Contrast to the want of merit in the Strangers, who they say, with impunity, have possessed themselves of the fruit of their labours, and only two Instances of such Interruption appearing to the board, in the Cases of Hirlette and Trudelle, and of Parent and [381] Beauchamp; The board informs them, that by its Instructions They are to take up in their turn, All petitions presented to them for Lands, and having heard the partys, in Cases of Convenience, to report impartially their Sentiments, as honest Men, to guide the Goverment in the Distribution of the King's bounty—that for that purpose it is expedient, that in the face of the assembled Petitioners, the Merits of the several petitions should be ascertained and call upon the said Hoilette, and the said Parent, to shew in what their merit exceeds those of the Counter petitions.

Mr. Baby (who politely offered himself to interpret between the board [382] and the petitioners, (suggesting that he has a Personal Interest in the pretensions of the proprietors of the front Lots, to the second and third Concessions; and representing at the same time that the bulk of the petitioners being illiterate Habitants and perhaps not able to put in value the full merit of their pretensions, begs to be heard in their behalf, and offers to the Board, that in the instance of several of the petitioners, but particularly in a farm, which he holds on the East side of the Strait, that at the end of forty acres, he has neither the smallest firewood or grass, and that if he is, and they are deprived of both their Continuations, they will [383] be obliged to send to Gros-point and the River Rouge, for these articles, at an Expence and trouble they cannot sustain, that these Resources cannot possibly long be resorted to, and that if these Continuations are not confirmed to them, the front Lots must be deserted.

The Board then called on Louis Trudelle who presented a petition to the board for the third Concession of Hoilettes Land, and being asked why he fixed on this particular Lot, says, he purchased of J. B. Le Duke, a Lot containing one Square acre upon the front of Le Duke's farm, now occupied by J. B. Hoilette, to whom he pays a rent stated in the Contract, laid on [384] the table. That he had verbal permision from the said Le Duke to improve the waste Land at the end of his farm, i.e., forty acres; In consequence of which he began to improve and had actually plowed up, the whole breadth of the Rear, but was prevented from sowing it, by prohibition of Hoilette and Captain Maisonville, who even threatened him, on the part of the Commandant, and that he could himself, on that account send him down the country, for hindering people from cultivating their Lands—as a troublesome man; upon which he desisted from farther cultivation on that Land.

The board called on Trudelle to state his Services and Loyalty, who says, he has always done the directed Corviés, &c., in common, and with as [385] much Chearfulness as others in the Company, and accompanied Mr. Dequindres on an Expedition to the Kentuck, during the late war, Upon Command, and that upon his return, he went to work on Fort Lemouet.

Mr. Baby, in behalf of Hoilette, submits to the board, a Report of which Mr. T. Smith is given as the Author, that Trudelle had declared, he had asked the third Concession to plague Hoilette.

The board attend further Enquiry, on this head, til Mr. Smith's presence can substantiate the said assertion; and Request of Captain Maisonville, now present, to inform the board if he has any observations to make [386] upon what has dropped from Trudelle. Captain Maisonville requests to know from Trudelle, if he did not (after he knew that Coll. Depeyster had confirmed the Indian Gift of 80 acres, in addition to the 40 Granted by the French King, and had forbid any body to interrupt the Inhabitants of the front, in cutting hay and wood upon their Continuations) seek out Agoucheway, an Indian Chief, at Mr. Beaubiens, where De heister served as Interpreter, and represent to Agoucheway, that the french settlers had no occasion for the second Concession; and if he did not obtain from Agoucheway the Grant of that behind Hoilettes farm, and did not go with his father-in-law, and the Chief, to measure the Land and fix the [387] Boundarys? Louis Trudelle Answers, that after Le Duke sold the farm to Hoilette, and after he (Hoilette) and Captain Maisonville had forbid him to continue his works, in the rear of the 40 acres, he did go to Agoucheway and represent that it was very hard for him to lose his labour, being burthened with his father-in-law, an old Man, unable to help himself, and beged of him (Agoucheway) to grant him that Continuation out of Charity to enable him to support the old Man: That the Chief did give it to him, without any present of Rum, or other Consideration, saying that [388] his Uncle, the old proprietor of the front, could not want it, as he had sold his farm.

Beauchamp being called on by the board to represent his reasons and pretensions for desiring the 3d Concession in the rear of Laurent Parents, says, that he asked for it conscienciously, without meaning to injure any body, because he thinks, that the Value of 4 Lands, is two-thirds more than Parent is able to cultivate.

Question by the board to Laurent Parent. How many children have you capable of Improving Lands?

Answers. 3 Sons, one between 17 and 18 years old, another near 15 and a third 14; and has 8 children in all.

Mr. Maisonville being called on to know if he has any thing to say for, [389] or against the Loyalty of Beauchamp, states that although he lives within the limits of his Company, he never ordered him on any duty, because he was an old Captain of Militia at La Maskouche lachenaic, under the present Government.

The board then resumed the consideration of the petition referred to the Board by order of His Excellency, on 13 September, 179 anadian Settlers, stating apprehensions, fearing a change of ent boundaries.

Filed No. 62

[390] Read the Surveyor's Report thereo

"In answer to a petition or complaint f habitants from the Garrison of Detroit upw

ing date 1790, and setting forth that the King's Surveyor of Lands for the District of Hesse, did not on a certain day take upon him to run and mark some of their side lines extending back from their front, and changing the direction of several of their fences in such a Manner, that should such lines so run and marked by him be confirmed, it would injure them much, as [391] being unjust and contrary to the terms and conditions on which they first held their Lands, under Grants from the French King; laying the Error if any there should be, in the direction or bearing of their side lines to the Imperfection of Instruments or the Inability of persons using them, rightly to comprehend their real use.

I have only to observe that the charge brought by said Complainants against the King's Surveyor of Lands for the District of Hesse (as aforesaid), is unjust and illfounded, having not the least foundation in truth, but calculated to impose upon [392] His Excellency the Governor, things for facts, that never did exist; as the Surveyor alluded to never did in his Official Capacity as Surveyor, run any line between the Garrison and Gross Point before March, 1791. He did on the 6th of August last (by order of John Smith, Esquire, Major Commanding the 5th Regr. Commandant of Detroit, &c.), proceed to ascertain the boundary from the River back of the King's Domain at this place, according to a Survey made by James Stirling on the 7 March, 1777, by order of Lieutenant Governor Hamilton under the immediate Inspection of a number of the Inhabitants of this place; Thomas Cocks and [393] others. But the Surveyor alluded to, did not go on this Business as the King's Surveyor of Lands for the District but as Assistant Engineer, Acting under the immediate directions of the Commanding Officer.

The Complainants cannot prove or shew that one rail of either of their fences were removed, or even touched by the party, then with the Assistant Engineer, or one foot set upon the *Land* claimed by any person excepting that of John Askin and Wm. Macomb, Esquire, who appears not to be of the Complainants.

When Mr. Stirling run and marked the same lines, under the Inspection of the persons referred to, there does not appear to have been the least [394] objection to the lines then marked by him, to be the real boundary of the King's domain so far as respect the side lines: If the lines then run and marked by him had been deemed injurious or unjust or inconsistent with the just claims of the Inhabitants, it is beyond a doubt some person or other would then have pointed it out; but in order to cover the great disparity between the course of their present and assumed Boundaries and what is particularly specified in their respective deeds or Contracts; they affect to call in Question the Imperfection of Surveying Instruments or the Abilities of those using them; the Instruments by which their side lines [395] were run, I believe are at present in the Country, in the possession of Mr. Navarré or Mr. Bennack, neither of whom could possibly misunderstand the meaning of the Complainants' deeds so far as refers to their side lines, to change from 28 to 30 Degrees, North Westerly; instead of 22/2 Degrees West or North or North West, or *North one quarter west*, which last expression is generally the term made use of in their deeds.

There are but few of their side Lines that take the same direction, they differing many degrees in their bearing, and very few of their farms, that do not contain from 10 to 40 feet in breadth, more than their deeds specifies, notwithstanding not one yard left for a public Road from the front to

[396] lead to the back Concessions, where Settlers may be placed, from the Garrison to Gross Point.

PATRICK MCNIFF, Deputy Surveyor,

27th April, 1791.

To the Honourable the Landlord for the District of Hesse.

N.B.—Original paper filed No. 63, and Entered by D. W. Smith.

The board sent for Mr. Cox, referred to in the above report, but he was not at home. John Askin, Esquire (the Present claimant of The Lot of Land, joining what is commonly called the King's Domain) attended, with the original french Deed for said Lot.

The board adjourned.

Report B. ends here.

D. W. SMITH,
Secretary.

[397] Petitions for Land Continued from folio 368.

No. 286—Luke Killin, R. latranche, 15 April, 1791.

No. 287—Louis Trudelle, Detroit River, 25 April, 1791.

This far sent with Report B.

CORRESPONDENCE, ETC.

[398, 399] Copy of a Letter from D. W. Smith to H. Motz, Esquire.

Detroit, 30 April, 1791.

SIR,—I have the honour to enclose you Schedule of Locations, 2 Connected Townships, District of Hesse, Schedule of Certificates, 2 Connected Townships, Report B. Schedule of Petitions for Land (continued) for provisions. Petitions rejected, Report B.

And have the honour, &c.,

D. W. S.

Copy of a Letter from D. W. Smith, to H. Motz, Esquire.

Detroit, 30 April, 1791.

SIR,—I have the honour to enclose you a transcript from the Register of the Land Office board for the District of Hesse, constituting their Report B.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your humble servant, D. W. S.

[400] Copy of a Letter from D. W. Smith to H. Motz, Esquire.

Detroit, 30 April, 1791.

SIR,—I have this day forwarded to you, through the Care of J. W. Clarke, Esquire, Montreal, a transcript from the Register of the Land Office board for the District of Hesse, constituting their Report B., together with its attendant Schedules, References and Certificates. You will have the Goodness to observe that the petition which commences Enquiry, in Report B., folio 35, is not transmitted, as the board have not yet matured their

Report thereon; This however, may be expected by the next vessel, in a few [401] days, together with other matter, which I suggest is under the Consideration of the board.

I have the honour, &c., D. W. S.

Copy of a Letter from D. W. Smith to H. Motz, Esquire.

Detroit, 1 May, 1791.

Sir,—Among the petitions transmitted to you yesterday, you will find one backed as the Enclosed—

District of Hesse,
No. 50,
Elisher Wilcox, Senior,
Report B. folio 28.
Certificate granted
22d April, 1791
About 200 Acres.

Noted on the inside that it is incomplete, by wanting the original title [402] ticket, No. 82, Signed J. Wiseman, 19 November, 1787, which I now enclose in due form, and have the honour, &c.

D. W. S.

Copy of petition filed, No. 271. The original transmitted to Quebec, and endorsed "Petition reported on," by Letter to Lord Dorchester, 6 May, 1791 (folo. 431), having been canvassed in Report B., Reg. No. 2, folio 375.

Au tres honorable Lord Dorchester, Capitaine General, et Gouverneur en Chef, de la province de Quebec, &c.

Cest avec tout le respect, et la soumission dont nous sommes capaples, que nous choisissons de preference le commencement de cette Année pour assurer son excellence, des Voeux sinceres quenous faisons pour sa conservation et comme un temoignage public de notre Attachement, et de reconnaissence que nous attachons aux avantages qu'elle nous a procuré et de [403] ceux que nous nous flattons de recueillir encore.

Les Soussignes supplient tres humblement quils leur soient permis de representer a votre Excellence, quils ont fait connaitre au Commité du Detroit, le besoin indispensable, quils ont de la continuation de leurs terres, et que la troisième Concession est la plus utile raport aux bois, et aux foins dont la face de leurs terres est totalement denué, d'ailleurs, Ils ont presque tous des familles nombreuses et des enfants en etat de s'etablir et les metre en valeur, Eh! quelle consolation d'avoir aupres de nous, nos familles, tout pour nous entraider mutuellment que pour leur donner de bons con- [404] seils, et les maintenir dans le bon ordre.

Apres avoir fait a au Committé de Detroit, ces observations, chacun de nous en particulier leur a remis sa requête pour etre presenté a votre Excellence—Copendant, Nous vovons avec le dernier des espoir, que des etrangers qui nonts jamais travaillé a L'amelioration ni des terres, ny du pays viennent impunement s'en emparer malgre les travaux que nous avons faits sur ces même concession que nous avons arosées de nos sueurs, et que devant nous avious paye bien cher aux Sauvages—Nous sommes tous

[405] Citoyens et paisibles Cultivateurs; Ennemis du trouble, Nous nous adressons avec confiance a votre Excellence pour quil lui plaise nous assurer dans nos posessions pour notre securité et le repos de nos familles.

Cest la Grace qu'espèrent ceux qui ont l'honneur d'etre avec un profound respect, et la plus parfaite Soumission De votre Excellence Les tres humbles et tres obeiss. Servrs.

Au Detroit, Le 7 Avril, 1791.

(Signed),

Elisabeth Parent, femme de Prate.

Jacque Marentete.
Laurent Marentete.
Pierre Marentele.
Francois Marentete.
Jaque Parent pere.
Jaque Parent fils.
Lambert Parent fils.
Lauren Parent pere.
Joseph Mailloux.
Antoine Des Hertres.
Hipolite Janis.
Pierre Parent fils.
J. B. Le Duc.
T. B. Parré.
T. B. Ouailette Pere.
T. B. Ouailette fils.
Francois Ouailete fils.
Charles Ouailette fils.
T. B. Mailloux. [406].
Joseph Pilette.
T. B. Goyeaux.
Francois Janis.
Nicolas Janis.
Andre Beniteau.
Francois Beniteau.
Andre Beniteau fils.
Charle Bouron.
Joseph L'anglois.
T. B. L'anglois.
Alexis L'anglois.
Vital du Mouchelle.
T. B. Troneux.
Louis Goyeaux pere.
Louis Goyeaux fils.
Antione Charron.
Nicholas. L'anglois.
Clar Reaume.
Pierre caume.
Lorenn caume.
J. Charron.
Julien Parent.
Josep Parent.
Dominique Gaudet.
Joseph Lesperance.

Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary.

REPORT C.

[407] This Minute transmitted to Quebec and endorsed C.

At the land board for the District of Hesse, holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit, Fryday, 65h May, 1791.

Present, Major Smith, W. D. Powell, Esquire, A. Grant, Esquire.

Filed No. 65. Received from the Deputy Surveyor a "State of the farms of such persons as signed the petition delivered by Captain Maisonville to the Land Board, on the 22d April, 1791.

Filed No. 67. Read a petition of several Inhabitants of the River latranche, praying the Indians may be not allowed to plant near them.

Filed No. 66. Filed Copy of a Donnation, by John B. Le Duc, to [408] Trudel.

Filed No. 68. Filed a Subscription of several Inhabitants of R. latranche, to assist Thomas Clarke in building a mill.

Filed No. 69. Filed a Letter from Thomas Jones, covering a demand of Mr. Thomas Smiths, late Clerk of the board.

Filed a Letter from Mr. Thomas Smith, directed to be entered in the Minutes.

Copy. To Major Smith, &c., L'Assomption, 30 April, 1791.

Filed No. 70.

SIR,—From the false accusations given into the Land board impeaching me with having sold the King's Lands, which I have been officially informed by the Deputy Surveyor in the line of his duty, induces me to apply to you as Commanding Officer, and President of the Land Board to suspend [409] making the Report to His Excellency, the Right Honourable Lord Dorchester, until such time as I have an opportunity of justifying my Conduct by proving the design, Malice and falsity of the assertion in order it may be transmitted together as a Proof of my Innocence. Have also to request you will be pleased to let me have a copy of the charges or reflections intersperced on the Minutes of the board to my prejudice during the interval when Mr. Judge Powell acted in the place of Clerk, as well as an [410] advertisement purporting the rate of fees, to be taken, by the Clerk, as entered in the first or second page of the minutes, Book No. 1.

I suspect that upon investigation they will be found to bear some affinity to the present Reports—although I sincerely hope that no Member of the board may be found concerned in such cruel and base designs, carried on underhand within this twelve months against my honor and Reputation and profitting the absence of a gentleman (Mr. Howard) who transacted [411] the most part of my business with the Inhabitants and was present on every occasion, therefore I presume Sir, you will think as I do—that 15 day's notice is not sufficient to counteract a concerted plan of so long a meditation.

I have the honour to be, with much respect, Sir,

Your obedient and most humble Servant,

Signed (T. SMITH).

Folio 59.

The board having referred to the Minute of 11 August, 1790, and finding that upon the Motion of Mr. Powell, Mr. Thomas Smith had been sent for, and all the Entries made in the Minutes, in the interval between the [412] Ministry of that Gentleman, and Lieutenant D. W. Smith, were then submitted to His Inspection (folio 70), and that he then promised to the board his observations thereon in writing, which have not yet been communicated, is of opinion that there can be no reasonable ground for delay beyound the next opportunity to report on what has hitherto appeared to the board on the Enquiry with abuses, suggested to them, and that Copy of this Minute be handed to Mr. Simth, and that he be acquainted that [413] the Minutes of the board are open every Fryday to his inspection, when he can have an opportunity of applying for, and taking Copys of such parts of them as the board may find reasonable.

Folio 415, folio 431.

The Board framed two Reports and direct them to be copyed and entered.

JOHN SMITH,
WM. DUMMER POWELL,
A. GRANT.

Copy of a Letter from Mr. D. W. Smith to P. Niff, Deputy Surveyor.

Detroit, 6 May, 1791.

SIR,—The Land Office for the District of Hesse, beg to know what you [414] conceive to be such a Survey of the waste Lands of the Crown, in the

District of Hesse, as might be sufficient to effectuate their Settlement, at the least Expence to Government.

D. W. S.

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7 May, 1791.

Made out a Copy of the Minute directed by the Board yesterday for Mr. T. Smith.—D. W. S.

Copy of a Letter from D. W. Smith, to the Deputy Surveyor.

9 May, 1791.

The Board beg from you the draft of the Strait, and R. latranche, originally delivered to them, in order to be transmitted to Quebec, with that of the New Settlement, Lake Erie, which I have.

D. W. S.

[415] Endorsed, C.

Copy of a Letter from the board to Hugh Finlay, Esquire, Chairman of the Land Committee of the Honourable Legislative Council.

District of Hesse,

Detroit, 6 May, 1791.

Sir,—The land board for this District have before them your Letter of 19th January last written by order of the (folio 319) Land Committee of the Honourable Council covering a copy of His Excellency, Lord Dorchester's order of Reference (folio 321) of the 20th October last, and requesting Information from this board, touching the matters stated therein.

This board as such has regularly communicated its Minutes of Proceed-
[416] ings to the Office of the Governor's Secretary, in which it will appear (Register No. 1, folio 18) that until 21st May last, when the purchase of a tract of country from Long Point to the Channail ecartie was obtained from the Indians. The Crown had no waste Lands within the District known to the Land board except a Square of seven miles, at the River Canard, on the Strait, which had been ceded by the Ottawa and Chippewa Indians to the King's use, by deed of 15 May, 1786. The Cession of 7 June, 1784, by (Endorsed C. No. 1, Filed No. 20, Register No. 1, folo. 4) the Chippewa and Hurons of a similar tract at the mouth of the Strait, being claimed to the use of certain officers and Soldiers who had served with the Indians.
[417] All other settlements in this District except a few on the Streight by Grant from the french King, being on private Purchases from the Indians, to the occupiers or their lessors. That his Excellency the Governor's Instruction (Register No. 1, folio 80) to this Board of 2 September, 1789, prevented the location of the Tract at the River Canard, which was claimed by Alexander McKee, Esquire, for the Use of himself and his particular friends, by a Petition referred to this board by my Lord Dorchester's order of (Register No. 1, folio 119) 21 January, 1790 (folio 467), but withdrawn by Mr. McKee on 14 May, 1790, and not since returned.

From the day that the purchase was announced to the board, no
[418] exertions on its part has been able to procure from the Surveyor General's Office the return of Survey of a single Township, in which they could locate the petitioners, under any of the Several Instructions issued from time to time respecting the Settlement of the waste lands of the Crown's in this District.

As to the Reservations at the River Canard and Huron Plain, this board did suggest that they would utterly (Register No. 1, folio 24, &ca.) obstruct the Execution of my Lord Dorchester's Instruction of (folio 80) 2d September, 1790, for laying out a County town on the East Side of the Strait, and the proof of that Suggestion was exhibited in the same Report, [419] stating that there was no other unimproved Land on that side the Strait, the whole being settled either under the Grants of the french King, or private purchases from the Indians countenanced by the Several Commanding Officers and Lieutenant Governors of Detroit, who had received the rents and fines on such speculations, as well as upon Lands possessed under the Sanction of the french Crown. As to the object and use of those Reservations this board can speak but negatively having supposed the land at the River Canard to be already vested in the Crown by the Deed of Gift of 15 May, 1786 (filed No. 20, folio 18), and having been but a very short period before the said 21st May, pressed by Mr. McKee, the Agent for those [420] Indians, to recommend to the Governor the prayer of his petition for that very tract.

This board can only say that they see no good object or intended use in reserving a waste in the heart of the Settlement, which must unavoidably interrupt its Communication and must refer the Committee of the honourable Council to Mr. McKee, for the sudden cause which rendered it so essential to the Comforts of the Indians.

For part of the Reserve at the Huron plain, there is a sufficient obvious cause; The Hurons being practical Christians, and using the Remains of [421] their abandoned Village as retreats, when they come up to attend divine Service at the Church built on that Reserve. But this extends only to a Square of about 4 acres, and in no way interferes with the Extensive plain between the Church and the River au Gervaise, which might afford a site for a County town, knowing no specific object or intended use in those reserves other than the occasional convenience of the Christian hurons, which the board could not wish to interrupt.

It is difficult for the board to doubt the practicability of satisfying the Hurons in any other part of the District, but the board with Submission to [422] the Communication from the honourable Committee takes leave to observe, that from the Tenor even of the last cession it does not appear that the satisfaction is to be made to the Huron Indians, the (folio 18 and 19) Reserve being general for the use of the Indians generally, and the original Proprietors of the Land at the River Canard, appearing to be the Ottawa and Ochipué Indians, from their cession of that tract to the Crown, received by the Deputy Agent to the King's Use, as we have had the honor to state above; and we submit if the Ottawa and Ochipué Chiefs who were parties to both Deeds (The Cession of 15 May, 1786, and the Reserve on 21 May, 1790) were again (Filed No. 20, folios 18 and 19) Assembled, and the two [423] deeds laid before them, they would require no additional satisfaction whatsoever, for the total dereliction of the tract at the River Canard, reserved in their last cession, unless they should represent an expected consideration for the Cession in 1786, which they did not consider as comprised in the Presents made them in 1790.

Should this, our opinion be founded in error, or upon trial prove abusive, we submit for the Consideration of the honorable Committee, in its Report, that the incorporation of that tract into the District is highly [424] desirable, on many accounts, submitted in our Report to the Governor of (folio 24, &c.) 28 May, 1790, and more particularly so, to the Settlers on account of an extensive and deep stratum of lime Stone within it, being the

only one known in the District besides that of Stoney Island in Possession of Mr. William Macomb.

The board would be happy to obey The Commands of the Honorable Committee to state our ideas of a Survey of the waste lands of the Crown, in this District, sufficient to effectuate their Settlement, at the least expence to Government, but finds itself incompetent to the task of such a [425] Statement with sufficient Accuracy to guide the Judgement of others.

(Endorsed C., No. 2, folio 312) We submit a Sketch of the tract for a Settlement, the very face of which shews that the whole should be accurately laid down on paper, before a second Township from the water, should any where be laid off, least the lines of the one should interfere with the other (folio 206) as in Cornwall and Lancaster (folio 467), pointed out in the Diagram communicated to this board by T. Williams, Esquire, with a transcript of the proceedings in council, holden at the Castle of St. Louis, on the 2d March. Register No. 1, 1790, folio 199.

There are scattered settlements on the Lake Erie and R. latranche [426] from A. to AO. and from N. to NR. on the (folio 312) Plan, the former under the Sanction of the Commandants of Detroit, confirmed by this board; the latter without any authority, but Indian Grants.

The delays which have protracted the Settlement in this District have been such as we presume to offer in excuse for the Disobedience of these people; The necessity which drove them to it, was little short of self-defence.

Neither of these ranges of settlement leave space for the plan adopted in the Regulations of the 17 February, 1789, but had the board been able to procure, at first, the Survey of a Single Township on the approved plan, [427] the same excuse would not exist for protecting the Settlers in their present improvements; having premised thus much, we submit as our opinion that however great the first expence may be, it is indisputably necessary to the future Quiet of the Settlers, and for the assurance of the Royal tract purchased, should be before the board, before they issue directions for any part of 't to be laid out in Townships, and that no settler be located by the board without having before it a plan of the township in which He is to be placed.

[428] Any proceedings, without such precaution, must subject the board to error, the Settler to Confusion and litigation, and the Government to Reproach. The Surveyor General's Office can certainly best calculate the expence of such a Survey from experience of its own operations, but we presume to offer, that if the method required by the 10th article of the Rules of 17 February, 1789, should be relinquished a sufficient Survey of a township, to enable the board to grant Locations might be done by a single Surveyor, and his party in ten days.

[429] We suppose in such a plan that nothing more need be done than to run the four sides, marking the road space between each Concession and measuring off, stakeing and numbering in the usual Manner, the front Lots.

Upon such a plan of Survey, the Board could resume the number of Lots, in any part of it, which might by the existing or subsequent Regulations be required. The Settlers on the front Concession would find the Lots from the Surveyor's Numbers, and those on the Second and others, might readyly measure them off from the side line, reserving the adjustment of their particular lines, in case of dispute between them, to a special Survey, at their own Expence; observing at the same time as our opinion, [430] that this inconvenience may be obviated at an expence of 10 or 12

days' Labour of a Deputy Surveyor and his assistants, for each township, and submit upon the whole the propriety of leaving any thing to be done by the settler, towards the ascertainment of his Lot.

(Signed), JOHN SMITH,
W. D. POWELL,
A. GRANT.

Entered by D. W. Smith.
References Endorsed C., No. 1.
Enclosures with the above Letter.
Copy of Indian deed, 15 May, 1786, filed No. 20.
References Endorsed C., No. 2.
3 pieces of Survey, described folio 312.

D. W. SMITH,
Secretary to the board.

[431] Copy of a Letter from the Board, to His Excellency, Endorsed, C. The Right Honorable Lord Dorchester.

Detroit, 6 May, 1791.

MY LORD!—In compliance with your Lordship's standing instruction, to submit our opinion upon the several petitions and other Communications which pass through this board to your Lordship, we presume to offer as our unanimous Sentiments (folio 402, filed No. 271) that the prayer of the enclosed petition (taken up out of its course on account of a menace of Danger and Disturbance if it was not attended to) is unreasonable and adverse to the general good, and what we conceive to be a Special Consideration with Government, the compact plan of Settlement;

We do not find in general that the Petitioners have claims upon the Liberallity of the Crown beyond those of the Characters they oppose, but [432] of this your Lordship will be the better judge (folio 372) from the minute of the board's procedings in this petition, transmitted to the office of your Lordship's Secretary, and should it be received otherwise, we think the pretensions may be rewarded with more general convenience than by leaving an Extent of waste country, for the future Establishment of their Children—we submit to your Lordship, that consistently with our Existing Instructions, if any preference is to be given on concurring applications for the same Lot, the board should be guided by the Circumstances of the Claimants as to the advantages they actually enjoy, and their respective [433] merit, in Submission to the known will of Goverment; and we do not hesitate to say, that with due culture the forty acres in depth, originally granted would find ample occupation and support for the families of any of the petitioners: That not content with that Grant from the Government, they have (as appears by the papers filed by Mr. Maisonville) in direct Contravention (Reference C., No. 3, end of this Report) of His Majesty's known pleasure, treated with the Indians for a preference on their rear; which if acquiesced in, must leave The Settlement, for many years naked, the Extent of their claim under the Indian deed being 4½ miles to each farm, in depth;—upon the principal, we must submit to your Lordship, that no general Encouragement should be given to the Petitioners to expect [434] a preference on the third Concession, from 80 to 120 acres depth, and that the Discretion of the Government, by the board or otherwise, should be exercised even in the Grant of the second, to be guided by the sufficiency.

or insufficiency of the first Concession, to the wants and Abilities of the proprietor; and that immediate Improvement and habitation should be the Indispensable Condition of each Grant—we have paid little attention to the Representation of the petitioners, respecting Hay and wood as we conceive that however material such considerations may be to the farmer; The whole settlement should not be obstructed on that account, But he should be left [435] to the ordinary Resources, which on a navigable water, in a new Country, can never be remote or precarious.

We hope the tone of this application Menacing disturbance and danger to the Settlement, from ill advised measures, will justify the Expedition we affect in laying before your Lordship this petition, with our Sentiments, on the prayer of it, we have the honour, &c.

(Signed), JOHN SMITH,
W. D. POWELL,
A. GRANT.

Entered by D. W. Smith.

Enclosures with the above report.
References—Folio No. 271. Entd. Regr. folo. 402.
Petition of Inhabitants, East side of the Detroit.
Endorsed C., No. 3. Certificate.

I have kept this report open till the last minute in hopes of receiving from Mr. Maisonville, a transcript of the papers, which he presented to the Board, and which he promised a Copy of, on with receiving the Indian deed.

D. W. SMITH,
Secretary to the Board.

Detroit, 10 May, 1791.

Filed No. 71.

[436] Copy of a Letter from the Deputy Surveyor to the board.

Detroit, 7th May, 1791.

In answer to a requisition of the Land Board on the 6th Instant wishing to know what sort of a Survey of the waste lands of the Crown throughout the District of Hesse, would be sufficient to effectuate their Settlement at the least Expence to Government—I have to observe, that I am fully convinced none of the Interior Lands of this district at any great distance from here, will be settled so long as there is vacant Land fronting on a River or Lake; in order to know exactly the Quantity of Land in the District, and prepare such of it for Settlement as fronts on navigable water, with the greatest dispatch and least Expence to Government; I am of [437] opinion it will be best effected by commencing at Long Point (The Extremity) on Lake Erie, and running thence, a due North Line, until River la tranche is intersected; from that Intersection, down along the South easterly side of said River, until it meets a line, run due East from the Junction of the two Branches of Channail Ecartie, on the North Easterly Shore of Lake St. Clair, thence along said line a West course to its Commencement; Thence along the water's edge, in its various directions to the place of beginning. This done, the board will be able, with Exactness, to divide the whole district into Townships, and afterwards direct the Survey [438] of such of them as the Board may judge proper; No regular Division of the whole District can take place before this is done; The Quantity of

Land in the District being thus ascertained, The board will be better able to judge what expences a regular Survey of the Interior part may be attended with—but what time it may require to run the lines mentioned I cannot say. The distance from Long Point to the Intersection of the River is about 30 miles, from thence down the River and to Channail Ecartie, is 126 miles nearly, making no allowance for the difficult curves.

For the Information of the land board I send a Copy of an estimation [439] of the work, that may be done in a day, by a Surveyor and his party, which I found in the Surveyor General's Office in March, 1789.

(Signed), P. McNiff, Deputy Surveyor.

Copy.

Estimation of the Surveys per day.

A Surveyor with a party of 12 men will run 6 double Lots per day, if the weather is good, and 2 miles per day of a Boundary line.

(Signed), John Collins, Deputy Surveyor.

Quebec, 16 May, 1788.

What is meant by double Lots, are Lots of 19 Chains, or 6 acres wide each.

Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary to the Board.

MINUTES OF MEETINGS, ETC.

[440] REPORT D.

At a land board for the District of Hesse, holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit, Fryday, 13 May, 1791,

Present—Major Smith, Esquire, W. D. Powell, Esquire, A. Grant, Esquire.

Folio 392.

Mr. Cox, to whom Mr. McNiff refers in his report on the petition of Canadian settlers, on the West side of the Detroit, adjoining above the Fort, attending the Board, being questioned as to the Knowledge he has of Mr. Stirling's Survey of the Domain in 1776 informs the board that he knows of no boundary marks having been placed by Mr. Stirling on the enclosed ground, or any alteration made in the fences—which he believes [441] remain in the same position, at present, as they then stood—from the River on the North Side of the Domain to the end of Mr. Askins Orchard.

Folio 444x.

The Board frame their Report thereon and direct it to be entered.

Folio 46—.

The Board took into Consideration the petition of Captain William Caldwell, for Marsh Creek, part of the Tract which has been surveyed, reported to the board, and transmitted in one of the scetches forwarded to (folio 425) the Chairman of the honorable Land Committee which Scetch will shew, (folio 89—) that the Land is not within the recommendation of [442] the board, the Surveyor having reported his doings on that order immediately to the Surveyor General's Office.

The board then canvassed the claims of Thomas Jones for Lot No. 42, which was made over to his Son, by power of attorney from (Filed No. 73) Walter Dalton, the original Grantee—and finding on the petition of said Jones, that he is entitled to Land, they administered the directed oaths and declaration to him, and he having subscribed the same, the board delivered him a Certificate for a Single Lot of about 200 acres, being Lot No. [443] 42, Two Connected Townships Lake Erie.

Filed No. 71, folio 436.
Read and filed a Report from the Deputy Surveyor.
Filed 31 petitions for Land.
Filed 10 petitions for provisions.
Filed No. 319.
Filed a Petition from Sally Ainse, claiming land on the River Iatranche, under Indian deeds, &c.
Folio 47—.
Petitions Nos. 50 and 51 done away by the petitioners being located elsewhere.
Filed No. 72, folio 445.
Received and filed a Report from P. McNiffe, complaining of the operations of Mr. Dubois, a Provincial Surveyor—Upon which the board is of opinion that without a special Reference from Authority, it can have noth-
[444] ing to say to the Disputes or Differences between Surveyors on private Surveys.

JOHN SMITH,
WM. DUMMER POWELL,
ALEX. GRANT.

Folio 441x.
Copy of a Letter from the Board to His Excellency, Lord Dorchester.

13th May, 1791.

MY LORD!—In compliance with your Lordship's order of 13 September last referring to this Board (folio 297) the petition of certain Inhabitants of the West side of Detroit, stating apprehensions of a change of the ancient Boundarys of their farms; we have had communication with the (folio 309) Surveyor and on his report to us, gave a day (folio 390) to the Memorialists and having heard as well them, as the (folio 396) Assistant Engineer and Thomas Cox (folio 440) referred to as a witness, to the opera-
[445] tion of Mr. Stirling in 1776—under the authority of Deputy Governor Hamilton, We have the honor to submit to your Lordship, that we see no Cause for any Change of the ancient Lines, and as little for the premature apprehension of the Memorialists, whom the board have presumed to satisfy, by a verbal declaration to them, that there was no cause for their petition.

We have the honor, &c.,

Report D.—Continued in folio 466.
Filed No. 72.
Copy of a Letter from the Deputy Surveyor to the board.

13 May, 1791.

GENTLEMEN—At the request of Wm. Forsyth of Detroit, I did on the 11th Instant go in order to ascertain and mark for him the boundarys of a tract of land, situated at Gros Point, bought by him of Isidore Chene and
[446] others, as by his deeds will more fully appear, previous to my commencing said survey, I inspected the bearings of many of the side lines of the Neighbouring Farms, in order that I might adopt such a course as would best agree with the generality of the present boundaries claimed by the Inhabitants, and thereby prevent as much as possible the moving of Fences and bring my back lines nearly perpendicular on the General course of the lake from Grospoint to River Huron. In this investigation I found

the bearing of the Northeasterly line of Gregor McGregor, and that of the North Easterly line of Alexander Grant, Esquire, best adapted for this purpose, They running exactly parallel to each other, from a Regular Survey, made by the King's Surveyor, on the 10th October, 1784. I therefore made their Bearings the Rule of my Survey. On my proceeding with [447] the Survey in Question, I came to a line run and marked on the 20th February, 1785, by Mr. Fry, the acting Surveyor on behalf of the Crown, on my examining said line, I found it to agree with Mr. Fry's Records, of Surveys now in my possession; but to my Surprise, I found that a certain Mr. Duboa, a Surveyor, had but a few days before taken upon him to Change, and did actually change, contrary to Law and Justice, and contrary to the Ease and Interest of the Inhabitants in general, the direction [448] of said Boundary or line, so run and marked by the King's Surveyor, Six degrees out of its Course; Whatever could be Mr. Duboa's motives for so extraordinary a piece of Conduct, am at a loss to know, not having acted from any one General System of Surveys that might correspond with the Ease and happiness of the Inhabitants in general. So far from consulting the general Good in the direction given to his back lines, that he has given them a direction not to be found on this side of the River before, such a direction if extended or continued throughout the Settlement will cast the whole Country into Confusion, by cutting the farms of Messrs. McGregor, [449] Grant, Forsyth, &c., &c., &c., into small gores, or Angles, besides not agreeing to the General Course of the Lake for any distance.

This I have found to be the Case also on the opposite Shore, with all the lines run there by him, all of which will e'er long have to be changed or the Settlement will eventually be in the greatest Confusion from the Numerous intersections of lines that will unavoidably take place.

If such a practice of changing the Direction of boundaries, run and marked by authority of the Crown, be permitted, or passed over unpunished, the Subject has no Security whatever in any boundary marked for him, [450] by order of Government.

As these are abuses appearing to me so unconstitutional, and in themselves so injurious to the Interest of the Crown and the Subject, I conceive it my duty, officially to communicate them to the Honorable Land board, in order that such measures may be adopted, as will prevent the Confusion and Mischief, which must ultimately result from such illegal and unjustifiable Proceedings.

I have the honour, &c.,

(Signed), P. McNiff.

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[451] Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary.

Filed No. 74.

Copy of a Letter from the Deputy Surveyor to the Clerk, dated fryday, 13 May, 1791, at half-past one, P.M.

Sir!—I. answer to the Question proposed by you when coming from the Council house, this day, wishing to know for the Information of the Land board what time I would be prepared to go on a Survey, I have to acquaint you, for the Information of the Land board, that I am prepared to go on Monday Morning next, or at any time before that the board may think proper to order me.

I am, &c.,

(Signed), P. McNiff.

[452] Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary.

Filed No. 75.

Copy of a Letter from J. Williams to the Gentlemen composing the Land board for the District of Hesse.

Council Office, Quebec, 17 March, 1791.

GENTLEMEN,—I have the honour of transmitting you a Copy of an order of His Excellency, Lord Dorchester, in Council, of the 5th Instant, respecting Applications for the additional bounty of 1787 for your guidance, and of being,

Gentlemen, &c.,

(Signed), J. WILLIAMS.

(Copy.)

Enclosure in No. 75.

Saturday, 5th March, 1791.

At the Council Chamber in the Bishop's Palace, Present, His Excellency The Right Honourable Lord Dorchester, Governor, The Honourable [453] Aland Clarke, Esquire, Lieutenant-Governor and the Honourable Thomas Dunn, Edward Harrison, John Collins, Adam Mabane, T. G. C. de Lery, Henry Caldwell, William Grant, Francis Baby, Samuel Holland, Charles De la naudiere, Esquires, Le Cte. Dupre.

Ordered, That the Clerk of the Council apprize the different boards in the Province that they may expect instructions, not to receive any further applications for the additional Bounty of 1787, after a Certain day to be named, recommending it to them to make the same known in their respective Districts, that such persons, as conceive themselves entitled thereto may lose no time in bringing forward their pretensions.

(Signed), J. WILLIAMS, C. C.

[454] Filed No. 76.

Copy of a Letter from Henry Motz, Esquire, to the board.

Quebec, 3d March, 1791.

(Circular.)

GENTLEMEN,—I am commanded to enclose a Schedule of the Land Boards this day appointed by His Excellency Lord Dorchester, for your information.

The Quorum, from and after the first day of May next, being changed from three to five Members.

His Lordship will receive your recommendation of two or more proper persons, being Loyalists, U. E., to be added to the board of your district, if you shall conceive the Dispatch of the Business, and your other avocations, to require further aid in the execution of the trust, I am, &c.,

(Signed), HENRY MOTZ.

[455] Enclosure in 76 No.

Schedule of the Land Boards Appointed by His Excellency Lord Dorchester, to act from and after the first day of May, 1791.

Sir John Johnson Baronet, President of the Land Boards of Montreal, Luneburg, Mecklenburg, Nassau and Hesse, when there were present:—

Montreal.

The officer Commanding at Montreal—
Wm. Rankin, Esquire, Abr. Partorius, Esquire, Jos. Chud, Esquire, Eli Branson, Esquire, Arthur Davidson, Esquire.
The Officers of the Royal Corps of Engineers Stationed at Montreal, if such there is—

[456] Lunenburg.

Richard Duncan, Esquire, John McDonnell, Esquire, Jeremiah Frink, Esquire, Justus Sherwood, Esquire, James Gray, Esquire, John Munro, Esquire, Malcolm McMartin, Esquire.

Mecklenburg.

The Reverend Mr. John Stuart, Neil Mclean, Esquire, Richard Cartright, Junior, Esquire,, James McDonnel, Esquire, Hector Mclean, Esquire, and the Officer Commanding for the Time being.

[457] Nassau.

The Officer commanding the Upper posts—
Lieut.-Col. John Butler, Peter Tenbrook, Esquire, Robert Hamilton, Esquire, Benjamin Pawling, Esquire, Nathl. Pettit, Esquire, Gilbert Tice, Esquire, John Burch, Esquire, John Warren, Esquire, Robert Kerr, Esquire, John McNab, Esquire.
The Officer of the Royal Corps of Engineers, stationed at Niagara, for [458] the time being, if such there is.

Hesse.

The Officer Commanding at Detroit—
W. D. Powell, Esquire, A. McKee, Esquire, Wm. Robertson, Esquire, A. Grant, Esquire, St. Martin Adhemar, Esquire, John Askin, Esquire, George Leith, Esquire, Montigny de Louvigny, Esquire.
The Officer of the Royal Corps of Engineers, stationed at Detroit for the time being, if such there is.

Gaspé.

Nicholas Cox, Esquire, Lieutenant-Governor, Felix O'hara, Esquire, Charles Robin, Esquire, Daniel McPherson, Esquire, L. B. Delafontaine, Esquire, P. Loubert, Esquire, H. Rimphoff, Esquire, Isaac Mann, Esquire.
[459] Filed No. 77.

H. M.

Copy of a Circular Letter from Lord Dorchester, to the Land Board of Hesse.

Dated, Quebec, 3d March, 1791.

GENTLEMEN—As the authority of the Land Boards, heretofore constituted in different parts of the province, will expire on the first of May next, and a Continuance of Similar powers is expedient for the Ease and accomodation of Loyalists, and for the Inspection and due execution of all orders of the Governor in Council relative to the Land granting Department in the Respective Districts; I have thought proper hereby to appoint you, or any five of you, to constitute a Board for that purpose, within and for the

[460] District of Hesse, from and after the first day of May next, until the first day of June in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-three, unless sooner dissolved.

You will be governed in the Exercise of this trust, by the rules and Regulations for the Conduct of the Land granting Department, now Extant, and such further orders and instructions, as you may receive from time to time.

I am with Regard,

(Signed), DORCHESTER.

Entered by W. D. Smith, Secretary.

To Sir Jno. Johnson, Baronet, the Offr. Comg. at Detroit—

W. D. Powell, Esquire, Alexander McKee, Esquire, Wm. Robertson, Esquire, Alex. Grant, Esquire, S. Martin Adhemar, Esquire, John Askin, Esquire, George Leith, Esquire, Montigny de Louvigny, Esquire, and

The Officer of the Royal Corps of Engineers stationed at Detroit, for [461] the time being, if such there is.

[REPORT E.]

MINUTES OF MEETINGS, ETC.

At the Council Chamber of Detroit, Fryday, 20 May, 1791.

Present, Major Smith, W. D. Powell, Esquire, John Askin, Esquire, Geo. Leith, Esquire, Montigny de Louvigny, Esquire.

(Folio 459.) Read a Letter from His Excellency Lord Dorchester, dated 3d March, 1791—

The Officer Comg. at Detroit—

W. D. Powell, Esquire, Alex. McKee, Esquire, Wm. Robertson, Esquire, Alex. Grant, Esquire, St. Martin Adhemar, Esquire, John Askin, Esquire, Geo. Leith, Esquire, Montigny de Louvigny, Esquire.

[462] The officer of the royal Corps of Engineers, stationed at Detroit, for the time being, if such there is;—constituting this board for the Land granting Department within the District of Hesse.

(Folios 454 and 455.) Read a Letter from Henry Motz, Esquire, to the Board of 3d of March, 1791, covering a Shedule of the different Landboards within the Province.

(Folio 452.) Also a Letter from J. Williams, Esquire, to the board, dated 17 March, 1791, covering an order of Council of 5 March, 1791.

Mr. Powell proposed that as the newly appointed Members of the board cannot be competent judges of the Services heretofore rendered the public at this board, by the ministry of Lieutenant D. W. Smith, the former Mem- [463] bers do take into Consideration the propriety of submitting to his Excellency, Lord Dorchester, a suitable pecuniary recompense for the aid afforded; without which, it had been impossible for the board to have complied, as it has, with the various Instructions, which have required the Details appearing on the Minutes of the board, and its Communications, with the other Land office boards of the Province, and Mr. Powell further submits to the board that the Compensation to be recommended should be at the rate of fifty-two guineas p. Annum.

And Mr. Powell proposes that the amount of Disbursements for [464] Stationary to this period, may be prepared for the board, that they may recommend the payment of the same to His Excellency.

(Folio 452.) The Land Board taking into Consideration the order of Council, communicated to them by J. Williams, Esquire, direct that the Public be advised by advertisement, of the matter contained, in that communication, by exposing a transcript of that order.

The members of the late existing board having verbally consented to Lieutenant Smith's granting Certificates to the Loyalists (during the Interval of the two appointments), on the Commissary for the provisions, which [465] had been approved of in the first Instance by the preceding board; apply now to the present formed Board for their Sanction to the Measure which is generally approved and confirmed accordingly—to the following persons and their families, two months from 25 April to 24 June, 1791:—Joseph Windall, Leonard Scratch, James Robertson, Geo. Jas. Rudhart, John Stockwell, Thomas Hale, Edward Nevill, Daniel McKillup, the respective proofs required by His Excellency's Instructions having been complied with.

[466] Filed. I. Wheatson's Petition for Provisions.

JOHN SMITH,
WILLIAM DUMMER POWELL.
JOHN ASKIN.
GEORGE LEITH.
MONTIGNY LOUVIGNY.

Report E. continued, folio 471.

Appendix to Report D.

Continued from Folio 445.

Petitions filed No. 12-83-111-112-113-114-128-155 become of no value, because they are for Land, not in the Recommendation of the board, as appears by their minute on that tract (called Marsh Creek), in the first folio of this Report; Petition filed No. 149 of no value, because out of the purchase made from the Natives—Petition 331 of no value, because not Comprehended within the treaty line—Petitions filed No. 3, 9, 183, 282 done away, by the petitioners being located.

Report D. ends here.

D. W. SMITH.

[467] Copy of a Letter from D. W. Smith to H. Finlay, Esquire, &ca., &ca., &ca.

Duplicate!

Extracts of a Letter from the Land board of Hesse to the Honble Hugh Finlay, Esquire.

Detroit, 6 May, 1791.

Folio 417.

"By a petition referred to this board by my Lord Dorchester's order of "21 January, 1790, but withdrawn by Mr. McKee on 14 May, 1790, and "not since returned—"

Folio 425.

"As in Cornwall and Charlottenburg pointed out in the Diagram com-"municated to this board."

Sir,—It is thought prudent to send a duplicate of the above extracts lest in the hurry of compiling the letter, to which they refer, the Year 1791, may have been inserted, instead of 1790, in the first Extract, and the word [468] Luneburg, or Lancaster, instead of Charlottenburg, in the second Extract.

I have the honor, &ca.,

D. W. Smith,
Secretary to the board.

Copy.

Know all men by these Presents, that I, Jacob Schieffelin, of Detroit, for and in Consideration of one shilling Stirling to me in hand paid by Captain James Understone, and for other good causes have given granted aliened and confirmed, and by these presents do give, grant, alien and confirm unto the said James Understone, his heirs, or assigns, a plantation or parcel of Land situated on the South side of Detroit, near the mouth of [469] Detroit River containing 4 acres in front and a hundred in depth bounded on the front by Lake Erie, on the rear by the Lands belonging to the said Jacob Schieffelin, on the North East side by the Lands belonging to to John Martin, Junior, and on the South west side by the Lands belonging to Jacob Schieffelin along Lake Erie, together with all and singular the appurtenances whatsoever to the said tract of Land and Premises belonging or in any wise appertaining and all the Estate, right, title, Interest, property, claim or Demand whatever of me, the said Jacob Schiefflin, my heirs, or assigns of, in, and to the said plantation, or tract of land, and pre-[470] mises and of, in and to, every part thereof, to have and to hold the said tract of Land and premises, and every part thereof, unto the said Captain James Understone, his heirs, or assigns, for the only proper use and be hoof of him the said Captain James Understone, his heirs and assigns, for Ever; and I, the said Jacob Schieffelin for myself, my heirs, and assigns the said plantation and premises against myself, my heirs and assigns the said Plantation and premises against myself, my heirs and assigns only shall and will warrant and defend for ever by these Presents. In witness whereof, I hereunto set my name and affix my Seal at Fort Erie, 5th June, 1784.

J. Schieffelin.

Sealed and delivered in the presence of us, John Garner, Wm. Fleming, Samuel McClelland.

Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary.

James Underston.

[471] Report E., continued from folo. 466.

Report E., continued from folo. 466.

At a Land board for the District of Hesse, holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit, Fryday, 27 May, 1791—

Present, Major Smith, W. D. Powell, Esquire, Alex. Grant, Esquire, John Askin, Esquire, Geo. Leith, Esquire, Montigny Louvigny, Esquire,

Samuel Hale produces Major Mathew's Ticket for Lot No. 19. The Board therefore administered him the directed oaths and declaration, and

he having subscribed the same, they delivered to him a Certificate for a single Lot of about 200 acres, being Lot No. 19, in the 2 Connected townships, Lake Erie. The Board then directed said Samuel Hale,*one of the approved List, one months provision, for himself, wife and 2 Children [472] under 10 years of age, he having made oath that he never received any provision since his discharge, and that his family consists of the said number.

Wm. Harpur, one of the approved list produces Geo. Jacobs Certificate of his having served in the Forresters, and the board having taken John Dalton's oath to the same effect, and the said Wm. Harpur having sworn that he has never received any provisions, since his discharge, the board direct him one month's provisions.

Jean Baptiste Vallade produced to the board a ticket of Major Mathew's for Lot No. 34. The board therefore administered him the directed oath and declaration, and he having subscribed the same, they delivered [473] him a certificate for a single Lot of about 200 acres, being Lot No. 34 in the 2 Connected townships Lake Erie.

The board direct a months provision to be continued to John Top, John Cameron, Thomas Ashworth, Elisher Wilcox, Senior, John Dalton, and their respective families, as heretofore specyfied.

Filed the following petitions for Land:—P. Chesne, N. Millar, J. Kennedy, T. Clark, T. Clark, E. Andrews, W. Forsyth, D. Purdy, F. Ed-
[474] wards.

Filed the following petitions for provisions:—Geo. Lichelstel, P. Chesne, J. Ruff, Luke Killon, Eliz. Andrews, Thos. Clark, Wm. Forsyth, Simon Girty, J. Welsh, F. Rivard, J. Pomainville. Jas. Mcfarson, M. Lepage, dit amant.

(329) Filed petition and memorial of Louis Trudell.

JOHN SMITH.

[475] Mr. Powell proposes to the board to take into Consideration the Report of the Deputy Surveyor (58, 67) on the order of 11 august, 1790; and we report to his Excellency the Governor in the most ample Manner upon the impediments which obstruct the progress of Settlement, under Sanction of the board, and which in course must increase the future Confusion, so much deprecated by the irregular establishment of Individuals, refering to the new Members, to the order of 11 August, 1790, penned by Sit Jno. Jonson Br. and which the Deputy Surveyor professed to the board [476] thoroughly to understand. The Report of the Deputy Surveyor with his plan, The general and addl. Instructions, Minutes and Report of the Committee of the Legislative Council on the impracticability of location in this District without the aid therein mentioned.

WILLIAM DUMMER POWELL.
ALEXANDER GRANT.
JOHN ASKIN.
GEORGE LEITH.
MONTIGNY LOUVIGNY.

*N.B.—S. Hale. This Man's case to be reported on, His provisions being withheld by reason of his not being able to produce any Certificate of his Services. D.W.S.

[477] *Copy.*

Abstract of Contingent Disbursements in the Land Granting Department for the District of Hesse, from the 9th July, 1790, to 20 May, 1791.

To Messrs. Robertson for Stationery as p. acct. and Receipt from 9 July 90 to 20 May 91	1	6	.....	.....
To D. W. Smith for pay as Clerk between the 10 August, 90, and the 20 May, 91—282 days, at one guinea p. week, or 3 Shilling (Sterling at 4/6) p. day, equal £42.6. British= $\frac{da}{188}$ ...	2	47	.....	.....
N.B.—These 2 charges recommended for payment by the Minute of the Board of 20 May, 1781, and by their Letter to his Excellency, Lord Dorchester	3	.....	.....	.....
	£	53	.....	.....

Amounting to fifty-three pounds, Halifax Currency, Dollar at five Shillings.

Errors Excepted. Detroit, 20 May, 1791.

(Signed) John Smith.
W. D. Powell.
A. Grant.

D. W. Smith, Secretary to the Board.

[478] No. 2. *Copy.*

£47 Halifax Currency. Detroit, 20th May, 1791.

Received of Joshua Winslow, Esquire, Deputy paymaster General, the Sum of forty seven pounds, Halifax Currency, being in full of my pay as Clerk to the Land Granting Department, for the District of Hesse, between 10 August, 1790, and the 20 May, 1791, 282 days, at one guinea per week, or 3 Shillings Sterling at 4/6 per day—equal to £42.6.0 British, or one hundred and Eighty eight dollars, having signed 2 Receipts of this tenor and date.

Witness D. W. Smith.
(Signed) John Hamilton.

[479] Copy of a Letter from D. W. Smith to H. Motz, Esquire.

Detroit, 20th May, 1791.

Sir!—I have the honor to enclose you the Contingent Account of the Land Granting Board for the District of Hesse to this date.

I have forwarded also by this opportunity their Report D (closing the operations of the former board) with the petitions granted, reported on, and done away; Locations in the 2 Connected Townships, papers of referrence, Shedules of petitions for Land and provisions continued.

The Board will be thankful to you, Sir, if you will have the Goodness to direct, a few more Location Certificates, for Single Lots, to be forwarded, [480] observing to the printer that the blank space left for the Signature of the Quorum is insufficient for their five Names.

You will much oblidge, also, by forwarding half a dozen Copies of the printed Rules and Regurlation of 17th February, 1789, and the additional ones of 25 August, 1789, that they may be distributed among the New Members.

I have the honour to be, Sir, with Great Respect, your humble servant,

D. W. Smith,
Lieutenant of foot, Secretary to the Board.

H. Motz, Esquire, Secretary to the Governor.

[481] Copy of a Letter from the Board to Lord Dorchester.

20 May, 1791.

My Lord!—(459) The addition of three members in the New appointment of a Land Office board for this District, induces the former board at this crisis to exonerate themselves, from any Engagement, which may be Considered personal in them, and they have the honour to represent to your Lordship that upon the special introduction of the honourable Sir John Johnson, Bar- (58) onet, while occasionally presiding at the board, they admitted the Services of Lieutenant D. W. Smith of the 5. Regiment as Clerk of the Land board [482] without any stipulation in lieu of fees allowed by your Lordship's Letter (Folio 2) of 2d April, 1789, and relinquished as to the Loyalists U. E. by your (Folio 107) Lordship's Instruction of 19 January, 1790.

The Assiduity and Abilities of Mr. Smith, displayed in the Sacrifice of every moment of Leisure, call for a Compensation beyond any Emolument, hitherto accruing in this District! It will appear from the Voluminous Minutes of the board, the various necessary books of Registers, etc., etc., and the constant Communications to the Office of your Lordship's Secretary, the [483] Clerk of the Council, and the Several Land boards, required by the General Instructions, that although the board has not before it, the Survey of a Single Township, the whole time of an indifferent penman would barely suffice to those Objects.

In submitting to your Lordship the Idea of an adequate Compensation to Mr. Smith, we have considered his relative Situation as an officer in pay, since the Sum we presume to recommend to your Lordship as a due Gratifica- (folio 478) tion to Mr. Smith, for his past services to the Board, at the rate [484] of fifty-two guineas per Annum, would not engage a Clerk of any Ability, and Integrity, two days in the week.

We take occasion to submit at the same time, an account Rendered to (373, 374) the board, by Messieurs W. D. Robertsons, for Stationery, etc., (folio 77) and to beg your Lordship's permission to draw for the Amount.

We have the honor to be, My Lord, with great Respect, your Lordship's humble Servants,

(Signed) John Smith.
W. D. Powell.
A. Grant.

His Excellency Right Honourable Lord Dorchester.

[485] *D. W. Smith.*

Copy of a Letter from D. W. Smith to P. McNiff, Deputy Surveyor.

Detroit, 29 May, 1791.

The Board having found it necessary to transmit the plan you delivered (312) me on the 25 January last, with their communications to the Chairman of the Land Committee of the Honourable Legislative Council; I am directed (425) to request you may have the Goodness to furnish the board with a duplicate of said plan, together with your operations at the River Latranche, as soon as you may find it practicable, that they may be laid before the new Board. D. W. Smith, Secretary.

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[486] At a land board for the District of Hesse, holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit; Fryday, 3d June, 1791.

Present: Major Smith, W. D. Powell, Esquire, Alexander Grant, Esquire, George Leith, Esquire, Montigny Louvigny, Esquire, Robert Pilkington, Esquire.

Daniel McKillip presented to the board Major Mathew's Ticket for Lot No. 63. The Board therefore administered him the Directed oaths and declaration, and he having subscribed the same, they delivered him a Certificate for a Single Lot of about 200 Acres, being Lot No. 63, in the 2 Connected Townships, Lake Erie .....

Filed the petitions of Laurent More for land and provisions.

[487] Filed the petitions of Meldrum and Park for Land.

Filed the petitions of Robert Gill for Land, etc.

The board then canvassed the petitions for Lot No. 32, new Settlement, Lake Erie, Granted originally by Major Mathews to Thomas Clarke, who also got a ticket for that Lot from Major Close, which he has surrended to the Recommendations of the Board, and the Merits of Edward Butler, from his Services in the 84th Regiment and subsequent engagement in the naval Department, surpassing those of His Competitors, notwithstanding John Carrel, one of the petitioners, had a ticket from Major Murray to take possession of the Lot; but the said apparent authority, being subsequent to the appointment of the Board, and of course not binding, and no improvement [488] being made on the Lot, either by Carrel, or any one else, and the said Butler being one of the approved list, and prevented from the Benefits of receiving provisions, until located; the Board administered him the directed oaths and declaration, and he having subscribed the same, they delivered him a Certificate for a Single Lot of about 200 Acres, being Lot No. 32, in the 2 Connected Townships, Lake Erie, and a month's provision for himself and wife. This does away in part the petitions No. 204, No. 249.

The Board then administered the oaths and declaration to John Wist, the first applicant for Lot No. 2 Eastermost in the New Settlement, Lake [489] Erie, and he having subscribed them, they delivered him on the prayer of his petition, a Certificate for a Single Lot of about 200 acres, being Lot No. 2 Eastermost in the 2 Connected Townships, Lake Erie. This does away petitions No. 235, and No. 237 and No. 248 in part.

The Board having the advantage of the Presence of an Officer of the royal Corps of Engineers, requested the attendance of the Deputy Surveyor, and having read the minutes of 11th and 12 August last, directing the Report (58, 67) of a Survey, of 3 Townships on the River Latranche, request to be [490] informed why the Survey reported does not correspond with the General plan of Survey, explained by the 9th and 10th articles of the Rules and Regulations of 17 February, 1789, and the additional Rules and Regulations of 25 August same Year, referred to in said minute:

Mr. McNiff informs the Board, with respect to the Survey directed to be made on River Latranche, by order of the Land Board of the 11th and 12th (58, 67) August, 1790, observes that in the Cursory Survey which his sickly situation in October, 1790, would permit him to make on that River, *that he did take the Bearing of the said River for 17 miles and a half, in length from its Entrance, upward*, but from the then infirm state of his health was obliged [491] to decline the prosecution of his Survey any farther. That the Report which he has now to make of his late Surveys on that River exactly corresponds with the Report made or entered on his plan of his former Survey of that River, which plan was delivered to the Land board on the 23 January (312) last; and that on his return from his late Survey conceived it unnecessary in his 2d plan with the additional Surveys on the same river to the board, to insert his former Remarks, so far as referred to his former survey of that River for 17 miles and a half; knowing that the Board had it already in pos- [492] session. But now takes upon him, to repeat it to the board, from his field notes, of his late Surveys, and subdivision of them Lands, to wit, that

from the Entrance of the River, on the South Side of the Same, to Commencement of Lot No. 1, no settlement can be made, being all a marsh, excepting in some places from a Chain to half a chain of Land, fronting on the water, from Lot. No. 1 upwards to Lot No. 19, inclusive, is so thickly inhabited, in some places, two and in other places 3 familys in a Lot, where some of them [493] have been for a number of Years, prior to the present standing rule of Survey taking place; Numbers of whom have very large improvements with some very good buildings, that in that space, if the Land back would even admit of carrying the present standing order of Survey into execution, it could not be done without the ruin and removal of all the Inhabitants already settled in that space, but had there been no inhabitants there, the standing [494] order of Survey could not possibly be carried into execution, as there is scarcely one place in that Space, where 40 Chains of dry land can be had between the bank of the River and a marsh back, which from the Spring to the fall is impassable, consequently not fit for a Village. Nor, can there be a second Concession had in the first township on the South Side, excepting from Lot 20, to Lot 24, which ends the township.

As for the second township on the South Side of the same River, the [495] Reserves directed by the present standing order of Survey, has been duely marked out, from the Commencement to the end of said Township, and that Township marked in different Concessions as appears by His plan of Survey now before the Board, after going through with the second Township, commenced the third township and surveyed twelve Lots therein, at that place, and of the 12th Lot, finding the River taking a much more southerly direction, than he expected, or would answer the purpose of continuing the [496] Survey longer, in the direction, hitherto given to the front of the other Lots, could not take upon him to make a Change without the order of the board, and his provisions being expended, found it requisite to decline the Survey, and returned to the Garrison;" But in the Survey of the front of three Townships, finding so many inhabitants already settled, with large Improvements, did in order to facilitate to the board, the placing of people [497] upon these Lands, make a double Survey of the front of each, the one Conformable to the present standing order of Survey, the other dividing the Lots, into such farm Lots, as is directed by the present standing order of Survey, to be given to farmers, placed by the board upon the Lands, as now appears by the plan before the board.

P. McNiff."

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John Smith.
William Dummer Powell.
Alexander Grant.
George Leith.
Montigny Louvigny.
Robert Pilkington.

At a land board for the District of Hesse, holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit, Fryday, 17 June, 1791.

Present: Major Smith, W. D. Powell, Esquire, John Askin, Esquire, George Leith, Esquire, Montigny Louvigny, Esquire.

(No. 78) Received a Cover containing 25 papers respecting the Cultivation of Hemp, direct the same to be made public.

The board direct three months' provisions to Jacob Arner and family of wife and 2 children under ten years of age—he having produced the required

[499] satisfaction—and order the Continuance of provisions to those people who are victualled at present to the 24 June only, on producing the required proofs.

Filed the petitions of No. 333, George Myers, for land; 334, T. B. Charboneau, for land; 335, S. Casler, for land; 336, P. Mellat, for land.

Filed J. Dodemead's Petition for provisions.

JOHN SMITH.
WILLIAM DUMMER POWELL.
JOHN ASKIN.
GEORGE LEITH.
MONTIGNY LOUVIGNY.

[500] At a Land Board for the District of Hesse, holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit, Fryday, 24 June, 1791.

Present: Major Smith, W. D. Powell, Esquire, Alexander Grant, Esquire, John Askin, Esquire, Montigny Louvigny, Esquire.

Joseph Drouillard having presented to the board the original ticket for Lot No. 90, granted by Major Mathews to Rundel McGillis on 1st October, 1787, and the board being satisfied by the information of Ramsey and Hazel, as to the transfer from the original proprietor; they administered him the oaths of fidelity, and the directed declaration, and delivered him a certificate [501] for a Single Lot of about 200 Acres, being Lot No. 90, 2 Connected Townships, Lake Erie.

(This does away with Petitions No. 37 and 242, and Petition No. 185, in part.) Edward McCarthy produces Major Mathew's ticket for Lot No. 72; and finding by the Different Shedules that said McCarthy was the original Grantee, the board administered him the directed oaths and declaration, and delivered him a Certificate for a Single Lot of about 200 acres, being Lot No. 72 in the 2 Connected townships, Lake Erie.

Filed the petition of J. B. Fere for Land.

JOHN SMITH.
WILLIAM DUMMER POWELL.
ALEXANDER GRANT.
JOHN ASKIN.
MONTIGNY LOUVIGNY.

Detroit, Fryday, 1 July, 1791.

Major Smith, W. D. Powell, Esquire, A. Grant, Esquire, met, but being insufficient for a Quorum, adjourned to Fryday next.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

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[502] At a land board for the District of Hesse, holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit, Fryday, 8 July, 1791.

Present: Major Smith, W. D. Powell, Esquire, A. Grant, Esquire, J. Askin, Esquire, Montigny Louvigny, Esquire.

John Little appeared to claim the sanction of the board for his Son, John Little, Junior, to obtain a Certificate for Lot No. 46, new Settlements, Lake Erie, pursuant to their advertisement of 1st October, 1790, nobody having stood forward at the Expiration of the time specyfied by the Board for the Grantee, or his Representative, of Said Lot No. 46, to shew cause why the said Lot should not be regranted, or recommended by the Board.

Messieurs Meldrum and Parks, however, having since that period, filed [503] a petition for said Lot, in consequence of a debt to them by William Brown, to whom it appears it was granted by Major Close, after the death of Johnson, the original Grantee. The board enquired into the merits of the petitions, and find on the examination of Messiurs Meldrum and Parks' petition that a house is stated to be erected, and improvements made; but by the Surveyor's Report, the Lot is said to be uncultivated; Mr. Park was therefore called in, who explained such part of their said petition, by informing the board, he understood the house said to be erected on Lot No. 46 had been placed on another through mistake, the lines not then being thoroughly known, and that no improvements, he believed, were made on the Lot, prays, how-[504] ever, that if anything can be done for them, in the instance of the land, towards the liquidating of Brown's debt, their claim may be considered.

The board after consideration, promise the Lot to John Little, Junior, the first petitioner, and direct him to attend for his Certificate. Mr. Park states also, that he did not advert to the Number 46, when the advertisement relative to it was exposed to the public.

Filed the petitions of A. McCormack, for Land; R. Pick, for Land; J. Pick, for Land; J. B. Salarony, for Land; A. Woolche, for Land; P. Flanney, for Land; M. Wilcox, for Land.

JOHN SMITH.
WILLIAM DUMMER POWELL.
ALEXANDER GRANT.
JOHN ASKIN.
MONTIGNY LOUVIGNY.

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[505] At a Land board for the District of Hesse, holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit, Fryday, 15 July, 1791.

W. D. Powell, Esquire, A. Grant, Esquire, J. Askin, Esquire, G. Leith, Esquire, Montigny Louvigny, Esquire.

The board adjourned to Fryday next.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

At a Land board for the District of Hesse, holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit, Fryday, 22d July, 1791.

Messieurs John Smith, Esquire, W. D. Powell, Esquire, J. Askin, Esquire, J. Leith, Esquire, Louvigny Montigny, Esquire.

[506] (See folio 536) Monsieur Francois Dequindre, applied to the board for a Certificate for his Lot No. 71, New Settlement, Lake Erie, and the Board having examined the Schedules of Majors Mathews and Close, find the said (This does away Petitions No. 165 and 185.) Lot to have been granted to the said Dequindre, who subscribed the directed oaths and received a Certificate for a Single Lot of about 200 acres, being No. 71, 2 Connected Townships, Lake Erie.

John Clearwater produces a letter from Mr. Askin, and his Title ticket for Lot No. 61, signed by Major Mathews, and demands A Certificate for the Lot, which originally for want of provisions he was obliged to surrender in exchange for a Lot nearer the fort—being duly sworn, and having subscribed [507] the oaths and declaration, the board delivered him a Certificate for a Single Lot of about 200 acres, being No. 61, 2 Connected Townships, Lake (This does away Petition No. 202.) Erie—and being of the approved List, direct him one month's provision for himself, his wife, and 3 Children, under 10 years of age.

The board direct the Continuance of provisions to those who are now victualled to the 24 instant on producing the required proofs.

Filed the petitions of the following persons for Land: William Carter, Francois Drouillard, Solomon Drouillard, Denis Drouillard, Fontenoy De-
[508] quindre, Antoine Dequindre.

The Board frame a Report to His Excellency Lord Dorchester, and direct it to be entered.

Per order of the Board.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

(For answer see folio 569.) Copy of a Letter from the Board to His Excellency Lord Dorchester.

Detroit, 22 July, 1791.

In compliance with your Lordship's directions signified to us by Hr. Motz's circular Letter of 3d March last, we find it our duty to represent to your Lordship, the great difficulty if not impossibility of finding 2 Loyalists U. E. whose residence is so near to Detroit, as to expect any aid from their attendance, and should this impediment be even removed we could not recom-
[509] mend two particular objects of the above description, suitable for the trust; If therefore the appointment of 2 members other than Loyalists U. E. is deemed improper, we presume to submit to your Lordship that three members may constitute a Quorum for the Land Granting department in this District, being now reduced to the actual residence, and attendance of only 5 Members, so that the casual absence, and such may be looked for, of any individual, prevents the Progress of any business, which may be pressed on the board.

In thus offering our opinion on this subject, we find a warm impulse to
[510] assure your Lordship, that we trust, the Sentiments which actuate a Quorum of five of us, will be found in that of three, and that an equal attention will be paid to that high liberality and Equity, which has always been the basis of the directions given to this board--and to which they endeavoured rigidly to adhere, while the Business was trusted to three Members.

(Signed) JOHN SMITH.
W. D. POWELL.
JOHN ASKIN.
GEORGE LEITH.
M. LOUVIGNY.

[511] (Original paper sent to Quebec with Certificate No. 66.) (Copy.)

Detroit, 22 July, 1791.

GENTLEMEN,—I wrote you some time ago in behalf of my Son John, relative to Lot. No. *61* in the new Settlement which he had got in Exchange for other land from John Clearwater, but as both him . . . I find that should such Exchange take place, it would cause loss of a Quantity of provisions to said Clearwater and his family, I am authorized in behalf of my Son to let you know that he relinquishes all Claim to said Lot.

I have the honor,

(Signed) JOHN ASKIN.

To the Land Board for Hesse.
Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary.

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[512] At a land board for the district of Hesse, holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit, Fryday, 29 July, 1791.

Present: Major Smith, W. D. Powell, Esquire, John Askin, Esquire, George Leith, Esquire, Montigny Louvigny, Esquire.

The Board took up the petition of Joseph Vallade, and having administered him the oath and declaration, and he having subscribed the same, they delivered him a Certificate for a Single Lot of about 200 Acres, being No. 28, Two Connected Townships, Lake Erie.

JOHN SMITH,
W. D. POWELL.
JOHN ASKIN.
GEORGE LEITH.
MONTIGNY LOUVIGNY.

[513] (29 July, 1791, Continued.) The Board sent for the Deputy Surveyor, who, attending, the board desired to be informed if from the Surveys already made by him, he can ascertain to the Board, whether two Townships can be laid out agreeable to the General Regulations, between the Reserve at the River Canard and the River Latranche, without interfering with the rear lines of the Two connected Townships on Lake Erie, or those of the Townships directed to be laid out on the River la tranche, and what will the Interference be if any.

And Mr. McNiffe assures the board that there is not sufficient distance between Lake Erie and St. Clair to give Two townships of 12 miles depth, and indeed from the bends in the course of the Streight no right angle or [514] line can be extended, conformable to the general Instructions.

From the North boundary of the Reserve at the River Canard the depth may be had for about 3 miles up the Streight, when the water takes a circular Course, to Peach Island; thence a township may be laid out with a front on Lake St. Clair, about 11 miles by an unequal depth from 8 to 9 miles, before it Strikes the rear of the two Connected Townships on Lake Erie; that the upper Township from Peach Island to the East line of the two Connected townships, may be laid out nearly conformable to the General Regulations, and is at present uninhabited; the lower from Peach Island to the Reserve, being irregularly settled on the front. It may be proper to Commence the distribution of the Township by forming a front on the Side line of the upper [515] Township, containing the Concessions.

(Signed) In presence of the Board,

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

The Board resolve to take the same into Consideration and adjourn, to fryday next.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary to the Board.

(Copy.) Detroit, 6th August, 1791.

SIR,—You will proceed to the East Boundary of the Second Township on Lake Erie, and Commence your Survey, close to the bank of the lake, and run thence a due North course, until you Strike the South shore of Lake St. Clair, that done you will proceed to the North Boundary of the Reserve at River Canard, at the water's edge (nearly opposite the North end of Turkey [516] Island) and run thence a due East line until you intersect the East Boundary line of the said 2nd Township, thence back on your line, 11¼

Statute Miles, (or 900 Chains), thence a due North Course until you Strike the South shore of Lake St. Clair.

Per order of the Board,

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

To Mr. P. McNiff, Deputy Surveyor, District Hesse.

Approved. (Signed) JOHN SMITH.
WILLIAM DUMMER POWELL.
JOHN ASKIN.
GEORGE LEITH.
MONTIGNY LOUVIGNY.

[517] Detroit, 12 August, 1791.

John Smith, Esquire, W. D. Powell, Esquire, George Leith, Esquire, and Montigny Louvigny, Esquire, being insufficient to form a Quorum, no Business was transacted.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

At a land board for the District of Hesse, holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit, fryday, 26th August, 1791.

Present: Major Smith, W. D. Powell, Esquire, John Askin, Esquire, George Leith, Esquire, Montigny Louvigny, Esquire.

Filed the petition of D. Cameron, for Land; J. Carrol, for Land; J. B. Beaubien, for Land; G. Corbes, for Land; P. Tractley, for Land; J. Beauchamp, for Land; Henry Beauchamp, for Land; James Champigny, for Land.

Filed the petition of J. B. Beaubien for provisions; R. Denniston for provisions; J. Girty for provisions.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

[518] The Board Resumed the Consideration of the various applications for provisions under the Governor's order of 12 January, 1791, and equally desir- (Folio 324) ous to avoid a profuse and unnecessary Exercise of the Liberality of Government, as to obviate all just cause for individual Complaint, has classed the Petitions under the several Heads following, viz.: Loyalists, U. E.; Soldiers disbanded at the Peace; Canadian Volunteers, etc., etc. Those of Loyalists U. E., Soldiers disbanded at the Peace, and Canadian Volunteers, appear to the Board to be within the Letter of my Lord Dorchester's Instructions, but not within the Spirit and Meaning of the former Report of this Board, which held forth a specific promise of Government as the inducement [519] to the first Petitioners to quit the lower Districts for that of Hesse;

That to avoid all Surprise it is proper to restate to His Lordship the remote Pretensions of those Classes founded, the 2 first, on the possibility that they may have remained here in Expectation of Settlement under the General orders, and the third, on the subsequent attention of Government to Persons in similar Circumstances, settled on lake St. Francis.

As to the Classes comprehending Discharged Seamen, Military artificers, Europeans not settled in any of the Colonies, between the 19 April, 1775, and the Peace of 1783, The Indian Department, and Soldiers not disbanded at the peace, within the province, etc., etc., The Board does not conceive [520] their opinion required as they are not comprehended in the Commissary General's Instructions. That we submit the whole to the wisdom of the Governor. The Board framed their Report thereon.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

Detroit, 26 August, 1791.

To Mr. Joseph Beauchamp, Late Captain of Militia in lower Canada, L'assomption.

Sir!—The Board having considered your representation and sensible of the Propriety of your Conduct, in avoiding the bad Example of those who build and improve in defiance of the King's Authority, have authorized me to say to you that the erection of a temporary Building to cover yourself and family from the Inclemency of the Season, will not be considered by the [521] Board as any Obstacle to the prayer of your petition for Land, when it shall come under their Consideration; But you are not to esteem this Declaration as the smallest assurance of any prefernce merely on account of your occupation and Improvements.

I have the honor, etc.,

D. W. Smith, Secretary.

(Filed No. 79.)

Deputy Surveyor Mr. McNiff, to the President of the Board, etc., dated near Detroit, the 28 August, 1791.

Sir!—After my departure from here on the late Survey, I commenced my operations on the 10th instant at the North Boundary of the Reserve at River Canard, and sent the boat with the Corporal and 2 men, to the new settlement on the Lake, where she was to remain until my arrival. I con- [522] tinued my line from the place of Commencement a due east course for some distance above the forks of River Canard, where I was obstructed by extensive marshes with mud and water not passable with a Canoe, or otherwise at this season, made several attempts by different offsets to clear the marshes, but in vain, being still headed by them, which obliged me to discontinue the line, and rather than return back on my line, and follow the boat along the water's Edge, thought best to take my route through the woods to where the boat was to stop, by which I would be able to explore the Interior part of the Country; This I effected in two days and part of the third, after lodging 2 nights in almost Endless Marshes; after arriving at the [523] Boat, I proceeded to the East Boundary of the 2d Township, where, I commenced to run a line due North, this line I continued through the first marsh I met (the Marsh one mile wide), after crossing this marsh, continued the line to 355 Chains from the front, where, I came first to a miry Swamp, shortly after an Extensive marsh, with mud and water, discontinued this line and attempted in 2 different places besides, the former to effect the running of a line in a North direction from Lake Erie, to Lake St. Clair, but in vain, being in each attempt headed by Marshes before I could measure 2 miles on the lines, which induces Me to believe a line will never be run there between the 2 Lakes in any one direction.

From the various traverses that I have made in that part of the Country, [524] am of opinion that in 3 townships there will not be found 6 farm Lots, in the 2d Concession, if laid out agreeable to the Present mode of Surveys; Still many good farm Lots might be had there, provided the Method of now laying out such lots could be dispensed with and settlers permitted to make their pitch where the land projects out in different angles into the marshes.

Finding myself unable after various attempts and many days' hard Labour, to effect the object of my Instructions, and rather than return immediately with the party, thought it best while here, to lay out the land in front, from my last Survey East ward to the bottom of Point aux Pele, as also the

front of the second Concession of my former and last Survey where the land would admit of it. But this being no part of my Instruction, still I flatter [525] myself, from my own Knowledge of the wishes of the Land Board to promote the Interest of the Crown, in forwarding Surveys of the Country, I will be held Blameless. My late Surveys, etc., I am ready to lay down, and deliver for use of the Board so soon as the Board will enable me to do it, by furnishing me with drawing paper and Led pencils for that purpose.

I have the honor to be, Sir, your most obedient humble Servant,

(Signed) PATRICK MCNIFF, Deputy Surveyor.

To John Smith, Esquire, Major Commanding the 5 Regiment, President of the Land board of Hesse, etc.

Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary to the Board.

[526] (Filed No. 80.)

Council Office, Quebec, 28 July, 1791.

GENTLEMEN,—Inclosed I transmit you a copy of Lord Dorchester's order in Council of the 23d instant respecting Extraordinary Surveyors—at present employed by Government. I have the honor to be, Gentlemen, your most obedient humble Servant,

(Signed) J. WILLIAMS.

The Gentlemen composing the Land Board for the District of Hesse.

(Enclosure in No. 80.) Saturday, 23d July, 1791.

At the Council Chamber in the Bishop's Palace.

Present: His Excellency the Right honourable Lord Dorchester, Governor; the honourable M. General Clarke, Lieutenant Governor; the honourable William Smith, Esquire, Chief Justice, and the Honourable Hugh Finlay, Esquire, Thomas Dunn, Esquire, Edward Harrison, Esquire, John Collins, Esquire, Adam Mabane, Esquire, J. G. C. De Lery, Esquire, George Pownall, Esquire, Henry Caldwell, Esquire, William Grant, Esquire, Francis Baby, [527] Esquire, Samuel Holland, Esquire, Charles de Lanaudiere, Esquire.

His Lordship observed that as soon as the Business of settling the Loyalists and reduced troops on the waste Lands of the Crown, free of Expence, should be brought to a Conclusion, there could be no farther occasion, for the employment of extraordinary Surveyors in the different parts of the province at stated daily allowances, and that it was reasonable to suppose, that all Claims to Lands of the nature above mentioned were now nearly satisfied.

Upon which it was ordered by His Lordship, with the advice of the [528] Council, that all stated daily allowances now paid to Surveyors in different parts of the Province do cease at the Close of the work, which may be ordered for the next Season, and not later than the first day of December, 1791.

Ordered likewise that all Services hereafter to be performed in the Department of the Surveyor General be previously authorized upon annual Estimates of the Expence to be Brought forward by the Surveyor General's Office, and approved by the Governor, or Commander in Chief, for the time being in Council.

Ordered that Copies of this Entry be transmitted by the Clerk, to the Office of Surveyor General, and to the respective Land Boards, for the Information and Guidance of all persons concerned.

(Signed) J. WILLIAMS, C. C.

Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary.

[529] Copy, from the Board to the Governor.

Detroit, 9 September, 1791.

My Lord,—The notification of your Lordship's pleasure on our report in favour of certain Rangers and others, on your Lordship's Reference of 19th April, 1790, has brought forward a Number of applications upon pretences nearly similar; but not exactly meeting the intent of the terms of our former report on this Subject.

The same anxiety for the honor of the King's Government which directed our former opinion might in some instances of the latter applications also sway with us, but we find that it is impossible so to Guard the terms of a general opinion as equally to avoid injustice to the Crown and Claimant; we [530] have therefore Classed, as per the enclosed Schedule, the petitions, actu- (Folio 540) ally received, and which may be received, for provisions, under any latitude in the Construction of your Lordship's order upon our Minute and Report of 18 June, 1790, and Submit to your Lordship's wisdom how far at this advanced period, the Claim of either Class should be attended to, on that Subject.

Soldiers Disbanded at the Peace, Loyalists U. E., and the Canadian Volunteers embodied by Lieutenant-Governor Hamilton, and reduced at the Peace, stand, we believe, within the letter of our former recommendation, in [531] as much as that if they had gone down to the lower Settlements, they would have received Lands and provisions, but we cannot say that they forewent such advantages to promote the projected Settlement at the mouth of the Streight, since we presume that family ties or other Connections prevented their migration. Should, however, the favor shewn to the Canadian Volunteers on Lake Francis be a President to be followed, we submit to your Lordship, that the Pretensions of similar objects are justly founded.

All such disbanded Soldiers and Loyalists as might have received provisions with Lands in the lower Districts, appear to be within the Scope of [532] the order, but sensible that our former Report extended only to those who were in some respect invited by the promise of Government to quit those advantages below, for the Enjoyment of them here, we find no clue to go by in cases short of that designation.

As a Settlement was projected here and those advantages held out here, it is difficult to say to any Loyalist or disbanded Soldier, who has remained here, since the Peace, that he did not remain in daily hopes of seeing the obstacles to settlement in the District surmounted, and should that really be the Case, he comes within the letter of our former Report, and your Lord- [533] ship's order. Did we not see cause to reprobate any unnecessary Confidence, susceptible of Abuse, our judgments would advise that a discretionary power should be lodged somewhere to discriminate the Merits and pretensions of the several applications in the same class, but deprecating the most remote possibility of Error, or abuse, where the faith of the Government has been pledged, we submit to your Lordship as more expedient, that 100 Rations should be undeservedly disposed of, than 10 improperly withheld and upon that Principle (the Lapse of time, not being considered an objection to the present applications) humbly suggest to your Lordship, that all persons [534] of such description as would in the lower districts have been entitled to provisions with their lands, and who have since the Peace resided in this settlement, and had evinced a wish to become settlers on the King's waste Lands by petitions lodged with the Board before the date of our report of 18 June, 1790, should be provisioned in such proportions as they would have been, had they claimed their lands in the lower Districts in 1783 and 1784.

As the terms of the Commissary General's Instructions does not reach [535] Discharged Sailors, Soldiers discharged at their own request, or from infirmity, not exactly at the Peace, Military Artificers, and those who served during the Siege of Quebec and other military Services, the Indian Department, Loyalists, who have come in since the Peace, (and several other particular objects, not classed) as well as Europeans not settled in some one of the revolted Colonies before the treaty of Peace of 1783, we cannot offer any opinion on the claims of these Classes. But submit the whole to your Excellency's Wisdom.

We have the honor, etc.

(Signed) JOHN SMITH.
WILLIAM DUMMER POWELL.
JOHN ASKIN.
GEORGE LEITH.
MONTIGNY LOUVIGNY.

His Excellency Right Honourable Guy, Lord Dorchester, Governor General, etc.

A true Copy. D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

[536] (See folio 506) Transfer of Certificate No. 65, for Lot No. 71.

Report E., folio 27, first Concession, Two Connected Townships, Lake Erie.

Copy of the Endorsement on the Certificate.

District of Hesse.

At the Land Office board held at Detroit this twenty-second day of July, 1791. Upon the Representation of Francois Duquindre and satisfactory proof to us given that the transfer of the Certificate on the other side and his interest in the Lot, assigned to him by virtue thereof, would be of mutual advantage to the parties and no impediment to the Settlement of the Waste Lands of the Crown, in said District, we, the Majority of Members [537] present at the said Board certify our Consent and approbation That the said Certificate be transferred by the said Francois Dequindre, to John Stockwell.

In testimony whereof, we have hereunto subscribed our Names at Detroit aforesaid, this twenty-second Day of July, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-one.

(Signed),
JOHN SMITH,
W. D. POWELL,
J. ASKIN,
M. LOUVIGNY,
G. LEITH.

Entered by W. D. Smith, Secretary to the Board.

[538] Detroit, 9 September, 1791.

Messieurs John Smith, W. D. Powell, John Askin, Geo. Leith, Montigny Louvigny.

(520, 529.) Read a Report framed the 26 August last, on the Claims for provisions, and the same being signed, was entered on the Register.

(529.) The Board direct the report and Shedule of the Petitions to be forwarded to the Governor.

(521, 515.) Read and entered The Deputy Surveyor's Report of the Survey, made in conformity to directions of 6 August, 1791—filed it.

(521, No. 79.) Read and Entered, J. Williams' Letter to the Board (526) of 28 Jul. 1791, covering an order in Council respecting extraordinary [539] Surveys—filed it, No. 80.

Filled up a Certificate for a Single Lot of about 200 Acres, for Edward Nevile, for Lot No. 51, in the 2 Connected township Lake Erie, He producing the original ticket for said Lot, and having no Competitor for it.

Filed the following Petitions for Land:—Andre Beniteau, Junior, Math. Elliot, James Rayon, Andre Woolch, Fripon Bonbeiger, Joseph Le Duc, Louis Le Duc, James Ruff, Louison Vincent.

Filed the following petitions for Provisions:—Charles Boulanger, Isaac Dolson, Dan. Fields, Geo. Girty, Geo. Jacobs, Alexis Lebute, Wm. Lamothe:

[540] D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

With Letter to the Governor of 9 September, 1791, folios 529, 530, &c.

Petitions for Provisions.

Disbanded Soldiers.

Provincial Corps.

James Baker, T. Baker, J. Countryman, Danl. Fields, Benj. Knapp, I. McFarson, E. Newkirk, H. Ramsey, P. Robertson, Butler's Rangers; S. Hale, S. Hale, Simcoe's or Queen's Rangers; A. Clark, I. Wheaton, McAlpin's Corps; Wm. Crawford, 2d Battalion of Delancey's.

British Regiments.

[541] J. Speakeman, R. Artillery; J. Tracey, 4th Regiment; I. Dodemead, P. O'Flaherty, Jno. Pardo, 8 Regiment; C. Bonsack, 29th; C. Filpley, 44th; S. Weston, 52nd; Wm. Forsyth, 60th; P. Barril, D. Cameron, P. Lauchere, I. B. Lepage, dit amant, E. McCarty, T. Smith, 84th; Robert Gill, 103rd.

Foreign Corps.

F. Harboth, Brunswick Luneburgh; G. Sichelstil, German; M. Shaver, Hesse Hannau.

[542] Canadian Volunteers and other military Services.

Under Governor Hamilton and other Commandants.

I. Buro, C. Beaubien, I. Bonde, C. Boulanger, R. Campeau, J. de Chabert, P. Chesne, R. Denniston, G. Godfroy, Wm. Lamothe, Alexis Lebute, J. Pomainville, F. Rivard, I. B. Vallade, R. Whittle.

N.B.—Some of the above petitioners were employed in the Indian Department, etc.

[543] Seige of Quebec—Artificers, etc., and other pretensions.

J. B. Beaubien, Harry Facer, I. Jones, I. Lawler, Louis Viseneaux.

N.B.—It is probable that on investigation some of the above 5 petitioners may deserve to be classed with those under Governor Hamilton, etc.

Loyalists: U. E.

I. Cornwall Isaac Dolson, Robert Dowler, Geo. Girty, James Girty, [544] Simon Girty, Edd. Hazel, J. Hobbs, Wm. Lee, J. Little, J. Little, Geo. Lyons, R. Surphlit, I. Welsh, Amos Weston.

N.B.—Several of the above Petitioners were employed in the Indian Department and other ways.

Come in Since the Peace.—R. Huffman, T. Reynolds, I. Snider, C. [545] Speakman, N. Windenhout.

Seamen: Provincial Navy.—E. Andrews, Luke Killon, Nat Millar, Laurent More, Coleman Roe, James Ruff, Geo. Sichelstil, Wm. Thorn, J. Understone.

Navy of Great Britain.—H. Crone.

Other Objects.—Thomas Reynolds, Commissary; Martin Tofflemire, formerly of the States; Elisha Wilcox, Hezekiah Wilcox, for Ranger's Grand Children and Ranger's Son's wives; Thomas Clark, an English Millwright; George Jacobs, formerly employed.

[546] D. W. Smith, Secretary to the Board.

N.B.—Several of the foregoing petitioners come under 2 or 3 different Classes.

D. W. Smith.

Shedule of Petitions done away, with Report E.

No. of petition.	Names.	When done away.	Reference to folios in the Report.
235	George Myers	3d June, 91	9
237	Charles Monger		
37	Joseph Speakman	24 June, 91	15
242	Edwd. McCarty		
165	Joseph Speakman	22 July, 91	18
185	Cath. Speakman		
202	Robert Little		

[547] D. W. Smith, Secretary.

[REPORT F.]

Report F., Commences here.

At a Land board for the District of Hesse, holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit, Fryday, 16 September, 1791—

Present—Major Smith, W. D. Powell, Esquire, Alex. Grant, Esquire, John Askin, Esquire, Geo. Leith, Esquire, Monty. Louvigny, Esquire.

(526, 558, 562.) The Board took into Consideration His Lordship's order in Council of 23d July, 1791, and framed a Report to His Excellency thereon, which was directed to be copyed and Entered.

(No. 81, folo. 550.) Filed a Letter from Mr. Thos. Smith, late Clerk of the Board, dated 8 September, 1791.

(No. 367.) Filed a petition of Wm. Lamothe for Land.

[548] Frederick Arnold attended the Board in Person to represent the extreme Hardship of his Case, which he states to be as follows:—that 7 Years ago he came into this Country to settle, and brought in with him 25 families, none of whom have yet been able to procure an establishment on the King's waste Lands, most of them being farmers, on private property, and himself obliged to purchase a farm for £300 which is not sufficient to occupy his family, that when the Lands at the River Latranche were surveyed he Marked for himself and eldest son 2 unclaimed Lots, for [549] which he immediately petitioned the Board—Not presuming to make any improvement, without Leave, but that he has the Mortification to find two other persons, to wit, Gibson, formerly a Ranger, and one Watson, a New Comer, settled and improving on those Lots—which He thinks may occasion much difficulty to him in the discussion of his Claim, that added to this Personal Disappointment he is often reproached by the people he brought in with him, who threaten to return to the States, if they cannot obtain Lands here, presuming that it is not the intention of the Government to encourage the population within the District, since so many obstacles are [550] from Year to Year thrown in the way of Establishment, he concludes by praying the Board would take his cruel situation into immediate Consideration.

D. W. Smith, Secretary.

L'Assomption, 8 September, 1791.

Folo. 547. Copy. No. 81.

To the Members of the Land Board for the District of Hesse.

Gentlemen,—I have served the board in quality of Clerk 12 months and upwards, and for my Salary it was the intention of Lord Dorchester I should receive a certain Fee from every Petitioner, but owing to the small number of families settling in this District, those fees were so inconsider- [551] able as not to be adequate to the Disbursements I made for paper, books, etc. for the use of the Board. To remedy this and with the Knowledge of the Board I acted likewise as a private Scrivener *ex officio* and made the Petitions and other writings of the Petitioners, which together with the fees allowed as Clerk made me a Salary had I been paid of about fifty pounds Per Annum, although not adequate to my trouble, yet I had no view of receiving any better recompence until it was announced by the Board "that instead of receiving fees, I was to be allowed a Salary by [552] Government," I depended upon that Salary and had actually lived up to it, for which reason I hope the Board will be pleased to recommend the payment of such a Sum as may be equal to my Servitude and let those fees I actually did receive be returned to the different Petitioners. Trusting to the Goodness of the board to render that justice as not to suffer their old Servant to remain longer between two Stools which is his present situation comparatively speaking.

I have the honor to be with great Respect, Gentlemen,

Your most obedient and Most humble Servant,

(Signed), T. Smith.

Entered by D. W. Smith. Secretary.

[553] No. 82. To the President of the Land Board of Hesse:

Montreal, July 26th 1791.

SIR!—As it is possible some of the Inhabitants of your district may wish to profit by His Majesty's Bounty, and their distance from this place has prevented their applying to me according to the advertisements, The directors of the Montreal branch of the Agricultural society have ordered me to send up one hundred bushels of Hempseed to be distributed among such persons as your Board shall think most likely to promote the Intention Government has of introducing the culture of Hemp into this Province. It is the opinion of some Gentlemen here, that if the seed gets [554] up in time, and the ground can be prepared, it would not be amiss to sow some part of it this fall, because when kept over Year, a great deal of it loses the Vegitative Quality.

I am, Sir, etc.,

(Signed), JOHN MCKINDLAY,

Secretary Montreal Branch Agricultural Society.

Entered, D. W. Smith, Secretary.

No. 83. To Major Smith, Chairman of the land Office board, District of Hesse:

Quebec, 8 August, 1791.

SIR,—By direction of the land Committee, I transmit for the information of your board extracts of a Letter written to me as Chairman by Mr. [555] Secretary Motz, the 11th of last Month.

I have the honour, etc.,

(Signed), HUGH FINLAY.

Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary.

Enclosure in No. 83.

Extracts from Mr. Secretary Motz's Letter to Mr. Finlay as Chairman of the Land Committee, dated 11 July, 1791:

"A uniform orthography of the names of places, Rivers, &ca., is also of great importance for avoiding the Mischief of doubfull boundaries and Locations."

[556] "His Lordship wishes all concerned in the Land Granting Department to be properly impressed with the Importance of accuracy in the transactions and perspecuity and certainty in the Descriptions of all the occupations made upon the public faith, in the waste Lands of the Crown—as well for the Security of Individuals and the Encouragement of their Industry, as for the Comfort and harmony of the rising settlements and the Preservation of the Common tranquility and prosperity—and in these views His Lordship recommends it to the Land Committee, to exercise all possible [557] vigilance within the Sphere of their own trust, and to diffuse a correspondent attention among the officers concerned in the Granting of Lands, and that it may be thence extended to all their subordinate Agents, both in the field, and the drawing Room.

A true Copy.

(Signed), HUGH FINLAY.

Entered D. W. Smith, Secretary.

Council Chamber, Detroit, Fryday, 30 September, 1791.

(No. 82, folo. 553.) Filed a Letter from Mr. McKindlay, Secretary to the Montreal Branch of Agriculture Society, dated 26 July, 1791, advis-
[558] ing of one hundred bushels of Hemp, sent up to be distributed by the Board.

(No. 83, folo. 554.) Filed a Letter from Hugh Finlay, Esquire, dated 8 August, 1791, covng Extracts of a Letter from (Folio 555) Henry Motz, Esquire, to him, as Chairman of the Land Committee, dated 11 July, 1791, representing the importance of a uniform orthography of the names of places, Rivers, &ca.

Filed 13 papers, delivered to the board by the Commandant's Secretary, appertaining to the Land Granting Department.

Filed the following petitions for Land:—

John Little, Rob. Little, Thos. Little, John Paddock, James Rice, Maurice Roche, Coleman Roe.

(Folio 547, 562.) The board signed their Report, framed on the 16
[559] Instant respecting Extraordinary Surveyors. Robert Denniston appeared to claim a Certificate for Lot No. 4 in the 2 Connected townships Lake Erie. Representing that he had lost his original ticket of occupation; The Schedules of Majors Mathews and Close being examined, There is no reason found why the said Denniston, who it appears was a volunteer to Post Vincennes, should not be located. And he having took and subscribed the directed oaths and declaration, a certificate for a Single Lot was directed to be made out to him, being No. 4 in the 2 Connected Townships Lake Erie.

The board direct the issue of provisions to be continued to those loyalists, &ca., who are victualled up to the 24 Instant only, and direct the
[560] Clerk to advise the public that they are ready to receive applications for the Hemp seed lately arrived.

D. W. Smith, Secretary.

Shedule of papers received from the Commandts Office.

No.	Date.	By whom written.	To whom addressed.	Subject.
1	22nd July, 1784....	G. Haldimand	Govr. Hay	Cap. Elliott.
2	22nd July, 1787....	Major Mathews	.....	Indian Sales.
3	12th October, 1787 .	"	.....	New Settlements.
4	25th Sepr., 1788....	Major Close.....	.....	"
5	14th Aug., 1784....	G. Haldimand	Gov. Hay	"
6	.....	Lord North	G. Haldimand	Granting Lands.
7	25th March, 1789 ..	Ld. Dorchester	Sundry persons	To form a board.
8	2nd April	H. Motz, Esq.....	The board	Clerk's fees.
9	15th May.....	Ld. Dorchester	Maj. Close.....	George Town.
10	10 October, 1787 ...	Maj. Mathews	.....	Settlers 1st Con.
11	.....	Majr. Close	.....	" "
12	15th Decr., 1788 ...	"	.....	" 2nd Con.
13	19th Octr., 1787....	T. Reynolds	.....	Tools issued.

D. W. Smith, Secretary.

Advertisement—

Land Office, District of Hesse,

Detroit, 30th September, 1791.

The Land Board for this District are ready to receive applications for Hempseed, from such persons as are willing to promote its Culture.

It is hoped none will apply for the Seed, who do not mean to try its growth.

The board meets at the Council Chamber every Fryday Morning at 11 o'clock.

[562] D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

(547, 558.) Copy to the Governor—

Detroit, 23 September, 1791.

MY LORD!—Having received from the Council office Your Lordship's order of 23d July past, respecting the future employ of Extraordinary Surveyors, in which is implied the probability that all Claims to Lands by Loyalists and reduced troops, are now nearly satisfied; We think it our duty by a Special Report to submit to your Lordship and to press upon your Excellency's Consideration that by reason of impediments arising from the Delayed purchase of Lands, in this District, and your Lordship's Instructions restrictting the operations of the Board to lands actually [563] surveyed and unclaimed by individuals, this board has not been able to locate an individual Petitioner, but on one irregular tract, on Lake Erie, where divers familys had been placed by occupation tickets, previous to the Existence of the board. That the Board has before it about 300 petitions, chiefly of reduced troops and Loyalists, to which they can pay no attention for want of the General and particular Survey, required by the General Instructions, and declared to be indispensably necessary by a Report of [564] Council of 28 June, 1790, Either of which The Board has not been able to obtain from the Surveyor General's office, or from the Deputy Surveyor—on the spot; whose several Reports and Communications to the board, on its respective Instructions, for partial Survey, we have the honor to transmit to your Lordship herewith, that at one view your Lordship may see that no exertion has been wanting on the part of the Board to Effect the object of your Lordship's Confidence, Having submitted to your Lordship's Consideration the actual impediment to the Settlement of the waste Lands, [565] we beg leave to refer your Lordship to the Minutes of the Boards proceedings, forwarded to the Office of your Lordship's Secretary, wherein are detailed the various difficulties to be combatted and conquered by this Board, before the Regulations for its Conduct can be complied with in any reasonable Extension of the Latitude granted by your Lordship, in Mr. Secretary Motz's Letter of 21 January, 1790. These Difficulties we consider as unsurmountable, from the actual face of the Country, without a [566] general Reform of the Regulations for our Government, and the effectual Support of two, or more, active and willing Surveyors for at least one Season.

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Enclosures.

Register No. 1, folio 21. Extract from the Minutes, 22d May, 1790.
Register No. 1, folio 36. To the Deputy Surveyor, 25 June, 1790.
No. 37. Register No. 1, folio 218. To the Deputy Surveyor, 26 June. 1790.
Register No. 1, folio 38. To the Deputy Surveyor, 2d July, 1790.
[567] Register No. 1, folio 40. To the Deputy Surveyor, 2d July, 1790.
No. 38. Register No. 1, folio 223. From the Deputy Surveyor, 3 July, 1790.
Register No. 1, folio 56. To the Deputy Surveyor, 30 July, 1790.
No. 42. Register No. 1, folio 232. From the Deputy Surveyor, 31 July, 1790.
Register No. 1, folio 58. To the Deputy Surveyor, 11 August, 1790.
Memorandum from Register No. 1, folio 111, 3d September, 1790.
The Board received a rough Scetch of a Survey of the front of 2 Townships on the Streight and Lake Erie, conformable to the Instructions and Minute of 11 August, 1790.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

Extract from the minutes, Register No. 1, folio 135, 24 September, 1790.
No. 49. Register No. 1, folio 144. From the Deputy Surveyor, 8 October, 1790.
[568] Extract from the minutes, Register No. 1, folio 144, 8 October, 1790.
Register No. 2, folio 485. To the Deputy Surveyor, 29 May, 1791.
Extract from the Minutes. Register No. 2, folio 489, 3d June, 1791.
Extract from the Minutes. Register No. 2, folio 513, 29 July, 1791.
Register No. 2, folio 515. To the Deputy Surveyor, 6 August, 1791.
No. 79. Register No. 2, folio 521. From the Deputy Surveyor, 28 August, 1791.
Per order of the Board.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

A copy of the Minutes thus far sent to Quebec.
[569] D. W. S.

No. 84. Copy.

Quebec, 12 September, 1791.

(508) GENTLEMEN!—Your Letter of 22d July to Lord Dorchester, has been received and will be fully answered on the Return of his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, who is at present on an excursion to Montreal.

I have the honor, &ca.,

(Signed), THOS. ASTON COFFIN.

Entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary to the Board.

Received the 29 October, 1791, addressed to Major Smith and Gentle-
[570] men composing the Land Board of Hesse.

Copy—No. 85.

"Extract of a Letter from the Deputy Surveyor General, Quebec, 17 "September, 1791.

"I observe what you mention respecting a number of persons found in "the Course of your Survey, to fall within the Lands reserved by order of

"Council, for the Crown; I do not know if His Lordship wrote the Board "on this Subject, in consequence of the information received from your "letter—But I must observe that in a similar Instance which happened this "Summer in laying out Two New Townships on the back of Charlotten- "burgh and Cornwall, the order of Council was so far disposed of, that the "whole reserve for the Crown was made in the Corner Lots of the Town- [571] "ships adjoining the Upper boundary, which I think would be the "only means the Board could fall upon to prevent the ruin of Poor people.

"(Signed), P. McNiff,
"Deputy Surveyor.

"Detroit, 8 November, 1791."

"To Lieut. Smith, Secretary to the Landboard of Hesse:
Entered, D. W. Smith, Secretary.

[REPORT G.]

Detroit, the 25 of November, 1791.

John Smith, Esquire, Wm. Dummer Powell, Esquire, Alex. Grant, Esquire, John Askin, Esquire, Geo. Leith, Esquire, Montigny Louvigny, Esquire.

[572] James Epsom claimed a Certificate for Lot No. 24 in the New Settlement, Upon which the Schedules of Majors Mathews and Close were examined, and no impediment to the issuing of such certificate was found therein, the said Epsom appearing to be entitled to that Lot; he produces a discharge and Certificate from Captain Caldwell of his being one of those persons who remained to promote a Settlement at the Mouth of the Streight, he lays before the board a Certificate of his lot being under improvement; The directed oaths and declaration were accordingly administered to him, and he subscribed the same; Upon which the Board granted (see the memo. at the bottom of folio 374) him a Certificate for a Single Lot of about 200 Acres, being Lot No. 24 in the 2 Connected Townships, Lake Erie, and being of the Approved list one month's provisions.

[573] D. W. Smith, Secretary.

Land Board, Hesse, Detroit, 31 January, 1792.

Filed the following Petitions for provisions:—J. N. Delisle, No. 90, F. Duquindre, 91, Stephen Caster, 373, John Emmery, George Dice, Andrew Buck.

For Land:—J. Cray, 374; J. N. Delisle, 375; J. Dicks, 376; R. Hoffman, 377; P. Mellat, 378; J. Snider, 379; L. Stoover, 380; W. Wagely, 381; M. Wilcox, 382.

D. W. Smith, Secretary.

Schedule of Petitions for Provisions continued—under the Board's Letter to his Excellency the Governor of 9th September, 1791—

Jean Noel Delisle, Fontenoy Dequindre, Canadian Volunteers.

D. W. Smith, Secretary.

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[574] Detroit, 31st January, 1792.

SIR—I have the honor to enclose an Extract from the Register of the Land office Board for the District of Hesse, constituting their Report G. (with one certificate granted), a Return of Rations to Loyalists and others, up to the 24th December last, and a Continuation of Petitions for Provisions. visions.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

D. W. SMITH, Secretary to the Board.

T. A. COFFIN, Esquire, Secretary to the Governor, Quebec.

A Copy of the Register thus far has been sent to Quebec.

Memorandum! inserted in black Certificates or Petitions—

See the Resolve of the board relative to a Substitution for actual Petitions, to certain objects, 10th October, 1790, in Report A——. Regist'r [575] No. 1, folios. 336, 337, 338.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary to the Board.

To Major Smith and Gentlemen composing the Land Board, Hesse:

No. 68. Quebec, 5 October, 1791.

GENTLEMEN—His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor has received your Letter of 22d July last, addressed to Lord Dorchester, stating the great difficulty if not impossibility of finding Two Loyalists, U. E., whose Residence is so near Detroit as to expect any aid from their attendance as additional Members of the Land Office Department—and Submitting that being reduced to the actual residence of only five Members the absence of some of whom might also be expected, that three Members might as for- [576] merly constitute a Quorum. To which His Excellency has been pleased to assent, and has directed me to acquaint you therewith, at the same time he hopes that when there are five Members on the Spot they will duly attend the meetings of the board. I have the honor to be, Gentlemen, Your most obedient and most humble Servant,

(Signed), THOS. ASTON COFFIN.

Received 29 February, 1792, and entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary to the board—filed No. 86.

No. 87. To Major Smith, 5th Regiment or Officer Commanding at Detroit and the other Members of the Land board for the District of Hesse:

Quebec, 20th October, 1791.

[577] GENTLEMEN—Your Letter of the 9 September, inclosing Lists of Petitioners for Provisions addressed to Lord Dorchester has been opened by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, who directs me to say that a line having been drawn by His Lordship, confirming the issue at this late hour to such persons only, as are contained in the list transmitted to you in my Letter of the 12th of January last, it cannot be extended to any not coming

exactly within the Description therein stated, as it would open a door for endless Applications—there being many in the lower districts of the same [578] description as those the board have transmitted the list of, who would think themselves equally entitled to similar indulgences. I am, Gentlemen, your most obedient humble Servant,

(Signed), THOS. ASTON COFFIN,

Received 29 february, 1792, and entered by D. W. Smith, Secretary to the board.
Filed No. 87.

Detroit, 2d day of March, 1792.

[REPORT H.]

At the Council Chamber of Detroit—John Smith, Esquire, Alex. Grant, Esquire, John Askin, Esquire, George Leith, Esquire.

Read, filed and Entered—A Letter from Thomas Aston Coffin, Esquire, to the Board, dated, Quebec, 5th October, 1791.

No. 86. Also a Letter from the same Gentleman to the Board of 20 [579] October, 1791. No. 87. The Board direct the Clerk to continue the Monthly issue of provisions, as usual, to the Loyalists on their producing the required certificates of improvement.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary to the Board.

[REPORT I.]

Detroit, 16 March, 1792.

Filed the 2 following petitions:—383, Thomas Curtis, for Lot No. 7, first Concession; 384, James McPherson, for Lot No. 8, first Concession, 3d Township, Lake Erie.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary to the Board.

Detroit, 23 March, 1792.

John Smith, Esquire, John Askin, Esquire, Geo. Leith, Esquire, Montigny Louvigny, Esquire.

William Monger produced a ticket inscribed No. 56, Signed R. Mathews, Major Commanding and dated, Detroit, 1 October, 1787, and claimed thereon the Board's Authority for going on His Land; the Schedules were accordingly examined, and no impediment found to his receiving a Certi- [580] ficate for a Single Lot of about 200 Acres, the same was accordingly granted for Lot No. 56, in the 2 Connected townships Lake Erie.

The said William Monger having taken And subscribed the directed Oaths and declarations;

He produced also Certificates from Captain Caldwell of his having served in the Rangers, and being discharged at the Peace, forewent an Establishment in the lower District to promote a Settlement near the Strait; and the said Monger being of the approved List for provisions and having made oath that he never received any since his discharge, and that he has a wife, the board direct that the issue of Provisions be made to them monthly on producing the required Certificates of improvement.

385. Filed the Petition of James Jackson for Land.
386. Filed the Petition of William Lockhart for Land.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary to the Board.

A Copy of the Register thus far has been sent to Quebec.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

Posted in the Index, Register Book No. 3. Saml. Ridout, Assistant.

(Note tied in book.)

Recú de Harry Beauchamp un cent farrine pour Compte de la Bureau 23 September. Signed,

T. SMITH.

[1] Fryday, first April, 1791. V. folio 412.

Addendum loose sheet.

Henry Beauchamp, a petitioner for a lot of land in the 3d Concession on the East side of the Strait, having produced to the board, a paper of the following tenor:—

"Recú de Harry Beauchamp un Cent farrine pour Compte de la Bureau, 23 September, Sg. T. Smith."

Mr. Powell suggests to the board that from the equivocal terms of the said Receipt as well as from various reports that have reached him respecting extortions by Mr. Thomas Smith, while acting as Clerk to the Landboard, it is incumbent upon the board, more especially upon such Members as formed it at the date of the above paper, to enquire into the extent of [2] the abuses which may have existed under the supposed sanction of the Board, and as the first step towards it proposes to the board, that Mathew Dolson be requested to attend the Board to repeat to them the Information he had lately given to Mr. Powell on that subject.

Mr. Mathew Dolson attending the board, informed it that being desirous to petition the board as well for himself as for 5 others (Rangers) for their lands, he applied to Mr. Robertson, one of the Board, to know if his own Clerk could draw the petitions, which Mr. Robertson informed him [3] might certainly be done, and gave him the Model of a Petition for that purpose, but upon application to Mr. T. Smith, as Clerk of the board, for the Stile of Heading the petition, He was informed by Mr. Smith that the petitions would only be received by the board in a certain form of address to the Governor, which nobody had but himself, and which he would shew to nobody—whereupon he found it necessary to employ Mr. Smith to draw 7 petitions as well for himself as the said Rangers, and also his own Clerk, a very able pen Man (who has since drawn petitions for Many others), and for which petitions he paid Mr. Smith fourteen pounds New York Currency, [4] being 40 for each.

The board then asked Mr. Dolson if he had any objections to meet Mr. Smith to repeat the above recital in his presence, which he answered in the Negative, the board agreed to write a Card inviting Mr. Smith to attend them on the 15th Instant, to hear the above Complaint, that he may be prepared to obviate any report which the board may find it prudent to make to His Excellency on that subject.

Signed in the presence of the Board,

D. W. SMITH.

[5] Copy.

SIR,—I am directed by the land board of Hesse, to request you will have the goodness to meet them at the Council Chamber on the 15th Instant to give them some information respecting the petitions filed during the time you acted as Clerk to the board.

I have the honour, &ca.,

D. W. SMITH, Clerk to the Board.

Mr. Thomas Smith—

15 April. 1791—The foregoing proceedings were read to Mr. Thomas Smith.

16 April, 1791—A Copy was furnished him.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

Entered, paper filed No. 69, in Register No. 2, folio 408.

D. W. S.

A Copy of the proceedings of the above Enquiry, transmitted to Mr. Motz, with Report C., folio 407, endorsed "Enquiry into abuses, mentioned in the transcript of the Minutes, folio 3," Letter C. —.

D. W. SMITH.

(End of Register No. 2.)

LAND BOARD

OF THE

DISTRICT OF HEESE.

REGISTER No. 3.

MINUTES OF MEETINGS, ETC.

[Folio 581] (Continued from Register No. 2.)

[REPORT K.]

At a Land Board for the District of Hesse, holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit, Fryday the 30th March, 1792.

Present: John Smith, Esquire, John Askin, Esquire, George Leith, Esquire, Montigny Louvigny, Esquire.

Major Smith takes the liberty of suggesting to the board the propriety of taking into consideration such matters as come within the sphere of their trust, as may tend to put the District in train to be organized by the new Constitution; as well as the adoption of such measures as may lessen any odium, which can possibly be raised against the Government, on account of the difficulties, which have arisen to prevent Location in the District of Hesse—and In order to facilitate the organization of the said District the Major proposes, that all the Inhabitants on the Strait who at present hold their lands "en (Folio 250) roture" or otherwise under french grants, be directed to enregister the same in this land office, immediately, that the quantity each claimant has in front on the Detroit may be ascertained, as well as the courses of their boundarys, producing their deeds or authoritys for such parcels of land, that they may be discriminated from the rest.

And that all others who are settled on the Strait and have actually improved on Lands, with the Consent of former Commandants or other authority for the time being, be ordered to register their claims and improvements, in order that Enquiry be made into them, and that certificates may be granted [582] to suit actual occupants, as are at present without legal authority for holding their lands, that the mass of the people may enjoy the Benefits allowed them by the new Constitution of being made capable to give their votes in the Election for a House of Assembly, particularly as the Major is led to believe that many of these occupants and their predecessors have actu- (419) ally paid the fines and rents on these speculations upon the presumption

of the validity of their titles. And the Major proposes to the board the necessity of making known and discouraging by every means possible the idea of right to those who claim large parcels of Land not actually occupied by themselves under Indian Deeds; The act of Parliament which has given a Constitution to Upper Canada, having most expressly reserved and guarded the ancient priviledges of the Crown— And he trusts that no such petitioners will be allowed by the Board to avail themselves of this wanton aggression on his Majesty's rights, or receive their sanction for the recommendation of a larger location than they can actually occupy, or to which they may be entitled under any of the Existing instructions; And in order that the idea of confirmation to any such immense tracts may be most efficaciously prevented, the Major is warranted in asserting that the first object and attention of His Excellency Governor Simcoe will be to make to all persons as are desirous of becoming actual settlers, sufficient and legal Grants of the vacant Lands of the Crown agreeable to his Majesty's directions; In the Confidence that every [583] member of this board has the interests of his Majesty's General Government at heart, induces the Major to hope, they will watch over those interests, so far as is limited to their trust, and their appointment, and with that zeal and unanimity that a chosen few should always act with for the good of the public in general,—

The Board will no doubt find confidence on the occasion of an Honorable Gentleman (Alexander Grant, Esquire,) one of this Board, being called to His Majesty's Honorable Executive Council for Upper Canada—his attendance here has been solicited, and his presence and opinion will necessarily give weight and sanction to the combined efforts and operations of the other Gentlemen.

It is much to be regretted that family misfortunes, and its consequent affliction, deprives the Board at present, of its most able Guide, William Powell, Esquire, whose opinion the Major thinks is always worthy to be courted, whose Efforts have always been sanguine and steady, and whose absence he hopes will be of short duration.

The delay in making a final arrangement in the first Concession of the 2 Connected townships Lake Erie, merits the Consideration of the Board, several Persons remain still dormant in their applications to have their original tickets of occupation confirmed, which tickets, by the original proviso of tenure were rendered null and void unless the Land was actually occupied in a [584] year from the date of the authority, as appears by the advertisements of the Commandants of that period who are authorized to organize that settlement. Many of these people still hold their tickets (Which can now be little title to them, having neglected to improve) and will neither occupy themselves, or consent that others should do so;—this makes a great bar to the final arrangement of those 2 townships. The Lots were accepted then as a reward for services; but the River la tranche proving to be better land, petitions have been thrown in for Lots there; that choice might be taken of the 2 situations;—some have even tryed to barter those Lots on Lake Erie, in the hope of getting others; such jobbing will not escape the notice of the board, who will not fail to pay all due Attention to such procedure—and it is submitted that the Claimants in those 2 townships should be advised that they will receive a confirmation of the Government's promise, on a future day to be appointed by the Board, and that on failure of application before that time, the Board will not scruple to recommend the Lands, (which they undoubtedly have forfeited), by their certificates of Location, to such persons as are most likely to promote the intentions of Government, and the interests of the Community at large— And it is hoped the Board will not be too ready

to pay attention to the petition of any person for Land, who has already received a Location in the 2 connected townships; unless he shall have early resigned his pretensions to his first Grant, or from the circumstance of the [585] Land being very bad, or from the incursions of Indians, (some time (65, 66) past talked of), or from the want of those provisions, which were said (29, 30) to have been promised, to accelerate the settlements at the mouth of the Strait.

Spaces to be occupied for Roads, both in the 2 connected townships and on the Strait, will be the attention of the Board, and as no spaces of that kind are reserved by the Settlers, this will of Cource require the Board's efficient Interference, particularly on the Streight, where the Concessions are said to be (Folio 377) making some advances, although yet unauthorized by the board—with respect to the granting of these concessions to the proprietors of the water Lots without discrimination some strange language it is said has been (384, etc.) held out; it will be the Major's pride to thwart the warmth, the petulance and the threats of any set of people, who ignorantly oppose the Instructions of a Governor and his Council, and who dare to talk rudely of a Committee of Gentlemen appointed for the public Service, and the Public's Satisfaction. But reprobating the idea or remembrance of any little heats which prevent the general good, or may act partially hard on the many, to punish an undeserving few, the Major submits the propriety of granting the rear Concessions to the Children or relations of such persons as are capable of actual occupation and improvement, under the general Instructions, regard (506) being had, however, for the Reserves in some other part of the township.

[586] The course of the said lines also on the Strait on account of its curvilineal front, requires the active interference of the Board, particularly in (514) extending the side Boundarys of the 2d and 3d Concessions, etc.

The Board will once more rigidly and religiously advert to the Latitude allowed them by Mr. Secretary Motz's Letter 21st January, 1790, as well as (Folio 119) the Extentions of their trust, stated in the Regulations—and after having thoroughly digested the whole, he trusts the petitioners will meet much relief from their Deliberations.

The spaces pointed out in the approved and general plan of survey as proper for Town lots, being universally deemed inadequate for such purposes, in that situation in the Township on the River la tranche, and a spot suitable to the occasion, pointed out by the Deputy Surveyor, nearly between the 2 first townships, and in the midst of the Reserves for the Crown, the Major wishes the board would ruminate on the propriety, the practicability and enquire into their own powers to forego the necessity of reserving those spaces for townplots, and reserving them into farm Lots, to satisfy the actual occupants in their possessions and improvements; the idea of removing them into the back concessions (hitherto explored) being precluded on account of impassable swamps, which the Major regrets is so general throughout the westermost part of the district; the farm Lots, however, in the corner of those townships should be reserved for the original purposes of Government, and to answer a Space to be reserved for the Clergy, by act of Parliament.

[587] The people of the River la tranche, have no doubt settled themselves there, (at least, the greatest part of them) against the express order of the board; but when we consider they have evinced a desire to make an Estab- (Folio 12) lishment within the line marked by the late treaty of peace, even at the risque of losing their improvements; to an Establishment without the line, under Indian deeds, and which could be had without difficulty, they perhaps deserve some indulgence from the Board's recommendation, and as

(Folio 426) many of these people are Loyalists who are entitled to provisions, (Folio 332) and are withheld from the Enjoyment of them, merely for want of the Board's Certificate of Location, their Case is peculiarly hard.

It will require the board's serious deliberation to decide upon the merits of these who petitioned for land on that River, and forbore to go on it in consequence of the Board's order; and those who have actually made improve- (Folio 548) ments, on many of the Lots so petitioned for, although such effort of Establishment has been almost through self defence; should the original petitioner be invested with the certificate; and the actual occupant thereby dispossessed, a Reasonable equivalent for the labour of the latter merits investigation, by the Claimant, perhaps, making good to the Occupier, the value of the improvement, extending the value of the Enjoyment; But as (Folio 196) there is no power invested in the Board to enforce any thing [588] beyond the limits of mere nominal location, the arrangement may be difficult, and the partys concerned may be obliged to have recourse to a court of Law, which to infant Settlers must be highly prejudical; and should be avoided if at all possible; the arrangements, however, canot be finally made without some degree of litigation, jealousy and murmur; yet it is not feared that the Board will fail, in making such just and impartial decisions, and such lively representations to the Governor, as will meet his Excellency's approbation, and determine in such manner, so far as with them lies, to coincide with His Excellency's wisdom. Mr. Secretary Motz' Letter, to Mr. Finlay (Folio 555) of 11 July, 1791, respecting a uniform orthography of the names of places, Rivers, etc., is recommended to the attention of the Board, and the Deputy Surveyor should be ordered to report his possible thereon.

The Major proposes that the Board should submit the Limits of Certain Townships and Circles, for the decision of the district in General, which limits should be ascertained with as much precision as possible and laid out as nearly as possible to the existing Instructions and Regulations for survey, as local circumstances will admit. The accustomed returns will point out the numbers of settlers capable of voting in each Township, and progressively so as the settlement increases,—and that names may be submitted for such Townships or circles, so that little may remain for the Honourable Legislative Council and House of Assembly to do, in the land Granting Department, [589] should the operations of the board in this District meet their approbation and Concurrence.

(18) The Boundary of the reserve near the Huron Church, is in doubt, by the Deputy Surveyor, who knows not how to lay it down; The Deputy Agent for Indian Affairs should therefore be consulted thereon; as well as on the petition of Sally Ainse respecting a reserve in her favor at River la tranche— (No. 319) of which the Deputy Agent takes no notice in his notification to the Board, of the Land being ceded by the Indians to the Crown, as per his (Folio 18) Letter of 21 May, 1790.

While the Board was honored with the Countenance of Sir John Johnson, Baronet, he presented the petition of Mrs. Hay, widow of the late Lieutenant- (Folio 71) Governor Hay, for a certain tract of Land on the River la tranche. The merits of which petition, the then Board pledged themselves to enquire (Folio 71) into, one of the first, when that River came under investigation, It is hoped the present Board will fulfill the original promise to Sir John, and take up that petition at an early period—Altho the Major fears it is for Land which fals in the Reserves Directed for the Crown.

The Location of the District hitherto has, perhaps, been retarded by a rigid adherence to the Rules and Regulations for the Board's Guidance, and it is mortifying to foster the idea of deviating from them; the difficulties

which have arisen to prevent Location under the prescribed instructions (562, etc.) have all been regularly communicated to the Governor and his [590] Secretary, as they have happened, and the fullest communications given that the Board could master themselves of. No Answers, to such difficulties, no other instructions for the Board have arrived. The local situation of the District must be perfectly known at Head quarters; at least as perfect as it can be to this board, from any Surveys they have. The Board's difficultys must be fresh in remembrance. The peculiar hardship of the petitioners wishing to become settlers under the Royal Instructions must be lamented by all. The Honourable the legislative Council of Quebec have reported their opinion on the impracticability of this board being able to grant Location (Folio 255) Certificates in the mode prescribed by His Excellency Lord Dorchester's Instructions, until furnished with competent Surveys, which the Board have never yet been able to procure—no pointed Latitude, or additional Instructions however has been given in consequence of this Opinion. The Board will ponder upon what may be drawn from Silence! And the Major concludes, after apologizing for intruding so long on the Gentlemen's attention, by hoping that one and all will struggle to do that which will most conduce to the advancement of the District and the Security of the Setler, by enabling him to sit down in firm Confidence of the Royal protection and freeing him from any apprehension of uncertainty and vexation, having Special Regard at the same instant, to the honor, and safety of His Majesty's General Government.

[591] The Board then unanimously concurred in directing,

That Alexander McKee, Esquire, should be applied to, on the circum-
(592) stances alluded to, wherein the Indians are supposed to be concerned.
(593) That the Inhabitants on the Streight be advised of the necessity of registering their deeds and possessions.

That the Deputy Surveyor be directed to make a survey of the front of the Strait, in order that it may be reconciled with the Return which may be formed and collected from the Inhabitants themselves, noting the Quantity in front of each Claimant's Land, and the Course of the side lines.

That the Deputy Surveyor, and all others from whom information may
(594) be had, be consulted on the uniform orthography of places, Rivers, etc. and their information solicited.

That the Claimants of Lots in the 2 Connected Townships, Lake Erie, be admonished to bring in their tickets, which they formerly received from the Commandants, in order to their receiving Certificates for their Lands; on or before the first fryday in May next, after which time the board will think themselves warranted to grant any unclaimed Lot, to such persons as are ready to make actual improvement thereon.

(592, 593) The Clerk was then ordered to carry the foregoing resolves of the Board into Execution, by writing the necessary Letters, exposing advertisements, etc., in the manner most likely to fulfil the Expectations of the Board and answer their intentions.

[592] The Board think it prudent to delay the investigation of the Petitions for River la tranche, til next fryday, by which time they hope to mature their Sentiments on the plan suggested, and in the hope also of being honored with the attendance of W. D. Powell, Esquire, and the honarable Alexander Grant, Esquire.

Signed per order of the Board.

D. W. Smith, Secretary.

(591) To Alexander McKee, Esquire, Deputy Agent for Indian Affairs, Detroit.

Detroit, 30 March, 1792.

Sir—Sally Ainse having preferred a petition to the Land Board of Hesse, for certain Lands, at the River la tranche, which she states was not included in what was sold to Government, But that the Indians had reserved them for her use; your Letter of 21 May, 1790, has been referred to, wherein no notice is taken of any such reserve; The Board presume, therefore, that little attention is to be paid to what she has asserted in her petition, but to prevent mistake or misunderstanding, I am directed to communicate to you, (597) and to beg your answer thereon.

I am directed also to pray from you the Boundary of the Reserve between the Huron Church and River au Gervaise, your said letter stating it to run one one hundred and twenty Arpents in depth, but not mentioning the Course [593] of the side lines, which the deputy Surveyor has said he has no clue to find out.

I have the honor to be, Sir, etc.

D. W. Smith, Secretary to the Board.

Circular to Charles Smyth, Esquire, Clerk Court C. Pleas, etc. Monsieur Dufaux, Curé de l'assomption. Monsieur Maisonville, Monsieur Monforton, Captains of Militia.

Detroit, 31st March, 1792.

Sir,—I take the liberty of enclosing an advertizement from the Land Office, which, I am confident, the board will be much obliged to you; if you will have the goodness to disseminate its Contents in the District of Hesse.

I have the honor to be, Sir, etc.,

D. W. Smith, Secretary to the board.

(591) Advertisement.

The Land board for the District of Hesse, request that all Persons who hold, claim, occupy or possess lands, on the Streight or Lake St. Clair in the said District, between the North boundary of the Reserve at River Canards, and the Entrance of River la tranche, do enregister the same with their several deeds, titles or authoritys for such Quantitys of land; before the first day of May next:—The office in the Citadel of Detroit will be open from 11 to 2 o'clock, every day.

Detroit, 31st March, 1792.

D. W. Smith, Secretary to the Board.

[594] Circular, to the Clerk of the Court of C.P.D. Hesse, and, the Inhabitants of Grosse-Ile, River la tranche, and the new Settlements on Lake Erie.

Detroit, 31 March, 1792.

Sir—By distributing the information contained in the enclosed advertisement, you will promote the wishes of the Land board, and much oblige

Your humble Servant,

D. W. Smith, Secretary to the Board.

(591) Advertisement.

All persons having claim to Land in the new Settlement Lake Erie from Lots No. 1 to No. 97 inclusive, under the sanction of Majors Mathews and Close, and have not yet applied to receive proper certificates from the board, are hereby required to prefer their claims on or before the first fryday in May next, at which period the Board hope to make a final arrangement of that Settlement.

Detroit, 31 March, 1792. D. W. SMITH, Secretary to the Board.

(591) To Mr. Patrick McNiff, Deputy Surveyor.

Detroit, 31 March, 1792.

SIR—In consequence of a Letter from Henry Motz, Esquire, to the (555) Honourable Hugh Finlay, Esquire, dated 11 July, 1791, respecting a [595] uniform orthography of the names of places, rivers, etc., I am directed by the Land board to apply to you for such information as you may be possessed of respecting the proper names of all rivers, islands, marshes, points, promontorys, headlands, capes, bays, Creeks, Mountains, etc., etc., etc., within the District; noting their Indian, french or English names by which they are generally known; and adding a description of their situation, that the same may be entered in the Register.

I have the honor to be, Sir, etc.,

D. W. SMITH, Secretary to the Board.

(591) To Patrick McNiff, Deputy Surveyor, District of Hesse.

Detroit, 31 March, 1792.

SIR—I am directed by the Land Board for the District of Hesse, to make you acquainted with their Resolve directing a survey to be made in L'assomption and its vicinity, in consequence of which you will be pleased to proceed to the North Boundary of the Reserve near River Canards on the bank adjoining the Streight and there commence your survey, from thence you will proceed on the said bank, beach or road, up the Detroit, measuring the Coast as you go, and noting minutely the quantity of land there is in the front of each Claimants Lot, together with the Course of the several different Enclosures, as they are at present possessed. This you will pursue to the uppermost habitation, improvement or settlement on Lake St. Clair; [596] and should you not have made heretofore an actual Survey from thence to the mouth of the River la tranche, you will proceed to survey the Coast to that place, taking notice of such spaces exactly in this whole tract, as shall be, here and there, unoccupied; and you will endeavour to discriminate in your survey, the Lots which have been subdivided from the original grants or possessions, with their Boundarys.

The Inhabitants are directed to register their deeds, etc., which will be compared with your Report by which, the differences and deviations between the usurped lands and the ceded ones will be ascertained; and such information, it is to be hoped, will be collected as may enable the board to allot Spaces for Roads—to regulate the Claims and possessions—and to form some plan for the continuation of the front side lines, which at present, it is feared, are in great Confusion and irregularity—you will be particular in the Course of the fences of the farms adjoining the Reserve between the

Huron Church and River au Jervaise; as well as of that next the Reserve at River Canards.

The Board expect you will make such other observations, as your judgment and Experience may suggest.

I have the honor to be Sir,

Your humble Servant,

D. W. Smith,
Secretary to the Board.

[597] (No. 88). To Mr. D. W. Smith. Secretary to the Land Board of Hesse.

Detroit, 30 March, 1792.

(592) Sir—I am just favored with the Receipt of your letter of this day's date and have only to observe in answer thereto, that all the Lands as specified in the deed of Cession, except those which I have heretofore mentioned to the (folio 18) Board in my Letter which you have referred to, were purchased without any further reserve, as will appear by the original Deed, delivered to the Superintendant General.

Some of the Chiefs of the River la tranche did indeed speak to me, after the purchase to beg that Sally Ainse might not be turned off the Lands, she occupied on that River, and my answer was, that a Board was established by Government for settling all matters relating to Lands, and I did not doubt the Board would consider her, as they did all others who had similar Claims.

With regard to the side lines of the Reserved Lands between the Huron Church and River au Jervaise stated to run one (folio 18) hundred and twenty Arpents in depth, I conceive that the ancient titles of the adjoining Lands will point out the Courses.

I have the honor to be Sir,

Your humble and obedient Servant,

(Signed) A. McKee.

[598] To Mr. P. McNiff, Deputy Surveyor, District of Hesse.

Detroit, 3rd April, 1792.

Sir,—Having communicated your wishes to the President of the Land Board. I am directed to inform you, that he is confident the Board will be well satisfied, when you have completed your operations so far as the mouth of the River la tranche, that you should proceed to make an actual Survey of the Coast til you arrive at the mouth of the Chanail Ecarté and so far up that River, as relates to the Boundary of the late purchase you will therefore consider this as your order for so doing.

I have the honor to be Sir, etc.,

D. W. Smith, Secretary to the Board.

At a land board for the District of Hesse holden at the Council Chamber, of Detroit, fryday, 6th April, 1792.

Present: John Smith, Esquire; Honorable Alexander Grant, Esquire; John Askin, Esquire; George Leith, Esquire; Montigny Louvigny, Esquire.

(581) The board had reference to the minutes of 30th March last, and after much deliberation think themselves competent to the recommendation of only 2 Lots in each of the first and second Concessions in the townships on both sides of the River la tranche, being the only farm Lots, pointed out by the approved plan of Survey, for which the Boards are authorized to grant [599] Certificates. They resolve therefore that they will determine on the Claims for the following Lots, viz.

20 Lots in 2½ Townships on the River a la tranche:

South Side	1 Township	1st Concession	Lot No.	6
			"	19
		2nd "	"	6
			"	19
	2d "	1st "	"	6
			"	19
		2d "	"	6
			"	19
	3d "	1st "	"	6
		2d "	"	6
North Side	1 Township	1st "	"	6
			"	19
		2d "	"	6
			"	19
	2d "	1st "	"	6
			"	19
		2d "	"	6
			"	19
	3d "	1st "	"	6
		2d "	"	6

On fryday the 20th Instant, and direct that all Petitioners and others (600) having claim to them may be advised to attend for that purpose, that those preferring the best pretensions may be invested with Certificates for the same.

(592 The board advert to the Correspondence ordered relative to the petition of Sally Ainse, on the claim of a Reserve at the River la tranche, (597) and having deliberated on Mr. McKee's Letter, direct it to be regis- [600] tered as their opinion that no attention can be paid to her pretensions, further than any she may prefer by Petition to the Governor and Council, for a single Lot of about 200 Acres.

D. W. Smith, Secretary to the Board.

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(599) Advertizement.

The public are advized that on fryday the 20th instant, the Land board for the District of Hesse, will determine on the Claims for the following Lots on the River la tranche; all persons therefore, who have petioned, or may petition for the same, will attend on that day, to support their pretensions.

D. W. Smith, Secretary to the Board.

Detroit, 7th April,

River la Tranche	South Side	1 Township	Lot	6	6
			"	19	19
		2d "	"	6	6
			"	19	19
		3d "	"	6	6
	North Side	1st "	"	6	6
			"	19	29
		2d "	"	6	6
			"	19	19
		3d "	"	6	6

Circular to the Inhabitants of River la tranche, River Rouge, Grosisle, Lake Erie, & to The public . . . . .

D. W. Smith, Secretary to the Board.

[601] At a Land Board for the District of Hesse holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit, fryday the 13th day of April, 1792.

Present: John Askin, Esquire; George Leith, Esquire; Montigny Louvigny, Esquire.

Filed the following petitions for Land.

No.		No.	
387, 388.	Sally Ainse, (2).	394.	Mathew Elliot.
389.	James Allan.	395.	Martha Howard.
390.	Antoine Chaseron.	396.	James Howden.
391.	Timothy Desmond.	397.	Luke Killon.
392.	Pierre Detue.	398.	Benjamin Le Valet.
393.	Mathew Dolson.		

No. 387. The Board took up the petition of Sally Ainse, which from (597) the Official correspondence from Colonel McKee, they cannot pay attention to; but direct that it and the communications relative thereto, may be transmitted to his Excellency the Governor, praying to be instructed (592) thereon. The letter written to A. McKee, Esquire, on the subject of (597) Reserves in her favor at River la tranche, and his Answer was read to Mrs. Ainse. Mr. Montigni beged leave to observe that he attended the Council wherein the purchase was made from the Indians,. that he is confident no wampum was delivered there, in order to make any Reserves at the River la tranche in favor of Sally Ainse.

Signed Per order,

D. W. Smith, Secretary.

[602] Registered, a paper presented by Sally Ainse as follows, viz.

'The Chiefs Agushaway and three others of the same Nation, doth hereby declare that the Indians of River la tranche, when they sold the Lands at River la tranche, that they told Captain McKee that there was a tract of Land that they had gave their Sister Sally Ainse, which they would not sell, as she had always used them well and likewise they gave Colonel McKee a string of wampun, and he the said Colonel McKee told them that

she was a good woman and received the wampum, saying that he would do all he could and speak to the Commanding Officer about it; this was before they had signed the deed for the Land.

As witness our hands at Detroit this 13 day of July, 1791.

(Signed) 1. TUEKINAGOSEY, ... his mark. Chief.

2. AGUSSHAWAY, his mark. Chief.

3. SHUNADUCK, his mark. Chief.

4. WAWISQUE, his mark. Chief.

5. MASHKEWAPO, his mark. Chief.

6. KEWETASKINA, his mark. Chief.

7. NUANAGO, his mark. Chief.

[603]

The Indian Chiefs not knowing to write, they have made their marks in Presence of

(Signed) JAMES GRAHAM.
(Signed) WM. DUGAN.

Filed No. 18. Registered a deed from Tekameghasii and Megiri, Ochipué Chiefs, 22 August, 1789, to Sarah Ainsse, witnessed by T. Williams, Justice of the Peace, and dated 19 September, 1780—for a tract of Land on the North side of the River a la tranche beginning at the Entrance of said River, running thence up opposite the fork, and one hundred and fifty Acres in depth, bounded in front by said River a la tranche. Registered by T. Williams in the Register of Detroit.

No. 2. Folio 60.

Filed No. 19. Registered a deed from Athick, Chapaqui, Tackamacos, Mashgiegago, (22 August, 1789), Neguassigan, Notanoca, and Scashineme, to Sarah Ainsse, for £80 new York Currency in goods, and a belt of wampun, witnessed by Thomas Smith, and James Douglas, and dated 11th October, 1783—for a tract of Land on the North Side of the River a la tranche beginning at the Entrance of said River, running thence up opposite the fork; one hundred and fifty Acres in depth, bounded in the front by the said River a la tranche—Enregistered in the Register of Detroit, page 60-61 by William Monforton. Recorded.

(Filed A). Registered a Receipt, signed by Shaboqui, Tuckimagasey, (with No. 19) Genonechison, and Sapanse, witnessed by William Dugan and dated River (22 August, 1789) Tranch, 20 November, 1788—for £650 New [604] York Currency, from Sally Ainse for a tract of Land, sold her, by deed in the year 1780, commencing at the mouth of the River tranche and running up said River to the forks—warranting to defend the said land to her by virtue of her old deed.

The aforesaid paper—Deeds—and Receipt, were returned to Mrs. Ainsse.

Detroit, 13 April, 1792.

D. W. Smith, Secretary to the Board.

At a Land board for the District of Hesse, holden on Fryday the 20th April, 1792.

Present: John Smith, Esquire; John Askin, Esquire; George Leith, Esquire, Montigny Louvigny, Esquire.

Filed the Petitions of,

[399] D. Cameron.

(400) .R. Dowler.

(401) W. Lamothe.

(611) Filed also a Report from the Deputy Surveyor of this date.

(598) The Board adverted to their resolve of the 6th instant, to determine on the Claims of 20 lots on the River la tranche as specyfied in said resolve, and the attendant Petitioners being acquainted with the several specified Lots, as they came under investigation, the Board began with Lot No. 6 in the 1st Concession 1st Township, South Side, River la tranche— and thereupon took up the following petitions, viz.

No. 32, 191, 400..... Robert Dowler.

45.....Thomas Parsons.

163-389.....James Allan for trustees of Caldwell and Elliot.

[605] 174, 367, 401.....Captain William Lamothe.

246..... Reny Campeau.

The petitions were accordingly read, and the rules and Regulations for the conduct of the Land Office department were resorted to.

(No. 32). The Board find that the Petition of Robert Dowler was pre-
(folio 7) sented on the 4th September, 1789, and have confidence that Thomas Parsons' petition was filed much about the same time; the former being No. 32, the latter No. 45. The other petitions being of much later date.

When Petitions were first preferred for Locations on River la tranche, the Number of the Lot prayed for was not specified therein, because the land was not then surveyed.

It is evident from Dowler's Petition, No. 32—that the Lot under investigation, was not the one he originally prayed for; but the Board satisfy themselves as to its being the one originally petitioned for by Parsons—and presume that had his petition been taken up at an earlier period, which he might naturally have expected, he would have been invested with a certi-
(50) ficate for it—for the first of the Succeeding petitions No. 163, was not presented til near a year after Parsons' petition was filed—Parsons then produced a Certificate of Service in the Rangers, signed by Captain Caldwell, and the board having particularly adverted to the 3rd Article of the rules and regulations of 17 February, 1789, and 4th and 5th Article of the 3rd addition to the rules and Regulations of 20 January, 90, etc., and having divested themselves of every consideration digressing from the Main Object and immediate design of their trust; determine it as their opinion [606] that Thomas Parsons should (Cert. No. 72) be invested with the Certificate for the lot, as a reward for his past Services, thereby discharging the promise of the Government; Parsons then made oath that he never received any lands or provision, although of the approved list; that he has a wife and two Children under 10 years of age.

163: 389: After the Board's determination aforesaid Mr. Allen appeared in person to support his petition in favor of the Trustees for the Estate of Caldwell and Elliot, and stated that Parsons had given a bill of sale of the Land to them. The Board however, did not waver in the opinion,—Parsons had done a Service to the State—for which he was promised a reward. The board had put him in possession of that Reward, by giving him a Certificate for land to which they thought he was entitled, appearing to be one of the objects to be preferred under the general Instructions;—the board are unacquainted with the Right that Parsons had to alienate—the transaction appears to have been necessitous and not voluntary on the Part of Parsons—and the Board presume that any transaction between the parties, which cannot finally be determined by them, renders their interference necessary, as to pecuniary settlements, and becomes an object for a Court of Law.

It does not appear that the trustees have an actual occupant or occupation on the Lot; their Claims are large and extensive; and perhaps (to hazard an opinion,) to acquiese in them all might defeat the intentions of the Government; the Board therefore direct that a Copy of the Trustees Petition be transmitted to the Governor for his directions thereon.

[607] The board then took into consideration Lot No. 6 South Side 1st Concession, 2nd Township, River la tranche, and the following petitions were read, viz.

No 32, 191, 400..... Robert Dowler.
174, 367, 401..... Captain William Lamothe.
199..... Jacob Marriele.

It is evident again from Dowler's petition No. 32 that this Lot was not the one he originally prayed for. The board therefore went to the one next

in succession, No. 174 from Captain Lamothe, and having satisfied themselves of that Gentleman's (Certificate No. 73) pretensions, they determine on this Lot for him, and having thus put him in possession of about 200 Acres, his petitions (174,367,401) being for 3,000 Acres, are to be transmitted to the Governor for his Excellency's orders thereon.

Lot No. 6, South Side, 3rd township, 1 Conncession, River la tranche was next taken up.

Petition No. 400, Robert Dowler, and his preceeding petitions No. 32 and 191, were read, and there being no other petition (Certificate No. 74) for the Lot, the Board admit of his Pretensions.

Lot No. 6, 1 Conncession, North Side, 1st Township, River la tranche came next, the Petitions No. 58 of William Cissné Son, and Joseph Cissné, (No. 62,) the father, were read. Joseph Cissné produced an indian deed from Sally Ainse for a tract of Land at River la tranche, comprehending the Lot prayed for; having no other competitors the Board admit the father's pretensions for a single Lot of about 200 Acres, being the one above stated, (Certificate No. 75) having had reference to his Excellency Lord Dorchesters Instructions of 2nd September, 1789. The Board direct a copy of the bill of Sale to accompany Joseph Cissné's Petition to the Governor.

[608] Then lot No. 19, 1 Concession, 2nd Township, South Side River la tranche took up Reny Campeau's Petition No. 246, there being (Certicate No. 76) no other petitioner, the board resolve in his favor. Then Lot No. 19, 1 Concession, 1 Township, North Side River la tranche. Read the following Petitions.

No. 20. Matthew Dolsen.
23. Peter Shonk.
123. Joseph Slam.

Peter Shonk having declined his pretensions to this Lot by certificate as follows:

Detroit, 9 April, 1792.

This is to certify that I don't hold now claim to Lot No. 19 on the North Side of River la tranche, in 1st Concession, given under my hand at River la tranche in presence of

his
(Signed) "Daniel Field." (Signed) "Peter X Shonk."
mark

(Certificate No. 77.) The Board yield to the Pretensions of Mathew Dolsen, who made oath that he has not yet received any lands or provisions, although of the approved List, and that he has a wife, one child above 10 years of age, and one under.

Then Lot No. 19, 2nd Concession, 1 Township, North Side, River la tranche.

Read Petitions No. 54. Arnolds Spinsters. 396. James Howton.

Frederick Arnold, father of Arnold Spinsters, attended, and as the board could not guaranteé him in a promise of the surrounding Lots, for himself and sons; he declines accepting of this Lot, in the 2nd Concession, which was accordingly given to (Certificate No. 81) James Howton.

Then Lot No. 19, 1 Concession, 2 Township, North Side River la tranche Jacob Marriclele Petition No. 199 was read, and no other person having [609] prefered a claim to this Lot, the board (Certificate No. 78) determine in his favor.

Then No. 19, 1 Concession, and No. 19, 2d Concession, 1 Township, South Side River la tranche.

Read the petition of John Goose, No. 311.

Frederick Arnold pressed that his Son's Louis's Petitions, No. 55 and 283, might be again resumed; whereupon they were accordingly taken up, and though this number is not specially mentioned therein, yet from the length of time his Petition No. 55, has been filed, and from the hardship stated by the father, to this board, on the 16th September last, (Certificate No. 79) they determine to divide these two lots, between John Goose, (Certificate No. 80) and Louis Arnold, giving to Goose that half upon which is (612) his improvements;

By the foregoing arrangements the whole of the attendant Petitioners for the specific lots aforesaid were all located and accommodated, except Mr. Allan, on the part of the Trustees of Caldwell and Elliot, who just before (610) the board broke up sent a Letter; which will be entered in course in the Register.

The Board then directed that Thomas Parsons and Mathew Dolsen, with their families aforesaid, should receive a month's provisions to the 24 April next, to be continued to them on producing the required certificates of improvements.

The directed oaths and declarations were administered to the several Petitioners about to receive Locations, and they having subscribed the same, were severally invested with their Certificates for Single Lots of about two hundred Acres each, as follows, viz.

[610] Certificate No. 72. Thomas Parsons, Lot No. 6 South Side, 1 Town-Township, 1 Concession.

Certificate No. 73. William Lamothe, Lot No. 6 South Side, 2d Township, 1 Concession.

Certificate No. 74. Robert Dowler, Lot No. 6 South Side, 3d Township, 1 Concession.

Certificate No. 75. Joseph Cissne, Lot No. 6 North Side, 1 Township, 1 Concession.

Certificate No. 76. Reny Campeau, Lot No. 19, South Side, 2d Township, 1 Concession.

Certificate No. 77. Matthew Dolsen, Lot No. 19 North Side, 1 Township, 1 Concession.

Certificate No. 81. James Howton, Lot No. 19 North Side, 1 Township, 2 Concession.

Certificate No. 78. Jacob Marriele, Lot No. 19 North Side, 2 Township, 1 Concession.

(612) 79 John Goose, lower Half of No. 19, south Side 1 Township, 1 Concession; lower Half of No. 19, south Side 1 Township, 2 Concession.

80 Louis Arnold, upper Half of No. 19, south Side 1 Township, 1 Concession; upper Half No. 19, south Side 1 Township, 2 Concession.

The Board find John Goose in the approved list for provisions, and satisfy themselves as to its being the person invested with Certificate No. 79, John Goose, but as Goose cannot produce his discharge, the Board withhold his provisions.

The petition of James Allen, No. 389, is done away.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary of the Board.

(609) No. 89. To the Honorable the Members of the Land board:

Detroit, 20 April, 1792.

GENTLEMEN!—As you informed me that your determinations were to give a certificate to Thomas Parsons for Lot No. 6, for which Lot I particularly petitioned on the 13 Instant.

In justice to my constituents, I am obliged to remind you of a former [611] petition, delivered at the landboard for several tracts of land claimed by the Creditors of Caldwell and Elliot, which petition is now before the Governor and Council, I have therefore to request that you will be pleased to defer granting any certificate for the said Lot until the determination of the Governor and Council is made known, in which Lot No. 6 is included.

(Signed), JAMES ALLEN,

Attorney for the trustees of the Estate of Caldwell & Elliot.

(604) No. 90. John Smith, Esquire, President of the Land, Board, &c.

Detroit, 20 April, 1792.

SIR!—Pursuant to the order of the Land board of Hesse of the 31st Ultimo, I did on the 5th instant commence at the North boundary of the Reserve at the River Canards, near the water's edge, and took a Survey of the Coast from thence to the upper part of the settlement, noting minutely the quantity of land possessed by each inhabitant, with the directions or bearings of their different back fences or side lines, which I find to differ several degrees. In this space found some land unoccupied without any improvement nor claimed by any person that I could discover; every one of the farms (four or five excepted) Exceed in breadth the Quantity specifyed in their Contracts; many of them from one to four french Chains and some few of them more. My operations on this occasion were greatly [612] facilitated by the friendly aid of Captains Monforton and Maisonville—from the uppermost house or inhabitant, I continued my survey measuring with a gunters Chain to Entrance of River la tranche, from thence along the Coast, some times by land, and sometimes by water to Entrance of Channail Ecarté, thence South westerly across the Lake to the West Chan ail, noting the water on the bar of the different Branches of River St. Clair as I passed; A plan of which Survey will furnish for use of the Land Board as soon as I finish the Plans and close my dispatches that are to go by the first vessel for fort Erie.

I have the honour, &c. &c.,

(Signed), PATRICK MCNIFF, Deputy Surveyor.

To Mr. P. McNiff, Deputy Surveyor, District Hesse:

Detroit, 21 April, 1792.

SIR!—The Board beg to be informed whether Gooses improvement is on the upper or lowermost half of Lot No. 19, South Side 1 Township, River la tranche—by your plan it appears on the lowest Side.

(Signed), D. W. SMITH, Secretary to the Board.

(No. 91) To Lieut. Smith, Secretary to Land Board:

21 April, 1792.

On the 7 April, 1791, when I surveyed and measured the front of Lot No. 19, in the 1 Township, South Side of river la tranche; (609, 610) I found Gooses Improvement on the lower part of that Lot.

(Signed), PAT. MCNIFF, Deputy Surveyor.

[613] At a Land board for the District of Hesse holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit, fryday, the 27 April, 1792.

Present—John Smith, Esquire, John Askin, Esquire, George Leith, Esquire, Montigny Louvigny, Esquire.

Filed the Petitions of—

402 Antoine Chaseron.
403 George Cape.
404 James Donaldson.
405 John Goose.
406 Inhabitants of petite Cote.
407 Benj. LeValet.
408 Charles Monger.
409 Joseph Roe.
410 Wm. Searl.

Richard Cornwall (who had received certificate No. 43, for Lot No. 45, in the first Concession of the 2 Connected Townships, Lake Erie) appeared before the Board and prayed to transfer his said Lot to Elizabeth Viscenau; whereupon the board endorsed upon his certificate as follows, viz.:—

District of Hesse, ss.

At a land office board held at Detroit this 27th day of April, 1792—personally appeared Richard Cornwall, who gave his Consent that this certificate should be transferred to Elizabeth Viscenau, daughter of Louis and Elizabeth Viscenau, to her and her heirs for ever, this said Certificate is hereby accordingly transferred. Given under our hands at Detroit aforesaid.

(Signed), JOHN SMITH, JOHN ASKIN, GEORGE LEITH, MONTIGNY.

The Board began to examine into the Claims for Lot No. 6, 1 Concession, 3d Township—North side River la tranche—Wm. Searl being the only person who had petitioned for it, or attended to prefer any claim to that Lot, his petitions, No. 132, 207 and 410 (82) were taken up, and he was invested with a Certificate for the said Lot.

The Board then took up the claims for Lot No. 6, 1 Concession, 2d Township, North Side River la tranche, and find no petition for that Lot except Francis Cornwall's, No. 300, whereupon (83) a certificate is filled up for him accordingly.

The directed oaths and declaration were administered to the said Wm. Searl and Francis Cornwall, and they subscribed the same.

The board referred to the Petition of John Goose, No. 405, who last Board day had received a Certificate for half a Lot in the front Concession, the other half of which was allotted to Louis Arnold; Goose having stated that he has improved more than half the Lot and Arnold having attended and resigned his pretensions to the Half he was invested with; The Board (84) admit of Goose's Petition and Grant him a Certificate for Lot No. 19, 1 Concession, 1 Township, South Side River la tranche.

This renders certificates No. 79 and 80 of no value and the 2d Concession of that Lot reverts to the recommendation of the board.

(615) The Clerk is directed to frame a Report to his Excy. the Lt. Govr. stating the difficulties under which the board labour.

[615] D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

(614) To his Excellency, J. G. Simcoe, Esquire, Lieutenant-Governor, &c., &c., &c., Upper Canada:

Detroit, 30 April, 1792.

SIR!—We take the first opportunity that presents itself from this post to offer our congratulations to your Excellency on your appointment to the Government of the Upper Province; in the interest of which we are deeply concerned; we do not therefore hesitate to represent to your Excellency at that he makes a further Survey of the 2d Concession of the 59 Lots between our trust, and which call for our immediate Representation.

The reserves and Restrictions of the present standing order of Survey, and an unwillingness to digress from it without authority, have prevented this board from being able to pay attention to the numerous petitions before it for Land, and we do not scruple to declare that unless that is dispensed with, the appointment of a Land board in this District is almost negatory—for the people will not settle with rear Concessions, which for the most part are very swampy, while there remains any unlocated lots in the front—and they have made a pitch even on these reserves and improved thereon, from whence the board know not how to remove them, could even such a measure be recommended—but we conceive the difficultys which have arisen to prevent their Location in form will be some plea in their Excuse—we therefore submit to your Excellency that all persons indiscriminately who have established themselves on Land previous to the Existence of this Board, should be secured [616] in their improvements to the Extent of 200 Acres immediately—and that the board should be enabled to locate the Lots on River la tranche, in general, excepting 40 Lots together, being the five adjoining Lots in the 1st and 2d Concessions of the 4 lowest Townships to be reserved for the friends of Government and the Clergy—in the center of which is a proper scite for a Town on the fork, to which craft can come.

The french settlement in the Streight from the River Canards to Lake St. Clair, is irregularly settled, some of it so long ago as the french time, but many of these people want proper deeds, or have only indian ones, or bills of sale on such titles, through several hands, by a change of property.

We therefore submit that all these people should be guaranteed in their actual possessions and improvements by receiving some certificate, voucher, or recommendation to your Excellency, that they may have legal titles, and be secured in their Lands to the Extent of their actual improvements and bona fide purchases. We have only to repeat our most sanguine wishes that these circumstances may be one of the first objects of the attention of your Excellency and the Honorable Council. The Honorable Commodore Grant and W. Dummer Powell, Esquire, both of this board, will be able to state to your Excellency the Minutia of our difficulty and the expediency as well as the propriety of what we ask, having no bias but the good of his Majesty's General Government, the peace and security of the Settler, and [617] the safety and welfare of His Majesty's Possessions, particularly that part of them which looks up to Your Excellency for protection.

We have the honor, &c.,

(Signed) JOHN SMITH, JOHN ASKIN, GEORGE LEITH, MONTIGNY.

At the Land board for the District of Hesse, holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit, Fryday, 4 May, 1792.

John Smith, Esquire, John Askin, Esquire, George Leith, Esquire.

Filed the following Petitions:—

No.		No.	
411—411	John Cameron.	419—419	Edward Nevill.
412—412	J. Carrol.	420—420	Coleman Roe.
413—413	Geo. Cape.	421—421	J. Ruff.
414—414	Jos. Elam.	422—422	Jam. Stewart.
415—415	Peter Faucher.	423—423	Jno. Wheaton.
416—416	Ch. Gascoyne.	424—424	Peter Williams.
417—417	Rob. Gill.	425—425	Peter Williams.
418—418	Thos. Little.	426—426	Henry Wright.

[618] Joseph Springfield having attended the Board and praying to be Located on Lot No. 19, 2 Concession, South side 1st Township, River la tranche, his petitions No. 118, 176 and 296, were referred to, and having no other petitioner for the above Lot, a certificate is made out for him; and being of the approved provision list and producing his discharge and having sworn not to have received any provisions, the Board order him to receive one month's rations to 24 May, 1792, to be continued on the required proofs.

Springfield having resigned His Ticket for Lot No. 91, on Lake Erie; The Board took up the Petitions of Andrew Woolche (92), No. 243, 342 and 366, and he having no competitor a certificate is filled up for him for Lot No. 91, 1 Concession, 2 Connected Townships, Lake Erie.

The petition of Wm. Wright, No. 198 was taken up; he produced Jonas Woods' ticket for No. 3, Lake Erie, which he states was given to him by Wood; and being the first petitioner (86) for that Land a certificate according for Lot No. 3, 1 Concession, 2 Connected Townships, Lake Erie, is filled up for him. Wright produces a permission from Major Murray to go on that Lot.

The petition of John Little for Thomas Little, No. 201, and of Thomas Little, No. 418, were read. Little produced a Certificate from Major Murry of Lot 58, being uncultivated, and the Major's permission to take possession of it. The original ticket which was granted to Samuel Newkirk, having been surrendered to the board, and Little being the oldest petitioner, a certificate for Lot No. 58, 1 Concession, 2 Connected Townships, Lake Erie, is made out for him.

The petitions of James Wilcox, No. 81, 189, 212 and 309 were taken up, [619] and Wilcox produced a permission and order of Major Murray to take possession of Lot No. 65, Lake Erie. Mr. Nicholas Goin, The original Grantee of this Lot was called for, and attending he delivered up his original ticket to the board, in order to serve Wilcox, who on the 11th September, 1790, had resigned his pretensions to a Lot to obviate difficulty to the board, who then promised him he should be early remembered on the River la tranche; The Board think it but just as Mr. Goin has resigned to favor Wilcox, that he should be noticed on River la tranche (88) in Wilcox's turn—a Certificate is filled up for Wilcox.

Read the petitions of Henry Wright, 80 and 197 for Lot No. 77, Lake Erie. The Board find Jacob Sager to have been the original Grantee of this Lot, and note that notwithstanding their repeated advertizements he has never made any claim; that he has forfeited his Lot on the proviso with

which he received a ticket for it; having failed to improve within the year. Wright then produced a Certificate from Major Murray that the Lot was vacant and uncultivated on the 4th december, 1789, and his permission to take possession of it, also a certificate from John Cornwall that the lot had no improvement made on it, til in possession of said Wright; that Jacob Segar Abandoned it and went on adjoining lot in 1788. The board observe that Legar had made no improvement on the Lot when it was surveyed by their order.

The Board do not hesitate therefore to grant Henry Wright a Certificate cate for Lot No. 77, 1 Concession, in the 2 Connected Townships Lake Erie. [620] The petitions of Wm. Scot, No. 41 and 313 were Read, Scot produced a ticket for 78 Lake Erie. The board therefore invest him with a Certificate (90) for Lot No. 78, 1 Concession, 2 Connected Townships Lake Erie.

Wm. Scot then produced a certificate of his Services with Governor Hamilton, in the Governor's Handwriting, by which it appears he had been wounded in the jaw.

Being of the approved provision list, and having sworn never to have received any since his discharge, and that he has a wife, 3 Children above 10 and 2 under. The Board direct him and family a months provision to 24 May, to be continued on the required proofs of improvement.

Wm. Scot was then permitted to exchange Lots with Robert Dowler.

Charles Filpley produced the original ticket for Jacob Lans, Lot. No. 86, with a paper signed by Lans certifying to an Exchange with Filpley for Lot No. 48.

Filpley begs to be invested with a certificate for No. 86 and permission to transfer 48 to Rudolph Hoffman.

The Board observe that Filpley acepted Lot 48, without bringing forward Lans' Certificate of the Exchange; Lans, it is said, has run away; the board therefore to prevent collusion, as this does not seem a bona fide transaction, refuse to give a Certificate to Filpley. But so far acquiesce in arranging the mutual request of Filpley & Hoffman, that if the latter who has not yet received Land accepts of Lot No. 86, 1 Concession, 2 Connected Townships Lake Erie, the board consent to his Exchange with Filpley. The Certificate and transfer were made out accordingly. R. Hoffman's petition [621] is (91) No. 377 and Charles Filpley's Petition No. 263, becomes of no value.

Jacob Quaint having resigned his ticket for No. 92, Daniel Cameron's petitions No. 239, 350 and 399 were attended to.

Cameron produced a recommendation from Major Murray for (93) the Lot, and a handsome discharge of his Services to his Majesty. A Certificate was made out for him for Lot No. 92, 1 Concession, in the 2 Connected Townships Lake Erie and half of Lot No. 94, in said Concession and Township, which nominally appears to be 300 Acres, but in fact is only about 200.

(307, 308) The Board think it pertinent to remark in this place (to prevent any surprize which may originate from seeing persons in these 2 Connected Townships apparently ocupying 3 and 400 Acres; that the Lots are irregularly laid out, the largest of them containing no more than about 152 Acres, and many of them no more than 114—which will induce the board in a few instances to grant a second lot, or half a Lot more to a petitioner, in order to make him up about 200 Acres actually—in the rear, or

second Concession of this township, from the number of Swamps, no one will ever accept a location unless they can have 2 or 3 Lots, making from 9 to 12 Acres in front; and in this tract even little good ground will be found—this second Concession has been once deserted already.

On the petition of John Cameron, No. 411, the board grant him ½ of Lot No. 94, 1 Concession, in the 2 Connected Townships Lake Erie, and a Certificate is filled up accordingly.

[622] The 5 following original tickets were then presented to the board, by 5 several petitioners, who produced bills of sale of the several Lots, viz.:

In the 1st Concession, 2 Connected Townships Lake Erie. Lot 5, Peter Williams' Petition No. 424, original Grantee, John Hocust.

Lot 16, James Stewart. Petition No. 422, original Grantee, Adam Darkness.

Lot 53, Edward Nevel, Petition No. 419, Original Grantee, Joseph Bonde.

Lot 62, Danl. McKillip, Petition No. 69, Original Grantee, John Jos. Waters.

Lot 76, Henry Wright, Petition No. 426, Original Grantee, J. Bapte. Cicot.

The Board have reason to believe the above are bona fide transactions, and presume that as the original Grantees received their lands as a reward for past Services, They imagined they might dispose of them. The Board would be unwilling to frustrate any ideas or intentions of rewarding these people, who received their locations prior to the Board's Existence, by refusing to confirm the above bills of Sale to the present petitioners and purchasers, who proved that they improved the Lots, and state the inefficiency of their own Lands to support their families, every Lot being short of 200 Acres.

Certificates and Transfers were made out accordingly, the certificate in the name of the original Grantee and endorsed with a transfer to the Actual occupant or purchaser, in the following form:—

District of Hesse.

"At a Land Board held at Detroit the 4th day of May, 1792, upon the petition of (the Purchaser) who produced the original ticket No. —, and a bill of Sale for that Lot, and proof being given to us that improvement was made thereon, we do certify our consent 'that the said certificate be trans-
[623] fered to the said (purchaser.)"

The following transfers were also then confirmed for Lots in the first Concession, 2 Connected Townships Lake Erie, viz.:—

Certificate No. 15, Lot No. 47, John Pardo to Rudolph Hoffman.
" No. 22, Lot No. 48, Charles Filpley to Rudolph Hoffman.
" No. 84, Lot No. 84, Thomas Ashworth to Windal Wagali.
" No. 51, Lot No. 60, John McClaine to Thomas Ashworth.
" No. 90, Lot No. 78, William Scot to Robert Dowler.
" No. 91, Lot No. 86, Rudolph Hoffman to Chas. Filpley.

Also Certificate No. 74, for Lot No. 6, 1 Concession, 3d Township, South side River la tranche, from Robert Dowler to William Scot.

The form of the transfer endorsed on the said foregoing certificates, as follows:—

"District of Hesse:

"At a Land Board held at Detroit this 4 day of May, 1792—upon the "Representation of (the transferrer) who prays to transfer his certificate to "the (transferée):—we have made enquiry, and not finding it will be any "impediment to the settlement of the waste lands of the Crown; we do cer-

"tify our consent that the said certificate be transferred from (the trans- "ferrer) to the (transferée)."

The directed oaths and Declarations were administered to the Persons invested with Certificates, and they subscribed the same.

Michael Shaver produced a Certificate from Major Murray dated 29 November, 1789, wherein Lot No. 10, 1 Concession, New Settlement, near [624] the mouth of Detroit River is said to be uncultivated, and permission is given to said Shaver to take possession of it.

It appears from this that J. B. Souvraint, the original Grantée, had neglected to improve, and had of course forfeited his right to the Lot, and the Reports of Thos. Smith and Mr. Pat. McNiff (when they surveyed that settlement) Shew that Souvraint had made no improvement.

Shaver states that he considered the authority of Major Murray as binding, and hopes the board will confirm it.

(100) A Certificate is ordered accordingly to be made out for him, there being no other ostensible claimant, or petitioner, but to give Souvraint every opportunity of bringing forward any thing he may have to offer in excuse for not improving, and for still holding the Lot, Shaver's certificate is not to be delivered to him for one month from the date hereof, unless Souvraint resigns his claims sooner.

M. Shaver's Petion is No. 265.

D. W. Smith, Secretary to the Board.

At the Landboard for the District of Hesse, holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit, Fryday, 10 May, 1792:

Present—John Smith, Esquire, John Askin, Esquire, Montigny Louvigny, Esquire.

Filed the petitions of—

427. Coleman Roe.

428. John Little, Junior.

429. George Neills.

(F. 504) John Little, Junior, who had been promised Lot No. 46, 1 [625] Concession, 2 Connected Townships Lake Erie, attended and received a Certificate, having taken and subscribed the (101) directed oaths and (428) declaration.

Mr. McNiff's survey of the Strait from the Reserve at River Canards, extending 149 Lots upwards, was laid before the board who order that he makes a further Survey of the 2d Concession of the 59 Lots between the 2 Reserves, into 3 Acre Lots in front by 40 deep at right Angles.

The board determine to hear the Claims for 12 Lots in the 3d Township Lake Erie, 4 weeks from this date.

(164-406) The Petition of the Inhabitants of the Petite Cote was read praying for their Continuations; The Board does not think the petition unreasonable, so far as relates to their 2 Concession, as most of the Lots there are about 3 Acres in front, which in the first and second Concession together will give little more than 200 Acres to each Lot, and they presume that the Inhabitants will be ready to assist the Deputy Surveyor in laying out the second Concession. The Captain of Militia and chief Inhabitants are to be consulted as to the most proper places for roads from the 2d Concession which must be determined on before Grants can be made for that Concession.

(175) The Petition of others settled on River Canards, was also read, The Survey was referred to, by which it appears that the people who are settled on River Canards, come within the first Concession of the Settlements of the Strait.

The board direct enquiry to be made whether the setlers on the Strait near River Canards, or those on that River, were established first, and whether the people who have set down (Folio 12—) on River Canards have done it, since the Board's prohibition to settle on the Waste Lands of the [626] Crown—without their Authority.

The Disputants for the lands near the River Canards will be specially heard when the Lots there come under investigation, and discussion.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary to the Board.

Detroit, 11 May, 1792.

To Mr. McNiff, Deputy Surveyor, &c.:

SIR!—You are to proceed to the North boundary of the Reserve at River Canards on the bank near the Water's Edge and there commence your survey—marking off a road space on the King's waste land from the Reserve upwards on the Strait—proceeding from thence Eastward along the said boundary forty Acres, at the end of which you will mark a road between the 1st and 2d Concessions of the Petite Cote (having regard at the same time to the road space along the said boundary), you will proceed thence on your line 40 acres more, and there mark another road between the second and third Concessions, thence back on your line 40 Acres, to the road space between the first and second Concessions, thence along said road in a due north direction laying out the 2d Concession as you go along in the Lots of 3 Acres fronting on said road, whose side lines are to be at right Angles with the Road—til you come to the boundary of the Reserve at River au Jarvais; marking at the End of and between every 15 Lots, a road space to lead from the front of the 2d to the third Concession—all such roads being of the width directed by the General Rules and Regulations and order of the Board.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

[627] Detroit, 11 May, 1792.

To Captain Monforton, of the Militia Petite Cote:

SIR!—The petition of the Inhabitants of the Petite Cote for their continuations has been taken up by the Land board for the District of Hesse, who think it reasonable so far as it relates to their 2d Concession, which the Deputy Surveyor is orderd to lay out—and it is presumed the *old* Inhabitants will lend him such assistance as will enable him to carry the survey into Execution, as at present he cannot get that assistance from hence.

But before any certificate can be granted for the Lots in either the 1st or 2d Concessions, it is highly necessary that spaces for roads, to lead from the River to the 2d Concession should be adopted; you will, therefore, in conjunction with your company, report where such roads may be most conveniently made, as well for the good of the people in general, as the settlement in particular—immediately below Turkey River seems to point itself out at a convenient and central scite for a principal Road, one between that and River au Jervaise, and another between Turkey River and the Reserve, may perhaps suffice.

It appears from the Surveyor's Report that almost the whole of the farms contain more in front than specifyed by their Contracts, or by your return, so that wherever the Lot may fall for the public Good, The Individual can have little or no cause of complaint.

[628] Should there be any settlers who have usurped lands since the formation of the board, but most particularly since their prohibition to settle on the King's waste Lands without authority, they perhaps cannot claim the same indulgencies as the older Inhabitants, who have settled under some kind of Authority, altho' without deeds, "en roture!"

It is presumed also, that altho a transfer of property has thrown 2 or 3 Lots in front into the possession of an individual, yet it is not reasonable, or consistent with the public good to suppose such individual can expect more than one Lot in the Continuation.

You will be careful that the Inhabitants who render assistance to the Deputy Surveyor do not imbibe the idea that this Service will entitle them to any peculiar preference for their second Concessions, merely on account of their assistance; but in order to repay them fully for their labour, the board have directed the front of the second Concession to be extended in a due north direction from the end of 40 Acres (taken on the North boundary of the Reserve) from the River, which on account of the Curvilineal front of the Strait, will extend the first Concession of near all the old Inhabitants to about 50 Acres—which will be an acquisition much more than adequate to any trouble they may be at. The board do not wish that any of the people who may have settled without authority since their formation should be employed with the Surveyor, lest they should bring that forward [629] as a pretence to be secured in their usurpations. Should it be quite convenient for you to come to the fort, I shall be happy to have a personal interview with you—which I make no doubt will be also a satisfactory opportunity to the Surveyor of meeting you.

I have the honor, &c., Per order of the board,

D. W. Smith, Secretary.

Advertisement.

(The public. Lake Erie, R. la tranche, Gros isle, R. Rouge.)

The Land board for the District of Hesse are ready to receive petitions for the 12 Lots which are laid out in the 3d Township on Lake Erie, and the petitioners will attend on the 8th day of June next.

Detroit, 11 May, 1792.

D. W. Smith, Secretary to the Board.

At a Land board for the District of Hesse,

Detroit, 18 May, 1792.

John Smith, Esquire, John Askin, Esquire, George Leith, Esquire.

Filed the following Petitions:—

430.....C. Andrews.
431.....R. Campeau.
432.....P. Charron.
433.....T. Clark.
434.....M. Deloge.
435.....J. Pardo.
436.....W. Searl.
437.....T. Smith.

[630] (430) The board took up the Petitions of Colin Andrews and (435) John Pardo, and directed Certificates to be filled up on the prayer of them; accordingly a Certificate, No. 102, was filled up for Colin Andrews for Lot No. 85; and a Certificate, No. 103, for Pardo, for Lot No. 75, both in the first Concession of the two Connected Townships, Lake Erie.

On the revisal of the Petitions the following are to be transmitted to Head Quarters for the reasons assigned to them:—

Nos. 35, 108, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 168, 376, 380, Because they are for Land within the Reserve at River Canards—not in the Board's Gift.

Nos. 120, 124, 154, 210, 260, 267, Because they are for Land within the Indian Officer's Land, not in the allienation of the board.

No. 18, Because for Land in the Reserve near River au Jervais, not in the Board's Gift.

Nos. 34, 319, Because they may further elucidate the Claims of Sally [631] Ainse.

Nos. 6, 7, Because for Land on River St. Clair, beyond the purchase.

No. 5, Being for Townships. No. 17, For instructions.

No. 153, Being for large claims and of somewhat similar description to the petition of the Trustees, of Caldwell and Elliot; For instructions.

No. 208, Because Petitioner attended and declined his request, not being able to get both of the Lots payed for.

The 23 Loyalists and their families drawing provisions are to be continued to 24 June, next, on the required Certificates being produced. Unless Nevel brings forward full and sufficient proof of the existence of his family, as stated by him before that period, His provisions are to stop, *in toto*, from that time.

Benj. Knapp, a Ranger of the approved List, is to receive the Compliment of His Provisions, commencing 25 June next.

D. W. Smith, Secretary to the Board.

Detroit, 25 May, 1792.

We have this day compared the copys of our minutes with The Register which we find correct and sign them accordingly.

John Smith,
John Askin,
Geo. Leith,
Montigny Louvigny.

A Copy sent to Head Quarters.

D. W. Smith, Secretary.

[632] REPORT L.

At a Land Board for the District of Hesse holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit, Fryday 25 of May, A.D. 1792.

Present: John Smith, Esquire; John Askin, Esquire; George Leith, Esquire; Montigny Louvigny, Esquire.

Filed the following petitions.

438 D. W. Smith.

439 Molly French, &

440 Inhabitants of River Canard, who attended in person.

The Board took up the petition of D. W. Smith, No. 438, and granted him a Certificate No. 104, for a single Lot of about 200 Acres, being Lot No. 1, 3d Concession, 2d Township South side, River la tranche.

The Board took up then the Petitions of Captain Matthew Elliot No. 360 and 394—the former for 3,000 Acres, the latter for the promontory called point au pagé on Point Pelé; in consequence of which a Certificate No. 105; is filled up for him, for Lot No. 10, 1 Concession, 3d Township, Lake Erie, and having thus put him in possession of 200 Acres, his petitions for the remainder is to be submitted to the Governor.

The petition of Mr. Henry Hay, No. 172—for 500 Acres on River la tranche, for the family of the late Luieutenant-Governor Hay, is to be submitted to the Governor, recommending them to be put in possession of Lots No. 23 and 24, 1 Concession, 1 Township, South side, River la tranche, and so much in the rear of them, as may be permitted by His Excellency—to complete the 5,000 Acres.

[633] Certificate No. 64, for Lot No. 72, 1 Concession, 2 Connected Townships, Lake Erie, is transferred from Edward McCarty, to John Snider.

Delivered William Scat his indian deed for a tract of Land on River la tranche.

D. W. Smith, Secretary.

At the Council Chamber of Detroit.

Fryday, 1 June, 1792.

John Smith, Esquire; George Leith, Esquire.

Read and filed the following Report from the Deputy Surveyor.

No. 93. John Smith, Esquire. President of the Land Board of Hesse, &c., &c.

Detroit, 31 May, 1792.

Sir—Pursuant to an order of the Land Board of the District of Hesse, dated the 11 May, instant, I did on the 26 Instant, commence to run and mark the line between the Reserve at River Cannards and the Land at Petite Côte, which I effected for one Concession; I also endeavoured to continue that line the depth of the 2nd Concession, but was obstructed by the marshes, that are between the Branches of River Cannards, which marshes I could not pass either with, or without a Canoe—there not being water sufficient for a Canoe, and the mudd too soft to pass on foot. I endeavoured by different offsets to get clear of the Marsh but in vain being still headed by it—which obliged me to discontinue that line and commence to run the division line between the first and second Concession, from the reserve at River Cannards upwards to the Reserve at the Huron Church.

[634] In the course of my continuing this line—I found settled on the front of the second Concession, on Lots No. 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10, Six Inhabitants, some with Considerable improvements. From Lot No. 11 to No. 29. A continued Marsh and Swamp in most places covered with water a considerable depth, from No. 29 to the end of my line a plain and marsh with very little wood. I also find settled nearly in the rear of Colonel McKee and others, several families who claim land in front above the Huron Church, they are said to be settled on the 3rd Concession; between their improvements and the River no wood land being all a plain. On Lot No. 35, I find Druillards Water Mill to be five Arpents west of my line; the Mill is said to be 55 Arpents back from the River.

The whole distance that I have run from Lot No. 12 upwards, the 2d Concession can only be deemed useful for the little wood that may be on it, the land being of no value.

(Signed) PATRICK MCNIFF, Deputy Surveyor.

Filed the following petitions.

441 John Barbo.
442 Beauchamp, pere.
443 Captain Wm. Caldwell.
444 Jacque Chartiez.
445 Defaux, Cure.
446 Vital Demouchelle.
447 Isaac Dolsen.
448 Daniel Dolsen.
449 J. B. Fere.
450 Joseph Ferris. [635]
451 James Forsyth.
452 Bapte. Goyeau.
453 William Harpur.
454 Inhabitants River Canards.
455 Inhabitants Petite Côte.
456 Thomas Kind.
457 J. B. Labadie.
458 A. McKee, Esquire.
459 Pat. O'Flaherty.
460 W. Scat.
461 Catharine Speakman.
462 John Cornwall.
463 Wheeler Cornwall.
464 Joshua Cornwall.
465 Antoine Dequindre.

D. W. SMITH, Secretary.

At a Land board for the District of Hesse holden at the Council Chamber of Detroit, Fryday the 8 June, 1792.

Present: John Smith, Esquire; John Askin, Esquire; George Leith, Esquire; Montigny Louvigny, Esquire.

Granted the following Certificates.

No. 106, Dagnio Dequindre, Lot no. 11, 1 Concession, 2 Connected Townships, Lake Erie.

No. 107, Antoine Sincerny, Lot no. 25, 1 Concession, 2 Connected Township, Lake Erie.

No. 108, Thomas Curtis, Lot no. 7, 1 Concession 3d Township, Lake Erie. (Note: see o. c8 March 1820, erasing the name of T. Curtis.)

No. 109, Jaque Chartiez, Lot no. 9, 1 Concession, 3d Township, Lake Erie.

No. 110, Patrick Hill, Lot no. 57, 1 Concession, 2 Connected Township, Lake Erie.

No. 111, Pat O'Flaherty, Lot no. 19, 1 Concession, 2 Township South, la tranche.

No. 112, Maurice Roach, Lot no. 6, 1 Concession 3 Township Lake Erie.

Made the following transfers.

[636] Certificate No. 4 for 12 Lot, 1 Concession, 2 Connected Townships, Lake Erie.

Certificate No. 8, for 20 Lot, 1 Concession, 2 Connected Townships, Lake Erie.

Certificate No. 14, for 33 Lot, 1 Concession, 2 Connected Township, Lake Erie.

Certificate No. 62, for 2 Lot East, 1 Concession, 2 Connected Township, Lake Erie.

Certificate No. 63, for 90 Lot, 1 Concession, 2 Connected Township, Lake Erie.

Certificate No. 69, for 4 Lot, 1 Concession, 2 Connected Township, Lake Erie.

Certificate No. 110, for Lot 57, Lot 1 Concession, 2 Connected, Township, Lake Erie.

as follows.

Certificate No. 4, Leonard Scratch to John Wist.
Certificate No. 8, Asa Holmes to John Pardo.
Certificate No. 14, Henry Ramsey to Joseph Drouillard.
Certificate No. 62, John Wist to Leonard Scratch.
Certificate No. 63, Joseph Drouillard to Henry Ramsey.
Certificate No. 69, Robert Denniston to Peter Malot.
Certificate No. 110, Pat. Hill to Henry Ramsey.
Certificate No. 63, Henry Ramsey to Matthew Dolsen.

The Board framed two Reports, to His Excellency the Commander in Chief, respecting provisions. The other His Excellency Governor Simcoe accompanying Report K.

The petitions of Captain Caldwell and Harpur, for a transfer to be made by the latter to the former was rejected.

The board ordered a Survey of the 2d and 3d Concessions or rather the continuation from the Huron Church upwards.

(466) Filed the petition of Mr. Schiefflin.

Reny Campeau resigned his Certificate No. 76 to the Board, for Lot No. 19, 1 Concession 2 Township; South side R. la tranche.

D. W. Smith,
Secretary to the Board.

N.B. Whosoever receives this register will have to post acct. all the different books and papers from the Commencement of this Report, named L. folio 632. Excepting a very few circumstances which will be seen on [637] examination—There are three General Registers, and 19 attendant ones thereon; besides all the other papers which are sorted and classed.

D. W. Smith, Lieut 8 Foot.
Secretary to the Board.

At a meeting of the land Board of the District of Hesse, at the Council Chamber of Detroit, Fryday the 29th of June, 1792.

Lieutenant Colonel England, President.

John Askin, George Leith, Montigny Louvigny, Members.

Lake Erie. The Board heard Mauris Roches Claims and also that of Edward Hazell to Lot No. 6, the 1st Concession, 3rd Township in Lake Erie, decided in favor of the latter.

Edward Hazell having a prior and a better founded Claim for Lot No. 6, first Concession and third Township than Mauris Roche it was given to the former, he then requested to have No. 5 the next Lot to No. 6, but that also was given away and none other vacant in said Township and Concession than No. 2, 3, 4, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24, he was desired to make choise of some of them and make such choise known to the Board.

(Petite Cote.) Captain Monforton is desired to warn all the Inhabitants of the Petite Cote who have any wish to get the Continuation of their Farms to attend here on Monday the 9th of July next, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon and give in their Claims.

[638] A Promise. Received a Petition from the Widow Sparksman soliciting for a Lot wherever the Board thought proper to give it to her, and was in answer informed that she should from her Pretensions set forth in the Petition, have any Lot that was not already granted or Petitioned for.

Received an application from Mr. Jonathan Schefflien to have his Petition for a Lot formerly petitioned for on the South East Side of the River Detroit bounded by Mr. Maisonville on the South West and Mr. Labady on the North East considered, and was informed that the Board did not consider themselves competent to decide on it from its being particularly circumstanced and that his former Petition was referred to His Excellency Lord Dorchester from whom there was no answer on the subject, and was further informed, that for his satisfaction he should have a minute of the manner in which it was sent to His Excellency and the time when.

RD. ENGLAND., Lieutenant Colonel.
JOHN ASKIN.
GEORGE LEITH.
MONTIGNY LOUVIGNY.

At a Meeting of the Land Board of the District of Hesse, at the Council Chamber of Detroit, Friday, July 6th, 1792.

Lieutenant Colonel England, President.

John Askin, George Leith, Montigny Louvigny, Members.

Received an application from Mr. Hugh Howard to have his Petition pre-
[639] fered in the year 1789 for a Lot of Ground considered. The Board having reference to former Proceedings, find the Lot petitioned for, not within the power of the Board to recommend for, being out of the Purchase made from the Natives the 26th of May, 1790.

The Board received an application from Mr. Jonathan Schefflien for three deeds No. 6, 7, 8, one of which was granted him by the Indians, and two purchased by him, which deeds were lodged by him with the Board the 6th November, 1789. The Board considering them his property, directed them to be delivered him, for which he has signed an Acknowledgment here annexed.

(This Certificate is between pages 638 and 639 and there is no page 640.)

Deposited in my Office by Lieutenant Jonathan Schiefflein Three Deeds for Lands situate on the North Side of River a la tranche, No. 1 from the Chippewas containing Sixty miles by Twelve. No. 2 from Hugh Holmes for twelve Acres by Forty acres. No. 3 from Louis Thibault for Twelve Acres by Forty to be admeasured upon a horizontal Plan for the perusal and consideration of the Land Board for the District of Hesse.

Given under my hand at Detroit.
This Sixth day of November, 1789.

T. SMITH, Clerk of Land Board.

Received Detroit the Sixth day of July, 1792, from the Land Board of the District of Hesse, Three Deeds of Lands situate on the River à La Trenche, (as specified on the above Certificate.)

J. SCHIEFFEIIN.

Detroit, November 6th, 1789.

Mr. Thomas Smyth, Clerk of the Court his Receipt for Deeds lodged with him the property of Mr. John Scheffllan.

RD. ENGLAND, Lieutenant Colonel.
JOHN ASKIN.
GEORGE LEITH.
MONTIGNY LOUVIGNY.

At a Special meeting of the Land Board of the District of Hesse, at the Council Chamber of Detroit, on Monday the 8th July, 1792.

Lieutenant Colonel ENGLAND, President.
JOHN ASKIN.
GEORGE LEITH.
MONTIGNY LOUVIGNY.

Petite Cote. The Inhabitants of the Petite Cote occupying 59 Lots or farms in front, with some in the rear being desired to attend on that day, their Claims and pretensions to the front Lots, as also their petition for the [641] second Concession were heard, in order to enable the Board to judge whose Claims were best founded and most deserving of the continuations in their rear.

These matters requiring a good deal of consideration, and an actual survey of the second Concession being necessary, before the Certificates of Occupation can be granted, the Inhabitants were desired to return home, and wait the order of the Board to finally determine on their Claims.

RD. ENGLAND, Lieutenant Colonel.
JOHN ASKIN.
GEORGE LEITH
MONTIGNY LOUVIGNY.

At a Meeting of the Land Board of the District of Hesse, at the Council House at Detroit, on Friday the 13th July, 1792.

Lieutenant Colonel, England, President.

John Askin, George Leith, Montigny Louvigny, Members.

Mr. Edward Heazel appeared and requested his Certificate (Lake Erie) for No. 6, First Concession, 3d Township in Lake Erie, and after having administered the Oath of Fidelity, (Certificate 113) and allegiance to him, as directed by law,

The Board agreable to their Resolution of the 29th June, 1792, granted him his Certificate, directing it to be lodged in trust for him in the Hands of George Leith, Esquire, until he was assured that Mr. Heazel had satisfied Mauris Roche for his Labour on the said Lot, conformable to the Boards recommendation of the 29th June.

Received a fresh application from Mr. Hugh Howard for a Lot of [642] Ground on Lake Erie next to 97, or to the next Lot to that, (supposed to be 99) . The Board deferred deciding on his application, till a further day which will be notified by advertisement.

The Board received an application from William Lochert for a transfer of Lot No. 65, new Settlements on Lake Erie, first Township from James Wilcox, which the Board consented to, having first administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as directed by Law, and granted him the Certificate which is registered.

The Board having found some difficulty in settling the tract of Land on Lake Erie, lying between Lot 97 and Marsh Creek, directed the following advertisement to be published.

Detroit, 13th July, 1792.

Advertisement.

All those who have any interest, or claim any Pretensions by grants or otherwise to the tract of Land on Lake Erie, lying between Lot 97 and Marsh Creek, are desired to attend the Land Board of the District of Hesse, on Friday, the 27th Instant, In order to inform the Board with the Nature of their Interest, and Pretensions, for the further direction of the Board.

By order of the President.

E. O'BRIEN, Secretary to the Board.
RD. ENGLAND, Lieutenant Colonel.
JOHN ASKIN.
GEORGE LEITH.
MONTIGNY LOUVIGNY.

[643] At a meeting of the Land Board of the District of Hesse, at the Council House, at Detroit, on Friday the 20th day of July, 1792.

Lieutenant Colonel England, President.

John Askin, Montigny Louvigny, Members.

Petite Cote. The Board having received by Captain Monforton a written Agreement signed by the Majority of the Inhabintants of Petite Cote, dated the 15th July, 1792 and lodged with the Board, sitting forth, that the old french side Lines run between the S. and E., and that they wish they should be continued in the same direction, and on reference to the Deputy Surveyor's Map, having found that more of their fences now run South 73 East—than any other Course, and being desirous to put the Inhabitants to as little expense as possible, from an attention to their Ease, direct that South 73 East—should be the Standard as to the side Lines of the 1st Concession or old Grants, and that due East should also be the Standard for the Continuation or second Concession and further direct, that the Inhabitants employ some proper Surveyor to draw their Side Lines in the direction above mentioned—in order to facilitate the Board in granting if possible the second Concession prayed for by the Inhabitants and that twelve of the Inhabitants possessing the Lots next the Reserve, with also those people settled in their Rear do attend the Board on Friday next the 27th Instant, in order finally to determine on their Claims, and if possible grant the Lots in the second Concession to those who have well founded Pretensions.

RD. ENGLAND, President.
JOHN ASKIN.
MONTIGY.

[644] At a meeting of the Land Board of the District of Hesse, at the Council House at Detroit, on Friday, the 27th day of July, 1792.

Lieutenant Colonel England, President.

John Askin, George Leith, Esquire, Louvigny Montigny, Esquire, Members.

Petite Cote. The Inhabitants on the Petite Côte next the Reserve having attended agreeable to the Direction (Certificate 164) of the Board, on the

20th Instant—the Board proceeded to examine them separately beginning with Laurence Bondy the present Possessor of Lot No. 1, who having taken the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance as directed by Law, the Board thought proper to grant him a Certificate for his Lot No. 1.

(163) The Board examined Antoine Molosh, the Possessor of Lot No. 2, directed a Certificate to be also made for him, when he takes the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance.

(162) The Board examined Gabriel Bondy, the Possessor of Lot No. 3 and having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance directed by Law, desired a Certificate to be granted to him for it.

The Board examined Joseph Bondy, the Possessor of Lot No. 4, find that a Ticket was formerly granted to him for Lot No. 55, in the New Settlement on Lake Erie by Major Matthews, which Ticket he sold to Edward Neville, therefore defer deciding to his Pretensions to Lot No. 4, Petite Cote till they can make further Enquiries relative to it.

(169) The Board examined Joseph L'Esperance, the Present Possessor of Lot No. 5, and having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as directed by Law, direct a Certificate to be granted him for said Lot with a Continuation in the second Cencession of Lot No. 1, there not being any wood on Lot No. 5 to enable him to make his fence or to serve his Family as Fire Wood.

[645] Petite Cote. The Board examined Charles Renau, the Present Pos- (Certificate 165) sessor of Lot No. 6, and having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance as directed by Law, direct a Certificate to be granted him for said Lot, with a Continuation in the second Concession of Lot No. 2, for the Reasons assigned for granting a Continuation to Joseph L'esperance.

(161) The Board examined Simon Bargeron, the present Possessor of Lot No. 7, part of a French Grant, previous to the Conquest, confirm his Grant and having administered the Oath, direct a Certificate to be given him for a Continuation in the second Concession, which will be Lot No. 3, for the reasons assigned for granting the Continuation to Joseph L'Esperance.

(167) The Board examined Jacob Bazor, the present Possessor of Lot No. 8, part of a French Grant previous to the Conquest, confirm his Grant and having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance as directed by Law, direct a Certificate to be granted him for a Continuation in the second Concession, which will be Lot No. 4, for the reasons assigned for granting the Continuation to Joseph L'Esperance.

(160) The Board examined Mr. Monforton, (Captain of Militia) the present Possessor of Lot No. 9, part of a French Grant and confirm his Grant, and having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance as directed by Law, direct a Certificate to be granted to him for a Continuation in the second Concession of three Arpents in front which will be Lot No. 5, for the reasons assigned, for granting the Continuation to Joseph L'esperance notwithstanding a part of it is occupied by H. Stephens, who it appears has built a Hut and Barn and planted some corn in his Rear, not only without authority, but contrary to the repeated directions of the Board.

[646] Petite Côte. The Board examined Jarvais Houdienne, the present Possessor of Lot No. 10, part of a French Grant and confirm his Grant in the extent of three Arpents in front, and having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as directed by law desire a Certificate to be granted him for a Continuation in the second Concession of an Acre

and a half, which will be in Lot No. 6 (Disputed by James Donaldson) for the reasons assigned for granting the Continuation to Joseph L'Esperance.

(190) The Board examined Louis Bourisseau, the present Possessor of Lot No. 11, part of a French Grant and having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as directed by Law, desire that a Certificate be granted him for a Continuation of an Acre and an half in front in the second Concession, which will be in Lot No. 6, for the reasons assigned for granting the Continuation to Joseph L'Esperance.

Lake Erie. The Board proceeded to examine Captain Caldwell relative to a grant made to him, and other Indian Officers by the Ottawa Indians in 1784, when Captain Caldwell produced a Deed signed by several Chiefs for a large tract therein mentioned. The Board finding by reference to former Proceedings that an application has been made heretofore by the Board on this subject to His Excellency, Lord Dorchester, and no answer having been received, defer making any Grants till they receive further Instructions.

RD. ENGLAND, President.
GEORGE LEITH.
MONTIGNY LOUVIGNY.

[647] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the District of Hesse held at the Commandant's Quarters at Detroit, on Friday, 3rd August, 1792.

Lieutenant Colonel England, President.

John Askin, Esquire, George Leith, Esquire, Louvigny Montigny, Esquire, Members.

Petite Cote. The Board proceeded to examine Francis Bennetto, the present Possessor of Lot No. 12, Part of French Grant and confirm his Grant, but finding a difficulty in granting him a Continuation in the second Concession, in consequence of Pierre Baumier having been settled there, and cultivated some Ground, and he having pretensions to favors in consequence of his services during the last War, the Board decided that the Lot No. 7, in the second Concession should be divided equally between them, with a Continuation of forty Acres in the 3d Concession, three Acres in Breadth for the reasons assigned for granting the Continuation to Joseph L'Esperance. And it appearing that Pierre Molosh was also settled without any authority on Lot No. 7, in the second Concession decide to give him a Lot, any where he may chuse it in the third Concession and direct him to acquaint the Board as soon as he may have made his choice that his Certificate may be made out.

Certificate No. 220. The Board having on the 27th of last month examined Jervais Houdienne, the present Possessor of Lot No. 13, part of a French Grant confirm it, and having on that day administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him, as directed by Law, desire a Certificate to be made for him in the second Concession of an Acre and a half in Breadth in the Lot which will be No. 8 for the reasons assigned for granting the Continuation to Joseph L'Esperance.

[648] Petite Côte. Certificate 218. The Board proceeded to examine Joseph Menville, the present Possessor of Lot No. 14, Part of a French Grant, and confirm it, and having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance as directed by Law, desire a Certificate to be made for him in the second Concession of one Acre and a half which will be in Lot No. 8, for the reasons assigned for granting the Continuation to Joseph L'Esperance.

(166) The Board examined Anthony Molosh, the present Possessor of Lot No. 15, Part of a French Grant previous to the Conquest, and confirm

it, and having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance as directed by Law, desire a Certificate to be made for him in the second Concession of what will be Lot No. 9, three Acres in front for the reasons assigned for granting the Continuation to Joseph L'Esperance.

Joseph Bondy Senior, the present Possessor of Lot No. 16, part of a French Grant, being sick and incapable of attending, the Board deferred granting him a Lot No. 10, till he was able to attend the Board, and take the usual Oath. (Approved and Sworn, August 24th 1792.)

Anthony Molosh, Junior, the present Possessor of Lot No. 2, attended the Board and took the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance as by Law directed. Board, and took the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance as by Law directed.

The Board proceeded to examine Jean Baptiste Antolia, the present Possessor of Lot No. 17, part of a French Grant, confirm it, and having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as directed by Law desire a Certificate (See p. 797) to be given him for a Continuation of an Acre in Breadth in Lot No. 10, and a Continuation of two Acres in Breadth in the second Concession of Lot No. 11.

(121) The Board proceeded to examine Augustin Lhuissier who purchased Lot No. 18, from Thomas Pagot, (Petite Côte) Part of a French [649] Grant, confirm him in it and having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed, desire a Certificate to be given him for a Continuation in the second Concession of an Acre and a half in Lot No. 12 for the reasons before assigned.

The Board examined Alexander Stouvelle Bigra, settled in second Concession in Lot No. 11, and having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as directed by Law, desire a Certificate to be made for him, granting an Acre in Breadth in the second Concession of Lot No. 11, and an Acre and a half in Breadth in Lot No. 12, also in the second Concession.

The Board examined Charles Renau, Senior, the present Possessor of Lot No. 19, confirm it to him, and he having already received a Continuation in Lot No. 2, second Concession, in consideration of his having a numerous family direct that the Continuation in the second Concession of Lot No. 13, be given to his Eldest son Charles Renau, Junior, and a Certificate to be given him when at a proper Age to take the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance as by Law directed.

Rd. England, President.
John Askin.
George Leith.
Montigny Louvigny.

[650] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the District of Hesse, held at the Council House at Detroit on Friday the 10th day of August, 1792.

Lieutenant Colonel England, President.

John Askin, Esquire, George Leith, Esquire, Louvigny Montigny, Esquire, Members.

The Board read the Proceedings of the preceding day. The Board read a Letter (signed E. R. Littlehales) from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor and the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province in answer to a Letter written by the Board on the 30th of April, 1792, which is here entered (No. 94).

Kingston, July 16th 1792.

Sir,—I am directed by His Excellency Lieutenant Governor Simcoe, (B. M. Major, Littlehale's Letter No. 94) and the Honorable the Executive

Council of this Province to acquaint you they have taken into consideration that part of the Letter of the 30th of April 1792, from your Land Board, wherein it is proposed that all persons indiscriminately who have established themselves on Land previous to the existence of this Board should be secured in their improvements to the extent of two Hundred Acres immediately and that the Board should be enabled to locate the Lots on the River la Tranche, in general excepting 40 Lots together being the five adjoining Lots in the 1st and 2nd Concessions of the 4th lowest Townships to be renewed.

The Honorable the Lieutenant Governor and Council at present acquiesce it should be carried into Execution under the Restrictions therein mentioned, I am likewise directed to inclose the copy of a Proclamation [651] issued by His Excellency on the 7th of February last, and another of the 9th of July, which His Excellency, and the Honorable Council desire may be strictly attended to by all Land Boards as a guide to their future Proceedings.

I am Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant,

(Signed) E. R. LITTLEHALES.

To the President of the Land Board of the District of Hesse.

Read also the Two Proclamations mentioned in the Letter, which are deposited among the papers of the Board and marked No. 1 and No. 2.

Petite Cote. Francis Bennetto and Pierre Baumier appear'd before the (Certificate 171) Board and informed them, that they have between themselves agreed that Francis Bennetto should have the entire Lot No. 7, in the second Concession at Petite Côte instead of dividing it as directed by the Board in their Proceedings on the 3d Instant, the Board acquiesce in their Arrangement and direct a Certificate to be made for Francis Bennetto for the entire of Lot No. 7, in the second Concession, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as directed by Law and Pierre Baumier having declined to accept a Lot in the 3d Concession, the Board agree to give him one wherever they find an eligible one vacant.

Pierre Prudhomme, Jean Baptiste Gignac, Pierre Gerrard, Jean Louis Riveau, Joseph Pagot, Pierre Maloshe, Benjamin Chapo, Michael Rocheleau, the Widow Prou, the Widow Rousseau, Antoine Bufar, Martin Duroché, Antoine Bufar, Zacharia Cloutée, Jean Baptiste Bigra, Pierre Caradan and [652] Joseph Reaum, the present Possessors from Lot No. 19 to 37—not (Petite Cote) having attended the Board have deferred confirming their grants for the Lots they at present occupy and also for granting them the Continuations in the 2nd Concession, as has been granted to the rest of the Inhabitants on the Petite Côte.

(Certificate 219) John Askin Esquire, the present Possessor of Lot No. 37, part of a French grant was examined by the Board, who confirmed his grant, and having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as directed by Law, direct a Certificate to be made out for him for Lot No. 32 in the second Concession.

John Lippse, the present Possessor of Lot No. 38, not having attended the Board, deferred confirming his grant for the Lot he possesses and granting him a Continuation in the second Concession.

(170) William Park Esquire, the present Possessor of Lot No. 39, part of a French Grant, being examined by the Board, is confirmed in his Grant, and having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed, desire a Certificate to be made for him for Lot No. 34, in the second Concession.

(Lake Erie) Mr. Jonathan Schefflein appeared before the Board and requested his Certificate for Lot No. 43, in the 1st Concession on the two Connected Townships on Lake Erie, and having given up a Ticket, granted him for it by Major Mathews, dated the 1st of October, 1787, and having also taken the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance as directed by Law. The Board direct a Certificate to be granted him.

RD. ENGLAND, President.
JOHN ASKIN.
GEORGE LEITH.
MONTIGNY.

[653] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the District of Hesse, at the Council House at Detroit, on Friday, the 17th day of August, 1792.

Lieutenant Colonel England, President.

John Askin, Esquire, George Leith, Esquire, Louvigny Montigny, Esquire, Members.

The Board read the Proceedings of the preceding day.

(River La Tranche) The Board read several Petitions from the Inhabitants of the River La Tranche, the Board having previously decided to endeavour to arrange the Settlement of Petite Côte, defer considering the Prayers of those Petitions till a future day, when due notice by advertisement will be given to all the Inhabitants in that District.

(Petite Côte) John Sneider and George Meldrum Esquire, the present Possessors of Lots No. 40 and 41, not having attended, the Board deferred confirming their Grants for the Lots they possess and granting them a Continuation in the second Concession.

(Certificate 188) Richard Pollard Esquire, the present Possessor of Lot No. 42, part of a French Grant being examined, the Board confirm his Grant, reserving by his Consent, about fifteen Acres in depth for the use of a mill established for the Settlement, and having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed, desire a Certificate to be granted him for a Continuation in the second Concession of Lot No. 37.

(229) Joseph Pagot, the present Possessor of Lot No. 43, part of a French Grant being examined (Petite Côte) about fifteen Acres in depth for [654] the use of a Mill established for the Settlement, and having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed desire a Certificate to be granted him for a Continuation in the (Certificate 230) second Concession of Lot No. 38.

William Park Esquire, the present Possessor of Lot No. 44, part of a French Grant being examined, the Board confirm his Grant, reserving by his Consent, about fifteen acres in depth for the use of a mill established for the Settlement, and having administered the Oath of Fidelity and allegiance to him as by Law directed, desire a Certificate to be granted him for a Continuation in the second Concession of Lot No. 39.

William Momforton, the present Possessor of Lot No. 45, not having attended, the Board deferred confirming him in his present Lot, and granting him a Continuation in the second Concession.

(231) Francois Gerardin, the present Possessor of Lot No. 46, part of a French Grant, being examined, The Board confirm him in his Grant, reserving with his Consent about fifteen Acres in depth for the use of a Mill established for the Settlement, and having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him, as by Law directed, desire a Certificate to be given him for a Continuation in the second Concession which will be Lot No. 41.

(232) Simon Drouillard, the present Possessor of Lot No. 47, part of a French Grant, being examined, the Board confirm him in his Grant, [655] reserving (Petite Côte) with his Consent about fifteen Acres in depth, for the Use of a mill, established for the Settlement, and having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed, desire a Certificate to be given him for a Continuation in the second Concession, which will be Lot No. 42.

(Certificate 233) Jean Baptiste Feré, the present Possessor of a Mill, established for the Benefit of the Settlement, having appeared and taken the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance as by Law directed, the Board with the consent of the Proprietors in front, grant him about twenty seven acres in Front and about fifteen in depth, situated in the rear of the front Concession, adjoining his present Mill, and bounded in the rear by the Line that marks the Front Concession.

(172) Gregor McGregor, Esquire the present Possessor of Lot No. 48, part of a French Grant, being examined the Board confirm him in his Grant, and having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as directed by Law, desire a Certificate to be given him for a Continuation in the second Concession which will be Lot No. 43.

RD. ENGLAND, Lieutenant Colonel.
JOHN ASKIN.
GEORGE LEITH.
MONTIGNY.

[656] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the District of Heese, at the Council House at Detroit, on Wednesday, the 22nd day of August, 1792.

Lieutenant Colonel England, President.

John Askin, Esquire, George Leith, Esquire, Louvigny Montigny, Esquire, Members.

The Board read the Proceedings of the preceding day.

(River La Tranche) The Board having promised the Inhabitants of River La Tranche that they would embrace the first opportunity in their Power to attend, with a View to arrange their Settlement, and grant Certificates to those intitled to them, directed an advertisement as follows to be published.

Advertisement. Detroit, August, 21st, 1792.

All those who have Claims or Pretensions to Lands on the River La Tranche, are desired to attend the Land Board of the District of Hesse, at the Council House at Detroit, at half past ten o'clock on the 22nd, 23rd and 25th days of this Month, in order to have their different Claims and Pretensions attended to and arranged.

By order of the Board,

EDWARD JAMES O'BRIEN.
Secretary.

The Board having reference to a Letter written by the Board to His Excellency L' utenant Governor Simcoe, under date the 30th day of April. 1792, and His Excellency's Answer under date the 16th day of July the [657] same year, wrote and signed by E. R. Littlehales already inserted in the Proceedings.

(River La Tranche) The Petitions of Richard Merry, Lot No. 7, John Welsh, Lot No. 12, (Certificate R.M. 115) Isaac Dolson, Lot No. 13, James Forsith, Lot No. 15, Hezekiah Willcox, Lot No. 18, all of the First Town-

ship, South Side River La Tranche, (J. D. 117) William Dugan, Lot No. 7, (J. F. 118) Mathew Gibson, Lot No. 14, James Understone, Lot No. 17, (H. W. 119) John Barbo, Lot No. 8, of the second Township South Side River La Tranche and (W. D. 120) Edward Watson Lot No. 20, Second Township, North Side River La Tranche, (M. G. 121) being examined, and (J. W. 122) finding that they are all entitled to Certificates (E.W. 123) for ity and Allegiance to them as by Law directed. The Board desire Certificates for their respective Lots to be granted to them.

RD. ENGLAND, Lieutenant Colonel, President.
JOHN ASKIN.
GEORGE LEITH.
MONTIGNY.

At a Meeting of the Land Board of the District of Hesse, held at the Council House, at Detroit, on Thursday, the 23rd day of August, 1792.

Lieutenant Colonel England, President.

John Askin, Esquire; George Leith, Esquire; Louvigny Montigny, Members.

River la Tranche.

Read the Proceedings of the Preceding Day.

(Certificate S. W. 138) The Board examined Thomas Williams and Pierre St. Carthy, both settled on Lot No. 9, First Townships, South Side of the River la Tranche and find that they both have pretensions [658] from having equally improved the Lot, and having purchased it from a Person who had been before settled there, and also from (Certificate P. St. C. 139) their services to Government. The Board therefore decide that they should divide it equally, and also grant them a Continuation in the second Concession of a Lot, in the rear of said Lot No. 9. And having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to them as by Law directed desire Certificates to be granted them agreeable to the Decision of the Board.

The Board examined the Widow Gamelin, (Certificate W. G. a. m. 129) the Widow Gouin and Mr. George Jacobs, all settled on Lot No. 4, First Township South Side of River La Tranche and finding from the Improvements made on said Lot, that they had all pretensions, and that the late Husbands of the Widows had served His Majesty, and that the Widow Gouin's Son was a Commissioned Officer and killed in the Service of His (G. F. 137) Majesty. The Board decide to (W. G. 234) grant the Widow Gamelin Lot No.1, First Township South Side River La Tranche, and direct that the said Lot No. 4 shou'd be equally divided between the Widow Gouin and George Jacobs who having taken the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance as by Law directed, the Board desire Certificates to be granted them for their Proportion of Lot No. 4, and the Board further agree to grant the Widow Gouin hereafter half a Lot in any other part of the Settlement of River La Tranche.

The Board examined the Petitioners Michael Shannon, Robert Empson and Alexis La Bute for Lot No. 5, (River La Tranche) First Township [659] South Side River La Tranche and find that Allexis La Bute has stronger pretensions than the two other Petitioners, (Certificate 125) desire a Certificate to be granted to him for it, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(126) The Board examined John Pike Junior, the Only Petitioner for Lot No. 8, First Township south side River La Tranche, desire a certificate to

be made out for him, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(130) Robert Empson being a Petitioner for a Lot he was dispossessed of by a prior Claim, and having served His Majesty as a Soldier six years in the Rangers. The Board grant him Lot No. 12, in the second Township south side River La Tranche, and having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed, desire a Certificate to be made out for him for said Lot.

(131) James Jackson, Petitioner for Lot No. 11, south side second Township on the River La Tranche, the Board direct Certificate to be given him for it, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(132) William Chambers being examined, the Board direct Certificate to be made out for him for Lot No. 15, in the second Township on the south side River La Tranche, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(133) John Carpenter being examined, the Board direct (River La [660] Tranche) a Certificate to be granted to him for Lot No. 16, on the south side second Township River La Tranche, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(Certificate 134) Michael Shannon a Petitioner, being examined. The Board direct a Certificate to be granted him for Lot No. 13, South Side second Township River La Tranche, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(127) James Wilcox, Petitioner for Lot No. 22, North Side second Township, River La Tranche, being examined, the Board direct a Certificate to be granted him for said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(128) William Baker, Petitioner for Lot No. 23, North Side Second Township, being examined, the Board direct a Certificate to be granted him for said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as the Law directed.

(135) Thomas Clarke, Petitioner for Lot No. 8, North Side First Township, being examined, The Board direct a Certificate to be granted him for said Lot, having administer'd the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed, this Petitioner was dispossessed of very valuable Lots, No. 20 and 21, North Side, within the reserve for the Town.

RD. ENGLAND, Lieu-Col. Presid.
GEO. LEITH,
[661] LOUVIGNY MONTIGNY,
JOHN ASKIN.

At a Meeting of the Land Board of the District of Hesse held at the Council House at Detroit, on Friday, the 24th day of August, 1792:—

Lieut.-Colonel England, President; Members, John Askin, Esquire, Geo. Leith, Esquire, Louvigny Montigny, Esquire.

The Board read the Proceedings of the preceding day.

Lake Erie.

The Board having examined Geo. Myers, a Petitioner for Lot No. 11, on the two Connected Townships Lake Erie (Certificate 136) direct a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(Petite Cote) George Meldrum, Esquire, the present Possessor of Lot No. 41, on the Petite Côte, having appeared before the Board (173) confirm

his Lot, and having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance as by Law directed, desire a Certificate to be given him for a Continuation in the second Concession of Lot No. 36.

(191) Joseph Bondy, Senior, the present Possessor of Lot No. 51, on the Petite Côte having appeared, the Board confirm him in his Lot, and having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed, desire a Certificate to be made out for him, for a Continuation in the second Concession of Lots No. 46 and 47, which are in his rear.

(152) Frederick Arnold, the present Possessor of Lot No. 57 on the Petite Côte being examined, the Board confirm him in his Lot and direct a Certificate to be made out for him for a Continuation in the second Concession of Lot No. 52, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Alleg-
[662] iance to him as by Law directed.

(Petite Côte) Jean Baptiste Gignac, the present Possessor of Lot No. 21 (168) on the Petite Côte being examined, the Board confirm him in his Lot, and having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed, desire a Certificate to be granted him for a Continuation in the second Concession of Lot No. 15.

RD. ENGLAND, Lieu.-Col. Prs.
LOUVIGNY MONTIGNY.
GEO. LEITH,
JOHN ASKIN,

At a meeting of the Land of the District of Hesse at the Council House at Detroit on Saturday, the 25th day of August, 1792:

Lieut.-Coll. England, President: Members, John Askin, Esquire, Geo. Leith, Esquire, Louvigny Montigny, Esquire.

The Board read the Proceedings of the preceeding day.

(River La Tranche) The Board examined Daniel Fields and John Merry Le Cerf, at present established on Lot No. 10, First (Certificate 140) Township south side River La Tranche, and having found that Daniel Fields has stronger Pretensions from his services, decide that a Certificate should be given to him for it, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(159) Robert Surphlit, petitioner for a Lot next west of Lot No. 1, [663] North side First Township, being examined (River la Tranche) The Board direct a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as directed.

(Certificate 141) Thomas Duggan, Petitioner for Lot No. 7, First Township North Side River La Tranche being examined, The Board grant him a Certificate for said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by law directed.

(142) John Langton, Petitioner for Lot No. 1, Third Township, North Side River la Tranche, having appeared, The Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by law directed.

(143) Joncaire Chaubert, Petitioner for Lot No. 8, Third Township, North side, having appeared, The Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(144) Charles Boulanger, Petitioner for Lot No. 10, 3d township, North Side River La Tranche, having appeared, the Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(145) Godfrey Corbes, Petitioner for Lot No. 9, Second Township, South Side River La Tranche having appeared, The Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(147) Peter Trackley, Petitioner for Lot No. 10, Second Township, South Side River La Tranche having appeared, The Board grant him said [664] Lot, having (River la Tranche) administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(Reserved for the Crown) John Marie Le Cerf, Petitioner, having petitioned for what may be Lot No. 1, next to the River Ruscom having appeared, The Board grant him that Lot not yet surveyed, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(146) Pierre Fouchet, Petitioner for Lot No. 21, South Side Second Township, River La Tranche being examined, The Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(148) Jasper Brown, Petitioner for Lot No. 16, First Township, second Concession, South Side River La Tranche, having appeared, The Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(149) John Flynn, Petitioner for Lot No. 18, Second Township south side River La Tranche having appeared, The Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(150) David McCargin, Petitioner for Lot No. 22, Second Township, South Side River La Tranche having appeared, the Board Grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath fo Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(153) Hugh Holmes, Petitioner for Lot No. 18, second Concession, First Township, South Side River La Tranche, having appeared, the Board [665] grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(River La Tranche.) (Certificate 158) James McDonnell, Petitioner for Lot No. 23, second Township, south side River La Tranche having appeared, the Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by law directed.

(151) Mr. Henry Ford, Petitioner for Lot No. 24, second Township, south side River La Tranche having appeared, the Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(181, 182, 183, 184) Frederick Arnoldi, Lewis Arnoldi, John Arnoldi and Christopher Arnoldi, sons of Frederick Arnoldi, all of age, Petitioners for Lots No. 12, 13, 14 and 16 in the second Township, North side River la Tranche, having appeared, the Board grant them the said Lots, having administered to them all the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance as by law directed.

(155) Nathan Miller, Petitioner for Lot No. 4, third Township, south side River la Tranche having appeared, The Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(154) Luke Kilton, Petitioner for Lot No. 3, Third Township, south side River La Tranche having appeared, the Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(156) John Whitehead, Petitioner for Lot No. 3, third Township, [666] North side River La Tranche having appeared, the Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(River la Tranche.) (Certificate 157) John Peck, Petitioner for Lot No. 1, First Township, North Side River La Tranche having appeared, the Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(177, 178) Julius and Frederick Rabolé, Father and Son, Petitioners for Lots No. 1 and 2, Third Township, south side River La Tranche having appeared, the Board grant them said Lots, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by law directed.

(176) James Ruff, Petitioner for Lot No. 15, North Side first Township having appeared the Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(180) John Wheaton, Petitioner for Lot No. 17, Second Township, North side River La Tranche having appeared, the Board grant him said Lot, having administered to him the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance as by Law directed.

(179) Gabrie Charon, Petitioner for Lot No. 11, North side third Township, River La Tranche having appeared, the Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance as by Law directed.

(187) Peter Shonk, Petitioner for Lot No. 18, First Township, North side River La Tranche having appeared, the Board grant him said Lot, [667] having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(River la Tranche.) (Cert. 175) Richard Earpe, Petitioner for Lot No. 16, First Township, North Side River La Tranche having appeared, the Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(185) Remy Campeau, Petitioner for Lot No. 3, first Township, North Side River La Tranche having appeared, the Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(186) Charles Gascoigne, Petitioner for Lot No. 5, third Township, North Side River La Tranche having appeared, the Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance as by Law directed.

RD. ENGLAND, Lieu.-Col. Pred.
JOHN ASKIN,
LOUVIGNY MONTIGNY.

(174) Thomas Kelly, Petitioner for Lot No. 4, 3d Township, North Side, the Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

E. J. O'BRIEN, Secretary.

At a Meeting of the Land Board for the District of Hesse, at the Council House at Detroit, on Friday, the 31st day of August, 1792:

Lieut.-Colonel England, President; Members, John Askin, Esquire, Geo. Leith, Esquire, Montigny Louvigny, Esquire.

The Board read the Proceedings of the preceding day.

[668] (Petite Côte) Joseph Bondy, Senior, and John Baptiste La Framboise, Settlers on the Petite Cote being examined (Petite Cote) the Board

have decided that Josh. Bondy should have a Continuation in the second Concession of an Acre and an half in Lot No. 10, and that Jean Baptiste La Framboise, already settled on said Concession, should have an acre and an half in the same Lot, preserving that half where his house, Inclosure (see o.c. 17 March, 1808, res/g., This Lot No. 46) and Improvements are already made, the Board also grant him Lot No. 46, in the second Concession, lately granted to Joseph Bondy, which he, Bondy, in consequence of this arrangement voluntarily relinquishes.

(River la Tranche) Windall Wagaly, Petitioner for Lot No. 9, Second Township, North Side River La Tranche having appeared, (192) the Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(193) Mr. Fontenoy Dequindre, Petitioner for Lot No. 4, North Side first Township, River La Tranche having appeared, the Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(235) The Board having received a Petition from Madame Gouin, for half of Lot No. 5, North Side First Township, River La Tranche, grant her said half Lot.

(194, 195, 196) Mr. John Caldwell, Joshua Caldwell and Wheeler [669] Caldwell, Father and two sons of age having appeared, the Board decide in order to settle them to their satisfaction and as close together as possible to grant them what will be when surveyed Lots No. 13, 14, 15, third Township, North Side River La Tranche.

(236) Robert Bedford, Petitioner for Lot No. 10, Second Township, North Side River La Tranche having appeared, the Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(197) Wm. Boyle, Petitioner for Lot No. 12, Third Township, North Side River La Tranche having appeared, the Board grant him Said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(198) Mr. Anthony Dequindre, Petitioner for Lot No. 2, First Township, North Side River La Tranche having appeared, the Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(199) Frederick Hardboard, Petitioner for Lot No. 11, Second Township, North Side River La Tranche having appeared, the Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(200) Wm. Mickle, Petitioner for Lot No. 21, Second Township, North Side River La Tranche having appeared, the Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity andAllegiance to him as by Law directed.

(201) Geo. Neilles, Petitioner for Lot No. 10, Third Township, south [670] side River La Tranche having appeared, the Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

Rd. England, Lieu.-Col. Presid.
John Askin,
Geo. Leith,
Louvigny Montigny.

At a Meeting of the Land Board of the District of Hesse, at the Council House at Detroit, on Friday, the 7th day of September, 1792:

Lieut.-Colonel England, President; Members, Geo. Leith, Esquire, Montigny Louvigny, Esquire.

(Certificate 202) John Dodymead, Petitioner for Lot No. 14, First Township, North Side River La Tranche having appeared, the Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(203) Thomas Smith, Petitioner for Lot No. 12, First Township, North Side River La Tranche having appeared, the Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(204) James Donaldson, Petitioner for Lot No. 11, First Township, North Side River La Tranche having appeared, The Board grant him said Lot, having administered to him the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance as by Law directed.

(210) Elizabeth, Mary, Margaret and Anne Scot, daughters of William Scot having petitioned for Lot No. 7, Third Township, South Side [671] River La Tranche, the Board grant them said Lot.

(River la Tranche.) (Cert. 205) Coleman Roe, Petitioner for Lot No. 11, Third Township, south side River La Tranche having appeared, The Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(206) John Williams, Petitioner for Lot No. 15, second Concession, First Township, south side River La Tranche having appeared, The Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(237) Mr. Charles Gouin, Petitioner for half Lot No. 5, First Township, North Side River La Tranche, the other half been occupied and granted to Madame Gouin, the Petitioner's Mother, The Board grant him said half Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(Petite Cote 214) Philip Fox, the present Possessor of Lot No. 53 on the Petite Côte, part of a French Grant, having appeared, the Board confirm his Grant, and having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed, desire a Certificate to be given him for a Continuaton of the second Concession, which will be Lot No. 49.

Rd. England, Lieut.-Col. Presid.
Geo. Leith,
Louvigny Montigny.

[672] (River la Tranche).

At a Meeting of the Land Board of the District of Hesse at the Council House, at Detroit, on Friday, the 14th day of September, 1792:

Lieut.-Colonel England, President; Members, John Askin, Esquire, Geo. Leith, Esquire, Louvigny Montigny, Esquire.

(Cert.) Read the Proceedings of the preceding day.

(208) Timothy Desmond, Petitioner for Lot No. 19, second Township, South Side River La Tranche having appeared, the Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

N.B.—This lot was granted to Pat O'Flaherty 8th June 1792

(Returned, see folio 673) The former Possessor, Remy Campeau, having been at his Request changed to No. 3, First Township, North Side River La Tranche.

(207) Joseph Elem, Petitioner for Lot No. 17, First Township, North Side River La Tranche having appeared, the Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(Lake Erie. 209) Henry Schiben, Petitioner for Lot No. 15, Second Township in the New Settlement on Lake Erie having appeared, the Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

RD. ENGLAND, President,
JOHN ASKIN,
GEO. LEITH,
LOUVIGNY MONTIGNY.

[673] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the District of Hesse, at the Council House, at Detroit, on Friday, the 21st day of September, 1792:

Lieut.-Colonel England, President; Members, John Askin, Esquire, Geo. Leith, Esquire, Louvigny Montigny, Esquire.

(Petite Cote) John Messmaur Dunhand, the Present Possessor of Lot No. 40, which he purchased, being examined, The Board confirm (125) his Grant and desire a Certificate to be given for a Continuation in the Second Concession of what will be Lot No. 35, reserving by his Consent about fifteen Acres for a Mill established for the Use of the Settlement, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(River La Tranche, 212) Timothy Desmond, to whom the Board on the 14th Instant granted Lot No. 19, second Township, South Side, on the River La Tranche, appeared before the Board and represented that the Lot granted him was of no Value, the Board having considered his services, grant him instead of that Lot, Lot No. 9, third Township, South Side River La Tranche, and he has consequently relinquished his Pretensions to Lot No. 19, Second Township, south side of the River La Tranche.

(Petite Cote, 124) John Sneider, the present Possessor of Lot No. 38, which he purchased from John Leips having appeared before the Board, [674] The Board confirm him in his Purchase, and having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed, desire a Certificate to be given him for a Continuation in the Second Concession of Lot No. 33.

(Certificate 213) John Askin, Junior, having petitioned for Lot No. 6, second Township, second Concession, North Side River La Tranche, the Board grant him said Lot.

(River La Tranche, 211) Samuel Hall, to whom the Board granted on the 27th May, 1791, Lot No. 19, second Township on Lake Erie, having appeared and represented that his Lot was a bad one, the Board in consideration of his Services, agree to grant him (Lot No. 3) Lot No. 3, third Township, Second Concession, North Side, on River La Tranche, he having relinquished his Lot No. 19, second Township on Lake Erie.

RD. ENGLAND, Col.
JOHN ASKIN,
LOUVIGNY MONTIGNY.
GEO. LEITH.

[675] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the District of Hesse, at the Council House at Detroit, on Friday, the 28th day of September, 1792:

Lieut.-Col. England, President; Members, John Askin, Esquire, Louvigny Montigny, Esquire.

(River la Tranche, Certificate 216) Mr. John Drake, Petitioner for Lot No. 6, second Township, second Concession, south side River La Tranche having appeared, the Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(217) Wm. Boyle, to whom the Board lately granted Lot No. 12, Third Township, North Side River La Tranche having represented that said Lot was of no Value and could not be cultivated, The Board grant him what will be Lot No. 13, third Township, south side River La Tranche, for which he has received a memorandum, which is to serve as a Certificate till the Township is completed in its Survey, having formerly administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(Petite Cote) Mr. Thomas Smith, the Present Possessor of Lots No. 49 and 50 on the Petite Cote having appeared, the Board confirm (222) him in his Possession of said Lots, and grant him a Certificate for a Continuation in the second Concession of Lots No. 44 and 45, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(River la Tranche, 215) James OBrien, Petitioner for Lot No. 17, second Township, second Concession, south side River La Tranche having [667] appeared, the Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(Petite Cote, Certificate 223) Isaac Dolson, the present Possessor of Lot No. 56 having appeared, the Board confirm him in said Lot, and direct a Certificate to be granted him for a Continuation in the second Concession of Lot No. 51, he having already taken the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance as by Law directed.

The Board having had repeated applications from Joseph Bondy, Jean Baptiste Antolia an Jean Baptiste Framboise and other Inhabitants on the Petite Côte, to settle a dispute between them relative to a Lot of ground in the second Concession, requested Louvigny Montigny, Esquire, one of the members would go to the Petite Côte with Mr. McNiff, Deputy Surveyor, and inquire into the cause of the Complaint and remove it if possible.

Rd. England, Presid.
John Askin,
Louvigny Montigny.

At a Meeting of the Land Board of the District of Hesse at the Council House, at Detroit, on Friday, the 5th day of October, 1792:

Lieut.-Colonel England, President; Members, John Askin, Esquire, Geo. Leith, Esquire, Louvigny Montigny, Esquire.

Lot No. 17 (River la Tranche), First Township, south side River La Tranche having appeared, the Board grant him said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(228) Mr. McCray, petitioned also for Lot No. 16, 1st Township, south side River La Tranche, for the Benefit of his family, and it appearing to the Board that he has three Sons (William, Thomas and Alexander Mc-

[677] River la Tranche, 226) Mr. Thomas McCray, Petitioner for Cray), and that he has already been at very considerable Expence in cultivating the Lot, the Board agree to grant him said Lot in charge for his family.

(238) The Board having considered the Petition of Mrs. Sarah Ainse, a long time the Possessor of Lot No. 10, North side First Township, River La Tranche, and it having appeared to the Board that she has been at very considerable expence in cultivating and improving said Lot, The Board grant it to her.

(141) The Board, on the application of Thomas Duggan, agree to his transferring to Hugh Holmes and William Shaw, his title and claim to Lot No. 7, First Township, North side River La Tranche, which was granted him on the 25th of August, 1792.

RD. ENGLAND, Presid.
JOHN ASKIN,
LOUVIGNY MONTIGNY.

[678] (River la Tranche) At a Meeting of the Land Board of the District of Hesse, at the Council House at Detroit, on Friday, the 12th of October, 1792:

Lieut.-Colonel England, President; Members, John Askin, Esquire, Louvigny Montigny, Esquire.

Read the Proceedings of the preceding day. No Claimants for Land having appeared, the Board adjourned to Friday, the 19th October, '92.

RD. ENGLAND, Lieu.-Col. Presid.
JOHN ASKIN,

At a Meeting of the Land Board of the District of Hesse, at the Council House, at Detroit, on Friday, the 19th day of October, 1792:

Lieut.-Col. England, President; Members, John Askin, Esquire, Louvigny Montigny, Esquire.

(Lake Erie) It being represented to the Board that Alexander Clarke, late Possessor of Lot No. 2, in the second Township Lake Erie, having died suddenly, and that the said Lot was not cultivated, tho' he had it in possession five years, and it further appearing to the Board that the said Clarke had no Wife or family to whom his right to said Lot should belong, the [679] Board, agreeable to the Instructions (Lake Erie) of the Governor and Council, have decided that the said Lot should revert to Government and to be disposed of, by the Board as a Vacant Lot.—But as the Board is informed that there are some Claims by Will, Debts or otherwise to said Lot, they direct that Public Notice should be given by advertisement, desiring all those who have any Pretensions to said Lot should appear before the Board on Friday, the 2nd day of November, 1792.

RD. ENGLAND, Presid.
JOHN ASKIN,
LOUVIGNY MONTIGNY.

At a Meeting of the Land Board of the District of Hesse at the Commandt's Quarters, on Friday, the 2nd day of November, 1792:

Lieut.-Colonel England, President; Members, John Askin, Esquire, Louvigny Montigny, Esquire.

Read the Proceedings of the preceding day. The Board read a letter signed E. B. Littlehales, dated Navy Hall, 23d October, 1792, enclosing a Circular Letter, and also one by order of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, which are here entered.

Council Chamber, Navy Hall, in the County of Lincoln, Upper Canada,

[680] October 25th, 1792.

No. 95. (Circular.)

GENTLEMEN,—In order to the more easy carrying the King's Benevolence in the granting of Lands into effect as well as to lessen the Weight of Business undertaken by the several Land Office Boards of the four Districts for the public benefit; His Excellency Lieutenant-Governor Simcoe in Council has been pleased to increase the number of Land Boards, and has appointed you to constitute a Land Board for the Counties of Essex and Kent, and that any three members thereof be a Quorum for the transaction of Business.

The present existing Rules and Regulations for the Conduct of the Land Board Department seem competent to the Discharge of the Trust comitted to you, the Plan of Survey, however, so far as it relates to the Situations of the Reserves is altered and you will have special regard that the two-sevenths of the Land be reserved as directed by the Act of Parliament, in the Manner pointed out by the chequered Plan accompanying this.

And in those Townships where the Location is so far advanced as to prevent the two-seven.hs being reserved, agreeable to the plan, you will [681] be carefull not to grant any Part, or Parcel of the remainder of such Townships; as the Deputy Surveyors will have directions during the course of the Winter to fill up the Schedules with the Names of the Persons to whom the Lands have been granted by the different Authorities which have been given for that purpose, you are requested to give every assistance in your power that this very necessary object may be effectually accomplished; and to settle by the interference of your respectable Arbitration as far as possible any dispute that may have arisen between Competitors for the same Allotment.

I have the Honor to be, Gentlemen,

Your Most Obedient and Most Humble Servant,

(Signed), E. B. LITTLEHALES.

To the Gentlemen Composing the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, as follows:—

The Officer Commanding at Detroit.

Honorable Wm. Robertson, Esquire, Wm. Drumr. Powell, Esquire, St. Martin Adhemar, Esquire, Geo. Leith, Esquire, Honorable Alex. Grant, Esquire, Alexr. McKee, Esquire, John Askin, Esquire, Montigny de Louvigny, Esquire.

The Officer of Royal Engineers at Detroit.

[682] E. B. L.

(No. 96) Council Chamber, Navy Hall, in the County of Lincoln, October 23d, 1792.

GENTLEMEN,—I am directed to inform you that your letter and Report of the 8th of June last has been laid before His Excellency Lieutenant-Governor Simcoe in Council.

It is His Excellency's Order in Council that Sally Ainse be invested with a Certificate for her present Claims on the River La Tranche, being eight Lots in the centre of the 1st Township, 1st Concession, North side of

that River, so as to comprehend her Improvements on two or said Lots, by extending the front in order to take in the said Improvements, by boundaries parallel to the side Lines of the Lots, at present reported to be the side Lines on the River La Tranche.

The Petition of Caldwell and Elliott, and of Pollard and Consors, cannot be attended to, as their Claims are for Land usurped under Indian purchase, Grant or Cessions, and not binding in any respect whatever. On the contrary, the Subject who presumes to claim right on such Tenure is not only guilty of a misdemeanour but acts in apparent Defiance to all Authority and repeated Orders to the Prevention of such traffic.

His Excellency, the Governor, begs to know if any late Applications [683] have been made to the Board for Townships, and he begs that all Petitions which are now before the Board for Upwards of 200 Acres may be transmitted in Order to their being laid before His Excellency in Council, after you have assigned to each, and every such petitioner, 200 Acres, in part, on the prayer of their petition.

I have the Honor to be, Gentlemen,

Your most obedient Servant,

(Signed), E. B. LITTLEHALES.

Lieut.-Colonel England, &c., &c., &c., Honorable Wm. Robertson, Esquire, Honorable Alexr. Grant, Esquire, Wm. Drumr. Powell, Esquire, St. Martin Adhemar, Esquire, John Askin, Esquire, Geo. Leith, Esquire, Louvigny Montigny, Esquire.

[684] The Officer of Royal Engineers at Detroit.

(No. 97) Land Boards for the Province of Upper Canada constituted by His Excellency Lieutenant-Governor Simcoe in Council at Navy Hall, in the County of Lincoln, October 20th, 1792c.

Counties of Glengarry and Stormont.

Members: James Gray, Esquire, Jeremiah French, Esquire, John McDonnell, Esquire, Richard Wilkinson, Esquire, Archibald McDonnell, Esquire.

County of Dundas.

Members: Honorable Hugh Munro, Esquire, Malcolm McMartin, Esquire, Rd. Duncan, Esquire, Thos. Smith, Esquire.

Counties of Grenville and Leeds.

Members: Peter Drummond, Esquire, Thomas Fraser, Esquire, Ephraim Jones, Esquire, Justus Sherwood, Esquire, Wm. Fraser, Esquire.

The Land Board of the District of Mecklenburg to be limited to the County
[685] of Frontenac only.

Members: Honorable R. Cartwright, Esquire, Neil McClean, Esquire, James McDonnell, Esquire, Hect. McLean, Esquire, R. Cartwright, Esquire, Wm. Atkinson, Esquire, Revd. J. Stuart, Officer Commanding for the time being.

Counties of Lenox, Addington, Hastings and Prince Edward.

Members: Peter Van Alstine, Esquire, Hazelton Spencer, Esquire, Alexr. Fisher, Esquire, Archd. McDonell, Esquire, Joshua Booth, Esquire.

The Land Board of the late District of Nassau to be limited to the County of Lincoln Only.

County of Lincoln.

Members: Officer Commanding at Niagara, Honorable R. Hamilton, Esquire, Lt.-Col. Butler, Natl. Petit, Esquire, John Warren, Esquire, John McNabb, Esquire, Peter Tenbrook, Esquire, Benjn. Pawling Esquire, John Burch, Esquire, Robert Kerr, Esquire, Officer of Royal Engineers at Niagara.

The Land Board of the Late District of Hesse to be limited to the Counties of Essex and Kent only.

[686] Members: The Officer Commanding at Detroit, Honorable Wm. Robertson, Esquire, Wm. Dummer Powell, Esquire, St. Martin Adhemar, Esquire, George Leith, Esquire, Honorable Alexr. Grant, Esquire, Alexr. McKee, Esquire, John Askin, Esquire, L. Montigny, Esquire, The Officer of Royal Engineers at Detroit.

P.S.—All Applications for Lands in the several remaining Counties of the Province, to be made to His Excellency the Governor in Council.

(Signed), E. B. Littlehales.

At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent at the Commandant's Quarters at Detroit, on Friday, the 30th day of November, 1792:

Lieut.-Colonel England, President; Members, Honorable Alexr. Grant, Esquire, John Askin, Esquire, Louvigny Montigny, Esquire.

The following letters were laid before the Board:

Navy Hall, October 27th, 1792.

(No. 98) Sir,—I have the Honor to enclose the Plan alluded to in my Circular Letter to the several Land Boards of this Province, and which I omitted transmitting with that Letter (addressed to you).

With this Enclosure containing the above mentioned Plan, you will [687] receive a Circular Letter relative to Lieut. D. W. Smith, both of which, I am to request, you will have the Goodness to lay before the Members of the Land Board of Essex and Kent.

I have the Honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

(Signed), E. B. Littlehales.

[688] Lieut.-Colonel England, &c., &c., &c.

Circular (No. 99) Navy Hall, in the County of Lincoln, October 27th 1792.

Gentlemen,—His Excellency the Lieut.-Governor has thought proper that David William Smith, Esquire, Acting Surveyor General of this Province, should in that Capacity have a Seat at the Several Land Boards, of which, I am directed by His Excellency to give you this information.

I have the Honor to be, Gentlemen,

Your most obedient Servant,

(Signed), E. B. Littlehales.

To Lieut.-Col. England, &c., Honorable Alexr. Grant, &c., &c., &c., and the members of the Land Board of Essex and Kent:

Niagara, 5th November, 1792.

(No. 100) GENTLEMEN!—You will have received from the Council office a Chequered plan, pointing out in what manner 2-7 of the land are to be reserved. A Report of such land so reserved is to be made by the [689] Deputy Surveyors, or persons officiating as such through the several Land Boards; His Excellency the Governor in Council having approved of a form for that purpose, I have the honor to enclose it; Permit me to observe that the chequered plan pointing out the reserves is of the same superficial and Circumscribed form as the former approved plan of a Township of 9 miles by twelve! and the farm Lots and General disposition of the Roads are of the same size and in the same situations. You will observe, however, that the Townplot and Town parks are dispensed with, unless particularly ordered, and that the Corners of the Townships are chequered in

I have the Honor to enclose an Extract from the Instructions given to the Deputy Surveyor, and the form of a pay list, &c., to be expected in Duplicate, when the Expence of any Service is incurred by Authority of the Board, it will be necessary that the President approves the Pay list.

I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,

With very great respect and esteem,

Your Humble Servant,

(Signed), D. W. SMITH, Surveyor General.

Honorable the Land Board Western District.

[690] Form. Township of ——— or Town of ———. Report of the Lands reserved for the Governmt. and the Clergy.

No. of the Concession.	No. of the Lot.	Remarks.	No. of Acres.
1st	2	Mountainous Land, appears to contain Copper, partial attraction	200
	4	Low Land, a fine	200
	9	Stony rough Ground, fossils	200
	11	A fine Stream, with good conveniency for a mill	200
	16	A good Port & Harbour, well sheltered—water on the Bar	200
	21	Eligible Situation for a Fort	200
	23	Valuable Timber for ship building, easy access to the Water	200
2nd	3	Cramberry Swamp	200
	5	Natural Meadow	200
	10	Marsh	200
	15	Beech Ridge	200
	17	Indian Corn fields	200
	20	Beavers Dams	200
	22	Pine Trees	

Report of the Lands reserved for the Government and the Clergy.—*Continued.*

No. of the Concession.	No. of the Lot.	Remarks.	No. of Acres.
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9		Not yet surveyed.....	
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Total.	14	Total.....	2,800

D. W. Smith, Surveyor General.

Date A. B.

Deputy Surveyor.

[691] No. 101. Navy Hall, November 14th, 1792.

Sir,—The Acting Clerk of the Council being absent, I do myself the Honor of acknowledging your letter to him, of the 4th November, relative to the decision of the Lieutenant-Governor and Council of Upper Canada, upon the Claims of Sally Ainse, referred to them, by a special Letter, (some time I believe in May last); their decision has been favorable to the Claims of Mrs. Ainse, and of course she alone is legally entitled to the Lands in dispute.

It is therefore, Sir with real regret that I am obliged to desire that the order of Council in her behalf be strictly attended to. At the same time that His Majesty's Government are anxious to decide upon doubtful Cases, submitted to them by the several Land Boards, and to shew protection where it is due, and favor when it conduces to His Majesty's Interests; it is very far from their inclination to lessen the due consequence of the several Land Boards, and they have every wish to increase their Power where they are authorized so to do. If therefore the land Board of Essex and Kent can find out means to do Justice to Mrs. Ainse by the method suggested in your letter, or rather to satisfy the present Possessors, (and till of late the unauthorized Intruders on the land in question) I am persauded it would meet their approbation.

I have the Honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

Lieutenant-Colonel England, &c., &c.

(Signed) J. G. Simcoe.

[692] (No. 102.) Circular.

Niagara, 16th October, 1792.

GENTLEMEN!—I am directed by His Excellency Governor Simcoe, to beg you wou'd transmit to me, for His Excellency's Information, a return of the several mill streams, within the Sphere of your trust, remarking their situations and local advantages or the contrary—whether occupied and by whom, on what authority, condition and time, since what period, and if for any limited time, together with all other Circumstances relative thereto.

I have the Honor to be,

Gentlemen,

Your most obedient Servant,

(Signed) D. W. SMITH
Surveyor General.

Lieutenant Colonel England, &c., &c.

E. J. O'Brien, Secretary to the Board.

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[693] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the District of Hesse, at the Commandant's Quarters on Tuesday, the 11th December, 1792.

Lieutenant-Colonel England, President.

John Askin, Esquire; Louvigny Montigny, Esquire, Members.

The Board directed Mr. McNiff, Deputy Surveyor to proceed on a survey of the waste Lands, lying in the rear of the Petite Côte, being part of the Purchase made by Government from the Indians, and Joining the Reserve made for them in said Purchase on the River Canard, to report the Quality and situation of those Lands, the seats on them, and the Timber they produce, and if practicable to lay out a Township according to the General Directions, and Chequered Plan, approved of by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor and Council and by their Order sent to the Board.

RD. ENGLAND, President.
JOHN ASKIN.
LOUVIGNY MONTIGNY.

[694] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, at the Commandant's Quarters on Friday, the 21st day of December, 1792.

Lieutenant Colonel England, President.

John Askin, Esquire, Member; Louvigny Montigny, Esquire, Member.

The Board read the Proceedings of the preceding day.

(Certificate 227). James McPherson, Petitioner for Lot No. 8, third Township, Lake Erie, having appeared, the Board grant him said Lot having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

RD. ENGLAND, President.
JOHN ASKIN.
LOUVIGNY MONTIGNY.

[695] (Report M.) At a Meeting of the Land Board, of the Counties of Essex and Kent, at the Council House at Detroit, on Friday, the 28th December, 1792.

Lieutenant Colonel England, President.

John Askin, Esquire; Louvigny Montigny, Esquire, Members.

The Board read the Proceedings of the preceding day.

Mr. McNiff, Deputy Surveyor, made the following report of the survey he was ordered on, the 11th Instant.

(N. 103.) Detroit, December 28, 1792.

Sir,—Pursuant to the verbal Order of the Land Board, convened on Tuesday the 11th Instant, I did proceed to the head line of the second Concession of Petite Cote, adjoining the Indian Reserve at River Canard, and marked from thence a line running due East, untill Eleven Chains into the 4th Concession, where I came to a Beaver Pond, where originates one of the Branches of the River Canards, so could not continue that line to the distance ordered. I then returned to the Head Line of the 4th Concession, endeavouring to run a due north line, and mark the Lots thereon, but continued but a few Chains on that line until I came to part of the aforesaid Beaver Pond, low wet land, not the least frozen, which obliged me to discontinue that line. I then went to the Head line of the 3d Concession, with an intention to measure and mark the Lots on that line, to the reserve at [696] the Huron Church, on which I measured two Lots, but before I could finish the third Lot was in a perfect swamp, covered with water and long Grass, the swamp not the least frozen; the timber in those swamps, water ash and small Elms, the bottom white Clay, mixed with sand, if even they could be drained, the soil is not worth the expence, nor is the timber growing thereon useful even for Fuel, finding that I could not at this season, from the swamps being open, fully complete the object of my Instructions, I returned to my Excampment on the north side of the River Canards, and took a survey of that River in its various directions, from the first Fork Eastward, untill I passed the place where that River divides, and forms Marsh Creek, that empties into Lake Erie, which survey will be best explained by the Plan accompanying this Report.

My remarks in general upon that part of the Country, from my own observation as well as from the Information of two Canadians, (Inhabitants) that I took of my party on the survey are; that from ten to fifteen Acres into the second Concession of good Land may be had, but not more; the rest Eastward untill past the sources of the River Canards a perfect swamp, the land unfit for the purpose of Culture, and the Timber useless, and continues so northerly from River Canard for near two leagues.

[697] I would also wish to observe that every farm of good land, in that part of the Country, is comprehended, within the Indian Reserve, and the tract claimed by the Indian Officers, not only so, but the Mill seats, four or more, in number high up on River Canard are far within those Claims, which reserve and Claim has in my opinion prevented that tract of waste land being long since peopled.

My surveys already in possession of the Land Board, will clearly point out the extent of this Indian Reserve and claim of Indian Officers.

I have the Honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient,

Humble Servant,

(Signed) Patrick McNiff,
Deputy Surveyor.

Lieutenant Colonel England, President of the Land Board of the Western District.

Rd. England, President.
John Askin.
Louvigny Montigny.

[698] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, on Friday, the 11th day of January, 1793.

Lieutenant Colonel England, President.

John Askin, Esquire; Louvigny Montigny, Esquire, Members.

No Claimants having appeared, the Board adjourned to Thursday the 17th day of January.

E. J. O'BRIEN, Secretary.

At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, at the Commandant's Quarters, on Thursday, the 17th day of January, 1793.

Lieutenant Colonel England, President.

Honorable Alexander Grant, Esquire; John Askin, Esquire; Louvigny Montigny, Esquire, Members.

Mr. McNiff, Deputy Surveyor, laid before the Board, his Report of the Survey he was directed on by the Board on the 16th of December last, which is as follows,—

(No. 104.) Detroit, 16th January, 1793.

SIR,—Pursuant to the verbal Orders of the Land Board for the Western District, I did on the 2nd Instant commence at the Water's Edge nearly in front of the Huron Church in the Parish of L'Assomption and run the line between the Church land and the Indian Reserve at that place back in the [699] direction S. 33d. E. the distance of 41 Arpents or French Acres to the head line of the second Concession, where I left a Road and found nearly in the rear of the first Concession a number of Inhabitants as marked on my plan. I then continued the division line of the Reserve 40 Arpents deeper and there marked a Road between the rear of the 2nd Concession and the River or front line of a New Township agreeably to the Ideas conveyed to me by the Land Board; on that head line I measured several Lots, giving them the same breadth as directed by the Rules and Regulations for the Land Granting Department untill I was intercepted by the Grand Marsh, nearly in the rear of Captain Mainsonville, the Marsh not frozen. I then returned on that line to the line of the Reserve at the Commencement of the New Township and measured the first Concession of it in depth, in this third Range of Lots from the River, I found settled the Inhabitants marked on that part of my plan, but after measuring several Lots on that head line, was again obliged to discontinue the survey, owing to the quantity of water lying in the woods; I then proceeded to examine the land nearly in an East direction to the sources of Belle River and River Ruscom, nearly twenty [700] miles, the land at different places in that distance is exceeding good, but much cut in pieces with small marshes and Swamps at the Sources of those Rivers, the timber on the good land, Maple, Bass and Button Wood, the soil black and deep, but am of opinion that in many parts of that Country Water will very difficult to be procured in dry seasons.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your very Humble Servant,

(Signed) PATRICK MCNIFF,
Deputy Surveyor.

Lieutenant Colonel England, &c., &c.

The Board having examined the Charges made for Stationary and other Expenses authorized by the Board do direct that an Abstract of them, including a Salary for the Clerk or Secretary to the Board at the Rate of a Guinea per Week from the 25th of June to the 10th of last October be transmitted to the Acting Surveyor General, in Order to be laid before His Excellency, the Lieutenant Governor for Payment.

The Board directed the following advertisements to be published.

Detroit, January 18th, 1793.

Advertisement.

The Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, give Notice that [701] they will on Friday the 8th of February, proceed to grant Certificates to those they may consider entitled to them, for Lots in the second Concession of the Settlement of L'Assomption (Opposite the Town of Detroit) and all those who may have any Pretensions, are desired to attend the Board on that day, and make their applications agreeable to the Form directed by His Excellency, the Lieutenant-Governor and Council.

By order of the Board.

EDWARD JAMES O'BRIEN,
Secretary to the Board.

Detroit, January, 18th, 1793.

Whereas the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent have been informed that John Leps, Henry Hoffman, Nicholas Wetherholt and Henry Ragus, with several others who have received Certificates in the years 1790 and 1791, for Lots of land in the Two Connected Townships Lake Erie, have not improved or cultivated the said Lots, agreeable to the terms on which they received them from the Board.

Notice is hereby given them that if they do not produce Certificates to the Board on or before Friday the 15th day of March next, that they have complied with the 4th Article of the Rules and Regulations for the Conduct [702] of the Land Granting Department, dated at the Council Chamber, Quebec, 17th February, 1789, that the Board will then consider themselves at liberty to grant said Lots to such Claimants as will reside on them, and conform to those Rules and Regulations.

And all those who have received Certificates for Lots in any of the New Settlements, and have not conformed to the terms on which they received them, are desirable to take notice that a similar mode of Proceeding will in future be observed by the Board towards them.

By Order of the Board,

EDWARD JAMES O'BRIEN,
Secretary to the Board.

(Copy.) Abstract of Contingent Disbursements in the Land Granting Department for the Counties of Essex and Kent, from the 24th June to 19th October, 1792, both days inclusive.

To E. J. O'Brien, for pay as Clerk, between the 25th June and 10th October, 1792, 108 days at One Guinea. P. Week, or 3/ Sterling per day	18		
To J. Askin for Stationary &c., as per Account and receipt	3	19	4½
	£21	19	4½

[703] Amounting to Twenty-One pounds, Nieneteen Shillings and four pence half penny, dollar at five shilings, which sum is recommended to be paid by us.

(Signed) Rd. England, President.
John Askin,
Louvigny Montigny.

E. J. O'Brien, Secretary.

Copy of a Letter from E. J. O'Brien, to the Surveyor General.

Detroit, February 3d, 1793.

Sir,—I have the Honor to inclose to you by desire of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, a Transcript of their Proceedings from 25th May to 25th December, 1792, I also send thirty-three petitions for above two Hundred Acres of Land, called for by Major Brigade Littlehales, in his letter of the 23d day of last October.

The Board further direct me to send you Copies of the Report made by Mr. McNiff, the Deputy Surveyor of this District, of two late Surveys that he was ordered on, a Copy of a Proclamation in consequence of the Proprietors not cultivating the Lots granted them, and Abstracts &c., &c., of the Contingent Disbursements from 25th June to 10th October, all which the Board requests you will be pleased to lay before His Excellency Lieutenant-Governor Simcoe.

[704] I am Sir,

Your very obedient Servant,

E. J. O'Brien, Ensign 24th Regiment,
Secretary to the Board.

Copy of a Letter from the Board to His Excellency Lieutenant-Governor Simcoe.

Detroit, February 3d, 1793.

Sir,—The Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, have the Honor to inform your Excellency, that they have since the 25th of last May been indefatigable in attending to the various Instructions, and Orders they at different times received for regulating the Land Granting Department, that they ever have been assiduous in settling Disputes, removing difficulties and arranging to the best of their abilities every circumstance that they considered could tend to the general Ease and Comfort of the New Settlers within the Sphere of their tract, they are happy in embracing this opportunity of acquainting your Excellency, that by their very great assiduity and dilligence, they in the course of last Summer, as will appear by a Copy of their Proceedings forwarded by this Express to the acting Surveyor General, to be laid before your Excellency, granted and arranged, the whole of the second Concession of the Petite Côte, which from a Variety of local difficulties was attended with much trouble, that they have [705] granted Certificates of localities for all the lots that are surveyed on the River Thames extending to two Townships and a half in length, on the south and north sides of the River, with several Lots in the second Concessions on each side and since then in Order the more effectually to promote the Interest of the Country and carry Your Excellency's wishes further into Execution. The Board directed Mr. McNiff, Deputy Surveyor in this District to survey a Tract of waste Land lying in the rear of the Petite Côte Settlement extending South East to the rear of the New Settlement on

Lake Erie and bounded on the south by the Indian Reserve at River Canard and on the North by the Indian Reserve at the Huron Church, and as your Excellency will perceive by the Depy. Surveyor's report to the Board, which accompanies this letter, under Cover to the Acting Surveyor General, the Board have been disappointed in finding such land there as they could with any propriety recommend to be located, the Board having failed in this object, directed a Survey to be made of the Waste land lying in the rear of the L'Assomption Settlement, and after granting a second concession to [706] the present Occupants, equal in breadth and depth to their farms in order to supply them with wood, desired the Depy. Surveyor to lay out a Township agreeable to the form contained in the chequered Plan, approved of by Your Excellency, and forwarded by your Orders for the Instruction of the Board and as the report of this Survey made by the Depy. Surveyor, and also forwarded to the Acting Surveyor General, to be laid before you, is not as satisfactory as the Board flattered themselves they had reason to expect, either in the report of the quality of the land or in the execution of the survey, the Board propose the Depy. Surveyor should immediately return to complete the survey, and procure more information of the quality and situation of the land, for further direction of the Board, and agreeable to the nature of the report, that they receive, they will use the most effectual and expeditious means to have this tract located.

In the instructions prepared for the Depy. Surveyor, he is desired after accomplishing this survey, to proceed to the Entrance of the River Thames, and report his opinion of the land lying N. E. between the L'Assomption Settlement and the Settlement lately established on that River, the Number [707] of mill Seats, the quality of the Timber, and every other Circumstance necessary for Your Excellency's Information, as well as for the further direction of the Board, and he is also instructed to report on the propriety, or advantage that probably may attend establishing Townships in front along the Rivers Ruscom and Belle river that cut this tract of Country, or whether such a measure is preferable to locating the Country there agreeable to the Chequered Plan, which certainly will not be deviated from, except where such advantageous Circumstances occur as make it desirable from those Rivers being Navigable.

The Board will have great pleasure in hearing that this short transcript of their proceedings meet with Your Excellency's approbation, and as they have nothing nearer their wishes, than to promote by any means in their power, the true Interest of the Government and Country. They will be happy to receive any further Instructions, that Your Excellency considers may contribute to it, which they beg leave to assure you will be zealously and cheerfully attended to by them.

The Board have the Honor of sending an Abstract of the Expenses that [708] have occured from the 25th of last June to 10th of last October, for Stationary &c., to be laid before Your Excellency, and beg to observe, that as the principal part of this Expence has been occasioned by their not having any printed Location Certificates, they were obliged to substitute written Certificates which they paid for, an Expence and Inconvenience which the Board flatter themselves Your Excellency will be Pleased to remedy by ordering a sufficient Supply of printed Location Certificates for their Use. In the abstract the Board have taken the liberty to include a Salary at the Rate of One Guinea per Week for the Clerk or Secretary to the Board, which they beg to recommend for payment.

The Assiduity and Attention which Ensn. O'Brien (who has acted as Secy.) has on all occasions given to the Business of the Board, with a sac-

rifice of every leisure Moment in registerng the proceedings, keeping the Number of Books belonging to the Board, constantly receiving and filing petitions, writing Advertisements, Proclamations, granting provision tickets to those intitled to them, filling up Certificates of location and copying the Proceedings, with being liable to be called upon at all times, by those who have business with the Board, would call for Compensation above what the [709] Board have mentioned for him, as no Emolument arises to him in his Capacity from the District, and as the Board conceives from Mr. Secretary Motz's Circular letter under date the 19th January 1790, that the Clerk is intitled by the recommendation of the Board to some recompense for his trouble, and understanding that Lieutenant Smith who acted as Secretary to the Land Board here for two years has been directed a Salary, the Board beg to recommend Ensign O'Brien for the same, which they are sensible is not adequate to his trouble, or to the pay of any Clerk that would be procured here, who would undertake the Charge, and be exposed to the trouble that he constantly is.

No applications have been yet made to this Board for Townships. All Petitions for more than two Hundred Acres are sent by this Express to the Acting Surveyor General with a list of the Number of Location Certificates granted since 25th of last May, the Number of Petitions filed that remain in Office and every other paper of reference that the Board considered can best explain their Proceeding.

The Board beg leave to observe, that Notwithstanding their Zeal, in directing Surveys of the waste lands in their neighbourhood, they are ap- [710] prehensive they will not be located, if some promise of Provisions is not held out to those who cultivate them, a circumstance they are unwilling to press on Your Excellency, as the Board is already acquainted with your Sentiments on that Subject.

We have the Honor to be
Your Excellency's
very obedient and
most Humble Servants
(Signed) RD. ENGLAND, President.
JOHN ASKIN.
LOUVIGNY MONTIGNY.

E. J. O'Brien, Secretary.

At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, at the Commandant's Quarters, on Tuesday the 5th day of February, 1793.

Lieutenant Colonel England, President.

John Askin, Esquire; Louvigny Montigny, Esquire, Members.

The Board read the Proceedings of the preceding day.

The Board desired the Deputy Surveyor might be ordered to complete his Survey in the rear of the L'Assomption Settlement.

Copy of a Letter from E. J. O'Brien to Mr. McNiff, Deputy Surveyor [711] Western District.

Detroit, February 5th, 1793.

SIR,—The Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent finding that the report made by you of the late Survey you were desired to make in the

rear of the L'Assomption Settlement is not as satisfactory (to them) as they flattered themselves to have received from you, direct that you do immediately proceed to the said Settlement, and commencing at the Huron Church, draw a line between the land granted to the Church by the Hurons, and the reserve made by them, running according to the Grant made in 1750 by the Marquis De Lajonquire to Monsieur Longuiele, N. N. W., or to what may be considered as such by Monsieur Dufault, the present Curate residing at the Huron Church, and Monsieur Pratt, who also lives there, at the distance of Eighty french Acres so as to leave room for a second Concession in the rear of the L'Assomption Settlement, and after there leaving such room for a public Road as is directed by the Chequered Plan, then run a line at right Angles in rear of the Ground allotted for the second Concession of the L'Assomption Settlement, so as to extend the lenght directed by the Chequered Plan for the front of a Township (a Copy of which the Board have given you) in the rear of which, you will proceed to complete a Township [712] agreeable to said Plan, and continue it as far as unforeseen or unavoidable Circumstances will allow you, but certainly four Lots deep, in every respect perfectly correct, taking care to be very patricular in marking the side lines of each lot, as well to prevent confusion among the Inhabitants, as to make them perfectly correspond with the side lines in the rear lots, so particularly requisite and desired by the Instructions of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor and the Executive Council of the Province, for which the Board suggest that three marks of each Lot, should be so placed as to be within View, and those marks continued the length, breadth and depth of each lot.

The Board is aware that you may be in some places interrupted by marshes or wet Grounds, from continuing your lines, but hope that by your zeal for carrying the Orders of Government into Execution and your professional Ability all possible difficutlies will be removed by you.

After this Survey is completed in the manner desired by the Board you will proceed to the Entrance of the River Thames and report the Situation of the waste land between the L'Assomption Settlement and that River, marking the quality of the land, the Timber growing on it, and the number [713] of Mill Seats on it, and you will also report the Advantages if any that you should consider there may be in laying out the land in lots on each side of the River Ruscom and Belle River, in preference to the Chequered Plan which you are in possession of.

Should you not clearly understand the Instructions here mentioned, you will in writing mention any part of them that you may not clearly comprehend, that the Board may be if necessary more explicit; As the Board are from a Variety of Circumstances very anxious to have the Township and other Surveys now directed accomplished, as expeditiously and as clearly as possible.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

E. J. O'Brien, Sec'y to the Board.

At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent at the Commandant's Quarters on Friday the 8th day of February, 1793.

Lieutenant-Colonel England, President; John Askin, Esquire; Louvigny Montigny, Esquire, Members.

[714] The following papers were laid before the Board—

No. 105. Niagara, 10th January, 1793.

GENTLEMEN,— I am directed by His Excellency Lieutenant-Governor Simcoe, to inclose for your Information and Guidance, a Copy of the Minutes of the Honorable Council of Upper Canada, relative to a Township to be laid out, at the Mouth of the Streight, to be called the Township of Malden.

You will find that His Excellency, by and with the advice and Consent of the Council, has been pleased to grant this Township, in Trust, to certain Patentees, of which Colonel McKee if the Principal. I am directed therefore to inform you, that previous to your granting any Certificate for a Location therein, it will be necessary that the Petition for such land should, in future, be recommended by Colonel McKee, as principal Patentee, or by any other two of them, this exclusive right of recommendation is intended only to give preference for a limited time, which will be the subject of future deliberation, with Council.

The Petitions of Chevalier Chaubert and William Lee, which you forwarded to the Council, because they were for land in the Indian Officers' Claims, are now returned for your deliberation and decision.

I enclose a description and Sketch of the Township of Malden, in Order [715] to guide the Deputy Surveyor, who may be ordered to lay it out.

Should there be any difficulty in Settling the lines as ordered by the late Governor Hay, with those marked by Major Mathews, His Excellency is Confident you will exercise due deliberation thereon, and as there is sufficient space to accomodate all parties in the Township. he trusts, that the actual Improver, and legal Possessor, on the One hand, may be confirmed in his improvements, by accomodating any other Claimant, who may have a fair and just right under the Instructions of the late Governor Hay (and who has not improved) by giving him a suitable location in any other part of the Township, which he may pitch upon as being unlocated.

I have the Honor to be, Gentlemen,

Your most obedient, Humble Servant,

(Signed) D. W. SMITH, Acting Surveyor General.

[716] To the Gentlemen composing the Land Board for Kent and Essex.

No. 106. Extract from the Minutes of Council, of Upper Canada, Tuesday the 8th day of January. 1793.

Read the Petition of Captin Alexander Harrow, for land adjoining Captain Bird's farm, at the mouth of Detroit River. Read several petitions for Locations, in the Indian Officer's land, and the reserve, near the mouth of the Streight of Detroit.

Several Extracts from the register of the Land Board of the Western District, and other papers relative to a tract of land ceded by the Indians to their Officers in 1784, were produced to the Honorable Council by Captain Caldwell, who also gave other Information himself, relative to the said act—the papers were acc rdingly read.

The Honorable Council were pleased to resolve, that a Township be laid out of the Tract in question, at the Mouth of the Detroit River, to be called the Township of *Malden;* to commence on the Indian Land, thence along, and following the Course of the River and Lake, until it strikes the West Boundary of Lot No. 97, in the 2 Connected Townships, thence up the said West Boundary of the Lots 97, in the 1st and 2nd Concessions, as heretofore surveyed, (and said to be 76 acres from the Lake to the rear of the 2nd Concession) From thence East, until it intersects a line produced South, [717] from the rear of the Indian land, etc.*

Colonel McKee, Captain Elliot and Captain Caldwell, to be the Patentees of the Township.

The Persons who have been settled under the authority of the late Governor Hay, and who have actually made improvements are to be confirmed in such improvements, to the extent of 200 Acres, each.

The Marsh, it appears, has been granted to the Sons of Captain Caldwell by the Honorable Council of the Province of Quebec.

The Indian Officers have it at their option, to complete the Quota of land in the said Township.

The Land laying between Captain Bird's lot, and the Indian land, being reserved for Government, Captain Harrow's Petition for that tract is rejected.

In all respects the Township of *Malden*, to be subject to such general regulations as are, or may be hereafter framed for the Government of Townships.

Especial Care to be taken that the reserve be made of the two Sevenths.

A Copy.

(Signed) D. W. Smith, Acting Surveyor General.

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[718] No. 107. Description of a Township to be laid out at the mouth of the River Detroit, by Order of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, to be called the Township of *Malden*.

To commence on the Streight, at the South Boundary of the Indian land, thence along, and following the Course and Bank of the River and Lake, with the Stream, untill it strikes the West Boundary of lot No. 97, in the Two Connected Townships, County of Essex—thence North up the said Boundary of the lots No. 97, in the 1st and 2nd Concessions, as heretofore surveyod, (and said to be 76 Acres from the Lake to the rear of the 2nd Concession) from thence East, until it intersects a line produced South, from the rear of the Indian land, near River Canards, thence North, along the said line, till it strikes the Eastermost Extremity of the South Boundary of the Indian land, and thence West along the said Boundary to the place of beginning on the Streight.

(Signed) D. W. Smith, Acting Surveyor General.

[719] Surveyor General's Office, Upper Canada, 8th January, 1793.

Agreeable to the Advertisement of the 18th of January, The Board proceeded to receive the Claims of the Inhabitants of the L'Assomption Settlement for a second Concession in their rear in Order the better to supply them with wood for the Convenience of fencing, as well as for their family

*See the sketch and description of Malden, accompanying this. D.W.S.

purposes, and agreed to grant a second Concession to each of the Inhabitants posessing the front lots.

Names.	Lots.	No. of acres in front.	Name.	Lot.	No. of acres in front.
Francis Pratt	No. 64	2	Jacque Parent	No.107	2
Jacques Marontet ..	" 65	3	Laurant Parent	" 108	2
Domk. Marontet ..	" 66	2 acres, 43 ft.	Baptiste Beaubien..	" 109	3
Jacques Parent	" 67	3	Jacques Charon...	" 110	3
Laurant Parent	" 68	3	André Peltier.....	" 111	3
Claude Reaume....	" 69	2	Josh. Basiné	" 112	1
Bapte. LeDuc.....	" 70	3	Pierre Letourné....	" 113	4½
Bapte. Ouillet.....	" 71	3	Louis Peltier	" 114	3
Bapte. Mayea.....	" 72	3	Louis St. Louis	" 115	4
Josh. Muillar.....	" 73	2	Bapte. Chapoton...	" 116	3½
Terese Janis	" 74	3	[72]1AntoineLa Badie ..	" 117	3
.....	" 75	2	Charles LaMarshe..	" 118	2
Andrew Bennetto..	" 76	2	D. Le Piconiere....	" 119	2
Madame Baby	" 77	2*	— Demouchelle....	" 120	2
J. B. Tournée.....	" 78	2	Pierre St. Louis....	" 121	2
Madame Baby.....	" 79	3	Julien Le Bute	" 122	3
Madame Baby.....	" 80	3	Bapte. L'Anglois...	" 123	3
Vital Demouchelle.	" 81	½	Jacques Belparche..	" 124	3
Vital Demouchelle.	" 82	½	— Desaunier	" 125	3
Louis Goyon	" 83	2	Benjn. Marsac	" 126	3
[720]Josh. L'Esperance.	" 84	2	Jacques Louisant ..	" 127	3
Julian Parent.....	" 85	2	John Askin, Esqr..	" 128	3
.....	" 86	2	Madame Marsac ...	" 129	6
Pierre Le Bute.....	" 87	4	Bapte. Molosh	" 130	3
P. P. De la Salline..	" 88	2	— Basiné.....	" 131	3
Francois Marontet..	" 89	3	Antoine Labadie ...	" 132	3
Charles De Lisle ...	" 90	2	André Landroche ..	" 133	3
Antoine Langlois ..	" 91	4	Bapte. Soulier	" 134	3
Joncaire Chaubert..	" 92	3½	Bapte. Paré.....	" 135	3
Josh. Beaubien	" 93	3	Josh. Morant.....	" 136	3
Alexis Maisonville.	" 94	5½	Alexis Peltier.....	" 137	3
.....	" 95	4	Louis Campeau	" 138	3
.....	" 96	4	Antoine Robert....	" 139	3
Bonavant. Reaume.	" 97	4	Simon Molosh	" 140	3
Antoine Labadie...	" 98	3	.....	" 141	3
Baptiste Pilette....	" 99	2	— Leficore	" 142	3
Josh. Berthiaume..	" 100	3	P. T. Reaume.....	" 143	..
R. T. Reaume	" 101	3	P. T. Reaume.....	" 144	1½
Francois Malosh ...	" 102	3	Madam Molosh	" 145	1½
Baptiste La Badie..	" 103	4	Bapte. Paré.....	" 146	3
Julien Parent.....	" 104	3	Michael Wool	" 147	3
Jacques Molosh....	" 105	2	[722]Penish Campeau ..	" 148	3
Francois Molosh ...	" 106	2	Capt. Maisonville ..	" 149	6

* The 2nd concession to this lot is granted to Bapte. Bruger.

[723] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent held at the Commandant's Quarters, Detroit, March, 8th, 1793.

Lieutenant-Colonel England, President; John Askin, Esquire; L. Montigny, Esquire, Members.

Réad the Proceedings of the preceding day.

Received the following Report from Mr. McNiff, Deputy Surveyor, of a Survey he was ordered on, on the 5th day of last February.

108. Detroit, 2nd March, 1793.

Sir,—Pursuant to the Order of the Land Board for the Western District, of the 5th February, 1793, directing a survey of the back Concessions in the rear of L'Assomption, I did on the 13th February last commence between the Church land and the Indian Reserve and run back S28d, 30E. the distance of six Concessions, at which distance the Land proved so wet and

Swampy could not continue that line to its end. I therefore proceeded to the head line of the 3rd Concession and run it the distance of nine miles marking and numbering the Lots as I went, chiefly low wet land few lots fit for Culture. That line ended I commenced at the head line of the 4th Concession, and run it to the end of the 14th lot which terminated in a Swamp full of Water where originates Petite River, River au Pêche, River Puce and Belle River—I then commenced at the head line of the 5th Concession and continued it to the end of the 8th lot ending in a Swamp, then [724] commenced at head line of the 6th Concession and continued that line cross Six Lots ending in the foregoing Swamp; here ends my Actual Survey. I then proceeded to examine the land, on River au Pêche, River au Puce, Belle River and River Ruscom, they all appear to originate in One Swamp, on each of these Rivers Several good Farms may be had nearly in the following proportion, Viz.:

On River au Pêche-10. Navigable at certain Seasons about 4 Miles.
On River au Puce—15. Navigable at certain Seasons about 2 Miles.
On Belle River—20. Navigable at certain Seasons about six Miles.
On River Ruscom—14. Navigable at certain Seasons about 4 Miles.

Those Farms supposed to have the same Breadth with farms ordered by the present established order of survey, but to front on each side of the River which will give two fronts on each River, and not to front on Lake St. Clair, a thing from the face of the Country nor practicable, I have entered each of these Rivers with a Boat; and have gone up two of them, Viz.: River Ruscom and Belle River, a considerable distance, which I have already communicated to His Excellency the Governor, the entrance into each of them (River Ruscom excepted) are closed up at certain times with sand, but [725] in a short time are again open. But instead of dividing the land on these Rivers, conformable to the present Established order of Survey for farm lots, I would recommend the allotments to be made so that each farm should be six Acres wide and no more and extend back the distance of 34 Acres which will give each of the occupants 204 Acres, and will make them sufficiently content, they cannot extend back from the front on each River at most more than 20 and 24 Acres before they descend into a Swamp. My reasons for recommending in the present instance this deviation from the General Plan is, that Settlers having six Acres in front of good land and extending back from 20 to 24 Acres, will have no objection to take 10 or 14 Acres in the rear of swampy Land which may answer all the purposes of having wood for Fuel and Fencing, by this deviation from the General Rule, half as many more Settlers can be placed on the Space of land as can be done if the General Rule is attended to.

I would further beg leave to observe that in all Countries, where the land is so broken and intersected with Swamps and Marshes as this Country is, General Plans for Surveys should ever be governed by the Circumstances and Situations attending the face of the Country, otherwise the Settlers cannot be placed to their advantage or Content, and such Circumstances can only be known to those, most intimately acquainted with the face of the [726] Country.

When my attention to perform every part of my duty and my zeal for the Interest of the Crown is duly considered, I have hopes these remarks will not be deemed ill placed or improper.

I have the Honor to be, Sir,

Your Humble Servant,

(Signed) Patrick McNiff, Deputy Surveyor.

Lieutenant-Colonel England, etc., etc.

Read a letter from the Surveyor General as follows:

109. Detroit, February 21st, 1793.

GENTLEMEN,—I am directed by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to inform you that as a Deputy Surveyor from Niagara has been employed in surveying the River Thames, from the Delaware Village upwards, it will be unnecessary for the Person sent from hence to continue his Survey beyond that place; His Excellency at the same time, that the protraction of the Work be on the same scale as the plans of that River already furnished by Mr. McNiff with which His Excellency is highly pleased—the General directions contained in the former Order will be attended to, and the Work is to be commenced as soon as the Navigation will permit, and no time be lost in making due Report of the Survey, in Order that a General plan of the River be early forwarded, to be laid before the King's Ministers.

I have the Honor to be Gentlemen,

(Signed) D. W. SMITH, Acting Surveyor General.

[727] Lieutenant-Colonel England, etc., etc.

The Board decided on a Lot in the Reserve for the Indian Officers, in dispute between the Chevalier Chaubert and William Lee, a free Negro, and directed that the former should have the lot in disput, allowing William Lee the produce of the Grain now sewn, and recommended that an Account unsettled between them should be referred to two Arbitrators to be named by them.

The Board agreed to have a Lot of land on the Petite Cote, No. 10, with a Continuation in the second Concession of an Acre and a half in lot No. 6, transferred from Jarvais Houdienne to James Donaldson, the request being made by both parties.

RD. ENGLAND, President.
JOHN ASKIN,
MONTIGNY.

[728] At a Meeting of the Land Board for the Counties of Essex & Kent at the Commandant's quarters at Detroit, 29th March, 93.

Lieut.-Col. England, President; Members: The Honble. Alx. Grant, John Askin, Esqr., Montigny, Esqr.

Read the proceedings of the preceding day.

This land having been granted by H. E. the Lieut.-Govr. to the present Settlers, the Board in consideration of his Services granted him Lot No. 7, E. S. River aux Puces. See Folio 806.

Received a Petition from Maurice Roche for Lot No. 1 in the 4th Concession L'Assomption Settlement, and Lot No. 1 in the fifth Concession in the same Settlement, in right of his family which he states from Authority to be five in Number, exclusive of himself.

The Board grant him said Lots, the first, subject to the decision of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor and Council, in Answer to a Petition from the Settlers, residing in the front Lots.

The Board, at the mutual Request of Jacob Arner, and Joseph Country-Man, Settlers on the New Settlement, Lake Erie, agree to the former purchasing the latter's lot, being only One Hundred and fourteen acres.

(239) The Board received a petition from Michael Helms for lot No. 22, second Concession, second Township North side River la Tranche, which they grant him, having administered the Oath of fidelity and allegiance as by law directed.

[729] The Board made the following transfers:—

Charles Filpley settled on Lot No. 86, New Settlement, to Henry Ragus for Lot No. 3, Eastermost, Lake Erie; Windall Wagaly settled on Lot No. 9, 2nd Township, North Side River Tranche, to George Sichilstel for Lot No. 6, E-New Settlement, Lake Erie.

Order of Survey. Detroit, March 29th, 1793.

Sir,—You are directed by the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent to proceed with as much expedition as possible to survey the lots reported by you to be on River Ruscom, Belle Riviere, Riviere aux pêches, Riviere aux Puces, and la Petite Riviere, and lay them out in the Manner Mentioned by you in your report of the 2nd Instant, to be most suitable for Settlement, as the land presents itself, you will make the usual reserves for Government and the Church, as directed by the Order of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor and Council.

Should you, when on this survey, consider that confining the front Lots to five Acres would be equally convenient to the Settlers, It is considered by the Board that such a survey would be most Eligible, as it would make room for a greater Number of Settlers. You will, of course, extend the depth of each lot in proportion so as to make two Hundred Acres in each Lot.

[730] I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

E. J. O'Brien, Secretary.

Mr. McNiff, Deputy Surveyor.

Rd. England, President.
John Askin.
Montigny.

Abstract of Contingent Disbursements in the Land Granting Department for the Counties of Essex and Kent from 11th October, 1792, to 10th April, 1793, Inclusive.

To E. J. O'Brien, for pay as Clerk between the 10th October, '92, and 10th April, '93. days at one Guinea per Week, or 3/ Sterling per day	30	6	8
To D. W. Robertson, for Stationary as per Account and Receipt	—	16	10½
	£31	3	6½

Amounting to Thirty One pounds, three Shillings and Six pence half penny, dollar at five Shillings, which Sum is recommended to be paid by us.

(Signed) Rd. England, President.
John Askin.
Louvigny Montigny.

E. J. O'Brien, Secretary.

[731] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, held at the Commandant's quarters, Detroit, April 12th, 1793.

Lieutenant-Colonel England, President; Members: John Askin, Esquire; Montigny, Esquire.

Read the Proceedings of the preceding day.
Read and filed the following Report from the Deputy Surveyor.

(110.) Detroit, April 11th, 1793.

Sir,—Pursuant to the Orders of the Land Board of the 29th Ultimo I did proceed to survey and lay out into lots the land on the River Ruscom, Belle River, River aux Puces and River aux Pêches; on the first are fourteen lots of tolerable good land, on the third fourteen lots, twelve of which are exceeding good, on the fourth fourteen lots, thirteen of which are exceeding good, many more lots of excellent Land may be had in the forks or Branches of the two last Rivers, but they cannot be conveniently settled by an uniform survey corresponding with what is already done from the Number of Branches they form, and these Branches in many places near to each other, this, with their very serpentine Cources, renders it impossible to front lots on any of them, without crossing them in several places, on the West Bank of the two last Rivers very good Roads may with ease be made to their Forks, where I find Springs of excellent Waters but no Mill seat, for where the [732] Bank is high on one side, the opposite side is very low.

My survey of the south shore of Lake St. Clair, as also that of the foregoing Rivers, to explain and shew their connection I will lay down on paper for the Use of the land Board.

I have the Honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient Humble Servant,

(Signed) P. McNiff, Deputy Surveyor.

Received an Application from Simon Girty for Lot No. 2 or 3 in the second Township Lake Erie, which the Board find by their Records are granted.

The Board directed the following Notice to be published in the Settlement—

Detroit, April 12th, 1793.

To the Public,—Notice is hereby given that Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent will, on Friday, the 16th day of May, proceed to grant some lots of land lately surveyed and divided on River Ruscom, Belle Riviere, Riviere aux Puces, and Riviere aux Pêches, lying on the south shore of Lake St. Clair, to those whose services, loyalty and Conduct entitle them to the Bounty of Government.

By order of the Board,

E. J. O'Brien, Secretary.
Rd. England, President.
John Askin.
Montigny.

[733] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, at the Commandant's Quarters, Detroit, April 19th, 1793.

Lieutenant-Colonel England, President; Members: John, Askin, Esquire; Louvigny Montigny, Esquire.

Read the Proceedings of the preceding day.

The Board heard the Claimants for Lot No. 4, Eastermost, New Settlement, Lake Erie, vacant by the death of Nicholas Wetherholt, deceased, decided in favor of Charles Munger Black Smith, recommended by the Inhab-

itants of the Settlement as a useful Man from his trade to be Settled among them.

The Board made the following transfer: Lot No. 80, New Settlement, Lake Erie, from Henry Facer to Maurice Willcox.

(Signed) Rd. England, President.
John Askin.
Montigny.

E. J. O'Brien, Secretary.

[734] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, held at the Commandant's Quarters at Detroit, June 8th, 1793.

Lieutenant-Colonel England, President; Members: John Askin, Esquire; Louvigny Montigny, Esquire.

The Board proceeded to read the following Letters of Instruction, and Orders, received since their last meeting, and Mr. McNiff's Report of Survey dated 20th May, 1793.

No. 111. (Circular.)

Upper Canada Council Chamber,
Navy Hall, April 13th, 1793.

(Present): His Excellency John Graves Simcoe, Esquire, Lieutenant-Governor, etc., etc., etc., In Council.

Granting Departments within this Province, whether they were at liberty to exercise their discretion in refusing to grant Certificates to Persons of known disloyalty, and disaffection to the British Government who may, nevertheless, offer to take the Oaths and make the Subscriptions required.

Resolved, that it is not only required of the members of the Land Board to make diligent Scrutiny into the Characters, and Conduct of all unrecommended persons who shall apply for Certificates, but it is their unquestionable duty, as good Subjects, to dismiss the applications of all such as are known of disloyal Principles in as much as, though His Majesty's bounty [735] is not restricted solely to his own Subjects, and it is not meant to be extended to such who persist in principles, and opinions which are hostile to the British Constitution.

Extracted from the Minutes.

(Signed) E. B. Littlehales.

No. 112. (Circular.)

Navy Hall, May 20th, 1793.

Gentlemen,—I enclose to you the Gazette of this date by which you will perceive there is a resolution of His Excellency, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, relative to granting Permission to Inhabitants of this Province to erect Mill Seats upon their Estates not interfering with the Navigation or obstructing the Passage of Fish in those Waters, where they usually resort.

I have the Honor to be, Gentlemen,

Your Most Humble Servant,

(Signed) John Small, C.E.C.

Counties of Kent and Essex.

No. 113. Surveyor General's Office,
Province of Upper Canada, 26th May, '93

Sir,—I am to acknowledge the Honor of your letter of 1st May, 1793.

I am sensible of the Difficulties there are in procuring hands for the Surveying Department, and, although I cannot positively assure payment, [736] yet I hope the Steps you have taken will meet their concurrence, as you may be assured it shall, my support and recommendation; fully persuaded that you will not let it creep into a precedent for future expenses.

The 2/7ths of the Land to be reserved can, in no instance, be dispensed with, and, though local Circumstances may oblige a deviation from the Chequered Plan, its *General principle* must be attended to in all *Situations*.

With much respect and regard, I have the Honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

(Signed) D. W. SMITH,
Acting Surveyor General.

LT.-COL. ENGLAND, ETC., ETC.

Surveyor-General's Office,
Province of Upper Canada, 27th May, 1793.

No. 114.

GENTLEMEN,—The Receiver-General having made application to this Office for a Return of the several Islands within the Province, in Order to their being let, I am, therefore, to request you would have the goodness of taking the trouble to procure for me, with as little delay as possible, a Report of all those within Extension of your trust, and its Vicinity, descriptive of their size, Situation and Advantages, together with any other Circumstances relating thereto, which you may be able to collect.

I have the Honor to be, Gentlemen,

Your Most obedient Servant,

(Signed) D. W. SMITH, Acting Surveyor General.

Detroit, May 20th, 1793.

[737] No. 115.

SIR,—In Compliance with the Order of the Surveyor-General of the 12th November, 1792, directing a Survey of River la Tranche, now the Thames, as far up as the Delaware Village, on my way to perform that business I laid out next adjoining the lower Settlements on each side of that River several lots of the Planes and Meadows, as already marked on a rough Sketch transmitted you by Trudell, after that I proceeded to lay out 12 lots the remainder of the 3rd Township on each side of the River, the Two upper Lots I find to take in on the North Side some of the Improvements of the Moravian Indians, from thence commenced my survey of the River, until I arrived in front of the Delaware Village at the place where Mr. Jones, commenced his Survey of said River upwards; the Moravian Village is nearly at commencement of the 4th Township, that Township on each side of the River affords excellent land, but little of it broken, the lower half of the 5th Township will be nearly equally good, but from thence till nearly about five Miles below the Delaware Village the land much broken, Hilly and Mountainous, having very deep Ravines on each side almost every six or eight Acres; The Bottoms or flat lands are overflowed and covered with drifted Wood, the upland only produces White Oak, a thin light soil, Bottom sand and white Clay mixed; from Miles (5) below the Delaware Village upwards extensive Bottoms of good land, but rather too much inclining to

a mixture of Clay and Sand, which occasions it to bake in many places [738] where the sun comes to it; a distance above the Delaware Village am informed the land is much better, the whole distance from the Moravian Village upwards affords a great number of excellent Springs, and small streams, but scarcely any of them fit to erect a Mill on, all the Circumstances attending this Survey will more fully be explained in laying down my Surveys.

I have the Honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient, Humble Servant,

PATRICK MCNIFF, Deputy Surveyor.

The Board directed the following Advertisement to be published:—

Detroit, June 8th, 1793.

Notice is hereby given that the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent will, on Friday next, the 14th Instant, at the Commandant's Quarters, proceed to grant land on Belle River, River Ruscom, River aux Pêches and River aux Puces, all on the South Side of Lake St. Clair, and, also, some Vacant Lots lately surveyed in the 3rd Township of River La Tranche, now the Thames. By order of the Board.

E. J. O'BRIEN, Secretary.

[739] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, held at the Commandant's Quarters.

Detroit, June 14th, 1793.

Lieutenant-Colonel England, President; Members: John Askin, Esquire; Louvigny Montigny, Esquire.

The Board decided that Numbers 1 and 7 on both sides of the River aux Pêches should be reserved for the use of the Crown and Clergy agreeable to the Instructions of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor and Council.

(Cert. 242) The Board received and read the Petition of Mr. Charles Reaume for Lots No. 1 and 2 on the East Side of the River aux Pêches, and directed a Certificate to be granted for Lot No. 2. His Petition for Lot No. 3 is submitted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor and Council, the Board not being authorized to grant more than 200 Acres to an Individual.

(241) Read the Petition of Mr. Joshua Reaume for Lot 4, on the East Side of River aux Pêches, and directed a Certificate to be granted him for it.

(243) Read the Petition of Mr. James Allan for Lot No. 5 East Side River aux Pêches, and directed a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of Allegiance to him as by law directed.

(244) Read the Petition of Mr. Patrick McNiff for Lots No. 5 and 6 West Side River aux Pêches, and directed a Certificate to be granted him for Lot No. 6, having administered Oath of Allegiance to him as by law [740] directed.

(245) Read the Petition of Josh. Pouget for Lot No. 2 West Side of River aux Pêches, and directed a Certificate to be granted him for it.

(254) The Board received and read the Petition of Sinsin Bisonet for Lot No. 3 West Side River aux Pêches, and directed a Certificate to be granted him for it.

(246) Read the Petition of Charles Drouillard for Lot No. 5 West Side River aux Pêches, and direct a Certificate to be granted him for it.

The Board decided that Lots No. 3 and 6 on both sides of River aux Puces should be reserved for the use of Government and Clergy.

(247) Read the Petition of Louvigny Montigny, Esquire, for Lot No. 1 on the West Side of River aux Puces, and direct a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by law directed.

(248) Read the Petition of Mr. Joseph Voyer for Lot No. 4 West Side of River aux Puces, and direct a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(249) Read the petition of Regis Binnot for Lot No. 7 West Side River aux Puces, and direct a Certificate to be granted him for it.

(250) Read the Petition of Ranjard LeCavalier for Lot No. 5 on the East Side of River aux Puces, and direct a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by [741] law directed.

The Board decided to reserve Lots No. 1 and 7 on both sides of River Ruscom for the Use of Government and Clergy.

(Cert. 251) Read the petition of André Le Page for Lot No. 4 West Side River Ruscom, and direct a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(252) Read the petition of André Berthiaume for Lot No. 6 West Side River Ruscom, and directed a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by law directed.

(253) Received the petition of Charles Charon for Lot No. 5 on the East Side River Ruscom, and direct a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(240) Read the petition of Gabriel Peltier for Lot No. 6 on the East Side River Ruscom, and direct a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of Allegiance to him as by law directed.

The Board decided that Lots No. 1 and 7 on both sides of Belle River should be reserved for the Use of Government and the Clergy.

(255) Read the Petition of Etienne Languedoc for Lot No. 4 East Side of Belle River, and direct a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

[742] (256) Read the Petition of Francis Valcour for Lot No. 3 East Side Belle River, and direct a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(257) The Board read the petition of Josh. Drouillard for Lot No. 4 West Side River aux Pêches, and direct a Certificate to be granted him for said Lot.

RD. ENGLAND, President.
JOHN ASKIN.
MONTIGNY.

E. J. O'BRIEN, Secretary.

At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent at the Commandant's Quarters on Friday, the 21st day of June, 1793.

Lieutenant-Colonel England, President; Members; John Askin, Esquire; Louvigny Montigny, Esquire.

The Board read the Proceedings of the preceding day.

Mr. Charles Reaume appeared, and requested that Lot No. 2 East Side River aux Pêches, granted him by the Board on the 14 Inst., with Lot No. 3 on the same side reserved for him till His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor and the Honourable Council's pleasure is known, should be changed for [743] Lots No. 2 and 3, West side, which the Board agree to, granting at the same time Lots No. 2 and 3, East Side to Joshua Puget and Sinsin Bissinit, to whom Lots No. 2 and 3 West side were granted on the 14th Instant.

Mr. Josh. Reaume appeared and requested that Lot No. 4, East side River aux Pêches, granted him by the Board on the 14th Instant, should be changed for Lot No. 4, West Side, on the same River, which the Board agreed to, giving at the same time Lot No. 4, East Side, to Josh. Drouillard, to whom Lot No. 4, West Side, was granted on the 14th Instant.

(258) Pierre Griffin appeared, and requested Lot No. 6, East side Belle River, which the Board granted him, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by law directed.

(259) The Board read the Petition of John Reynolds for Lot No. 16, North Side, 3d Township, River Thames, and directed a Certificate to be granted him for said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by law directed.

(260) Read the petition of Richard Jackman for Lot No. 18, North Side, 3 Township, River Thames, and directed a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by law directed.

RD. ENGLAND, President,
JOHN ASKIN,
MONTIGNY.

[744] At a Meeting of the Land Board for the Counties of Essex and Kent, held at the Commandant's Quarters, Detroit, June 28th, 1793—

Lieut.-Colonel England, President; Members, John Askin, Esquire, Louvigny Montigny, Esquire.

Read the Proceedings of the preceding day.

(261) The Board received and read the petition of Stephen Kissler for Lot No. 18, South Side, 3d Township River Thames, and direct a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by law directed.

(262) Read the petition of John George Bach for Lot No. 19, south side, 3d Township River Thames, and direct a Certificate to be granted to him for it, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by law directed.

(263) The Board received the petition of William Boyle in behalf of his family (Four in Number) for the 2nd Concession of Lot No. 12, South Side, 3d Township River Thames, which the Board grant them.

(264) Read the petition of George Reynolds for Lot No. 17, North Side, 3d Township, River Thames, and direct a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by law directed.

(265) James Understone having returned to the Board a Certificate granted him the 22nd August, 1792, for Lot No. 17, 2nd Township, South Side River Thames, and having petitioned for Lot No. 19, 3d Township, North Side, the Board grant him said Lot, having already administered [745] the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by law directed.

(266) Jacob Quant having given up his Claim for Lot No. 20, 2d Township, South Side River Thames, and having petitioned for Lot No. 12, South Side, 3d Township, River Thames, the Board direct a Certificate to be granted him for it, having taken the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance as by law directed.

(267) The Board received the Petition of James Charon for Lot No. 2, East Side River aux Puces, and direct a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by law directed.

(268) The Board received the petition of Abiah Park, for Lot No. 6, on the Entrance of the River Thames, on the south side, and direct a Certificate granted him for it.

(269) Read the petition of Isaac Williams for Lot No. 20, North Side, 3d Township River Thames, and direct a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(270) Read the petition of Isaac French, for Lot No. 16, south side 3d Township River Thames, direct a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by law directed.

(271) Read the petition of Christopher Baraba, for Lot No. 2, West Side River Ruscom, and direct a Certificate to granted him for it, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by law directed.

[746] (272) Read the petition of Josh. Abbott, for Lot 18, 2nd Township, North Side River Thames, direct a Certificate to be granted him for it.

(273) The Board read the petition of Patrick Fitz-Patrick for Lot 16, 2nd Concession, north side 2nd Township, River Thames, direct a Certificate to be granted him for it.

Certificate No. 83, for Lot No. 5, 2nd Township, North Side River Thames, was transferred from Francis Cornwall to Coleman Roe, for Certificate No. 205, Lot No. 11, 3d Township, South Side.

Certificate No. 186, for Lot No. 5, North Side, 3d Township River Thames, transferred to Joseph Abbott.

RD. ENGLAND, President,
JOHN ASKIN,
MONTIGNY.

[747] E. J. O'BRIEN, Secretary.

At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent at the Commandant's quarters on Friday, the 5th day of July, 1793—

Lieut.-Colonel England, President; Members, John Askin, Esquire; L. Montigny, Esquire.

The Board read the proceedings of the preceding day.

(274) The Board read the petition of Mr. Wm. Harffy for Lot No. 8, West Side of River aux Perches, not surveyed at present, which the Board grant him.

(275) Read the petition of Jacob Henkeil for Lot No. 20, 3d Township, south side River Thames, and direct a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(276) Read the Petition of Mrs. Martha Howard for Lot No. 23, 3d Township, south side River Thames, and direct a Certificate to be granted to her son, William Howard, for it.

(277) Read the petition of John Dodemead for Lot No. 14, 2nd Concession, 1st Township, North side River Thames for the use of the Family, Five in number, which the Board direct to be granted him.

(278) Read the petition of Danl. Field for Lot No. 10, 2nd Concession, 1st Township, south side, for the use of his family, five in number, which the Board direct to be granted him.

(279) Read the petition of Maurice Willcox for Lot No. 21, south side, 3d Township River Thames, which the Board grant, having adminis-
[748] tered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by law directed.

(280) Read the petition of Joseph Beauchamp for Lot No. 6, North Side, on the Entrance of the River Thames, which the Board grant him, havng administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by law directed.

Received the petition of Joseph Harpur for Lot No. 18, 2nd Township, North Side River Thames, which is rejected, that Lot being granted to Josh. Abbott on Friday, the 28th day of June, 1793.

RD. ENGLAND, President,
JOHN ASKIN,
MONTIGNY.

At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent at the Comandant's Quarters on Friday, the 12th day of July, 1793—

Lieut.-Colonel England, President; Members, John Askin, Esquire, Montigny, Esquire.

The Board read the proceedings of the preceding day.

(281) The Board read the Petition of Pierre Du Charme for Lot No. 4, North Side on the Entrance of the River Thames, Commonly called the Plains, which the Board grant him, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by law directed.

[749] (282) Read the Petition of Pierre Detroyers for Lot No. 2. South Side on the Entrance of the River Thames, which the Board grant him, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(283) Read the petition of Joseph Valcour for Lot No. 3, South Side River Thames (Comonly called the Plains), which the Board grant him, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegance to him as by Law directed.

(284) Read the petition of Paul Cauron for Lot No. 2, North Side on the Entrance of the River Thames (Commonly called the Plains), which the Board grant him, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(285) Read the petition of Louis Trudel for Lot No. 5, South Side, on the Entrance of the River Thames (Commonly called the Plains), which the Board grant him, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(286) Read the petition of Louis Trudel in behalf of his wife and Family, Eight in Number, for Lot No. 4, South Side, on the Entrance of the River Thames (Commonly called the Plains), and the Board having considered said petition have directed a Certificate to be granted them for said Lot.

[750] (287) Read the petition of Sarah Avery for Lot No. 20, 2nd Township, South Side River Thames, which the Board grant her.

(288) Read the petition of the Widow Sterling for Lot No. 1, South Side, on the Entrance of the River Thames (Commonly called the Plains), which the Board grant her.

(289) Read the petition of Martin Butler for Lot No. 22, 3d Township, south side River Thames, and directed a Certificate to be granted him for said Lot, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

Abiah Park, to whom the Board granted on the 28th June, 1793, Lot No. 5, South Side, on the Entrance of the River Thames (Commonly called the Plains), appeared and took the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance as by Law directed.

RD. ENGLAND, President,
JOHN ASKIN,
MONTIGNY.

[751] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent at the Commandant's Quarters on friday, the 19th July, 1793—

Lieut.-Colonel England, President; Members, John Askin, Esquire; L. Montigny, Esquire.

The Board read the Proceedings of the preceding day.

Hugh Holmes to whom the Board granted on the 25th day of August, 1792, Lot No. 18, 1st Township, 2nd Concession, south side River Thames, appeared, and returned his Certificate for said Lot, finding it unfit for Culture.

No Claimants having appeared the Board adjourned to Saturday, the 27th day of July, 1793.

RD. ENGLAND, President,
JOHN ASKIN,
MONTIGNY.

[752] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent at the Commandant's quarters on Saturday, the 27th July, 1793—

Lieut.-Colonel England, President; Members, John Askin, Esquire, L. Montigny, Esquire.

The Board read a letter from Lieut. D. W. Smith, dated 6th July, 1793, enclosing an Order of Council dated June 22nd, 1793, for 1,200 Acres of land in the 2nd Township, south side River Thames, and if not room in the 2nd Township, then the same quantity in the 3d Township.

The Board having carefully examined the Register of Certificates of Location granted in the 2nd Township, find that all the Lots in front have been granted nearly a year since; And having also examined the Register of Locations granted in the 3d Township, find that there are not any vacant, but Lots No. 14, 15 and 17, South Side, and Lots No. 21, 22, 23, North side. The Board from an Inclination to accomodate Lieut. Smith hope to be able to prevail on the Person to whom Lot No. 16 is granted, to change it for Lot No. 17, provided he would wish those Lots to be granted to him.

The Board direct an Extract from their Proceedings of this day to be sent by the first opportunity to Lieut. Smith, and request that he will as [753] early as possible make a Choice of such Lots now vacant as he may consider most eligible, in Order that they may proceed to grant the rest to those who have already petitioned for them.

The Lots in the rear of those now reported Vacant are not yet granted.

RD. ENGLAND, President,
JOHN ASKIN,
MONTIGNY.

At a meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent at the Comandant's Quarters, Detroit, August 2nd, 1793—

Lieut.-Colonel England, President; Members, John Askin, Esquire, L. Montigny, Esquire.

(290) The Board received a Petition from Mrs. Labaddie (dit Badichon) for Lot No. 4, East Side River Ruscom, and direct a Certificate to be granted her for said Lot.

(291) (see the folio 107 page—) Read the petition of Henry Beauchamp for Lot No. 7, North Side, on the Entrance of the River Thames (Commonly called the Plains), which the Board grant him, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by law directed.

RD. ENGLAND, President,
JOHN ASKIN,
MONTIGNY.

[754] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent at the Comandant's Quarters, Detroit, 9th August, 1793—

Lieut.-Colonel England, President; Members, John Askin, Esquire, L. Montigny, Esquire.

(292) Mrs. Martha Howard, to whom the Board on the 5th day of July, Instant, granted Lot No. 23, 3d Township, south side River Thames for her Son, William Howard, which Lot being reserved for the Moravians by Order of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor and the Honorable Council, the Board grant her lot No. 5, South Side Same Township.

(293) Read the petition of Thomas Williams for Lot No. 8, South Side, 2nd Concession, 1st Township, River Thames, for the use of his family, four in number, which the Board grant him.

RD. ENGLAND, President,
JOHN ASKIN,
MONTIGNY.

[755] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent at the Commandant's Quarters, Detroit, August 14th, 1793—

Lieut.-Colonel England, President; Members, John Askin, Esquire, L. Montigny, Esquire.

(294) Received the Petition of J. B. Faubert for Lot No. 2, second Concession, first Township North Side Rver Thames, which the board grant him a Certificate for it, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(295) Henry Beauchamp, to whom the Board granted Lot No. 7, North Side, on the Entrance of the River Thames, having resigned his Claim to said Lot, and petitioned for Lot No. 5, the Board grant it to him, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(296) Received the petition of Richard Merry for Lot No. 7, 1st Township, south side, second Concession River Thames, for his wife and

family, four in number, which the Board ordered a Certificate to be granted to them for.

(297) Read the petition of Henry Botsford for Lot No. 24, 2nd Township, North Side River Thames, and the Board ordered a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by law directed.

RD. ENGLAND, President,
JOHN ASKIN,
MONTIGNY.

[756] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, at the Comandant's Quarters, Detroit, August 23d, 1793—

Lieut.-Colonel England, President; Members, John Askin, Esquire, L. Montigny, Esquire.

The Board received an Application from Thomas Duggan for permission to have Lot No. 4, 3d Township, North Side River Thames, formerly granted to John Laughton, transferred to him, which John Laughton consenting to, the Board directed said Transfer to take place.

The Board received a Petition from Sally Ainse, accompanied with an Order of Council of Upper Caanda, as follows:—

At the Council Chamber, Navy Hall, in the County of Lincoln, Wednesday, October 17th 1792—

Present:—His Excellency, J. G. Simcoe, Esquire, Lieut.-Governor, &c., &c., &c., The Honorable Alexr. Grant, The Honorable Peter Russel, The Honorable Wm. Osgoode, Chief Justice.

His Excellency called the Attention of the Council to the case of Sally Ainse, an Indian Woman; which Stated that she had been deprived of her lands on the River La Tranche after having considerably improved the same.

Sally Ainse attended.

Reference was had to the Proceedings and Documents of the Land Granting Department of the late District of Hesse, and especially to Report [757] K, which together with other letters from the same Board on the same Subject clearly evinced that the above Sally Ainse was entitled to have the prayer of the petition granted.

Resolved—That Sally Ainse be invested with a Certificate for her present Claims on the River La Tranche, being Eight lots in the Center of the first Township, of the first Concession on the North Side of that River, so as to comprehend her Improvements on two of the said Lots, by extending the front in Order to take in the said Improvements, by Boundaries parallel to the side lines of the Lots at present reported to be the Course of the side lines of the lands on the River La Tranche.

(Signed) JOHN SMALL, C. E. C.

Extracted from the Minutes of Council.

The Board having taken the said Order of Council into Consideration, find it, necessary to observe in explanation of their Proceedings, and in Justice to their Conduct, that the lots mentioned in the Order, and directed to

be restored to Sally Ainse and which they have granted some considerable time past to Efficient Settlers, were disposed of agreeable to the Orders under which they derive their Authority, and perfectly comformable to the repeated Instructions they have at different times received as well from His Excellency the Commander in Chief as from His Excellency Lieutenant-Governor Simcoe, which Instructions "forbid them to consider any Grants made by the Indians to Individuals to be Valid, and in particular such Grants as [758] may be comprehended within the purchase made by the British Government from the Indians the 26th of May, 1790."

And the Board having had Reference to Colonel Alexander McKee, Deputy Superintendent of Indian Affairs, who conducted the Purchase made by Government from the Indians, were informed by letter from him, under date the 30th* March, 1792, that the Land claimed by Sally Ainse was included in said purchase, and consequently within their directions, therefore did not hesitate to consider her in the same Situation and of an exact similar description of many others, who had usurped Titles under Indian Deeds, which by their Instructions they were repeatedly directed not to admit, and therefore did proceed to grant the land claimed by her under an Indian deed, and within the aforesaid purchase, to discharged Sergeants and Soldiers from the British Army, who had served a Series of Years with Reputation, and who from their character promised and have proved to be among the most respectable Settlers on the River Thames.

The Board however, anxious to comply with the Order of Council for restoring the land claimed by Sally Ainse, as far as their Authority can extend, have directed the names of those to whom the lots she Claims, have been granted to be given her by the Secretary of the Board, and recommend that they should with her attend the Board on Friday the 6th day of Sep-[759]tember next, with hopes that by their mediation and Interference some Arrangement may be made between them and the Claimant as may answer all their purposes.

RD. ENGLAND, Lieut.-Col., President.
JOHN ASKIN,
MONTIGNY.

At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent at the Commandant's Quarters on Friday the 30th day of August, 1793.

Lieutenant-Colonel England, President; Members: John Askin, Esquire; L. Montigny, Esquire.

It being notified to the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, that the following lots of Land on the River La Tranche, now the Thames, granted and promised to the Undermentioned twelve months since have been cultivated, improved or built on, agreeable to the terms on wh'ch they were granted and Promised.

The Board therefore considering the said lots forfeited and now Vacant, will proceed on Friday the 20th dav of September next, to grant to those whose Services, and lovalty intitle them to the support and protection of the British Government.

*Vide Folio 597.

Township.	Side.	Lot.	To Whom Granted.	When Granted. [760
First	North	2	Anthony Dequindre	31st August....1792
First	North	3	Remy Campeau	25th August.. "
"	"	6	Joseph Cissné	20th April..... "
Second	South	12	Robert Empson	23rd August.... "
"	"	16	John Carpenter	" " .... "
"	"	19	Patrick O'Flaherty	8th June..... "
"	"	21	Peter Fouchet	25th August.,.. "
"	"	22	David McCargin	" " .... "
"	"	23	James McDonnell	" " .... "
"	North	11	Frederick Harboth	31st " .... "
"	"	17	John Wheaton	25th " .... "
"	"	22	James Willcox	" " .... "
Third	South	4	Nathan Miller	" " .... "
"	"	10	George Mills	31st " .... "
"	North	2	Peter Laughton	Promised 25th August
"	"	4	Thomas Kelly	25th August 1792
"	"	6	Wm. Searl	27th April..... "
"	"	8	Joncare Chaubert	25th August..... "
"	"	10	Charles Boulanger	" " .... "

By order of the Board,
E. J. O'Brien, Secretary.

No Claimants having appeared, The Board adjourned to Friday the 6th day of September next.

Rd. England, President.
John Askin,
Montigny.

[761] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, at the Commandant's Quarters on Friday the sixth day of September, 1793.

Lieutenant-Colonel England, President; Members: John Askin, Esquire; L. Montigny, Esquire.

Mrs. Ainse, with the Five Settlers on the lots on the North Side of the River Thames, attended agreeable to the desire of the Board dated August 23rd, when every endeavour to arrange the Matters in dispute between them was made without Effect——

Proposals were made by the Board to Mrs. Ainse to give her an equal quantity of Land as she now claims, either on the River Thames or in any other Place she should fix on within the direction of the Board. Proposals were also made by the Present Possessors of the Lots in dispute, to give her Fifty Pounds N.Y. Cur^{y}. for each of the Lots that were granted them, and every reasonable effort was made as well by the Board as by the Possessors of the Lots to accommodate Mrs. Ainse, but nothing would content her but the immediate Possession of her land.

The Possessors then decided on petitioning His Excellency the Lieut. Governor on the subject, and the Board delayed all further Proceedings till His Excellency's pleasure was known——

Rd. England, President.
John Askin.
Montigny.

E. J. O'Brien, Secretary.

[762] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent at the Commandant's Quarters of friday the 13th day of September, 1793.

Lieut. Coll. England, President; John Askin, Esquire, L. Montigny, Esquire, Members.

The Board received and directed to be filed several Petitions from Claimants for land, Deferred the further Consideration of them till a future day.

Heard and arranged a dispute between some of the Inhabitants of Petite Côte relative to their second Concession.

RD. ENGLAND, President.
JOHN ASKIN,
MONTIGNY.

[763] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, held at the Commandant's Quarters, Detroit, September 20th, 1793.

Lieutenant-Colonel England, President; Members: John Askin, Esquire; L. Montigny, Esquire.

The following letters from the Surveyor General were laid before the Board.

No. 116. Surveyor General's Office, 1st September, 1793.

GENTLEMEN,—His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor being anxious that the Boundary of the last purchase made from the Indians should be run, I am to request you would be pleased to direct the Surveyor of your District to execute the Service; and as this Office is not furnished with sufficient Information as to the exact Limits of the Purchase, or the course it takes from Chenal Ecarté to the River La Tranche I request you would have the Goodness to collect the necessary Information from your Registers and direct the Business to be carried into Execution.

This done, His Excellency has desired, that the Moravian Grant and two more Townships, may be run out on the South Side of the Thames, which will nearly reach the Delaware Village.

I request therefore that half a Township, or four and a half miles may be added to the last six Lots of the Third Township, to complete the Moravian Grant, and then that Two Townships of nine miles front, after the [764] manner of the Chequered Plan, may be run out, with the side Lines parallel to the Townships already surveyed.

The Moravian Grant to be called the Fourth Township and the other two above it, the fifth and sixth.

As the Thames winds so much, I am anxious, and it is His Excellency's wish, that a Maiistral Line be ascertained in all the Townships, as a governing Clue for the other Concessions, and in order that they may run Straight and parallel, so that the rear of the Townships may be even and Compact, and that the uneven patches on account of curvilinear Water boundaries, should be distinguished under the name of Broken Fronts.

As this Office has very few Documents of Survey from your District, the Council has ordered that Plans of the several Townships, on separate Pieces and a Plan of the District, be prepared, so that the Grantees of the Western District may have their respective Locations enregistered in the Register of this Office.

I shall therefore hope for them all, by the first opportunity in the Spring at farthest, and shall be happy to use my Endeavours in recovering whatever Expence may be incurred by procuring Stationary for this purpose.

In addition to the usual marks for numbering of Lots, His Excellency has directed that the Letter R. be affixed adjoining the Reserved Lots, and [765] the Letter G. to those which are to be granted.

I have the Honor to be, Gentlemen,
With great respect and Esteem,
Your Humble Servant,
(Signed) D. WM. SMITH,
Acting Surveyor General.

Lieutenant Colonel England, &c., &c.

No. 117. Surveyor General's Office, 4th September, 1793.

SIR,—In the Return of Survey which I may expect from your District of the several Townships on River Tranche, I beg you would have the Goodness to direct, that a Majistral Line, be protracted, in each of them, in the manner laid down, by the accompanying Sketch, to obviate the Inconvenience of the concession Lines running in parallel Curves with the Bend of the River which would be the case otherwise.

I am Most respectfully, Sir,
Your Humble Servant,
(Signed) D. W. SMITH,
Acting Surveyor General.

[766] Lieutenant Colonel England, &c., &c.

Agreeable to the Notice given the 30th August that the Lots mentioned in the List that day advertised not being cultivated, improved or built on would be forfeited, the Proprietors having attended, the Board decided as follows:

Township.	Side.	Lot.	
First	North	2	Continued a=Dequindre it appearing to be improved.
"	"	3	
"	"	6	Continued to J. Cissné.
Second	South	12	deferred to the 1st January, 1794, the Improvemt. not appearing satisfactory.
"	"	16	deferred to the 1st January, 1794, the Improvemt. not appearing satisfactory.
"	"	19	Vacant, not being improved.
"	"	21	" " "
"	"	22	deferred to the 1st January, 1794.
"	"	23	" " "
"	North	11	Confirmed to F. Harboth, it being represented by Certificate to be improved.
"	"	17	Confirmed to F. Harboth, it being represented by Certificate to be improved.
"	"	22	Confirmed.
Third	South	4	Vacant by death.
"	"	10	Vacant, not being improved.
"	North	2	" " "
"	"	4	Confirmed, but desired to bring Cert. of Improvmt. 1st January, 1794.
"	"	6	deferred to the 1st January, 1794.
"	"	8	" " " "
"	"	10	Vacant.
"	"	11	"

(298) The Board received the petition of Nathan Fields for Lot No. 17, South Side, 2nd Township, River Thames which the Board grant him, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law [767] directed.

The Board made the following Transfers, Lot No. 3, 3d Township, North Side River Thames from John Whitehead to William Baker.

Lot No. 11, 2nd Township, North side River Thames from Frederick Harboth to Mathew Dolson. Lot No. 90, New Settlement Lake Erie from Mathew Dolson to Frederick Harboth.

Lot No. 16, New Settlement, Lake Erie, from James Stewart to Henry Schieben.

Lot No. 15, New Settlement, Lake Erie, from Henry Schieben to James Stewart.

Lot No. 11, 2nd Township, North Side River Thames from Mathew Dolson to William Boyle.

RD. ENGLAND, President.
JOHN ASKIN,
MONTIGNY.

E. J. O'Brien, Secretary.

Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, Detroit, October 11th, 1793.

We have this day compared the Copies of our Minutes with the Register which we find correct and sign them accordingly.

(Signed) RD. ENGLAND, President.
JOHN ASKIN,
MONTIGNY.

[768] E. J. O'Brien, Secretary.

Abstract of Contingent Disbursements in the Land Granting department for the Counties of Essex and Kent from 11th April to 10th October, 1793, both days Inclusive.

To Edward James O'Brien for pay as Clerk during the above period, 183 days at One Quinea per Week or 3/ Sterling per day	31	3	0
To William and David Robertson for Stationary as per Account and Receipt	1	1	10½
	£32	4	10½

Amounting to Thirty two pounds, four Shillings, and ten pence half penny, which Sum is recommended to be paid by us.

(Signed) RD. ENGLAND, President.
JOHN ASKIN,
MONTIGNY.

[769] E. J. O'Brien, Secretary to the Board.

At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, at Mr. Askin's on Friday the 29th day of November, 1793.

Lieutenant-Colonel England, President; Members: John Askin, Esquire; Montigny, Esquire.

A letter signed D. W. Smith, Acting Surveyor General, directed to Lieutenant-Colonel England, President of the Land Board, covering a letter from E. B. Littlehales to D. W. Smith, Acting Surveyor General, dated York November, 3rd, 1793, and an Extract of the Proceedings of Council of Upper Canada were laid before the Board, who directed the whole to be entered in the Register of their Procedings, and also directed a Copy of E. B. Littlehales's letter to D. W. Smith, should be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Board to One of the present Possessors of the Lots claimed by Sally Ainse, with directions that he should as soon as possible communicate the same to the other Proprietors of the Lots claimed by her, which His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor and Council direct should be given up to her.

The Board received a petition from Andrew Alcock for leave to erect a Grist Mill on a spot of Land on Mill Creek in the New-Settlement, Lake Erie, deferred deciding on it till Friday the 13th day of December next,—
[770] in Order that they may receive further Information relative to it.

No. 118. Surveyor General's Office, Upper Canada, 15th November, 1793.

SIR,—I have the Honor of inclosing to you, a Copy of Major Littlehales's letter to me, of the 3rd Instant, covering Minutes of Council respecting the Lands of Sally Ainse.

I have the Honor to be, Sir,
Your Most obedient Servant,

(Signed) D. W. SMITH,.
Acting Surveyor General.

Lientenant-Colonel England, &c., &c.

(Copy) York, November 3rd, 1793.

SIR,—In obedience to His Excellency Lieutenant Governor Simcoe's Commands, I inclose to you the Minutes of Council relative to Sally Ainse, and am to request you will inform His Majesty's Attorney General of this Province, that it is His Excellency's directions, that Sally Ainse should receive her Title deeds for the Land specified in the Minutes, as soon as possible; you will also be so good to write to Sally Ainse acquainting her of this Circumstance, and likewise that if any Persons continue to persevere in their occupation of those Lots granted to her by the Council, they will be prosecuted to the utmost rigor of the Law, by the King's Attorney General, at the same time if Sally Ainse thinks proper to compromise matters with any People who are settled upon her property, she will be perfectly at liberty to [771] do so, but it must be fully explained to her, that this depends *totally* upon herself.

You will be pleased to intimate to Colonel England His Excellency's Instructions, and beg of him, to acquaint the Persons who petitioned against Sally Ainse's Grant, that the Council having upon mature consideration, and on reference from the Land Board at Detroit, confirmed her Rights, it is not in His Excellency's the Lieutenant Governor's power to comply with their wishes.

I have the Honor to remain, Sir,
Your most Humble and obedient Servant,

(Signed) E. B. LITTLEHALES.

To D. W. Smith, Esquire, Acting Survevor General.

(Copy.) Upper Canada.

At the Council Chamber, Navy Hall, in the County of Lincoln, Wednesday, October 17th, 1793.

Present: His Excellency J. G. Simcoe, Esquire; Lieutenant Governor, &c., &c., &c., in Council.

His Excellency called the attention of the Council, to the case of Sally Ainse, an Indian woman, which stated, that she had been deprived of her Lands on the River la Tranche, after having considerably improved the same.

[772] Sally Ainse attended.

Reference was had to the Proceedings and Documents of the Land Granting department of the late district of Hesse, and especially to Report K, which together with other letters from the same Board on the same Subject, clearly evinced that the above Sally Ainse was entitled to have the Prayer of her Petition granted.

Resolved—That Sally Ainse be invested with a Certificate for her present Claims. on the River La Tranche. being Eight Lots in the Center of the first Township, of the First Concession, on the North side of that River, so as to comprehend her Improvements, on two of the said Lots, by extending the front, in Order to take in the said Improvements, by Boundary's parallel to the Side lines of the Lots, at present reported to be the course of the Side lines of the Lands, on the River la Tranche.

Extract from the Minutes, in the absence of John Small, Esquire, (Clerk of the Council) and by desire of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor.

(Signed) E. B. LITTLEHALES.

The foregoing are Copies.

(Signed) D. W. SMITH,
Acting Surveyor General.
RD. ENGLAND, Lieut.-Col., President.
JOHN ASKIN,
[773] MONTIGNY.

At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, at Mr. Askin's on Friday, the 6th day of December, 1793.

Lieutenant-Colonel England, President; Members: John Askin, Esquire; Montigny, Esquire.

The President laid before the Board the following letters from D. W. Smith, Acting Surveyor General, accompanied with the Orders of Council for lands in the Western District, Province of Upper Canada, as returned to the Surveyor General's Office, also signed by D. W. Smith, Acting Surveyor General.

No. 119. Niagara, 17th November, 1783.

SIR,—I have the Honor to enclose a List of the Grantees Names &c., as per Margin, made by the Honourable, the Executive Council, agreeable to the latest Returns received at this Office—with a very few observations thereon.

(Margin) Western District, Alexis Maisonville, Esquire, Thos. Dewey, Benjamin Green, &c., D. W. Smith, Madame Perthié, Mr. Henry Hay, James Allan.—D. W. S.

His Majesty's Attorney General has conceived, that the description given by Sally Ainse of her lands is far too general for the purposes of a grant, without risking injury to her neighbours in the same Township. Having no plan of it in this Office you will obilge me, by procuring from your Deputy Surveyor, an official description of her lands founded on that [774] mentioned in the Minutes of Council, or else an answer to the following Quetions, viz:—

What is the breadth of the Lots on the River La Tranche?
What is their Length?
What is the course of the side lines?
Between what Lots are the Roads?
What Breadth are they?
On what Lot is Sally Ainse's lowest Improvement?
What distance is it from the side Line of the Lot above it? on the River?
On what Lot is Sally Ainse's uppermost Improvement?
What distance is it from the side Line of the Lot *below it* on the River?

What are the Numbers of the 8 Intermediate Lots, about the Center of the 1st Township, North Side, 1st Concession, River la Tranche?

A *Rough* Sketch of the Tract would be satisfactory.

I have the Honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
(Signed) D. W. SMITH,
Acting Surveyor General.

The Board directed Mr. McNiff, Deputy Surveyor to prepare an official description, &c., of the Lands claimed by Sally Ainse as mentioned in the above letter, or an answer to the questions contained in said Letter, with a Rough Sketch of the Tract therein mentioned all which the Deputy Surveyor [775] furnished the Board with, and they directed Copies of them to be transmitted.

D. W. Smith, Acting Surveyor General.

RD. ENGLAND, President.
JOHN ASKIN.
MONTIGNY.

E. J. O'Brien, Secretary.

At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, at the Commandant's Quarters, Detroit, 20th December, 1793.

Lieutenant-Colonel England, President; Members: John Askin, Esquire; L. Montigny, Esquire.

The Board having received Information relative to the Application made by Andrew Ulcoch, on friday the 29th day of November, for leave to erect a Grist Mill on Mill Creek, in the New Settlement Lake Erie, and also a petition signed by most of the respectable Inhabitants, representing the distress they are in, and praying that a Mill Seat may be granted to Andrew Ulcoch who is a Miller—

The Board having taken the same into Consideration, grant him Lot No. 1, which appears to be unoccupied, with a small Tract of vacant Land supposed to be about twenty-five Yards in breadth on the East Side of the Creek, for the purpose of building a Mill on, for the benefit of the Settlement.

[776] The Board received a petition from Jean Baptiste Mireau for a Lot (300) of Land on Lake St. Clair, on this side of the Petite River, for which the Board have granted him a Certificate to keep possession of it, until that Land is surveyed, in consideration of his having already built a House on it, and cultivated part of the said Lot.

At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, at the Commandant's Quarters, Detroit, February 7th, 1794.

Lieutenant Colonel England, President.

John Askin, Esquire; Montigny, Esquire, Members.

(301). The Board read the petition of Thomas Nuckle for Lot No. 2, 3rd Township, North side River Thames and direct a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

The Board made the following transfer, Certificate No. 74, for Lot No. 6, south side, 3d Township River Thames, from Anne Scott, (Widow) to John Carpenter.

(302) Read the petition of James Rice for Lot No. 15, second Township, North side River Thames and direct Certificate to be given him for it, having [777] administered the Oath of fidelity and allegiance to him as by law directed.

(303). Read the petition of Edward Turner for Lot No. 22, 2nd Township, south side River Thames which the Board grant him, James Willcox having resigned his pretensions to said Lot.

(304) Read the petition of Joseph Roe for Lot No. 8, south side 3rd Township River Thames which the Board grant him, having administered the Oath of fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

RD. ENGLAND, President.
JOHN ASKIN.
MONTIGNY.

E. J. O'Brien, Secretary.

At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, at Mr. Askin's, Detroit, February 14th, 1794—

Lieut.-Colonel England, President; Members, John Askin, Esquire, Montigny, Esquire.

The Board received and read, Mr. McNiff, the Deputy Surveyor's Report of the Survey he was ordered on 11 December, 1793, as follows:—

Detroit, January 31st, 1794.

(120) SIR,—After my departure from hence on the 11th Instant, I with much difficulty reached the Inhabitants of the first Township on River La Tranche, from thence forwarded my provisions, &c., sometimes on hand Sleighs, at other times obliged to carry them; after laying out the quantity of Land ordered for the Moravians, I proceeded to measure and mark in front the other Two Townships, Namely, No. 5 and 6, the latter ending 4½ or 5 Miles lower down than the Delaware Village; the Land marked or measured for the Moravians in front is in general Good, the other Two Townships much broken by deep and Numerous Ravines, which with the depth of the Snow obliged me to measure the Lots by Traverses on the River, where the Ice would with safety admit of it. The want of open Roads on River La Tranche and not having it in my power to Employ Pack Horses, obliged me to be at least fifteen days longer on the Survey. The Surveys I have lately made would have been delineated and sent by the [779] Express, which is shortly to set off for Niagara, but have no paper to answer the purpose; the State and Number of unimproved Lots on River La Tranche I send enclosed and have the honor to be, Sir,

Your very Humble Servant,

(Signed) PATRICK MCNIFF,
Deputy Surveyor.

Lieut.-Colonel England, &c., &c.

(305) The Board read the petition of James Understone for Lot No. 16, first Township, second Concession, North Side River Thames, for which they have directed a Certificate to be granted him, Lot No. 19, 3d Township, North Side, already granted him, being in the Township granted by the Governor and Council to the Moravian Society.

(306) Received the petition of John Coleman for Lot No. 18, First Township, second Concession, North Side River Thames, which the Board grant him, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(307) Received the petition of Isaac Williams for Lot No. 12, 3d Township, north side River Thames, which the Board grant him, Lot No. 20, 3d Township, North side River Thames, already granted him, being in the Township granted by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor and Council to the Moravian Society.

(308) Received the petition of John Martin for Lot No. 7, 3d Township, North side River Thames, which the Board grant him, having [780] administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

RD. ENGLAND, President,
JOHN ASKIN,
LOUVIGNY MONTIGNY.

At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, at the Commandant's Quarters, Detroit, March 21st, 1794—

Lieut.-Colonel England, President; Members, John Askin, Esquire, L. Montigny, Esquire.

The Board read several letters, that were received from the Acting Surveyor, as follows:—

Surveyor General's Office, 5 December, 1793.

(121) Order of Council for Land, Western District.

Mr. William Francis, Quarter-Master in the King's late American Dragoons and Associates, 10,000 Acres.

To be reserved at Long Point for him and Twelve families.

D. W. SMITH,
Acting Surveyor General.

Land Board, Detroit.

Surveyor General's Office, 24 December, 1793.

(122) Western District. Orders of Council for Land.

The Moravians—A Tract of land on River La Tranche; on a Width of 6¾ Miles about their Village; extending 12 Miles back, on the South Side, and Northward to the Purchase Line.

Captain LaMothe—Such quantity of land on the River La Tranche to complete what he is entitled to by his Commission.

Honorable Comr. Grant—Three thousand Acres on River La Tranche, Four Hundred Acres each on the North Side of River La Tranche, adjoining to Simon Girty's.

Simon Girty—One thousand Acres on the North Side of River La Tranche.

Marie Joseph Gouin—Eight Hundred Acres South side River La Tranche.

[782] Charles Gouin—An Addition of land on the south side of River La Tranche, to make up with what he has Already received, One Thousand Acres.

Lieut. Allison, 5th Regt.—One Thousand Acres on Kettle Creek.

The Inhabitants of L'Assomption—Their back Concessions, "provided it does not interfere with any Settlement already made."

Jonathan Schiefflin—To have with what he has received, made up to him alltogether twelve Hundred Acres.

Ensign Henry Hay—Part of his Lands in the back Concessions opposite the fort of Detroit.

Captain Mathew Elliot—Three thousand Acres in the Township of Malden.

(Signed), D. W. SMITH,
Acting Surveyor General,
For the Honorable the Land Board, Detroit.

Niagara, 4 February, 1794.

(123) SIR,—I conceive you will want a Considerable Tract laid out to accommodate the Orders of Council made in the Western District, as per the List sent you, should not the rear Concessions of the Lower Town-

ships on the River La Tranche be suitable to the wishes of the people to be [783] located, I see no alternative to a sixth Township being run out for them on the south side of that River, which I suppose would accommodate them all. By the enclosed Sketch you will perceive, that the fifth Township is more than Two-thirds granted, the 4th Township is the Moravians, which comprehends six Lots originally intended to be included in the 3d Township, but from what Mr. Senseman said to you, I suppose there will be no difficulty in their being retained to such Settlers, as may be on them by Authority of the Board; if the sixth Township should be considered too distant to answer His Majesty's most gracious Intentions by the Grants made to the Indian Officers and others as lately transmitted, some other Tract must be looked for. The Land below the Mouth of the Chenal Ecarté is said to be good, and I am informed there is an eligible Ridge for Settlement which runs somewhere in the rear of the Huron Church towards Point Pelé, should this be the case, the opening of a road or Concession line there would have double Advantage, because it would afford much convenience to the Settlers on Lake Erie, but of this, Sir, you and the Gentlemen of [784] the Land Board will be the best Judges.

I have the Honor to be with great Regard,
Dear Sir,
Your Most obedient and Very Humble Servant,
(Signed), D. W. Smith,
Acting Surveyor General.

Colonel England, &c., &c.

Surveyor General's Office, 4 February, 1794.

(124) Sir,—I have had the honor to receive your Letter of the 14 of December, with its several Enclosures, and am much obliged by your polite attention to the Matters of this Office on all Occasions.

The following are the Names of the Inhabitants to the L'Assomption Petition, as heretofore mentioned to you and granted the 10th July, 1793, with a provision of not interfering with any Settlement already made, Viz.:—

Fr. Pratt Jeanne Parents,—Veuve Gaudet, Jacques Parent, Dominique Gaudet, Francois Gaudet, Laurant Parent, Claude Reaume, J. Bte. Mailloux, Josh. Mailloux, Therese Maloche, Veuve Janis, J. Bte. Ouillette Pere, Francois Ouillette, Andre Beniteau, J. C. Tourneux, Vital Demouchell, Louis Goyaux, Josh. L'Esperance, Josh. L'Anglois, Julien Parent.

The other letters and Returns which arrived at the same time with your dispatch are very satisfactory.

I am Sir,
Your most obedient and very Humble Servant,
D. W. Smith,
Acting Surveyor General.

Col. England, &c., &c.

(309) The Board read the petition of Joseph Abbott, late Serjeant in the 26th Regiment, praying for the second Concession of Lot No. 5, 3d Township, North side, on the River Thames, for the use of his family, Five in Number, and the Board directed a Certificate to be granted him for it.

(310) Read a petition from Nicholas Seek, praying for the second Concession of Lot No. 18, first Township, south side River Thames, and the Board directed a Certificate to be granted him for it, having adminis- [786] tered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(311) Received the petition of Baptiste Molosh for Lot No. 130, on some Waste Land near La Petite River in the Parish of L'Assomption, nearly opposite Peach Island, and the Board directed a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(312) Read the petition of Alexis Serat for Lot No. 1, on River aux Puces on the West Side, already granted to Louvigny Montigny, Esquire, which he relinquishes in favor of said Alexis Serat, and the Board direct a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

The Board made the following Transfers: Certificate No. 90 for Lot No. 78, New Settlement, Lake Erie, from Robert Dowler to Philip Fox.

Certificate No. 214, for Lot 53, 1st Concession and Lot No. 49, 2nd Concession, Petite Côte, from Philip Fox to Robert Dowler.

Certificate No. 148, for Lot No. 16, 2nd Concession, 1st Township, South Side River Thames, from Jasper Brown to Thomas McCrae.

Certificate No. 207, for Lot No. 17, 1st Township, North Side River Thames, from Joseph Elem to John Drake.

RD. ENGLAND, President,
JOHN ASKIN,
LOUVIGNY MONTIGNY.

[787] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent at the Commandant's Quarters, Detroit, March 28th, 1794—

Lieut.-Colonel England, President; Members, John Askin, Esquire, L. Montigny, Esquire.

(313) The Board read the petition of David Keneson for Lot No. 15 2nd Township second Concession North side River Thames, which the Board grant him, having administered the Oath of fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(314) Read the petition of Charles Chauvin for Lot No. 141, near the Petite River in the Parish of L'Assomption, and the Board directed a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(315) Read the petition of Robert Marsac for Lot No. 125, near the Petite River, in the Parish of L'Assomption, and the Board directed a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(316) Read the petition of Jean Baptiste Soullier for lot No. 114 in the Parish of L'Assomption, and the Board directed a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(317) Read the petition of Theophile Metté for Lot No. 2 East Side [788] River Ruscom, which the Board grant him, having administered the Oath of fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(318) Read the petition of Thomas Edwards for Lot No. 3 North Side on the Entrance of the River Thames, which the Board grant him, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

The Board made the following Transfers:—

Certificate No. 142, for Lot No. 1, 3rd Township, North Side River Thames, from Thomas Duggan to David Sler.

Certificate No. 136, for Lot 11, 2 Connected Townships, Lake Erie, from George Myers to Windall Wagalie.

Certificate No. 27, for Lot 84, 2 Connected Townships, Lake Erie, from Windall Wagalie to George Myers.

Certificate 90, for Lot No. 78, New Settlement, Lake Erie, from Philip Fox to Augustus Frederic Wurzbach.

Certificate No. 36, for Lot No. 7, New Settlement, Lake Erie, Eastermost, from Augustus Frederick Wurzbach to Philip Fox.

RD. ENGLAND, President.
JOHN ASKIN.
MONTIGNY.

E. J. O'BRIEN, Secretary.

[789] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, Detroit, April 11th, 1794.

Lieutenant-Colonel England, President; John Askin, Esquire; L. Montigny.

(319) The Board received the petition of Baptiste Campeau (Captain of Militia) for Lot No. 148, near Pointe aux Pêches, and the Board directed a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of fidelity and allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(320) Read the petition of Eneas Paré for Lot No. 151, near Pointe aux Pêches, which the Board directed to be grantel to him, having administered the Oath of fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(321) Read the petition of Jean Baptiste Peter for Lot No. 149, near Pointe aux Pêches, which the Board grant him, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(322) Read the petition Antoine L'Esperance for Lot No. 150, near Point aux Pêches, which the Board grant him, having administered the Oath of fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(323) Received the petition of John Cornwall, Junior, for the second Concession of Lot No. 13, 3rd Township, north side River Thames, which the Board grant him.

[790] (324) Received the petition of Louis Desoñier for Lot No. 129, near Pointe aux Pêches, which the Board grant him, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(325) Received the petition of Conrad Seek for Lot No. 17, 2nd Concession, 1st Township, south side River Thames, which the Board grant him, having administered the Oath of fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

RD. ENGLAND, President.
JOHN ASKIN.
MONTIGNY.

E. J. O'BRIEN, Secretary.

Abstract of Contingent Disbursements in the Land Granting Department for the Counties of Essex and Kent from 11th October to 10th April 1874, both days Inclusive.

To E. J. O'Brien, for pay as Clerk during the above period, 182 days, at One Guinea per Week, or 3/ Sterling per day	30	6	8
To Rd. Pollard, Esquire, for postage of Sundry Letters per Winter Express	—	8	3
To Messrs. Wm. and David Robertson, for Stationary	1	10	7½
To Paid Wm. Bailey for writing five dozen Certificates per Receipt	—	18	9
To Amount of Pay List for men employed in the Surveying department, under Mr. McNiff, Deputy Surveyor.			
To Paid for ferryage for the above Surveying Party as per Receipt	—	5	—
	£47	11	3½

E. J. O'Brien, Secretary.

[791] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, Detroit, April 18th, 1794.

Lieutenant Colonel England; Members: John Askin, Esquire; L. Montigny, Esquire.

(326) The Board received the petition of Louis Campeau for Lot No. 138, near the Petite River, in the Parish of L'Assomption, containing 3 Acres less by thirty-Two feet in front with 40 Acres in depth, which the Board grant him, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by law directed.

The Board made the following Transfers:—

Certificate No. 18, for Lot No. 67, New Settlement, Lake Erie, from Andrew Hamilton to Jas. Ruff.

Certificate 176, for Lot. No. 15, north side, 1st Township, River Thames, from James Ruff to Andrew Hamilton.

Rd. England, President.
John Askin.
Montigny.

E. J. O'Brien, Secretary.

[792] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, at the Commandant's Quarters, Detroit, 2nd May, 1794.

Lieutenant-Colonel England, President; John Askin, Esquire; L. Montigny, Esquire.

(327) The Board received the petition of Baptiste Paré for Lot No. 135, near the Little River, in the Parish of L'Assomption, which he has cultivated for 18 Years past, and for which the Board direct a Certificate to be granted him, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(328) Read the petition of Antoine Labadie for Lot No. 132, near the Little River, in the Parish of L'Assomption, which the Board grant him, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(329) Received the petition of Alexis Campeau for Lot No. 153, near the Petite River, in the Parish of L'Assomption, which the Board grant him, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(330) Received the petition of Jacques Loson for Lot No. 127, near the Petite River, in the Parish of L'Assomption, which the Board grant him, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(331) Read the petition of Jacques Loson for the 2nd Concession of Lot No. 127, in the Parish of L'Assomption, which the Board grant him in consideration of his having a Numerous family.

(332) The Board received the petition of Redman Condon for Lot No. [793] 5, East Side Belle River, and directed a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

The Board received the petition of Charles L'Esperance for Lot No. 152, in the Parish of L'Assomption, deferred deciding on it, till Friday, the 9th May.

RD. ENGLAND, President.
JOHN ASKIN,
MONTIGNY.

E. J. O'BRIEN, Secretary.

At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, at the Commandant's Quarters, Detroit, May 9th, 1794.

Lieutenant-Colonel England, President; Members: John Askin, Esquire; L. Montigny, Esquire.

(333) The Board considered the claim and pretensions of Charles Esperance to Lot 152, in the Parish of L'Assomption, near Petite River, and directed a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(S.C. 334, J.P. 335) The Board received the joint petition of Simon Campeau, Junior, and Julien Parent for Lots No. 143 and 144, in the Parish of L'Assomption, near the Petite River, and directed Certificate to be granted them for it, they dividing the same equally between them, having [794] administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to them as by Law directed.

(336) The Board received the petition of Joseph Beauchamp for the 3rd Concession of Lot No. 68 in the Parish of L'Assomption, improved by him four years past, and directed a Certificate to be granted to him for it, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by law directed.

(337) The Board received the petition of Pierre Molosh for Lot No. 145 in the Parish of L'Assomption, near the Petite River, and directed a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

(338) The Board received the petition of Charles Bernier for the 3rd Concession of Lot 89 in the Parish of L'Assomption, improved by him seven years past, and directed a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by law directed.

Abstract of Contingent Disbursements, in the Land Granting Department for the Counties of Essex and Kent, from 11th April to 10th October, 1794, both days inclusive.

To Edward James O'Brien, for Pay as Clerk during the above period, 183 Days, at one Guinea per Week, or 3/ Sterling per day	30	10	—
To Messrs. W. and D. Robertson, for Stationary as per Account and Receipt	2	18	9
To paid Wm. Bailey for writing 5 Dozen Certificates as per Receipt	—	18	9
	£34	7	6

Amounting to thirty-four Pounds, Seven Shillings and Sixpence Currency Dollars at five Shillings, which sum is recommended to be paid by us.

(Signed.)

[795] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, Detroit, 16 May, 1794.

Lieutenant-Colonel England, President; Members: John Askin, Esquire; L. Montigny, Esquire.

(339) The Board received a petition from Alexis Peltier for Lot No. 137, in the Parish of L'Assomption, and directed a Certificate to be granted him for it, having administered the Oath of Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

Several of the Inhabitants of the L'Assomption Settlement attended and received Copies of the Orders of Council, dated Surveyor-General's Office, Niagara Falls, 24th December, 1793, granting the back Concessions as follows:—

Surveyor-General's Office, 24th December, 1793.

Western District, Orders of Council for Land, The Inhabitants of L'Assomption.

Their Back Concessions, provided it does not interfere with any Settlement already made.

E. J. O'Brien, Secretary to the Board.

[796] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, Detroit, May 23rd, 1794.

Lieutenant-Colonel England, President; Members: Alexander Grant, Esquire; John Askin, Esquire.

(Lot No. 340-341, 342-343, 344-345) The Board read the Order of Council under date 6th July, 1793, granting twelve Hundred Acres of land on the south side of River la Tranche to David William Smith, Esquire, and directed Certificates to be sent him for Lots No. 14, 15, 17, first Concession, and Lots No. 14, 15, 2nd Concession, south side, 3rd Township, River Thames, with One blank Certificate.

Rd. England, President.
John Askin.
Montigny.

E. J. O'Brien, Secretary.

At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, Detroit, July 11th, 1794.

Lieutenant Colonel England, President; Members: John Askin, Esquire; L. Montigny, Esquire.

The following letter from the Acting Surveyor General was laid before the Board.

(Circular) 125. Surveyor General's Office, Niagara, 17 May, 1794.

[797] GENTLEMEN,—In order that the Granting of the Lots in the several *Towns in this Province* may be enregistered in the Surveyor General's Office, entered on the Maps, etc., as well as to enable this Office to answer such Enquiries as may from time to time be put to it, from the Honorable Executive Council, you will much oblige me by directing your Secretary to afford such Information on this Head as the Case requires.

I have the Honor to be, Gentlemen,
Your most obedient Servant,
(Signed) D. W. SMITH,
Acting Surveyor-General.

(346) Jean Baptiste Antalia, having appeared and requested a Certificate for his Lot on the Petite Côte, The Board grant him one, agreeable to their decision of the 3rd August, 1792.

(648 D.W.S.)

(347) The Board received the petition of Louis Peltier for the second Concession of Lot No. 134, in the Parish of L'Assomption, and grant him a Certificate for it, having administered the Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance to him as by Law directed.

The Board made the following Transfers:—

Certificate No. 174, for Lot No. 4, Third Township, north side River Thames, from Thomas Kelly to William Baker.

[798] Certificate 314, for Lot No. 141 L'Assomption Settlement, near the Petite River, from Chas. Chauvin to Mr. Jonathan Schiefflin.

RD. ENGLAND, President.
JOHN ASKIN,
MONTIGNY.

E. J. O'BRIEN, Secretary.

At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, on Friday, the 25th day of July, 1794.

Lieutenant-Colonel England, President; Members: John Askin, Esquire, Louvigny Montigny, Esquire.

The following papers were laid before the Board:—

(126) Newark, 29th May, 1794.

GENTLEMEN,—I have herewith enclosed an Extract of the Minutes of Council, respecting my being appointed Clerk to the different Land Boards.

I have also written to your Clerk and enclosed him a Fee Bill, amounting together to Eleven Shillings and six pence sterling, which he is to take for every petition, etc., etc., presented to your Board, unless it be persons that actually served last War in this Province in a Military Capacity.

[799] I have the Honor to be, with respect,
Your most obedient Humble Servant,
(Signed) JOHN SMALL,
C. E. C.

Council Chamber, Newark, in the County of Lincoln, May 27th, 1794. Present: His Excellency John Graves Simcoe, Esquire, Lieutenant Governor, etc., etc., In Council.

Read a Memorial from the Clerk of the Council setting forth that by the establishment of the Land Granting department, in the several districts of this Province, the Fees and Emoluments of his Office are considerably diminished.

Whereupon His Excellency and the Honorable Council Resolve:—

It is His Majesty's express Will and pleasure, that reasonable support be given to the Patent Officers in the enjoyment of their legal and Established Fees, Rights, Privileges and Emoluments, according to the true intent and meaning of their respective Patents.

It is hereby ordered that the Clerk of the Council, by himself and Deputies, do execute the Office of Clerk to the several Land Boards, and do make [800] such arrangements for that purpose as may tend to secure the regular discharge of the duties of such appointment.

(Signed) JOHN SMALL,
C. E. C.

Extracts from the Minutes.

Fees to be taken by the Clerks of the different Land Boards.

To fyling a petition or any other paper	—	—	6
To reading a petition or entering it on the Minutes ...	—	2	6
Entering the Order of the Board thereon	—	2	6
Drawing out the Report, reading it to the Board, and entering it in the Book with the Order of the Board thereon	—	5	—
The Certificate	—	1	—
	£ —	11	4

Newark, 30th May, 1794.

SIR,—By an Order of Council I am appointed Clerk to the different Land Boards, and have written to your Board and enclosed them the Order of Council respecting the same. I have, therefore, to request you will receive the fees as above, for any petition, etc., presented, unless by persons [801] who have served last War in a Military Capacity.

I have the Honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient Humble Servant,
(Signed) JOHN SMALL, C.E.C.

(128) Surveyor-General's Office, Niagara, 3rd June, 1794.

SIR,—I have the honor to receive yours of the 19th May, 1794, I represent to the Governor and Council the difficulty of procuring surveying parties, a plan for Chatham is in Agitation.

I have the Honor to be, Sir,
With great respect Your humble Servant,
(Signed) D. W. SMITH, A.S.G.

Colonel England, etc., etc.

No Claimants having appeared, the Board adjourned to Friday, the 18 July, 1794.

[802] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, Detroit, 18 July, 1794.

Lieutenant-Colonel England, President; Members: John Askin, Esquire; L. Montigny, Esquire.

The following Letters from the Acting Surveyor General were laid before the Board:—

(129) Surveyor-General's Office, 13 July, 1794.

GENTLEMEN,—The petition of Thomas Duggan, which was recommended to the Council by your Board, has been referred to me, and it was ordered,

on the 24th May, that I should make an assignment to Mr. Thos. Duggan, conformable to my report, a Copy of which I have the Honor to inclose, that the Deputy Surveyor, under the Directions of the Board, may be enabled to carry the same into Execution.

A petition from Dr. Harffy has been before the Council for Lots No. 8 and 9 on the West Side of River aux Pêches, which they granted on the 27th May ultimo, provided the Lots were not given away by your Board.

I have the Honor to be most respectfully,
Your Humble Servant,
(Signed) D. W. SMITH, A.S.G.

The Honorable Land Board, Detroit.

[803] (Copy.) To His Excellency J. G. Simcoe, Esquire, Lieutenant Governor, etc., etc., etc., in Council.

May it please Your Excellency:—

In obedience to your Excellency's reference to me to examine and Report on the petition of Mr. Duggan, I have the honor to State, that I see no difficulty to the recommendation of the Board being adopted, as to the quantity of land prayed for, provided it does not interfere with what has already been granted by the Honorable Council to Sarah Ainse, nor the Boundary of the Indian lands running from Chenal Ecarté, at or near the Tract petitioned for, should there be any interference of this nature, the Petitioner may be located in the Vicinity of the Tract prayed for, all of which is submitted to your Excellency's wisdom.

(Signed) D. W. SMITH, Acting Surveyor General.

Newark, 30th May, 1794. Entered.

Surveyor General's Office, Newark, 30th July, 1794.

(130) SIR,—May I request you will be pleased to procure from the persons [804] employed under your Board as Surveyors, a report of the Land Marks they have been used to make in their different Surveys, particularly their method of opening their Concession lines and those of Townships, &c., the mode of blazing, marking the Angles of Townships, and lots, manner in which any particular marks may have been witnessed with any other Circumstances relating to the opening, marking, blazing or Staking of lines in an actual Survey; all of which will be acceptable to this Office.

I am Sir,
with great respect,
Your most obedient
and very Humble Servant,
(Signed) D. W. SMITH.
Acting Surveyor General.

To the President of the Honorable Land Board, Detroit.

Surveyor General's Office, 23 August, 1794.

SIR,—For the Information of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, I am to request you will be so good to direct your Surveyor to send me by the earliest opportunity Returns of Loyalists, who are actually upon their Locations and employed in the Cultivation of their lands.

I have the Honor to be,
Sir,
Your very humble Servant,
(Signed) D. W. SMITH, A.S.G.

Colonel England, &c., &c.

[805] The Board made the following Transfer.

Certificate No. 158, for Lot No. 23, south side second Township River Thames from James McDonnell to John Williams.

RD. ENGLAND, President.
JOHN ASKIN.
MONTIGNY.

E. J. O'Brien, Secretary.

At a Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent at the Commandant's Quarters, on Friday the 10th day of October, 1794.

Lieutenant Colonel England, President.

Members: John Askin, Esquire, L. Montigny, Esquire.

The Board granted the following Certificates.

(348) To Mr. Pool England, for Lot No. 7, north side, second Township, River Thames, and also Lot No. 8, second Township north side River Thames,

(349) in consequence of his having a numerous family.

(350) To Sergent George Ward, for Lot No. 9, third Township, North side River Thames.

(351) To Messrs. Meldrum and Park for Lot No. 9, First Township, north side River Thames.

(352) To Joseph Vermet for Lot No. 4, West Side Belle River.

[806] (353) To Louis Dragon for Lot No. 3, west side Belle River.

(354) To Edward James O'Brien for Lot No. 7, 2nd Concession, 2nd Township, North side River Thames.

(355) To John Deane for Lot No. 1, East side River aux Puces—he having resigned his Certificate No. 31, for Lot No. 53, New Settlement, Lake Erie, granted him on the 24th September, 1790.

(356) To Martin Butler for Lot No. 4, East side River aux Puces, Lot No. 22, 3d Township south side River Thames, granted him on the 12th July, 1793, being with the grant made to the Moravians.

(357) To Maurice Roche, Lot No. 7, East side River aux Puces—he having resigned all pretensions to Lots No. 1, 4th Concession and No. 1, 5th Concession, L'Assomption Settlement, granted him by the Board the 29th March, 1793. (See Folio 728.)

(358) To John McCargin for Lot No. 2, West side River aux Puces.

(319) To Daniel Dolson, Lot No. 14, first Township south side River Thames.

RD. ENGLAND, President.
JOHN ASKIN.
MONTIGNY.

E. J. O'Brien, Secretary.

[807] At a Meeting of the Land Board of the Counties of Essex and Kent, at the Commandant's Quarters, Detroit, December 5th, 1794.

Lieutenant Colonel England, President.

Members: John Askin, Esquire; Montigny.

The following letter from the Clerk of the Executive Council, with His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor's Proclamation dated Council Chamber, Upper Canada, November, 6th, 1794, were laid before the Board.

(132) GENTLEMEN,—I have herewith inclosed to you a resolution of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor in Council by which you will see that your duties as a Board cease and determine from the 6th November.

I am directed by Lieutenant Governor Simcoe, to observe to you that the recommendatory power which is vested in your hands, as Individuals, will it is presumed be extensively beneficial to His Majesty's Subjects and conduce to the promotion of that regular mode of population among the lower Classes of persons, which by introducing virtuous and industrious members of community to the King's County, and excluding those of a contrary description, may it is reasonable to suppose, lay the foundation for the happiness and safety of the Community which might be endangered by a more general and promiscuous admission, it being certain that Indus-
[808] try and a regular habit of obedience to Just Government conduce more, that a numerous and an irregular population to the Wealth, the strength and the prosperity of any Community.

There can be no doubt Gentlemen but that the many solemn and beneficial duties, which the Laws call upon you to perform as Magistrates, and the Knowledge you possess of the people, in your Vicinity enable you to execute, will receive additional vigour from the very important deligation, which is now entrusted to your Wisdom and discretion.

I have the Honor to be,
Gentlemen,
Your most obedient, Humble Servant,
(Signed) JOHN SMALL.
C. E. C.

P.S. I am also to request you will transmit by the first opportunity a Return of all Grants up to the 6th Instant to this office. The Maps, &c., you will please to send D. W. Smith, Esquire, Acting Surveyor General.

J. S.

Council Office, Navy Hall, 8th November, 1794.

The Board agreeable to the Instructions contained in the above letter, directed a Copy of their Proceedings to this date inclusive to be forwarded
[809] to the Council Office by the first opportunity, and the Maps &c., to be sent to the Acting Surveyor General with the Abstracts &c., &c., to the 6th Instant.

Abstract of Contingent Disbursement, in the Land Granting Department for the Counties of Essex and Kent from 11th of October to the 6th November, 1794, both days inclusive.

	£.	S.	D.
To E. J. O'Brien, for pay as Clerk during the above period 27 days at One Guinea per Week, or 3/, Sterling per day.....	4	10	
To Wm. Bailey for writing 3 dozen Certificate as per Receipt			
	5	1	3

Amounting to five ponds, One Shilling and three pence Currency dollar at 5/.

RD. ENGLAND, President.
JOHN ASKIN.
MONTIGNY.

E. J. O'Brien, Secretary.

[810] Detroit. 12th December, 1794.

The Land Board for the Counties of Essex and Kent, induced to convenience the Settlers as much as possible, made the following Transfers at their particular request after Orders had been received to dissolve the Board.

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We have this day compared the Copies of our Minutes with the Regis-
[811] ter and sign them accordingly.

RD. ENGLAND, President.
JOHN ASKIN.
MONTIGNY.

E. J. O'Brien, Secretary.

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LOT No. 1 GRANTED TO ANDREW ALCOCK, 20TH DEC., 1793.

No. 1. Name.	Authority.	Remarks.	Petition.
Thomas Curtis			234
Wm. Cook	Mathews	N. C. O. Artillery.	
	Close	do	
	Collins	do	
	Reynolds		
	Smith	Sham settler.	
	McNiff	No improvemnt.	
Peter Williams		Supposed to be gone to the States. Promised conditionally to Peter Williams, provided Cook would not occupy and improve. D. W. S. I desired Cornwall, his agent, to make him acquainted with this. D. W. S.	425

No. 2. Ex'd by D. W. S.—Granted.

Alexander Clarke	Mathews	Sergt. McAlpin's	
	Close	do	
	Collins	do	
	Ticket	10 N '87	
	Reynolds		
	Smith	Sham settler	
Jonas Wood	McNiff	No improvement	

No. 3. Ex'd D. W. S.—Granted.

Wm. Wright			198
Nathan Millar			205
Jonas Wood	Mathews	Butler's Rangers	
	Close	do	
	Collins	do	
	Reynolds.		
	Smith	No improvement	
Clerk	McNiff	do	

No. 4. Ex'd D. W. S.—Granted.

Robert Dennison	Mathews	P. Post Vincennes	
	Close	do	
	Reynolds		
	McNiff	No improvement	
Francis Robert	Collins	S. M. Detroit P	
	Smith	Sham Setler	

No. 5. Ex'd D. W. S.—Granted.

John Hocust	Mathews	Refuges at N. York	
	Close	do	
	Reynolds		
	McNiff	Abandoned and left the country	
Wm Duggan	Collins	King's Regiment	
Wm. Lamoth	Murray	A change	
	Smith	Settled	

No. 6. Ex'd D.W.S.—Granted.

Name.	Authority.	Remarks.	Petitions.
Joseph Wyndall			119
Joseph Windal	Mathews	8 Regiment	
	Do Ticket	10 N. 87	
	Close	8 Regiment	
	Collins	do	
	Reynolds	do	
	Smith	Settled	
	McNiff	Abandoned in Spring 90	

No. 7.

George Girty			134
George Girty	Mathews	Partizan in the War	
	Close	do	
	Collins	do	
	Reynolds		
	Smith	No improvement	
James Girty	McNiff	Left the country	

No. 8.

James Girty			135
James Girty	Mathews	Partizan all the war.	
	Close		
	Collins		
	Reynolds		
	Smith	No improvement.	
George Girty	McNiff	do left the country.	

No. 9. Exd. D.W.S.—Granted.

Christian Bonsack	Mathews	29th Regiment.	
	Do Ticket 10 N. 87.		
	Close		
	Collins		
	Reynolds		
	Smith	Settled.	
	McNiff	Abandoned.	

No. 10. Exd. D. W. S.—Granted.

J. B. Louvraint	Mathews	L. Detroit. Vols.	
	Close		
	Collins		
	Smith	No improvement.	
M. Shaver	Murray	A change.	
	McNiff	Abandoned in Spring, '90.	
do	Murray	29th Nov., '89.	
	T. Smith		
do			265

No. 11. EXD. D. W. S.—GRANTED.

Name.	Authority.	Remark.	Petitions.
Francois Rivard			36
—— Dequindres			82
Wm. Searl			207
Dagnio Dequindre	Mathews	Lt. Indian Depart.	
	Close		
	Collins		
	Smith	No improvement.	
LeCourse	McNiff	do.	
John Carrol			351
Leonard Scratch			126
Wm. Monforton			158
Jacques Chartie			444

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No. 12. EXD. D. W. S.—GRANTED.

Peter Scratch			127
Leonard Scratch	Mathews	P. Butler's Rangers.	
	Do. ticket 1 Oct.'87		
	Close		
	Collins		
	Reynolds		
	Smith		
Jos. Scratch	McNiff	Abandoned in spring '90.	

No. 13. EXD. D. W. S.—GRANTED.

Martin Tofflemire	Mathews	On express condition of building a mill within one year.
	do by Wiseman, 14 May, '88	
	Close	
	Reynolds	
Christopher Myer	McNiff	Abandoned in spring, '90.
	Smith	Settled.
Wm. Yames	Collins	P. Butler's Rangers.

No. 14. EXD. D. W. S.—GRANTED.

James Steward	Mathews	Loyalist employed in many scouts.
	Close	
	Reynolds.	
	McNiff	Abandoned in spring '90.
	Smith	Settled.
Saml. Finlay	Collins	P. Butler's Rangers.

No. 15. GRANTED TO HENRY SCHIEBEN.

Name.	Authority.	Remarks.	Petitions.
James Baker			255
John Wright	Mathews	P. Butler's Rangers.	
	Close	P. Butler's Rangers.	
	Collins	P. Butler's Rangers.	
	Smith	No improvement.	
	McNiff	do	
R. Gill			417

No. 16. EXD. D. W. S.—GRANTED.

Adam Darkness, alias	Mathews	Many years a loyalist, much persecuted.	
	Close	Many years a loyalist, much persecuted.	
	Reynolds.		
Adam Parkness, alias	McNiff	No improvement, gone to the States.	
Adam Falkner	Smith	Settled.	
Helmes Yoger	Collins	P. Butler's Rangers.	

No. 17. EX'D. D. W. S.—GRANTED.

John Top	Mathews	P. Butlers Rangers.	
	Close	P. Butlers Rangers.	
	Collins	P. Butlers Rangers.	
	Reynolds		
	Smith	No settlement.	
	McNiff	No improvement.	

No. 18.

J. B. Bigras	Mathews	C. Detroit Vol.	
	Close	do.	
	Collins	do.	
	Smith	No improvement.	
Prince a Negro		do.	
P. Flannery	McNiff		343

No. 19. EX'D. D. W. S.—GRANTED.

Samuel Hall			257
Samuel Hall	Mathews	P. Queen's Rangers.	
	Close	P. Queen's Rangers.	
	Collins	P. Queen's Rangers.	
	Reynolds		
	Smith	No improvement.	
	McNiff	No improvement.	

No. 20. Ex'd. D. W. S.—Granted.

Name.	Authority.	Remarks.	Petitions.
Asa Holmes	Mathews	Loyalist.	
	Close		
	Reynolds		
	Wiseman	5th May, 1888.	
	McNiff	Abandoned in Spring, '90.	
	Smith	Settled.	
—— Vancamp	Collins	P. R. Reg, N. York.	

No. 21. Ex'd. D. W. S.—Granted.

John Moss	Mathews	P. Butler's Rangers.	
	Close		
	Collins		
	Reynolds		
	Smith	No improvement.	
	McNiff	Abandoned in Spring, '90	

No. 22. Reserved for Roads and Ex'd. D. W. S.—Granted.

Prince Robertson		Granted to Prince Robertson, 11th Sept., 1790, but reverted to the gift of the board. See Register folio 131	
John Prince alias	Mathews	P. Butler's Rangers.	
A negro alias	Close		
Prince Robertson	Reynolds		
	Smith		
	McNiff		
Pat Jonson	Collins	P. Butler's Rangers.	

No. 23. Ex'd. D. W. S.—Granted.

John Johnson P. B. Rangers	Mathews	*By Reynolds, the man to whom this lot was first granted being dead.	
do.	Close		
do.	Collins		
do.	Reynolds		
	Smith	No improvement.	
	McNiff		
Capt. Caldwell			
Wm. Harpur			

No. 24. Ex'd. D. W. S.—Granted.

John or Jas. Empson	Mathews	P. Butler's Rangers.	
	Close		
	Reynolds		
	McNiff	No improvement.	
	Smith	do.	
John Goodnight	Collins	P. Butler's Rangers.	

No. 25.

Name.	Authority.	Remarks.	Petitions.
A. Concernie..	.....	.....	204
Walter Roe	Matthews.....	Warrant Office, Marine Dept.	
	Close		
	Collins.		
.....	Smith	No improvement.	
Colon or Coleman Roe	McNiff		
	Reynolds	Ticket resigned.	
		Concemie attended two or three times to receive this lot, but as it was before the Board received the ticket, they could not *then* attend to his petition.	
Jacque Charties.....	....	.....	444
Thomas Rind.....	.....	.....	456

Annexed.—No. 25, Coleman Roe, Detroit, 1st Oct., 1787. R. Mathews, Major-Comd.

No. 26. Ex'd. D. W. S.—Granted.

John Countryman	Mathews	P. Detroit Vol.
	Do. 1st Oct., 1887	
	Close	
	Collins	
	Reynolds.....	
....	Smith.....	Sham settler.
Jos. Try a Negro.....	McNiff	No improvement.

No. 27. Ex'd. D. W. S.—Granted.

Jacob Arner	Mathews.	P. Butler's Rangers.
	Do. 1st Oct., 1887	
	Close	
	Collins	
	Collins	
	Reynolds.....	
	Smith	
	McNiff	

No. 28. Ex'd D. W. S.—Granted.

Wm. Harper	Mathews	P. Butler's Rangers.
	Close.....	
	Collins	
	Reynolds.....	
	Smith	Sham settler.
	McNiff	
		This lot has been sold to Ed. Butler by Wm. Harper, and made over from Butler to Joseph Vallade.
Joseph Vallade	.....	 264

No. 29. Ex'd D.W.S.—Granted.

Name.	Authority.	Remarks.	Petitions.
Richard Whittle	Mathews Wiseman, 24th Nov., 1887 Close Reynolds Smith McNiff	Vol. to Port Vincennes. Settled.	
Nat Millar	Collins	Detroit Vols.	

No. 30. Ex'd D.W.S.—Granted.

Thomas Smith, Esq	Mathews Close Collins Smith McNiff	Loyalist.	

No. 31.

Leonard Scratch			126
John Lisborn	Mathews Close	P. Butler's Rangers.	
John Neighbour	Reynolds McNiff		
Luke Casedy	Collins	P. Butler's Rangers.	
	Smith	Settled.	
Leonard Scratch	Murray	A Change.	

No. 32. Ex'd D. W. S.—Granted.

Edward Butler			187
John Carrel			249
Ant. Concernie			204
Thomas Clarke	Mathews	Old England.	
Randell McGillis	Close	S. Butler's Rangers.	
John Stockwell	Reynolds		
Mill Hames	Collins	P. Butler's Rangers.	
	Smith	No improvement.	
John Carrol	McNiff	do	
do	P. Murray T. Smith	10 Dec., '89.	

No. 33. Ex'd D. W. S.—Granted.

Henry Ramsay	Mathews do 1 Oct., '87. Close Collins Reynolds Smith McNiff.	P. Butler's Rangers. Settled.	

No. 34. Ex'd D. W. S.—Granted.

Name.	Authority.	Remark.	Petition.
J. B. Vallade	Mathews	P. Detroit Vol.	
	Close		
	Collins		
	Reynolds		
	Smith	No improvement.	
	McNiff		

Annexed here: New Settlement, Mouth of the River Detroit—Lot 34, Second Concession.—F. Close.

No. 35.

John Ronan			196
Font. Dequindre	Mathews	Lieut. Indian Dept.	
	Close		
	Collins		
	Smith	No improvement.	
	McNiff		

No. 36. Ex'd D. W. S.—Granted.

James Little			203
Jos. Fry	Mathews	P. Butler's Rangers.	
	Close		
	Collins		
	Smith	Sham Settler.	
James Little	Murray	A Change 25 Nov., '89.	
	T. Smith		
	McNiff	No improvement.	

No. 37. *Ex'd D. W. S.—Granted.

John Dalton	Mathews	P. Butler's Rangers.
	Close	
	Collins	
	Reynolds	
	Smith	Settled.
	McNiff	

No. 38-39. Ex'd D. W. S.

Major McGregor	Mathews	Given as a mark of attention for his long services at this post.
do	*Mathews	
	Close	
	Collins	
	Smith	Settled.
	McNiff	

*Ticket—1 October, '87.

No. 40. Ex'd D. W. S.—Granted.

Name.	Authority.	Remarks.	Petitions.
Thomas Hall	Mathews do 1 Oct., '87. Close Collins Reynolds Smith McNiff.	P. 8 Regiment. Settled.	

No. 41. Ex'd D. W. S.—Granted.

John Gordan.	Mathews Close Reynolds	Loyalist.	
J. B. St. Eudre	Collins	Detroit Vol.	
Saml. Weston	Close	A Change.	
	Smith	Settled.	
Saml. Weston	McNiff		

No. 42. Ex'd D. W. S.—Granted.

		11 Sept. '90, Jones appeared before the board and produced a power of attorney to hold Walter Dalton's Lot for 5 years. The board acquiese in Jones' remaining on the Land, but can grant the Certificate to Dalton only.	
Walter Dalton	Mathews Close Collins Reynolds	Sergt. 47 Regiment. dft. to 8 do	
Thomas Jones	Murray McNiff	A Change.	
	Smith	No improvement.	
Thomas Jones			288

No. 43.

Jon. Scheffelin	Mathews Close Collins	L. Detroit Vols.	
	Smith	No improvement.	
Thomas Fearris	Murray McNiff	A change.	

No. 44. Exd. D. W. S.—Granted.

Louis Viscenau	Mathews Close Reynolds McNiff		
	Smith	Sham settler.	
— Vancamp	Collins	R. Regt., N. York.	
Louis Viscenau	Wiseman	21 December, '87.	

No. 45. Ex'd. D. W. S.—Granted.

Name.	Authority.	Remarks.	Petitions.
Anty Dequindre	Mathews Close Collins	Lt. Indian Dept.	
	Smith	No improvement.	
Joseph Ferris	Murray	Change.	
Richard Cornwall	McNiff	No improvement.	
R. Cornwall			67
— Dequindres			82

No. 46. Ex'd. D. W. S.—Granted.

Francis Johnston	Mathews		
Wm. Brown		Nine years 10 Regt. and Vol to I Co'y.	
do	Close		
do	Reynolds	His remark. *	
Francis Johnson	Close	A change.	
John Little, Junr	Murray T. Smith	do 25 Nov. '89.	
	Smith	No improvement.	
John Little	McNiff	do	
Jno. Young	Collins	P. Butler's Rangers.	
†John Little			201
John Cray			206
Meldrum & Park			331
Peter Mellat			336

(The name of Wm. Brown has been crossed out.)

* The man to whom this Lot was first granted being dead.

† This Lot promised to John Little, Junr., but the Certificate withheld, because not of age.—D.W.S.

V. Regr. No. 2, folio 504.—D.W.S.

No. 47. Ex'd. D. W. S.—Granted.

John Pardo	Mathews do 1 Oct., '87. Close Collins	P., 8 Regiment
	Reynolds Smith McNiff	

No. 48. Ex'd. D. W. S.—Granted.

Charles Filpley	Mathews do 1 Oct., '87 Close Collins	44th Regt., 10 years and Vol. all the war.	
	Reynolds		
	Smith	Sham settler.	
	McNiff	No improvement.	
John Smith			180

No. 49. Ex'd. D. W. S.—Granted.

Name.	Authority.	Remarks.	Petitions.
John Smith	Mathews	78th Regt. at taking Quebec and 84th Regiment.	
	Close		
	Collins		
	Reynolds		
	Smith	Sham settler.	
	McNiff	A hut only.	
do			180
do	*Ticket	1st Oct., '87.	

No. 50. Ex'd. D. W. S.—Granted.

Jno. Cameron	Mathews	P. Butler's Rangers.	
	Close		
	Collins		
	Reynolds		
Alex. Fraser	Close	A change.	
	McNiff	No improvement, left the country.	
	Smith	No improvement.	
John Smith			180

No. 51. Ex'd D. W. S.—Granted.

Edward Nevill	Mathews	Corporal Butler's Rangers.	
	Close		
	Collins		
	Ticket	1st Oct., '87.	
	Reynolds		
	Smith	No improvement.	
	McNiff		
do	Murray	10th Dec., '89.	
	T. Smith		

No. 52.

Simon Girty	Mathews	Lt. Indian Department.	
	Close		
	Collins		
	Reynolds		
	Smith	No improvement.	
—. Bondé	McNiff	do	
Wm. Harpur			

No. 53. Ex'd D. W. S.—Granted.

John Dean	Mathews	P. Detroit Vol.	
	Close		
	Collins		
	Reynolds		
	Smith	Sham settler.	
	McNiff		
	*Ticket	1st Oct., '87.	

No. 54. RESERVED FOR ROADS, ETC.—EX'D. D. W. S.

Name.	Authority.	Remark.	Petitions.
Fred. Arnold	Mathews	Loyalist.	
	Close	Arnold resigned his ticket on the 20 April, 1792—D.W.S.	
	Reynolds		
Jos. Robert	Collins	P. Detroit Vols.	
	Smith	No improvement.	
	McNiff		
John Wheaton			208

Annexed here: No. 54—Frederick Arnold, Detroit, 24 Novem. 1787.—J. Wiseman, Cap Comm. (on back) Wife and Eight Children.

No. 55. EX'D. D. W. S.—GRANTED.

Jos. Bondé	Mathews	Lt. Indian Department.	
	Close		
	Collins		
	Reynolds		
	Smith	No improvement.	
	McNiff		
Thomas Jones			3
John Wheaton			208

Joseph Bondé resigned his pretensions to me 30 April, '92. Says he has made a sale o it.—D. W. Smith, Secy.

No. 56. EX'D. D. W. S.—GRANTED.

Wm. Munger	Mathews	P. Butler's Rangers.	
	Close		
	Collins		
	Reynolds.		
	Smith	No improvement.	
	McNiff	do left the country.	

No. 57.

Pat Hill	Mathews	P. Butler's Rangers. Dead—D. W. Smith, Secy.	
	Close		
	Collins		
	Reynolds		
	Smith	No improvement.	
	McNiff		
Mathew Dolsen	Petition		393

No. 58. EX'D. D. W. S.—GRANTED.

Sam. Newkirk	Mathews	P. Butler's Rangers. The original ticket for this lot resigned to me, 30th April, '92. D. W. Smith, Secy.	
	Close		
	Collins		
	Reynolds		
	Smith	No improvement.	
Thomas Little	McNiff	do	
	Murray	A Change, 25 Nov., '89.	
	T. Smith		
John Little			201
Edwd Heazel			211
M. Willcox			344

No. 59.

Name.	Authority.	Remarks.	Petitions.
Nat. Lewis	Mathews	P. Butler's Rangers.	
	Close		
	Collins		
	Reynolds		
	Smith	No improvement.	
John Little, Senr	McNiff	do	
	Murray	A change.	
John Little			201
Second Concession Thomas Reynols, Senr.	Ticket by Close	April 28, 1789.	

No. 60. Ex'd. D. W. S.—G.

Sam. Weston	Mathews	Sj. in 52d Reg.	
	Close		
	Reynolds		
Thomas Dyker	Close	A change.	
	Smith	Sham settler.	
James Empron	Collins	P. Buttler's Rangers.	
John McLean	McNiff.		

No. 61. Ex'd. D. W. S.—Granted.

Jno. Clearwater	Mathews	P. Butler's Rangers.	
	Close		
	Collins		
	Reynolds		
Robt. Little	Murray	Change.	
	T. Smith		
	McNiff		
	Smith	No improvement.	
Robt. Little			202

No. 62. Ex'd. D. W. S.—Granted.

Jno. Jos. Waters	Mathews	Loyalist.	
	Close		
	Reynolds		
	Smith	Sham settler.	
Thomas Parsons	Collins	P. Butler's Rangers.	
Dan McKillup	McNiff		
Elenor McKillup			69

No. 63. Ex'd. D. W. S.—Granted.

Daniel McKillup	Matthews	S. Butler's Rangers.	
	Close		
	Collins		
	Reynolds		
	Smith	Sham settler.	
	McNiff	By purchase.	
do			78
do	Ticket	1 Oct. '87.	

No. 64. Ex'd. D. W. S.—Granted.

Name.	Authority.	Remarks.	Petitions.
Jas. Tracey	Mathews	P. 4 Reg.	
	do 1 Oct. '87.		
	Close		
	Collins		
	Reynolds		
	Smith	Settled.	
	McNiff		

No. 65. x'd D. W. S.—Granted.

Nicholas Guin	Mathews.	Lieut. Minute Men.	
	Close		
	Collins		
	Smith	No improvement.	
James Wilcox	Murray	A change.	
Thomas Ashford	McNiff		
James Wilcox			81
			189
do.	T. Smith, order of Commandant.	14th Nov., '89.	

No. 66. Ex'd D. W. S.—Granted.

Benj. Knapp	Mathews.	P. Butler's Rangers.	
	Do. 1 Oct., '87.		
	Close		
	Collins		
	Reynolds		
	Smith	Settled.	
	McNiff		

No. 67. Ex'd D. W. S.—Granted.

Andrew Hamilton	Mathews.	P. Butler's Rangers.	
	Do. 1 Oct., '87.		
	Close		
	Collins		
	Smith	Sham Settler.	
	McNiff	No improvement.	
Morris Wilcox			259

Nos. 68, 69, 70. Ex'd D. W. S.—Reserved for a Town.

	Mathews	Including a beautiful plain reserved for a town.	
	Close		
	Collins		
	Smith		
	McNiff's	Ungranted.	
	Survey		
Pat McNiff, for lot 70			184

No. 71. Ex'd D. W. S.—Granted.

Name.	Authority.	Remarks.	Petitions.
Fr. Dequindre	Mathews Close. Collins	Lt. Indian Dept.	
	Smith	No improvement.	
Jno. Zimmirman	Murray	A change.	
	McNiff.	No improvement; left the country.	
Joseph Speakman			165
Pat. McNiff			184
Catherine Speakman			185
John Cray			206

No. 72. Ex'd D. W. S.—Granted.

Edward McCarthy	Mathews Close Collins Reynolds	P. 84 Reg.	
	Smith	No improvement.	
J. Speakman	McNiff		
J. Speakman			37
Cath. Speakman			185
Edward McCarthy			190 209

No. 73. Ex'd D. W. S.—Granted.

Jno Snider	Mathews Wiseman, 18Feb. 1788 Close Reynolds McNiff	A good smith and armourer.	
	Smith	Settled.	
Peter McDonnel	Collins	S. Butler's Rangers.	

No. 74. Ex'd D. W. S.—Granted.

Edward Hazel	Mathews Do 1 Oct. '87 Close Collins Reynolds	Lieut. Ind. Dept. or Detroit Vols.	
	Smith	Sham settler.	
John Stockwell	Close McNiff	A change.	

No. 75. Ex'd D. W. S.—Granted.

Name.	Authority.	Remarks.	Petitions.
Nicks. Leiemburner ..	Mathews.....	P. 60 Regiment.	
	*Do 1 Oct. '87	*Filed the original Ticket 11th September, '90.	
	Close		
	Collins		
	Reynolds		
	Smith	Settled.	
J. Pardo.....	McNiff	By purchase.	
John Pardo.....	.....	.....	435

Pardo appeared before the Board and produced a will of R. Leihemburner bequeathing his infant daughter this Lot; the Board acquiese in Pardo's remaining on the land but cannot grant *him* a certificate.

No. 76. Ex'd D. W. S.—Granted.

J. B. Chicot.....	Mathews	Lt. Minute Men.	
	Close.....		
	Collins		
.....	Smith.....	Sham settler.	
Jacob Sager.....	McNiff	No improvement, lives at Niagara.	

No. 77. Ex'd D. W. S.—Granted.

Jacob Sager.....	Mathews	P. Butler's Rangers.	
	Close.....		
	Collins		
	Reynolds.....		
.....	Smith...	Sham settler.	
Henry Wright.....	McNiff		
do.	.....	.....	80
			197

No. 78. 'xd. D.W.S.—Granted.

Wm. Scot	Mathews	P. Detroit Vols.	
	Close.....		
	Collins		
	Smith.....	Sham settler.	
Robert Dowlin.....	McNiff		
Robert Dowler.....	... .	.....	191

No. 79. Ex'd. D.W.S. —Granted.

Amos Weston.....	Mathews	Englishman many years with Stedman.	
	Wiseman, 7 Dec.'87		
	Closs		
	Reynolds.....		
	McNiff		
	Smith	Sham settler.	
Chr. Winter.....	Collins	P. Butler's Rangers.	

No. 80. Ex'd. D.W.S.—Granted.

Name.	Authority.	Remarks.	Petitions.
Harry Facer	Mathews do 1 Oct. '87 Close	Smith, Marine Dept.	
	Collins		
	Reynolds		
	Smith	Settled.	
	McNiff		

No. 81. Ex'd. D.W.S.—Granted.

James Robertson	Mathews Wiseman 19 Nov. 87 Close	P. Butler's Rangers.	
	Reynolds		
	McNiff	A negro.	
	Smith	Sham settler.	
John Elliott	Collins	P. Butler's Rangers.	

No. 82. Ex'd. D.W.S.—Granted.

Elijah Wilcox, Jun	Mathews Close	Loyalist, son of E. Wilcox, Sen. V. Lot.	83
	Reynolds		
	McNiff		
	Smith	Settled.	
John Wormwood	Collins	P. Butler's Rangers.	
Elijah Wilcox, Jun.	Wiseman	Nov. 19, 87. Ticket.	

No. 83. Ex'd. D.W.S.—Granted.

Elisha Wilcox, Sen.	Mathews Do. 1 Oct. '87 Close Collins	P. Butler's Rangers.	
	Reynolds		
	McNiff		
	Smith	Settled	

No. 84. Ex'd. D.W.S.—Granted.

Thos. Ashworth	Mathews Do 1 Oct. 87 Close Collins	P. 8 Reg.	
	Reynolds		
	Smith	Settled.	
James Wilcox	McNiff		
		11 Sept. 90—Wilcox resigned his right and title to this Lot, in favor of Ashworth, before the board. As Wilcox did this to obviate difficulty to the board, they promise to remember him early. D.W.S.	

No. 85. Ex'd. D. W. Smith—Granted.

Name.	Authority.	Remarks.	Petitions.
Colin Andrews	Mathews Close Collins	Son of Cap. Andrews lost in the Ontario.	
	Smith	No improvement.	
Mat Andrews	McNiff	Do. An Infant.	
Colin Andrews			430

No. 86. Ex'd. D.W.S.—Granted.

Jacob Lans	Mathews Close Reynolds	4 years. German troops taken with Lord Cornwallis.	
	McNiff	Left the country, occupied by another	
	Smith	Settled.	
Dan. McPherson	Collins	P. 84 Regt.	
Charles Filpley			263

No. 87. Ex'd. D.W.S.—Granted.

Alex. Fraser	Mathews 1 Oct. '87 Close Collins	Guards 10 years. S.N. Scotia Vols.	
	Reynolds		
Geo. Ja. Rudhart	Close	A change.	
	McNiff		
	Smith	Settled.	

No. 88. Ex'd. D.W.S.—Granted.

Thos. Reynolds, Esq.	*Mathews Close Collins	Comy. of provisions.	
	Smith	Settled.	
	Reynolds		
	McNiff		
	*Ticket	1 Oct. 87.	

No. 89. Exd. D.W.S.—Granted.

Dan. Fields	Mathews Close Collins	C. Butler's Rangers.	
	Smith	Sham settler.	
	McNiff	Unimproved.	
John Prince			188

No. 90. Ex'd. D. W. S.—Granted.

Name.	Authority.	Remark.	Petitions.
John Stockwell	Mathews		
	Close		
Randall McGillis	Collins	S. Butler's Rangers	
	Reynolds		
Edwd. Hazel	Close	A change.	
Thos. Hazel	McNiff	Unimproved.	
	Smith	No improvement.	

No. 91. Ex'd. D. W. S.—Granted.

Jos. Springfield	Mathews	P. Butler's Rangers.	
	Close		
	Collins		
	Reynolds		
	McNiff	A hut only.	
	Smith	No improvement.	
Andre Woolche	Murray	A change, 29 Nov. '89.	
	T. Smith		

Granted No. 93 (for 92 see below). Ex'd. D. W. S.

Jacob Rudhart	Matthews	P. Butler's Rangers.	
	Close		
	Collins		
	Reynolds		
	Smith	Settled.	
Alex. Fraser	Close	A change.	
Jno. Cameron	Murray	do	
Dan. Cameron	McNiff		

Granted No. 92 (for 93 see above page). Ex'd. D. W. S.

Joseph Quant	Mathews	P. Butler's Rangers. Resigned his ticket to me on the 30 April 1792.—D. W. Smith, Secy.	
	Close		
	Collins		
	Smith	No improvement.	
John Cameron	McNiff		
Dan. Cameron			239
Dan. Cameron	T. Smith, 7 June, '90	Not absolute.	
	P. Murray, 8 do		
Dan. Cameron			350
do			399

No. 94. Ex'd. D. W. S.—Granted.

Dan. Cameron	Mathews	P. 84 Reg.	
	Close		
	Collins		
	Reynolds		
	Smith	Settled.	
Jacob Quant	McNiff	Unimproved and left the country.	

No. 95. Ex'd. D. W. S.—Granted

Name.	Authority.	Remarks.	Petitions.
Joseph Baro	Mathews, Close, Collins	S. Detroit Vols.	
A Canadian	Smith	Sham settler.	
Peter Barril	McNiff	Unimproved.	192

No. 96. Ex'd. D. W. S.—Granted.

Thos Dyker	Mathews, Close, Collins, Reynolds	P. Butler's Rangers.	
John Gordon	Close	A change.	
John Gordon	Smith, McNiff	Settled.	

No. 97.

John Cornwall	Mathews, Close, Collins, Reynolds	P. Butler's Rangers.	
	Smith, McNiff	Settled.	
do		The Board told Cornwall that if he could find an unclaimed few Lots *together*, they would consent to his getting them for himself and family, and so to dispose of his improvements on this Lot.	107

12 Eastermost Lots.	Petitions.											
Names.	Granted.	Granted.	Granted.	Granted.	Reserved.	Granted.	Granted.	Granted.	Granted.	Granted.	Granted.	Granted.
	No. 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Henry Toffemire	225	....	....	....	Reserved by the board for public uses.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Henry Ragus	....	....	220	....		....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Nicholas Wetherholt	....	....	....	226		....	....	....	....	....	....	....
George Sichilstil	....	....	....	....	....	227	....	....	....	....	....	....
Aug. Fred. Wurzbach	....	....	....	....	....	....	228	....	....	....	....	....
Philip Fuchs	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	229	....	....	....	....
Jonas do	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	230	....	....	....
Henry Hoffman	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	222	....	....
George Deiss	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	221	....
John Leps	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	231
George Myers	....	235	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Charles Monger	....	237	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Wm. Lockhart	....	248	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Wist, John	....	0	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Robert Gill	....	....	....	....	332	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Examined.—D.W.S.												

The space between the Eastermost Lot No. 12 and Lot No. 1 third Township, is reserved for roads, etc., and is called in the Schedule of Location, No. 13.—Ex'd. D. W. S.

Dates of the foregoing Authoritys.

1787—1 October	Copy of Major Mathews's List, etc.
1789—10 January	Major Close's List.
	Mr. Smiths's Remarks.
1787—19 October	Mr. Reynolds's List.
1789—30 March	
1790—June 18th	Mr. Collins's Copy of Major Mathews's List of 1 Oct.'87.
1790—11 Sept	Mr. Smith's Certificate of Changes, to Major Murray.
1790—Aug. and Sept	Survey by Mr. McNiff.

DISTRICT OF NASSAU.

MINUTES AND CORRESPONDENCE OF THE LAND BOARD.

LAND BOARD BOOK—NASSAU.

Land Board.

For the district of Nassau, constituted by His Excellency Lord Dorchester's Letter of 13th October, 1788, addressed to Lieutenant Colonel Hunter, or Officer Commanding, Lieutenant Colonel Butler, Peter TenBroech, R. Hamilton, Benjamin Pawling and Nathaniel Petitt, Esquires, held their first Meeting at Navy Hall, immediately after the January Quarter Sessions of 1789. They having before that time stated to the Governor their reasons for holding the regular boards of examination at the same time with the Quarterly Courts; That the Settlement being then mostly brought together, the Claimant could, with ease, procure the testimony of his former acquaintance in his favor, and it furnished also an opportunity to the Settlers to detect and point out such characters as were unworthy a place among them.

At that time the board, having no particular instructions to guide their conduct, proceeded to examine into the loyalty, but more particularly into the character of all such persons claiming a settlement as appeared before them. To such as were approven of, they administered the oath of allegiance, and directed the Surveyor to give them a ticket, specifying the quantity of land they and their families were intitled to. All these claimants were already settled, some on the surveyed lands, and others on the waste land adjoining.

A Committee of the board to accommodate themselves to the convenience of the settlement went, in February, to Fort Erie, where all the claimants of that quarter were directed to attend. Here they followed the same plan, as also after the subsequent Quarter Sessions held in April.

[2] The Surveyor at these meetings kept a list of all such as were permitted to become settlers.

In the course of the Summer and fall they received the printed Rules and Regulations for their conduct of February 17th, as well as the additional instructions of August 21st, and

THE FIRST REGULAR BOARD was held at Niagara October 26, 1789.

Present: Lieutenant Colonel Harris, Lieutenant Colonel Butler, R. Hamilton.

Various Letters and printed Rules and Regulations for their Conduct, having been laid before them, the Board proceeded to Read the same. And no other business being then before them, they adjourned the Board to the 20th Inst., then to meet at the 12 Mile Creek in Hunterton, as on that day a muster of the militia of the lower district was to be made there, and it was thought expedient as much as possible to save the time of the settlers.

LAND BOARD, Hunterton, October 29, 1789.

Present: Lieutenant-Colonel Butler, Peter TenBroeck, Robt. Hamilton, and Nathaniel Pettit, Esquires.

Which day the board proceeded to examine particularly the different Rules and Regulations sent them for their conduct, and they adopted the following data, as what they understand to be the intention of Government, and by which they are to guide themselves in assigning lands to claimants.

[3] They consider His Majestie's Instructions of 1783, addressed to Governor Haldimand, as conferring:

1,000 Acres to every field officer.

700 Acres to every Captain.

500 Acres to every Subaltren Staff or Warrant Officer.

200 Acres to every Non-Commissioned Officer.

100 Acres to every Private Soldier, and the same Quantity to every head of a family, being a Loyalist.

50 Acres to every Loyalist a Single Man.

50 Acres to every Individual of which the families of all the above described persons shall Consist.

They consider Lord Dorchester's Instructions of 2nd June, 1787, as conferring 200 additional acres on all those settlers who have already improved so far as in their power, the lands before granted them, and that this additional bounty extends as well to single men improving their own lands as to the heads of families. From these premises they, therefore conclude that every discharged soldier from his Majestie's Service is intitled to 300 Acres, every Non-commissioned to 400, and that every Loyalist, or other received good character settled here prior to the date of the Instructions of 17 February, 1789, is intitled to 200 Acres, together with 50 Acres to each individual of which their families shall consist; That after the date of these instructions persons settling under the denomination of Loyalists, or all others who shall be approven of by the Board, shall only receive 200 acres for themselves, leaving the provision for their families to the Commander in Chief's future bounty, which will certainly follow their decent deportment, and their improving with Industry the grant now made them.

[4] A question having arisen whether Loyalists and others not particularly distinguished by having taken an active part in the cause of the unity of the British empire in America should be considered indiscriminately as the Objects of Lord Dorchester's bounty, and thus become entitled to 300 Acres; It was resolved: That, as it appears to be the wish of Government to distinguish their *Active friends* and *Adherents* by peculiar Marks of Attention—*Those only* who had born arms, or in some other capacity had served Government during the War—should of right be intitled to this 300 acres, or more in proportion to their rank; and that all others should now only receive 200 acres, leaving the door open for future application in their favor, as the merits of their case may require.

And, as Lord Dorchester's Bounty of 2nd June, '87, particularly provides for its extention to all unmarried men occupying Lands, as well as to the head of families, The Board resolve that every young person liable to be called upon to do the duties of a man in the settlement, such as working on the highway, or being mustered in the Militia, shall be esteemed as intitled to this bounty of 200 Acres, and *vice versa*, every person receiving this bounty shall be liable to be called upon and to perform all the duties of a citizen.

The board further resolve that the claims of all those persons who have served or who say they have served his Majesty during the war shall now be postponed, and the additional bounty to them be deferred till the board have [5] clear proof before them, first, of this service, and, secondly, that this has not been rewarded by grants of Land elsewhere.

And whereas much confusion and uncertainty with regard to particular lots have arisen, from the unfortunate circumstance of a great part of the lands in this district being taken up and settled before any surveys were made, and from the irregular mode these surveys have since been made, by different surveyors, whose Lines often vary from each other, The board resolve, with a view to reduce this confusion to some sort of order, that the surveyor be directed to furnish them plans of each township on a large scale, for the purpose of enserting in the blank space of each lot, as well the owner's name, as the number of the lot; That each township shall be publicly called together by the magistrates residing therein, and, where the

claim to a lot is universally allowed, the owner's name to be inserted therein. When two claimants to the same lot appear, this shall be left vacant, and the disputants directed to settle as soon as may be their respective claims, either by accommodation or by a reference to arbitration, or to the Court of Common Pleas. When all the settlers' lots of any township are thus filled up with the owners' names, the plan and list shall be publicly kept open for some time for the satisfaction of every inhabitant; after which the [6] Land Board shall proceed to grant Certificates for the lots thus ascertained.

Adjourned sine die.

LAND BOARD, Niagara, March 20th, 1790.

Present: Lieutenant Colonel Harris, Lietenant Colonel Butler, R. Hamilton.

Which day various Letters and other papers being laid before the Board; they read the same, and for the purpose of executing their contents, they direct a Board to be held on the 29th inst., at Mr. Sheehan's house, in the Ranger's Barracks, and that the inhabitants of Township No. 1 be advertised then and there to attend, for the purpose of filling up the lots of that Township, with the names of the proprietors.

Till then, the board Adjourned.

LAND BOARD, Nassau, 29th March, 1790.

Present. Lieutenant Colonel Harris, Commanding Upper Posts; Lieutenant Colonel John Butler, Peter TenBroeck, Robt. Hamilton, Nathaniel Pettit, Esquires.

The Board Proceeded to the election of a Clerk, and appointed Mr. Sheehan for that purpose. Mr. Jones, Acting Surveyor, was called in, and produced a plan of the first Township, which the Board proceeded to examine, and entered those claimants for land whose titles appeared clear and undisputed.

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[7] LAND BOARD, Nassau, 30th March, 1790.

Present: Lieutenant Colonel Harris, Commanding upper Posts, Robt. Hamilton, Nathaniel Pettit, Peter TenBroeck, Lieutenant Colonel Butler, Esquires.

The Board this day continued examining the claims of the inhabitants to the lots in the first Township and entered in a list for that purpose such of the Claims as are undisputed.

LAND BOARD, Nassau, 31st March, 1790.

Present: Lieutenant Colonel Butler, Peter TenBroeck, Robt. Hamilton, Nathaniel Pettit, Esquires.

The Board, having met, issued the following advertisements:

The Land Board for the District of Nassau, having received from Lord Dorchester instructions to open the Portage on the west of the River above Niagara, And his Lordship wishing to do this on the most liberal and useful terms for the Settlement directs them to be consulted on this business, and that every proposal they individually or in companies may think proper to make for a contract shall be handed to him, the Board have appointed their next meeting in the second Tuesday in April, when the Court sits, at which time they will communicate every particular respecting this business to whoever may apply, and Mr. Sheehan, Clerk of the Board, will inform any

[8] others who may wish this information sooner, if they will apply to him at his house.

(Signed) J. Butler, Peter TenBroeck, Nathaniel Pettit, R. Hamilton.

The Board are also of opinion, from the regulations of the Governor and Council of the 25th August last, that the center of this Township on banks of Niagara River is the proper place for a Town, and other Public Buildings, and that the lots No. 15, 16, 17 and 18 in the center of this township are at present in possession of Gilbert Fields, Wm. Baker, Richard Wilkinson, and Nathaniel Fields, which the Board will endeavour to obtain from those Proprietors, for that purpose.

The Board then proceeded to appoint Commissioners of the Roads, when the Following persons were named:—

John McNall, Andrew Butler, Jacob TenBroeck, Charles Pettit, Robt. Lottridge, Robt. Nelles, Gilbert Tice, John Warren, Elijah Phelps, Jacob Ball, Junior, John Powell.

[9] REGULATIONS FOR THE COMMISSIONERS: No new roads are to be opened nor any alterations made in the old ones except by the concurrence of three of the Commissioners of Roads for that District, and the Board think it requisite that the Commissioners do order that the inhabitants shall Work on the road six days in the year, viz.: three days in the Spring and three days in the Fall, and at any other time when it shall become necessary either by floods or other accidents; and you are hereby directed, in case of any persons refusing to work, after having been warned, to fine them five shillings for every day they shall neglect to work, and the Path Masters are to be fined £5 should they neglect their duty. The Commissioners will observe that all roads are to be one chain in breadth.

LAND BOARD, Nassau, 16th April, 1790.

Present: Lieutenant Colonel John Butler, Peter TenBroeck, Nathaniel Pettit, Esquires.

Received a petition from Isaac Suayze setting forth that from his character having been traduced he had been prevented from enjoying the privileges of other loyal citizens, and, having produced sufficient proof that his character had been misrepresented, the Board are of opinion that he is entitled to the quantity of land his services may entitle him to as a volunteer in the British Army at New York.

[10] Received a Petition addressed to his Excellency Lord Dorchester, etc., from Samuel Street, Esquire.

LAND BOARD, Nassau, 7th June, 1790.

Present: Lieutenant Colonel John Butler, Peter TenBroeck, Nathaniel tit, Esquires.

The Board, having met according to appointment, took into consideration several petitions, viz.: two from the Distressed inhabitants of this District, Dated 15th May, 1790, praying a longer time than the stated period for making returns for the provisions lent to them by Government. One from Elizabeth Thompson (Widow) stating that His Lordship had been pleased to grant the petitioner some lands upon an application made at Kingston last Summer, praying that the Board will make known to her the quantity of lands his Lordship will be pleased to allow her; also a Petition from Samuel Street, Esquire, which the board submit to his Lordship's considera-

LAND BOARD, Nassau, 21st June, 1790.

Present: Lieutenant Colonel Harris, Commanding the Upper Posts, Lieutenant Colonel Butler, Peter TenBroeck, Robert Hamilton, Esquires.

The Board, having met, are of opinion that from the variety of business which will come before them it is necessary to have regular and stated meetings for the despatch of business, and do for that purpose appoint every Monday at eleven o'clock in the forenoon for that purpose. That the inhabitants of this District be advertised of it accordingly, and the Clerk proceed to [11] fill up the certificates of location for such of the settlers whose claims are free from dispute The Board recommend meetings of the Militia to be called for the purpose of taking the sence of the inhabitants respecting the most eligible Plan for a Town and Public Buildings. The following places* are offered for their choice, 1st, the Crown lands near Captain McDonell's farm; 2nd, the center of Township No. 1, on the banks of Niagara River; 3rd, the rise of Mount Dorchester, above the Landing; 4th, the Glebe lands on Mount Dorchester; and that the same be reported on the second Tuesday of July next. Adjourned to Monday, 28th inst.

*The Crown lands mentioned above are solely meant with application to and the consent of Government obtained.—J. A. H., R. H., P. T. B.

LAND BOARD, Nassau, 28th June, 1790.

Present: Lieutenant-Colonel Harris, Commanding Upper Posts; Peter TenBroeck, Robert Hamilton, Esquires.

Proceedings of a Land Board Held at Navy Hall, the 23rd August, 1790.

Present: Sir John Johnson, Br. President; Lieutenant Colonel Harris, Commanding Upper Posts; Lieutenant Colonel Butler, Peter TenBroeck, Robt. Hamilton, Esquires.

The first business brought before them respected the disputed line in the front Concession from Showers to the upper part of Township No. 1, when the Board taking into consideration that by the first line these lots were settled, that any alteration now made in them must derange the whole [12] settlers, and that this matter was also formerly determined by a Board of Magistrates before any Land Board was formed.

They determined that the original lines as made by Allan McDonell in these front lots, shall be held good and that the occupiers shall keep what lands they possessed in consequence of that original survey.

A memorial from Augustus Jones was laid before the Board, stating his surveices since Mr. Frey's departure from this settlement, as surveyor, and that these have not in any Way been compensated for. The Board considering that his time this Winter had been entirely taken up in this service direct that application by petition shall be made to head quarters that the pay of the person appointed surveyor may for that period be given to Augustus Jones and to be continued to him while the Board shall think proper to employ him in that line.

Adjourned to the 25th Instant.

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[13] Land Board held at Navy Hall, 25th August, 1790.

Present: Sir John Johnson, Bt. President; Lieutenant Colonel Butler; Peter Ten Broeck, Esquire; Robert Hamilton, Esquire; Nathaniel Pettit, Esquire.

A disputed Claim on lots No. 19 and 26 in the first and second concession of Township No. 1, between Lieutenant Colonel Butler and John Mc-

Nabb, Esquire, determined in favor of Lieutenant Colonel Butler as the certificate by which Philip Frey held these lots and which he had assigned to John McNabb, was found illegal, being signed by John Collins posterior to the regulation depriving all surveyors of that power and vesting it solely in the Land Board.

A memorial from a number of the principal inhabitants, officers of Militia and others stating the want of a place to erect public buildings on, and praying Lord Dorchester to grant them a part of the lands near Navy Hall reserved for the use of Government was presented and being approved of, was directed to be transmitted to his Excellency and the President, Sir John Johnson, is requested to take charge of this.

Received a Letter from Augustus Jones stating that a number of chain-
[14] bearers, and others, employed by Mr. Frey, still remain unpaid, the Board resolve to take the accounts in which these are included into consideration the earliest opportunity.

Adjourned until to-morrow, 26th instant.

N. B. The Board did not meet pursuant to this adjournment.

Land Board 22nd November, 1790.

Township No. 1—

The Board having met, ordered a report of their proceedings to be transmitted to the office of the Governor's Secretary with a schedule of locations in Township No. 1, for his Lordship's information, after which they proceeded to grant certificates to such persons as attended for that purpose. Referred to his Lordship two Petitions, viz.: one from John McNabb, Esquire, stating his services during the late war and praying an equal quantity of land as has been granted to disbanded subalterns; One from Augustus Jones, stating that he has acted as Deputy Surveyor in this District since 28th November, 1789, for which he has not received any compensation, also soliciting the appointment of Deputy Surveyor. The Board taking the said petitions into consideration concurred in recommending the prayer of the petitioners to his Lordship as being in their opinion proper.
[15] Land Board, 20th December, 1790.

Present: Lieutenant Colonel Butler, Robert Hamilton, Esquire; Peter Ten Brock, Esquire.

The Board having met, were of opinion that it is necessary for the Acting Surveyor to ascertain and report the boundaries of the Indian Lands extending Six Miles on each side of the Grand River, and as this cannot be so easily effected as at this season, the Board submit the expediency of this service to Lieutenant Colonel Gordon for his approbation, and in case this service is directed, provision for the Surveyor and four Chain Bearers will be requisite from the King's Store, as is directed and has always been done.

N. B. It had been customary for the Surveyor to receive a ration of provision.

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[16] Land Board held at the Landing for Township No. 2, on the 3rd January, 1791.

Present: Lieutenant Colonel Butler, Peter Ten Broeck, Esquire; Robert Hamilton, Esquire.

Read a letter from Lieutenant Colonel ...ifying his approbation of the service for surveying the Gran... Board in conse-

quence ordered the Acting Surveyor to proceed on that business and ordered a speech to be prepared explaining to the Indians the intention of the said survey.

The Board then proceeded to grant certificates to such persons as attended.

Adjourned to the 16th instant.

Landing, 16th January, 1791.

Present: Lt. Col. Butler, R. Hamilton, Esquire, P. Ten Broeck, Esquire.

The Board continued to grant certificates to such persons as attended. Adjourned to meet in the Third Township.

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[17] Land Board Township No. 3, 18th January, 1791.

Present: Lieutenant Colonel Butler, Peter Ten Broeck, Esquire, Robert Hamilton, Esquire.

Finding few disputes in this Township the Board proceeded in granting certificates.

N. B. No Glebe reserved in this Township.

Land Board, Niagara, 1st February, 1791.

Present: Lieutenant Colonel Butler, Peter Ten Broeck, Esquire; Robert Hamilton, Esquire.

(See Letter received No. 7.)

When a plan of the Grand River was laid before them and having called in Captain Joseph Brant, Tekarchokea, Shasiowanea, Ateweanookten, Oghnasongoghton, Oghguarioseta, Ojageghte, Gonghsaneyonte, Kayendaderhon, Chickheless, and several of the Principal Chiefs to aid the Land Board with their advice and Council, it was unanimously agreed upon and determined. That the bend of the river easterly, nearly two miles from its mouth or issue into Lake Erie, and the Mohawk Village shall be the two fixed points [18] and that a line drawn straight from one of these points to the other shall form the center line of the Indian Settlements or Lands on the Grand River, and that two parallel lines to this, six miles distant on each side of the river shall form the bounds between them and the Settlement of Nassau.

Jos. Brant.
x Ojageghte.
x Gonghsaneyonte.
x Atewanookte.
x Oghsita.
x Kayendaderhon.

Signed on the Plan,
J. Butler.
Peter Ten Broeck.
R. Hamilton.

Land Board held at the 40 Mile Pond for the Upper Township, viz., No. 5, 6, 7 and 8, 10th February, 1791.

Present: Lieutenant Colonel Butler, P. Ten Broeck, Robert Hamilton, Nathaniel Pettit, Esquires.

The plans of the several townships being laid before the Board they proceed to grant certificates to such of the Inhabitants as attended.

[19] LAND BOARD held at Niagara 22nd February, 1791.

Present: Lt. Col Gordon, Commg. Upper Posts, Lt. Col. Butler, R. Hamilton, Esquire.

Received a petition from Peter Clow praying the Board to authorize an agreement made with John Lutes for the purchase of his farm, Lot No. 34, in the 2d Township; also a petition from Joseph Robinson praying for leave to purchase from Thomas Martin Lot No. — in the 2d Township. The Board being convinced of the propriety of these transfers, authorized them accordingly.

As no lands have hitherto been granted to the heirs or executors of those persons who died in his Majesty's service during the late war, it remained a question whether it is the intention of government to extend his Majesty's bounty to persons of the above description. The justice of these claims are so apparent that the Board concurred in granting those lands and to request his Lordship's approbation of this measure.

The Board authorise Lt. Col. Butler to purchase from Robert Smith his farm on the 15 Mile Creek with all the lands himself and family may be entitled to. Adjourned.

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[20] LAND BOARD, Niagara, 4th April, 1791.

Present: Lt. Col. Gordon, Commg. Upper Posts, Lt. Col. Butler, R. Hamilton, Esquire.

The Acting Surveyor laid before the Board a survey of the Indian Lands on the Grand from its mouth to about thirty Miles above the Mohawk Village, he also laid before the Board two accounts of incidental expences incurred in the survey of the Grand River and in ascertaining where a North West line from the mouth of the Little Lake at the head of Lake Ontario would intersect the Grand River, the Board taking these accounts into consideration, approved the same, and resolved to draw a bill on Government for the amount, at their next meeting. Adjourned to the 3d Township.

LAND BOARD held in Township No. 3, 7th April, 1791.

The Board proceeded to Grant Certificates to Such Persons as attended.

Received a Petition from James Muirhead, late Surjeon's mate in the 60th Regt., stating his service as mate and inclination of becoming a [21] settler, and praying such additional quantity to the usual allowance of lands as the Board should think proper. The Board taking the said petition into consideration, agreed to grant a Subaltern's allowance, viz., two thousand acres. Adjourned to the 11th instant.

LAND BOARD, Niagara, 3rd May, 1791.

Present: R. Hamilton, Esquire, John Burch, Esquire, John Warren, Esquire, Robert Kerr, Esquire, John McNabb, Esquire.

Mr. Hamilton laid before the Board a letter from Henry Motz, Esquire, accompanying Lord Dorchester's order for an augumentation and continuance of the Land Granting Department from the 1st of May, 1791, to the 1st June, 1793. The new members are John Burch, John Warren, Robert Kerr and John McNabb, Esquires, of the Board, any five are a Quorum.

The Board having observed that the intention of Government in keeping roads along the River from the Landing to Chippeway Creek, has not been attended to by the inhabitants occupying those lands and who cannot [22] be ignorant of a Chain being left by the Surveyor for that purpose.

The Board Order that as soon as the present crops are got in, the people do then move their fences and open the road to the breadth of the Chain of which the Clerk in directed to give them Notice of.

The Board proceeded to grant certificates to such persons as attended. Adjourned to the 1st Monday in June.

LAND BOARD for the District of Nassau held at Niagara the 6th June, 1791.

Present: Colonel Gordon, Commandg. Upper Posts, Lieut.-Col. John Butler, Robert Hamilton, John Burch, Robert Kerr, John McNabb, Lt. Bruyers, R. Engineers.

The Board having met, Colonel Gordon laid before them several letters and instructions from Head Quarters for their guidance, which were read, also a paper signifying the appointment of Mr. Jones as Deputy Surveyor for this District, who was sworn by the Board for that purpose.

[23] Instructions were given to the Surveyor to proceed in laying out the Town of Lenox.

Read a petition from Peter Secord, Senior, stating that he had been promised by Brigadier General Powell six hundred acres of land, but from the late regulations he finds himself only entitled to three Hundred, that having improved a great quantity of land, and erected buildings, prays the Board to take his industry into consideration and grant him the remaining three lots agreeable to the promise of Brigadier Powell, etc., which the Board agree to refer to his Lordship.

Received a petition from the Widow Van Every, for leave to dispose of lots 10 and 37, in 1st Township, which was granted upon condition of the purchase money being lodged in the hands of the Board, until a Division of it takes place with the rest of the family.

The Board proceeded to grant certificates, and transferred the lands that Henry Jago, Christian Jacobs and James Dugan were entitled to, to John McEwin who had purchased them.

The lot of land in dispute between Elsworth and Forsyth near the Falls, containing about sixty acres, is ordered to be divided, Acre for Acre between them.

Several disputes about lands, viz., between Lawrance Jenning and [24] Peter Thompson; 2d. Between David Betton and Archibald Flack; 3d Between John Thompson and James Bark, were, by recommendation of the Board, referred to Arbitration. Adjourned to Monday, 20th June, 1791.

LAND BOARD held at Niagara, for the District of Nassau, Monday, 20th June, 1791.

Present: Colonel Gordon, Commanding the Upper Posts, Lt.-Col. Butler, Robert Hamilton, Esquire, Nathaniel Pettit, Esquire, John Burch, Esquire, John McNabb, Esquire, Lieut. Bruyers, Royal Engineers.

The Deputy Surveyor laid before the Board the out lines of the proposed Town of Lenox by which there appears to be an error in the plan presented by the Surveyor General, which states that the reservation for works on the high ground back of Navy Hall, will leave a front for a town of three quarters of a mile and six hundred and forty feet. Instead of this it appears from the present survey and report of the engineer there will remain only a front of about eight hundred yards. In some measure to remedy this the Board direct each lot to be divided into two, which will [25] still leave as many lots as were originally intended, which they order the Surveyor to perform.

The Board having received a petition from several principal inhabitants, stating their ability to fulfil the intentions of Government respecting the transporting across the carrying place all the effects of Government on the west side of the River, and having examined several people as to the facts stated in the petition from hence, the Board are of opinion that they are fully adequate to the end proposed and that the security required is ready to be lodged for the performance of the contract, fully convinced of the essential service the settlement will derive from having this portage made a central public road and do strongly recommend the plan proposed, and are of opinion, etc.

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[26] LAND BOARD held at Niagara, 24th June, 1791.

Present: Colonel Gordon, Commanding upper Posts; Lieutenant-Colonel Butler, Peter TenBroeck, Robert Hamilton, Benjamin Pawling, John Burch, John Warren John McNabb, Esquires, Lieutenant Bruyers, R. Engineers,

The Board, after reconsidering the plans for a County Town in this District relinquish the first proposed by the Surveyor General and adopt the second as the most eligible, the first having been curtailed by the reservations for Government, to a front of only eight hundred yards. They, accordingly, direct the Surveyor to run the out lines of the said town to the west of Navy Hall adjoining the reservation, and they direct that such persons as may be inclined to build on Town lots shall pay to the present possessors two pounds ten shillings N.Y. Currency, for each improved acre, and the present occupants are permitted to retain the lot on which their houses may fall.

[27] The Board Authorise a Public House to be built on the corner lot at the east end of the Town adjoining the River, and a Mason's Lodge on the next to it. Adjourned to the 2nd Monday in July.

LAND BOARD, held at Niagara, 8th July, 1791.

Present: Lieutenant Colonel John Butler, Robert Hamilton, John Burch, Robert Kerr, John McNabb, Esquires.

The Board, having met, proceeded to grant certificates to such of the Inhabitants as attended. Adjourned.

LAND BOARD, Nassau, 6th September, 1791.

Present: Colonel Gordon, Commanding Upper Posts; Robert Hamilton, Robert Kerr, Esquires, Lieutenant Bruyers, Royal Engineers.

The Board having met, Colonel Gordon laid several letters relative to the Land granting Department, and stating that in consequence of an appli-
[28] cation from this Board a quantity of Hemp seed had been sent up for the Inhabitants of this District, and, for the purpose of making a tryal of the seed, the Board authorise two barrels to be distributed in small quantities to the Settlers this fall—adjourned.

LAND BOARD, Lenox, 9th November, 1791.

Present: Lieutenant Colonel Butler, R. Hamilton, R. Kerr, John Burch, Esquires, Lieutenant Pilkington, Royal Engineers.

The first business before the Board being to fix the boundary between the town of Lenox and the works reserved for Government, they therefore, directed the Deputy Surveyor, who was assisted by the Engineer, finally to fix the said line, which was accordingly executed and the base line

marked with stakes. The Board in consequence direct the Surveyor to employ sufficient hands to lay out the said town into lots agreeable to the plan produced by him and approved by the Board in which business he [29] will proceed without Delay.

LAND BOARD, held at Fort Erie, 21st November, 1791.

Present: Lieutenant Colonel Butler, Robt. Hamilton, Benjamin Pawling, John Burch, John Warren, Esquires.

The Board having met in this part of the District for convenience of the settlers, granted certificates of location to such as attended. Advertisements were issued informing the public that the hemp seed would be distributed gratis in proportion to the land they would have prepared in the spring.

The Board, after regulating the number of people for the different parts of the public road leading from Chippeway Creek to Fort Erie, adjourned.

LAND BOARD, Nassau, 5th December, 1791.

Present: Lieutenant Colonel Butler, Robt. Hamilton, John Burch, Robt. Kerr, Jno. McNabb, Esquires; Lieutenant Pilkington, Royal Engineers.

[30] The Board direct the Surveyor not to extend the Town of Lenox further back than one mile from the bank of the River, the line to run South thirty degrees West. The choice for Town lots were drawn for, from No. 1 to 84, inclusive. Adjourned.

Lenox, 12th December, 1791.

Present: Lieutenant Colonel Butler, Robt. Hamilton, Benjamin Pawling, Robt. Kerr, John Burch, John McNabb, Esquires.

The Board, having met, proceeded in granting tickets for choices of Town lots, and directed that all lots that have been cleared should be paid for before they were granted, at the rate of 25/ per acre, for the purpose of defraying part of the expence of the Jail or other Public Buildings. Adjourned.

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[31] LAND BOARD, Nassau, January 2nd, 1792.

Present: Lieutenant Colonel Butler, Robt. Hamilton, John Burch, Robt. Kerr, John McNabb, Esquires.

Capt. Hope, 26th Regiment, late of the 34th, having made application for 15 lots of 200 acres each situated on the north side of Lake Ontario, in this District, beginning at the east corner of the Township of Hope, and on the west corner of Township of Hamilton: The Board observe by the Instructions of 17th February, 1789, ten lots in the corner of each township lying on the Lake, were to be reserved, agreeable to which they have it not in their power to grant the lots in the first concession. They direct, however, that those in the 2nd concession chose by him shall have his name inserted therein, and he may apply by memorial to Head Quarters for those [32] in the first, or chose others within the power of the Board to grant.

LAND BOARD, Lenox, 9th February, 1792.

Present: Lieutenant Colonel Butler, Robt. Hamilton, John Burch, Robt. Kerr, John McNabb, Esquires.

Several applications were laid before the Board from persons in the District of Mecklenburg for Lands on the north side of Lake Ontario, in this District, one of which specifys a Mill Seat.

The Board, having reference to their Instructions, find they are restrained from granting Mill Seats, and are of opinion that the creeks falling in to that part are valuable for fishing, etc., therefore, direct that they shall not become private property whereby this natural advantage might be destroyed. They, therefore, reject those petitions, and direct the Clerk to transmit a copy of this resolution to the Board at Kingston for the information of the applicants, but that whenever a proper arrangement of those Lands is made they shall then come in for lands according to the priority of their petitions.

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[33] LAND BOARD, held at Niagara 25th February, 1792.

Present: Colonel Gordon, Commanding Upper Posts, President; Robert Hamilton, John Burch, John Warren, Robert Kerr, Esquires; Lieutenant Pilkington, Royal Engineers.

The Board took into consideration the accounts transmitted by Mr. Frey to the Surveyor General's Office, and sent up from thence for the inspection of the Board. As these accounts are totally unaccompanyed with any set of vouchers, the Board remit them to Mr. Jones, to procure to every individual charge the best Vouchers he can get, which the Board will take into their consideration and transmit to Head Quarters with their opinion thereon.

They recommend to Mr. Jones to have this compleated with every dis-
[34] patch in his power. Adjourned.

LAND BOARD, Lenox, 5th March, 1792.

Present: Lieutenant Colonel John Butler, Robert Hamilton, John Burch, John McNabb, Robert Kerr, Esquires; Lieutenant Pilkington, Royal Engineers.

Several petitions were presented and read at the Board, praying for grants of lands on the North Side of the Lake, in the Township of Dublin and neighbourhood of Toronto. The Board defer granting those lands, and direct the petitions to remain untill it is known what reservation Government may think proper to make, after which those who applyed first will be prefered.

The Board proceeded to grant certificates of location to such of the Settlers as attended and agreed to meet on every Monday at 10 o'clock for the despatch of business.—Adjourned.

DISTRICT OF NASSAU.

LETTER BOOK No. 2.

[4] By Samuel Holland, Esqr., Member of the Legislative Council, and Surveyor General of the Province of Quebec, &c.

To Philip R. Frey, Gentleman.

By virtue of the power and authority to me given by his Majesty I do hereby constitute and appoint you to be one of the Deputy Surveyors of Lands, for making surveys in the Upper District of the Province of Quebec, authorizing & requiring you to execute & perform the Office of a Deputy Surveyor agreable to the Orders & Instructions hereunto annexed or to be annexed by his Excellency the Governor or Commander in Chief or from the Courts of Judicature or from me or from the Deputy Surveyor General of this Province, hold, exercise and enjoy the same during pleasure, together with the fees and advantages thereunto belonging or appertaining, and you are to make your surveys agreable to the justice and the rules of the science of surveying.

Enregistered in the Register of Detroit, Page 59 by me William Monforton, Recorder.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Quebec, this twenty-second day of December, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-four.

(Signed) SAMUEL HOLLAND.

I, Philip R. Frey, do solemnly swear on the holy Evangelists of the Almighty God, that I will act impartially and do justice between man & man as far as my knowledge doth extend in the science of surveying.

Detroit, 30th March, 1785.
Before me date as above
Alexr. Macomb, C.P.
Enregistered in the Register of Detroit, Page 59, by me, Wm. Monforton, Recorder.

(Signed) PHILIP R. FREY,
Deputy Surveyor for the Upper District of the Province of Quebec.

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[5] Near Quebec, 19th January, 1785.

Dear Sir,—You will perceive by the joined instructions that I have appointed you for Niagara and Detroit as the business in our Department at the place of your abode is for the present but little & would not afford the fixed allowance of 4/H.C. Per Day, I thought best to name you for both places to which you'l I hope agreed to, as at Niagara your presence shall be much wanting in laying out the lots. As I had no time to make out copys of your instructions for the commanding officer you must make out two and transmit them as soon as possible.

Your theodolite I shall send by the first opportunity to your friend Mr. Mackoome at Montreal, who has promised me to send it up to you by the first batteau.

Mr. Jenken William our solicitor and clerk of council is arrived last night by Way of New York from London. I received several letters by him among others, one from Willian Smith, Esqr., Late Chief Justice of New York, and now appointed in that capacity in this Province; he tells me that he will come out next spring with our vice-roy, Sir Guy Carleton, he thinks

that settlers will flash in the Province from all quarters of America & will make work enough for surveyors by another letter it seems my friend Smith will bring out another load of laws, & Sir Guy will have full instructions to improve the Province and encourage new settlers, so I hope Detroit will have soon another appearance and the most likely spot to find a comfortable climate. My son Jack is sailed with Capn. Bouchette to the West Indies to visit his relations, my Son Henry has exchanged from half pay to the 70 Regt. with Lieut. Finley in the 44th Regt. by paying the difference. By a fall out of my cariole I have hurt my head, & Eyes so much that I scrawled this in much pain, so you must excuse me & believe me with the greatest sincerity, My Dear Sir, Yr. mt. Obedt. Humble Servant & Friend,

(Signed) SAMUEL HOLLAND.

Mr. Philip Frey, Detroit.

[6] Extract of a Letter from his Excellency General Haldimand to Lieut. Colonel Depeyster or Officer commanding the Upper Posts, Dated—Quebec, 29th March, 1784—"To avoid any depredations on the barracks and buildings belonging to the Crown at present occupied by the Rangers, you will send an officer with a small detachment to reside there for the time of their being disbanded who is to be answerable for the safety of them as they will answer for barracks should post be taken on that side the river on the evacuation of Niagara for which purpose the surveyor will have direction in laying out the settlement to reserve the east comprehending the high ground above Navy Hall across to the 4 Mile Creek entirely for the use of the Crown in order that such part of it as shall be found the most proper may be fortified whenever it shall be necessary."

[7] Copy of a Note from Lieutenant Humpry engineer at Niagara 10th June, 1787: Sir,—The Garrison line is to begin at the Hollow above Navy Hall and to run a due west course, till it strikes the banks of the Four Mile Creek, thence down the said creek to the lake.

I am Sir, your obedt. servt.,

JOHN HUMPREY, Engineer.

Mr. Frey, Dp. Surveyor.

SIR,—From the above Authority which came from Major Campbell through the engineer I began my operations, and the authority by which I made my other surveys I have the honor of laying before you herewith, I am, Sir, with the greatest respect, your most obedient Servant.

(Signed) PHILIP R. FREY.

Lieut. Coll. Hunter, Commandt.
Niagara, 9th October, 1788.

Niagara, 18th September, 1787.

Sir,—I have the honour to transmit this accompanied by plans and reports of surveys of Township number one and the others of number two, together with the first concessions of the latter lately surveyed which I hope will meet your approbation.

[8] The person who had been employed in the surveying business previous to me had made few and very erroneous surveys, having only laid out a few lots for particular people, many plans may have been transmitted, which may not have been effectually executed. I am sorry to understand that his Honour Brigadier General Hope expects that I shall finish the survey of the Crown Lands by next or the latter end of the ensuing Winter, from his Honour's expectations in this respect I am indeed to entertain an opinion

that he conceived much had been already done, before my appointment to this place. In order to expedite the survey at a very small additional expence to Government I will wish his Honour and your approbation to employ two very able assistants provided you shall think proper to augment my pay during the active survey to ten shillings Sterling per Day, in this case it might be accomplished during that period. I shall continue the survey with the utmost diligence & beg to have the honour to be, Sir, your most obedt. Humble Servant.

P. R. FREY,

Deputy Surveyor for Niagara & Detroit.

John Collins, Esq., D. S. General, Quebec.

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[9] Niagara, 4th July, 1786.

SIR,—I am to acknowledge the favour of your letter of 29th May, enclosing a copy of your instructions from the Surveyor General, and finding from the irregularity allowed of among the first setlers upon Government lands near the place as well from the number of people daily coming in from the American States, the necessity of making a regular survey of the whole settlement, I am to expect that you will come down for that purpose as soon as possible and am, Sir, your most obedient and most humble servant.

(Signed) A. CAMPBELL.

Mr. Philip Frey, D. Surveyor, &c., &c.

Niagara, 15th January, 1788.

SIR,—In consequence of a discretionary power given me by the Commander in chief and upon your representation that Messrs. Jesse Pawling and Augustus Jones are properly qualified to assist in surveying the townships of the settlement under your inspection, I do appoint them to that service from this date at the salary of two shillings & sixpence Sterling per day each without any other expence whatever being incurred from this appointment, I am Sir, your most obedt, humble Servt.

JONAS WATSON, Capt. 65th.
Commanding Upper Posts.

Mr. Philip Frey, Dy. Surveyor, District of Niagara.

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[10] Niagara, 31st March, 1788.

DEAR SIR,—I have no objections to the three parties being employed at all times in the manner best calculated to expedite the business of the survey but am sorry that any delays should occur, as I am persuaded it will be expected below that our progress in it should be proportionable to our increase of hands. I am, Dear Sir, your obedient, humble Servant.

JONAS WATSON, Capt. 65th.

Mr. Frey, Dy. Surveyor, Niagara.

Surveyor General's Office.

Quebec, 7th July, 1788.

SIR,—It being the command of his Excellency the Governor General, that the American Loyalists & others admitted to become citizens of this Province have portions of land assigned to them with dispatch & with as little trouble and expence to themselves as possible, notice is hereby given that Mr.

William Chewett at Lake St. Francis and Mr. Patrick McNiff at the Outtawa or Grand River, Mr. James & Hugh McDonell at the vacant lands between Elizabeth Town and Pitsburg, Mr. Alexander Aitkin at Kingston or Toronto, and Mr. Philip Fry at Niagara or Detroit all Deputy Surveyors and now on the business surveying at or near the respective places aforementioned have authority to receive claims and applications for the purposes above mentioned to be transmitted to me for his Lordship's consideration, and that the same Deputy Surveyor will upon his Lordship's approbation have Orders from this [11] office to ascertain to the settlers their several respective apportionments in either of the districts of Lunenburg, Mecklenburg, Nassau or Hesse.

JOHN COLLINS, D.S.G.

Mr. Philip Frey, Deputy Surveyor, Niagara.

Surveyor General's Office, 31st July, 1788.

SIR,—Inclosed you have a general instruction for your government in laying out lands in future and also a copy of his Excellency Lord Dorchester's Commands in Council of the 7th Inst., both of which you will please to attend to; my former letters respected a particular account of your settlement, & a plan of the same which I now beg leave to repeat, that you send it to this Office, by the first safe conveyance. Let your plan include the whole settlement from the Head of the Lake Ontario to Detroit. I expect his Excellency Lord Dorchester will soon visit the western country in that case you will give his Lordship every necessary information he may require respecting carrying on the settlement in that quarter; the Surveyor General being absent from this Province makes it necessary you appoint some agent here to present your accounts & receive your Money. Let your accounts be proved and all the vouchers for money paid by you accompany them. I wish you health, and am with regard, your most obedient Servt.

(Signed) JOHN COLLINS, D.S.G.

Mr. Philip Frey, Deputy Surveyor, Niagara.

[12] The Memorial of Lieut. Colonel John Butler and the Officers of the late Corps of Rangers and Indian Department at Niagara.

That your Lordship's memorialists having left their families and properties at the commencement of the late troubles in America, & served faithfully during the War and now settled at Niagara, do humbly beg that your Lordship will be pleased to consider their services and allow the Officers and Non commissioned Officers such additional lands as the 84th Regiment has received and your memorialists as in Duty bound will pray.

(Signed) JOHN BUTLER, Lieut. Coll.

Peter Ten Brook, Andrew Bradt, Captains; Jacob Ball, Thos. Ball, Lieuts.

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[13] Extracts from the Minutes of Council.

Wednesday 22nd October, 1788.

His Lordship ordered to be read the 41st Article of his Majesty's Instructions in favour of the Corps, late of the 84th Regiment in Words following, Vizt.

And whereas upon raising and establishing the Corps—late 84th Regiment of foot—we did promise & declare that the Officers and Privates of the said Corps should when reduced be entitled to receive grants for certain allott-

ments of lands in proportion to their respective ranks therein, it is our will and pleasure that you do in manner as herein before directed, grant warrants of alottments and survey to such of the Officers and Privates of the said 84th Regiment of foot now reduced who shall be willing to settle and become inhabitants of our Province of Quebec and shall apply for the same for such quantities of land and they shall be respectively entitled to in consequence of our said promise and declaration contained in our Instructions to our Governor of New York & North Carolina, dated 13th April, 1775, that is to say

	Acres.
To Field Officers	5000
Captains	3000
Subalterns	2000
Non commd. Officers	200
Privates	50

[14] And that the surveys be made and grants for the same delivered to them respectively free of expence as herein before directed, provided, nevertheless that every commissioned and non-commissioned officer or private belonging to the said late 84th Regiment of foot who shall claim and apply for lands in our Province of Quebec as aforesaid shall declare upon oath that no land has been obtained by him in any of our other Provinces in America under our Royal Declaration as aforesaid.

The Opinion of the Board being desired by his Lordship the Council concurred with his Lordship in granting the prayer of the petition and memorial in favour of all such officers as have improved the lands already granted to them as reduced officers since the Peace of 1783.

And it is referred to the Surveyor General to make returns of the locations of the petitioners, and he is directed to give them certificates thereof under his hand as further testimonials of the faith of Government, for issuing the patents pursuant to his Majesty's Instructions if they shall apply for their several locations in the course on one year to be computed from the first Day of May next.

But it is to be understood that deductions are to be made of all such tracts as have been already granted to any of the objects of this Order that upon the whole they may receive equivalents with corps of the 84th Regiment.

(Signed) J. Williams.

[15] I inclosed you a copy of a late Report in Council on the business of surveys and in furtherance of that economy which out to be considered by all the Officers of the Crown & especially in our Department, in which the expenditures have been so considerable. I add that you will use your discretion in carrying your field work to no greater extent than will be necessary for your returning such a proportion as will enable the Surveyor General to issue out of it returns for specific quantities in future directed to be granted, & suffice for the patentees laying out his grant with competent certainty equal safety to himself & the Crown. It is under this idea that the actual survey of only one line along the water directed to be actually run from and to fixed boundaries except when a number of settlers ready to begin to work and in danger from their want of knowledge in surveys of commencing in concession may make it requisite to give the first concession a road, or rather the second concession a front line, with so much of the exterior side lines of the township & the breadth by the subdivisions of the concessions, as will guide those grantees in extending the side line of their own lots to the road in the Rear of that concession dividing it from the second as in the first one

grant will thus be made to connect with other prior in time there must be the due care to ascertain the two capitol stations for the breadth of the township and to blaze healthy trees for the purpose several of them should be distinguished by marks and their bearing and distances from the precise spot.

[16] A blaze through the rind and lettered cut into the wood by such an instrument as is used by coopers in marking casks I am told has been opened or boxed after 80 years and shewen the letters perfectly fresh & legible.

Quebec, 31st July, 1788.

Copy. Montreal, 10th September, 1788.

His Excellency Lord Dorchester has appointed the Reverend Mr. Steward, Niel McLean, James Clark, Richard Cartwright, Junior, Esqrs., and the Commanding Officer for the time being or three of these to compose a Board to examine into the loyalty and character of such persons as may come in and apply for lands in the District of Mecklenburg and authorizing them on being satisfied of worthiness of the person applying to give orders on the Deputy Surveyor of the District for a lot to each.

A similar Board consisting of Richard Duncan, John McDonald, Jeremiah French, Justice Sherwood, John Munro, Esqrs., has been established in Lunenburg in order to prevent impositions by the same persons obtaining lands in more places one these Boards have received directions to communicate to each other & to you the names of those they recommend and it is his Lordship's Wish you would desire the magistrate of Nassau to transmit to those Boards the names of those to whom land are given in their Districts by this means accompanying the several returns with each other any attempting to obtain more than one lot will be detected.

[17] (signed) THOMAS ASTON COFFIN.

Surveyor General Office, Quebec, 28th August, 1788.

Sir,—For your future Government I inclose you the plan of a town and township, approved by his Excellency Lord Dorchester in Council and ordered to be made use of in future. I am, with Regard, Sir, Your most obedient Servant,

JOHN COLLINS, D.S.G.

Philip Frey, Esqr.

Surveyor General's Office, 18th October, 1788.

Sir,—Lieutenant Chichester McDonell being entitled by the King's instructions to 500 Acres of land, you will please to lay out the same for him in such of the townships at Niagara, as he may wish to settle in and report the same on your plan to this office. I am, with Regard, Sir, Your most obedient Servant,

Philip Frey, Esqr.

JOHN COLLINS, D.S.G.

Niagara, 18th October, 1788.

Sir,—I am duly honoured with your favour of 31st July, accompanied with instructions from the Surveyor General's Office of 28th August with a plan of a town and township, 2ndly of 31st July inclosing a late Report of Council on the business of surveying as it is evident from the date of this last the Boards of Enquiry were not yet established, I presume that you [18] could now wish me to conform to the same Rules as laid down for the rest of the Deputies for admeasuring lots of lands for those, with whose char-

acters is satisfied; I enclose a Copy of Mr. Coffin's Letter to Lieut. Colonel Hunter of the 10th Sep. last from Montreal and am in daily expectation of receiving your further instructions to conduct conformable thereto, as a list for establishing a similar Board for the District of Nassau is transmitted to his Excellency Lord Dorchester by Lieut. Col. Hunter which is expected to be confirmed by the next vessel. My surveys you will observe are not yet extended so near to the Limits of Detroit as you expected, & the extent of the whole settlement in Lake Erie no further than Sugar Loaf Hills. I have taken care to carry on my surveys only in such Parts of the country where I found the people were taking up the lands and settling in a promiscuous manner, in order before they made any considerable improvements, to ascertain to each individual his exact boundaries without laying out a whole township for a few families and afterwards be at a loss from what fund to satisy my chain and axe men.

If I could be allowed for stationary I should be happy as my expenditures on that score are considerable being obliged to keep lists of names, the Lots they possess in the different townships, tickets for the numbers &c., registering, &c., &c. The expences in purchasing materials for that purpose have for the last year been upwards of ten pounds York Currency.

[19] You may rest assured, Sir, that I will at all times exert myself for the public good and endeavour as far as lays in my power to do my business with that rectitude as to prevent future dissentions among the present settlers or their successors.

Mr. Thomas Smith, a gentleman who has for some time acted as a Deputy Surveyor at Detroit, and who is still employed in laying out lands for some of the Loyalists there remonstrates the hardship of receiving no allowance from Government for that purpose so little to be done there. I employ my whole time to the furtherance of the settlement in this District if through your representation to his Excellency in Council some allowance could be made to that gentleman I make no Doubt of his cheerful services.

I have the honor to be, Sir, with the greatest Respect, your most obedient and humble Servant.

(signed) P. R. Frey, D. Surveyor.

John Collins, Esqr.

Niagara, 18th October, 1788.

Sir,—An abuse has crept into the Settlement which may still be remedied, which is: People taking up more than one lot upon the Lake or Rivers or other navigable streams, this entirely spoils the appearance of the Settlement and destroys the intention of having it as compact as may be, I should be glad to have your orders relative thereto by the first opportunity.

I have the honor to be Sir your most obedient & most humble Servant.

P. R. Frey, D. Surveyor.

John Collins, Esqr.

[20] Extracts from the Minutes of Council, Monday 29th Decr., 1788.

Neil McLean, Robert Hamilton, Nathaniel Pettitt, John Burch, John Warren, and Philip Stedman.

His Lordship informed the Council that Application had been made to him on various Grounds for further Grants of Lands by Messrs. "Neil McLean of

"Kingston in the District of Mecklenburg, Robert Hamilton, "Nathaniel Pettitt, John Burch, John Warren and Philip Sted- "man of Niagara, in the District of Nassau. His Lordship there- "fore proposed to the Council, that such Quantities be allotted to "them in Addition to their present Occupation as to put them "upon the whole in Possession of seven hundred acres each; Upon "which it was ordered that the Surveyor General report Surveys "accordingly of their several Locations."

(Signed) J. WILLIAMS.

Extract from the Minutes of Council, Monday 29th, Decr., 1788.

Widow Murray for lands at Niagara.

Ordered that the Surveyor General report a Survey of four hundred Acres, as located by the Petitioner, if in the Gift of the Crown and not Part of the lands reserved for public Uses.

(signed) J. WILLIAMS.

Quebec, 20th January, 1789.

[21] Sir,—I have before me your favour of the 18th October, accompanied by a plan of the settlement of Niagara, for which please accept of my thanks.

I am now to request that you send me a plan of all your Settlement as it is layed out, in townships upon a Scale of thirty eight chains to an inch which is the scale of all our new townships and please insert each proprietor's name in his lot that it may stand on record in our office. The plan you sent me was on too small a scale. I inclose you the Minutes of Council respecting Colonel Butler's Corps. Please send me a Return of such officers as come within the meaning of the said Order that I may give you directions for laying out their lands agreeable to the said Order. I have paid your drafts to Mr. Lester, £56.10 Sterling and gave him the full ballance of your accounts £62.12.6 currency, when you are employed charge 7s/6 currency per day, we have no such charge in our accounts as Army Pay. If Mr. Smith, the gentleman you mentioned at Detroit, can come down to this place he shall be appointed the Deputy Surveyor of that District, otherwise it cannot be done, as it is contrary to the Ordance of the Province. Please let him know it. I wish you health and am with great regard, Sir, Your most obedient Servant.

(signed) JOHN COLLINS.

[22] Philip Frey, Esqr.

Nassau 2nd May, 1789.

Sir,—I was duly honoured with your favour of 20th January last acknowledging the receipt of the 18th October, but am very sorry you found it to be laid down on too small a scale, as Captain Man offered me the conveyance I wished to make it as commodious for carriage as possible.

I am sorry that a want of proper paper prevents me from sending down a plan of the Settlement as it is laid out in townships by this conveyance. With respect to my insertion of each Proprietor's name in his Lot be pleased to allow me to observe that the change of property &ca is as yet so frequent that it would convey but a very uncertain acco't of each man's settlement, therefore could not be depended upon to stand on record &ca. I have not as yet been able to keep my Book of Locations one week without three or four alterations, which arise from the above recited reasons. The quan-

tity of lands now laid out is sufficient for all the settlers and all the families which are likely to come from the American States in the course of this Summer and with the advice of the Commanding Officer to whom I reported, and the Magistrates have stopt surveying, the people being allowed to roam about and choose situations in every respect suitable to them makes this Settlement very much scattered and it would employ ten surveyors to follow them in order to lay out their lands and unless a speedy stop is put to this the half of the land surveyed will remain unoccupied as they are so exceeding nice in their choice. A township has been laid out this Winter which was intended to be ready to compleat the additional quantity to reduced [23] officers. I am sorry, it is so much disliked that I believe none will choose their lands there. I inclose a list of those who come under the description you described in order to receive your commands thereon the place looked upon as eligible and were we all wish to take our additional quantity is near the Western Boundary Line at the Little Lake, head of Lake Ontario.

Our community is as yet divided in opinion with respect to the place most fit for their town and public buildings it seems to be the general opinion that it had better be voted for our township have as yet the names nor do I know what authority to apply to for that purpose but yourself. I could wish to have your directions respecting that matter, I should be happy to have your answer upon the subject of an allowance for stationary or if I may be permitted to ask fees for inspecting the Register to inform people of vacant land in order to make up for my expenditures on that score.

I am in hopes soon of getting some paper when I shall do myself the honour to transmit the plans you desire. I have the honour to be, Sir, with the greatest Respect and Esteem your most obedient Servant.

John Collins, Esqr.

[24] (signed) P. R. Frey, D. Surveyor.

Dear Sir,—Mr. McNiff, Deputy for the District of Hesse, is a very worthy man he is now on his way for that District he is a stranger in that country, I request it as a favour you will be pleased to assist him with your friendly advice in such matters wherein he may require it, in particular in communicating to him the plans and surveys of that district.

I am, with Great Regard, Dear Sir, Your most obedient Servant,

[25] (signed) John Collins.

Philip Frey, Esqr., D. P. Surveyor.

Surveyor General's Office, 20th June, 1789.

Sir,—I have before me your favor of the 2d May and received at the same time from Mr. Lester your two accounts stating the business you had done in the District of Nassau.

I immediately laid them before his Excellency Lord Dorchester for his approbation. His Lordship seemed much surprised and greatly dissatisfied with your account and report respecting the quantities of land you had given to several persons he knew nothing of and such as were not comprehended within the meaning of the Order in Council of the 22d October, 1788.

I am directed by his Lordship to request you to report by what authority you gave the lands mentionel in your account. His Lordship declared his disapprobation of the whole transaction, and would not permit that part of your account to go to the Committee of Council, but approved of the charge of seventy pounds two shillings and ten Pence which will be paid

with the other contingencies of government. I inclose for your future government a copy of Colonel Butler's memorial and the Order of Council thereon which you are directed strictly to comply with and by no means to grant Land to any person whatever without orders from the Surveyor or Deputy Surveyor General.

In giving out the lands to Colonel Butler and his Corps and in all other cases be careful not to interfere with any prior claims or locations [26] and return such places as are of public utility, vizt., landing places, carrying places and all such as are mentioned in the Regulations for the Land Office. I likewise enclose you the Order in Council for giving the following tracts to the several persons whose names are mentioned in the said order, vizt., Robert Hamilton, Nathaniel Petitte, John Burch, John Warren and Philip Stedman 700 acres each, for the Widow Murray 400 acres as located by the petitioner if in the gift of the Crown and no part of lands reserved for public uses.

You will please to observe the 13th Article of the Regulations for the Land Office, the Surveyor is to make use of no field works after laying out the first township, whenever he receives an order from the Board (he is from the Plan he has before him) to assign the petitioner a lot of 200 acres, the proprietor is to be at the expence of the survey himself so that no further charge is to be brought on the Crown.

Please to let me have the plans I formerly mentioned and report the surveys for the several persons mentioned in this letter with all convenient speed that I may record them in this office and send up the certificates accordingly. I shall write you fully in a few days an answer to several parts of your letter which remains unanswered. I am with great regard, Sir, your most obedient humble Servant.

(signed) JOHN COLLINS.

[27] Philip Frey, Esqr.

Nassau, July, 1789.

Sir,—In answer to the accusation of having taken upon myself the presumption of granting lands in this District without any kind of legal authority, permit me to give you a short detail of my proceedings since my arrival in this District.

In the Month of June, 1787, I began making a regular survey of this settlement by order of Major Campbell, Commandt. of Niagara. As the people who were in many places settled upon unreserved lands were chiefly disbanded troops I gave them after the survey of each township description tickets of the lands they had taken up by consent of the Magistracy, there being then no land Board instituted those tickets were merely to give the settlers the satisfaction of knowing the number of their Lots, and I ever held out to them that they were by no means to look upon them of any validity to the tenure of their lands, of this I kept a copy to prevent confusion.

Also frequently filed descriptions in my office before the survey was carried so far as to comprehend the more remote parts of the Settlement, of the lands then really in the occupation of persons authorized to take such quantities of lands by the Superintendents of Districts to prevent as much as possible any confusion till a regular survey of such particular spots [28] should take place.

Since the institution of the Board I have ever been cautious to examine the orders directed to me for lands that not one foot exceeding the quantities therein mentioned was located.

If in the above transactions or other any errors appears against me, I am sincerely sorry and hope his Excellency Lord Dorchester will be graciously pleased to pardon me for the offence.

I have had the honor of serving his Majesty in different capacities from the commencement to the close of the late war, this is the first accusation that has ever been brought against me & I hope will appear to be groundless. I beg the Honor to be, Sir, with the Most Profound Respect, Your most obed. Servant.

(signed) PHILIP FREY, D. Surveyor for Nassau.

Lt.-Coll. Harris, 60th Regt.,

[29] Commanding the Upper Post, &c., &c.

Quebec, 1st September, 1789.

Sir,—I have received your favour of the 10th August & thank you for the intelligence respecting Capt. Ford and Mr. McNiff. I think they have been very expeditious. I observe you take notice of an accusation brought against you by his Excellency Lord Dorchester. I can assure you, Sir, there was no such thing, the first knowledge his Lordship had of that affair was from your own account given in by myself, and I do assure you that it gives me pleasure that I happened to be present at the time it happened as it gave me an opportunity of mitigating the affair and reconciling his Lordship. In my letter of the 20th June I wrote you fully on this head, it has occasioned some reflection to be thrown on the Department in an additional Regulation for the Land Office. I think you will do well to charge your stationary in your next accounts. I shall attend the Board and support the charge. I enclose you a certificate for yourself and heartily wish you good Success with your Land. I am with Regard, Sir, Your most obedient Servant,

JOHN COLLINS, D.S.G.

[30] Philip R. Frey, Esquire.

Surveyor General Office, 7th Sept., 1789.

Sir,—I wrote you the 1st Inst. to which please refer. I enclose you for your government some additional regulations for the Land Office Department which came to hand this day the Account you sent me of £70.2.8 was short charged £10 which makes it £80.2.8 which sum I have paid your Attorney tho' the public accounts are not yet paid. Sir Thomas Mills having returned us back the Warrants drawn on him, and His Excellency the Governor having not drawn others to replace him but I imagine he will do it in a few days. I wish you health, and am with Regard, Sir, Your most obedient Servant,

JOHN COLLINS, D.S.G.

[31] Philip Frey, Esquire.

Niagara, Sept. 28th, 1789.

Sir,—I was duly honoured with your letter of the twentieth June mentioning His Excellency Lord Dorchester's dissatisfaction at my proceedings for which I am truly sorry. The account and charge for surveying lands for disbanded troops would never have been sent down had not the magistrates who compose the Board recommended this measure for a supposition that the disbanded troops here would meet with the same indulgence as

their brethren of the Lower Districts. Some time in the month of July last the commanding officer of tht Upper Posts ordered me to make a similar report to the one requested in your Letter of the above recited date, a copy of which I have the honor to enclose herewith.

I shall most implicitly obey the instructions sent me and avoid as much as lays in my power to give the least cause of offence or complaint.

The plans shall be transmitted as soon as I can possibly finish them. I have the Honor to be, Sir, With the greatest Respect, Your Most obedient Servt,

PHILIP R. FREY.

The honorable John Collins, Esquire.

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[32] Quebec, 5th November, 1789.

Dear Sir,—I am truly sorry to acquaint you that His Excellency Lord Dorchester declines accepting of any body named by you to do the business in your absence but says that if you go to the colonies he shall name a person, in which case it might be the loss of your place if you can possible dispense with it, I think you would do right to stay. Mr. Holland, son of the Surveyor General, is employed in the drawing Room at 5/—Sterling per day. He has applied to his Lordship for leave to go to England and received the same answer you have done. His Lordship repeated his wish to have the plans of your settlements sent down without loss of time. The Surveyor General is now with us, please correspond with him, he has been very ill but is much recovered. I am, with great Esteem, Dear Sir, Your most obedient Servant.

JOHN COLLINS.

[33] Philip Frey, Esquire.

SURVEYOR GENERAL'S OFFICE.

Quebec, 20th May, 1790.

Instructions to Mr. Philip Frey, Deputy Surveyor of the District of Nassau.

Sir,—His Excellency having been pleased to direct "that the Land "Board of Nassau employ the surveyor of their District with ten men to "survey and mark the front lines of Townships from the eastern boundary "of their district to Toronto and to carry the side line of each township one "mile well marked, at such time as may best fall in with their general "arrangement of the Summer business of their District if other more neces-"sary work will admit of it."

You are to proceed to the execution of these services at such time and agreeable to such instructions as the Land Board of your District may direct, reporting to this office protractions of the work when finished.

You are directed to keep a journal and field book, inserting whatever is observable for it's singularity and value towards the pubic utility, as water falls, minerals, quarries, the quantity of the land and timber, &c., &c.

And I am charged to apprize you that besides your return to me of a map and field book, you do also account for the time to be spent on it in [34] a journal to be kept for the purpose with such minuteness and certainty as will enable you to answer questions respecting the business, upon oath, if the same should be required.

There must be very strict attention paid to economy in the whole service and the hands dismissed as soon as they can be spared, and as the

accounts will all be subject to audit, you'l take care to furnish the documents that will be expected in justification of every article of charge. It is not, however, his Lordship's intention by any small savings to disappoint the useful end for which these surveys are commanded, but there must be a responsible discretion exercised in the expences, both of the time and the means.

And you are on receipt of these instructions to communicate the same to the Land Board of your District for their information and that they may be the better enabled to direct such further particulars as their local knowledge and experience may suggest. I am with Regard, Sir, Your most obedt. Servt.

(signed) JOHN COLLINS, D.S.G.

Approved by His Excellency Lord Dorchester
31st May, 1790.
(signed) HENRY MOTZ.

[35] Surveyor General's Office,
Quebec, 22nd February, 1791.

Sir,—I congratulate you on your appointment in our Department and herewith send you instructions for the business to be done in your District, the ensuing season, and to enable you to carry the same into execution. I enclose you Mr. Todd's Bill on Messrs. Hamilton & Cartwright for fifty pounds currency. I long since wrote Mr. Frey for a plan of your district on a scale of forty chains to an inch with the proprietor's names wrote on their several lots; and I am now to request the same of you to be sent down as soon as possible. I wish you health and am Your most obedient Servant.

(signed) JOHN COLLINS, D.S.G.

Augustus Jones, Esquire.

[36] INSTRUCTIONS.

Surveyor General's Office,
Quebec, 22d February, 1791.

Sir,—You are hereby directed to engage ten chain bearers and axe men on the most reasonable terms they can be had, not exceeding one shilling and sixpence currency per day each man, with an allowance of one shilling and threepence per day to yourself and party for provisions, or a ration of provisions from the King's store in lieu thereof, at your and their option.

And immediately proceed with all diligence to survey and mark a town plot for a county town of the District to be called Lenox on the west side of Niagara River at such place and according to such plan and dimensions as the Land Board of the said District may direct in conformity to the general Rules and Regulations.

And likewise to survey and mark the front lines of a row of townships from the Eastern Boundary of the District of Toronto, and to carry the side lines of each township back one mile well marked, which townships are to be designated on the charts, the first, adjoining the said Eastern Boundary by the name of Murray and the rest as they follow in proceeding Westerly in the order here mentioned, Vizt, Cramahe, Haldimand, Hamilton, Hope, Bristol, Norwich, Edinburg, Glasgow and Dublin.

[37] You are to commence and proceed in the execution of this work with all diligence, accuracy and fidelity in conformity to the general Rules and Regulations in all instances not otherwise specially directed.

You are to keep journals and field books, inserting therein whatever is observable for its singularity and value towards the public utility as water falls, minerals, quarries, the quality of the lands, timber, &ca., and likewise accounting for the time spent upon each service with such minuteness and certainty as will shew the work of each day, and enable you to answer questions upon oath in respect thereto, if the same shall be requisite, reporting all such journals and field books under your signature to this office after the completion of the work, together with the protractions thereof, both to me and the Land Board, of the District in which you have been remployed.

You are to pay a very strict attention to œconomy in the whole service and dismiss the hands as soon as they can be spared. And as the accounts will all be subject to audit, you'l take care to furnish the necessary documents in justification of every article of charge—observing nevertheless that it is not intended by any small savings to disappoint the useful ends for which these surveys are ordered, but that a responsible discretion be exercised in the expenditure, both of the time and the means.

You are to do no work in the nature of the subdivision of townships into lots except to such number and extent as the Land Board of the District shall from time to time in writing direct.

You are to communicate these instructions to the Land Board of Nassau
[38] and a copy thereof is to accompany the accounts hereafter to be rendered to obtain payment for the services you shall have performed. Wishing you Health, I am, with Regard, Sir, Your most obedient Servant,

SAML. HOLLAND, Surv.
JOHN COLLINS, D.S.G.

[39] Mr. Augustus Jones, D.P.S.

Account of expences for chain bearers and axe men, &ca., at surveying lands at Grand River for the Six Nation Indians:

	£	s.	d.
To James McCarty from 4th January to 28th, both days inclusive as ax man, 26 do at 4/	5	4	0
To Isaac McMichael do do chainbearer 26 ds. 4/	5	4	0
To Thomas Handling do do ax man, 26 ds. 4/	5	4	0
To Ebenezer Jones, do do chainbearer, 26 ds. 4/	5	4	0
To Stephen Secord for sleigh hire taking provision to Grand River	6	0	0
To Miner Bradt for ferriage	0	6	0
To John Dackstader for sleigh hire	0	10	0
To paid for marking irons for chain men	0	6	0
To an Oneida Indian for bringing baggage, etc., from Grand River to Niagara	0	10	0
Niagara, 29th January, 1791. N.Y. currency	28	8	0
To Thomas Handling from 3rd February to 29th March, both days inclusive, 55 days, d. 4/	11	0	0
To James Gage, do do axe man, 55 do do do	11	0	0
To Joseph Jones, do do chainbearer, 55 do do	11	0	0
To Jacob Lewis, from do to 31st March, both days inclusive, flag man, 57 days, 4/.	11	8	0
To James McCarty, from do to 10th March, ax man, 40 days 4/	7	4	0
To young Brant, from 11th to 31st March, 21 days	4	4	0
To William Oesterholt for sleigh hire in taking provision to Grand River	6	0	0
To Miner Bradt for ferriage	0	6	0
To Jacob Johnson, from 19th Feby. to 31st March, 40 days, 4/	8	0	0
	98	10	0

[40] Amount Brot. Over .....£
I do hereby certifiy this to be a just and true Account.

Surveyor General's Office, 10th June, 1791.

Sir,—His Excellency Lord Dorchester has been pleased to order one thousand acres of land to be laid out at Toronto for Mr. Rochblave; and for Captain Laforce and for Captain Bouchette seven hundred acres each, at the same place, which please to lay out accordingly and report the same to this office with all convenient speed. I am, Sir, Your most obt. Servt.

JOHN COLLINS, D.S.G.

[41] Mr. Augs. Jones, D.P.S.

Nassau, 29th June, 1791.

Sir,—I am honoured with yours of 22nd February last, informing me of my appointment to the office of Surveyor in this District, accompanied with instructions for my conduct in this business and covering a draft for fifty pounds, Quebec currency, on Hamilton and Cartwright, to enable me to carry on the same.

I would wish in the warmest terms to express my gratitude to you for your goodness in procuring me this appointment, believing however that the most effectual way to evince this will be my future attention, assiduity and industry; I will endeavour by these and by the strictest obedience to such orders as you may furnish me with to shew that I am not unworthy your future countenance or of the favor already conferred.

Since my appointment I have been busy in surveying the ground for the proposed town of Lenox. The Land Board now state the reasons that have induced them to change the place they had formerly proposed and to prefer the situation on the north of the intended works at Navy Hall to those on the south side.

How such an error could arise as 800 yards in the distance between the high ground at Navy Hall and the fixed line of the granted land, I cannot conceive, but such it is and leaves after the reservation of Government only 858 yards for the front of the town: The land behind also is by no means favourable, and in my opinion the Board and Settlement has made for a more eligible choice.

[42] A Plan of the proposed town accompanies the letter from the Land Board and will more fully explain every particular, as it is thought expedient to wait the consent of Government to this alteration, and as the lands are mostly covered with grain which in a month or two will be gathered in the Land Board have directed me to proceed on the surveys from the Eastern Boundary of the District and to defer laying out the town till my return, which I trust will meet your approbation.

Inclosed I herewith transmit an account of my time since my being first employed by the Board here on the departure of Mr. Frey, which I respectfully submit to your control. When not employed in actual Service I was constantly engaged by the Land Board in making plans of the different towns and in attending their meetings when granting certificates for lots in these. This is also accompanied by a state of the actual expences attending the survey of the lands reserved for the Indians on the Grand River as certified by the Board. You will observe the pay allowed the men on that party is higher than is to be given by the Regulations now received; when however, you consider the hardship of this service, undertaken in the middle of winter, and in a country where the men were obliged to carry a week or ten day's provision on their backs, and that these men were hired by the day as we could not ascertain the time necessary for the service, I trust you will not find this unreasonable. In future I hope to procure the hands on the terms you point out.

I have appointed Robert Lestor, Esqr., my Attorney in Quebec to settle my pecuniary business there. As the amount of these sums has been on the faith of the Board advanced by merchants here and as my own situation does not allow me lay long out of my pay I depend upon your kind interposition to have these audited with your first leisure.

I shall take the earliest opportunity in my power to extend for you a plan of this settlement on the scale you direct with the owner's names on each Lot, in the mean time I send you a plan of this settlement from scale of eighty chains to an inch which I hope will meet your approbation. Sir I am &c., &c.

AUGUSTUS JONES, D.P.S.

John Collins, Esqr., D. S. General, Quebec.

[44] Surveyor General's Department.

To Augustus Jones, Dr.

To Daniel Casidy for 18 days as Chain Bearer from 13th to 30th June, both days inclusive, at 2/9	2	9	6
To Stephen Wardell, do do	2	9	9
To Henry Hartly as Axe Man, 2/7	2	6	6
To James Everson do	2	6	6
To David Beaty do	2	6	6
To John Camp do	2	6	6
To Burgoyne Camp do	2	6	6
Halifax Currency	£15	11	6

The above Expences was incurred in surveying lands reserved by Government in order to ascertain the ground allowed for a County Town, amounting in all to sixteen pounds eleven shillings & six pence Hallifax currency.

[45] Saturday, 23rd July, 1791. At the Council Chamber in the Bishop's Palace.

Present,—His Excellency the Right honorable, Lord Dorchester, Govenor, the honourable Major General Clark, Lieut. Governor, William Smith, Esqr., Chief Justice; and the honorable Hugh Finlay, Thomas Dunn, Edward Harrison, John Collins, Adam Mabane, J. G. C. DeLery, George Pownall, Henry Caldwell, William Grant Francis Baby, Samuel Holland, Charles DeLanaudier, Esquires.

His Lordship observed that as soon as the business of settling the Loyalists and reduced troops on the waste lands of the Crown free of expence, should be brought to a conclusion, there could be no farther occasion for the employment of extraordinary Surveyors in the different parts of the Province at stated daily allowances and that it was reasonable to suppose that all claims to lands of the nature above mentioned were now nearly satisfied.

[46] Upon which it was ordered by his Lordship, with the advice of the Council; that all stated daily allowances now paid to Surveyors in different parts of the Province do cease at the close of the works which may be ordered for the next season and not later than the first Day of December, 1792.

Ordered likewise that all services hereafter to be performed in the Department of the Surveyor General be previously authorised upon annual Estimates of the expence to be brought forward by the Surveyor General's Office or approved by the Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being in Council.

Ordered that Copies of this Entry be transmitted by the Clerk to the Office of Surveyor General and to the respective Land Boards for the information and guidance of all persons concerned.

(signed) J. WILLIAMS, C.C.

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[47] Saturday, 30th July, 1791.

The Committee took up Mr. Jones's Account of Disbursements to Axe men, Chain Bearers, &c., amounting to, N. York Curry ....., £102. 0. 0
from which the Committee deduct for a Error in Calculation—
4 Days at 4/— ..... —.—.16

101. 4. 0

This Account being certified by the Members of the Land Board the Committee recommend the Payment, Sterling..... £56.18. 6

Then his Account of Service as Deputy provincial Surveyor from 28th November, 1789, to the 10th April, 1791. Currency... £149. 0. 9

Upon the first Article in this Account the Question arises: by what Authority Mr. Jones was employed? If by the Land Board or other Authority Proof thereof should Accompany the Account whether or not the Charge is admissable. 6.15. 0
The same on the second Article ..... £ 4.17. 6
The same on the third Article 31.17. 6
The same on the fourth Article 76.12. 0
The fifth Article—Vizt. for 463 Rations of Provisions at 1/3... 28.18. 9
[48] is inadmissable, the Deputy Surveyor General having informed the Committee, that provisions are not allowed to Deputy Provincial Surveyors except when actually employed.

The Committee therefore recommend that Mr. Lester who presented himself as Attorney to Mr. Jones be permitted to take a copy of this day's Minute of the Committee.

A true Extract. J. WILLIAMS.

Surveyor General's Office, 4th August, 1791

Sir,—I request you will immediately furnish me with a list of the reduced officers of Provincial corps in the District of Nassau, stating the corps he belonged to, the number of acres he is entitled to, the number he has received & the number still due to him.

I inclose you herewith the Minutes of Council of the 23rd July, 1791.
I am Sir, Your most obedient Servt.

JOHN COLLINS, D.S.G.

Mr. Augustus Jones.

[49] Paid Axe Men and Chain Bearers at surveying the course of the Lake, and running the front lines of eleven Townships, including that space from the Mouth of the River Trent to Toronto.

	£	s.	d.
To Stephen Wardell as chain bearer from 1st July, 1791, to 17th September, following, both days inclusive, 79 days, 2/9	10	17	3
To Henry Johnson, 79 do do do	10	17	3
To David Beaty, 79 days, axe man 2/7	10	4	1
To James Everson, 79 days, axe man, 2/7	10	4	1
To Billy (a Delaware) 79 days, axe man 2/7	10	4	1
To Henry Heartly, 79 days, axe man 2/7	10	4	1
To Burgoyne Camp, 79 days, flagman, 2/7	10	4	1
To William Abbott, 43 days from first Aug. to 17th Sept., 1791, both days inclusive, 2/7	6	4	0
To John McEwen for the use of his batteau to transport provision for the surveying party	2	16	3
Quebec Currency	£ 81	15	3

[50] Surveyor General's Office, Quebec, 9th October, 1791.

Sir,—I must request you to send me without loss of time your account of expences incurred in the Surveying Department for the last six months ending the 10th Inst. properly vouched, accompanied with a copy of your instructions received from this office as also what you may have received from the Land Board of your District, as I am now making out the public accounts, and should they not arrive in time to be laid before the Committee of Council now setting they will not be acted upon until the next six months. I am Sir, Your most obedt. Servt.

JOHN COLLINS, D.S.G.

Mr. Augustus Jones.

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[51] Surveyor General's Department.

To Augustus Jones, Dr.

	£	s.	d.
To Service from 13th to 30th June, both days inclusive, 18 days, 8/9	7	17	6
To actual service surveying the Course of the Lake and running the front lines of a row of Townships in that space from the Mouth of the River Trent (head of the Bay of Quinty) to Toronto from 1st July to 17th Sept. 1791, both days inclusive being 79 days, 8/9	34	11	3
To his salary from the 11th April, 1791 to the 10th October following, both days inclusive, being 86 days exclusive of 79 days on actual service at 4/	17	4	
To Francis Crooks for Stationery from 29th Nov., 1789 to the present Period	5	5	1¾
Hallifax Currency	64	17	10¾

Amounting in all to sixty-four pounds seventeen shillings & ten pence three farthings Halx. Curry.

[52] I do certify that the above amount is a just and true one.

Niagara, 16th November, 1791.

SIR,—I am honoured with your three letters of different dates with the enclosures & have been busy in making out the plans of the townships of this Settlement and completing a register of reduced Provincial troops being under the description you direct.

The death of my father and brother (which happened last Month) prevented me from making my returns to you so soon as I could have wished.

The plan which I mentioned to have sent I left with the Clerk of the Land Board when I was ordered by them out on actual survey, he was to have sent it first Opportunity that might offer, he falling sick it was neglected and I concluded it was gone down till I received yours; as the draft has been somewhat defaced, hope you will excuse the present appear-

ance as I had not time to make a new one. This I send with the plans of the different townships & with proprietors name inserted in his own lot which I hope will meet your approbation.

Inclosed is a charge of expences incurred in surveying the last six months with the vouchers both from the Land Board and the men who has been employed which I trust you will find right.

[53] I have compleated the survey from the Eastern Boundary of this District extending westerly two miles beyond Toronto, including the fronts of eleven townships agreeable to your regulations in that respect a plan thereof together with the field notes I will extend for you the earliest opportunity that may offer after this.

The Land Board ordered me to proceed in laying out the town lots in Lenox, for the accommodation of several persons who wish to build, when this is compleated I shall have the honour of laying before you.

New as yet in the Office, you have had the kindness to place me in I trust to your goodness to overlook any inaccuracies or omissions I may have been guilty of and I shall most thankfully receive any corrections or instructions you may be pleased to favour me with. With sincere Respect I am Sir, Your most obedt. & Humble Servant.

AUGUSTUS JONES, D.P.S.

John Collins, Esqr., D.S.G.

[54] Extracts from the Reports of the Committee for examining the public Accounts ending the 10th April and 10th October 1791 entered in the Minutes of Council of the 24th Decr., 1791.

Council Chamber, Saturday, 30th July, 1791.

At a Meeting of a Committee of the public Accounts for the six months ending the 10th April last, upon his Excellency Lord Dorchester's reference of an account of Augustus Jones, Deputy provincial Surveyor, in the District of Nassau.

Present,—Messrs. Dunn, Grant, Harrison, Baby, De Lery.

The Committee took up Mr. Jones's Account of Disbursements to axe men, chain bearers, &ca.

Amounting to New York Currency	£102.
From which the Committee deduct for an Error in calculation...	16
Remains New York Currency	£101. 4

This account being certified by the Members of the Land Board, the Committee recommend the payment

Sterling ..... £51.18.6.

[55] Then his account for services as Deputy Provincial Surveyor from the 28th November, 1789, to the 10th April, 1791

Currency £149. 0.9

Upon the first Article in this Account ..... £6.15.

The question arises by what authority Mr. Jones was employed if by the Land Board or other authority, proof thereof should accompany the account, to enable the Committee to determine whether or not the charge is inadmissable.

The same on the 2nd Article	£4.17.6
The same on the 3rd Article	31.17.6
The same on the fourth Article	76.12.

The same on the fifth Article 463 Rations of Provisions, at 1/3... 28.18.9 is inadmissable the Deputy Surveyor General having informed the Committee that provisions are not allowed to Deputy Provincial Surveyors except when actually employed.

The Committee therefore recommend that Mr. Lester, who presented himself as Attorney to Mr. Jones be permitted to take a copy of this days Minute of the Committee. Ordered that the Chairman report

THOMAS DUNN, Chairman.

[56] Monday, 19th December, 1791.

Augustus Jones for his Provincial pay and provisions for 97 days between 11th April, & 10th of October, during which time it appears by the certificates of the Land Board at Nassau of £20.17.7½ & £5.5.1¾.. £26. 2.9¼

Vizt for 97 days' extra pay	£14.16.5
For 97 rations, at 1/3	6. 1.3
Stationery for 29th November, 1789	5. 5.1
Allowed	£26. 2.9
Amount of the pay list of his party from 13th to 30th June last, being for the pay and provisions certified by the Land Board, allowed	£16.11.6
Amount of Ditto from 1st July to the 17th September last also "certified by the Land Board, allowed	81.15.2
	£124. 9.5

The Committee observe that the Comissary General's Abstract of Provisions, issued to Surveyors, it appears that between the 24th December, 1790, and the 24th April, 1791—542 rations were issued at Niagara for which they conclude Mr. Jones is accountable.

(signed) J. WILLIAMS.

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[57] Surveyor General's Office,

Quebec, 23rd Jany., 1792.

Sir,—I duly received your letter with the plans and accounts that accompanied it, for which please accept of my thanks, and I assure you that both your plans and accounts came in that regular manner that does you great honour, and gave me great satisfaction.

I beg that with all convenient speed you send me plans of your surveys made in the course of last Summer by order of my instructions of 22nd February, 1791. Colonel Simcoe the Governor of your Province is now with us. I have taken the liberty to recommend you to him in the manner I think you merit, and I cannot doubt but that you will be continued in your salary. I have received from Government on your account £165.2.9 Currency, of which sum I advanced you £50, and I have paid into the hands of Lester and Morrough, £115.2.9 Currency, which is the full amount of your account. I cannot say who will be your Surveyor General in future, should it be your humble servant, you may command my ready and best services. I am with Regard Sir Your most obedt. Servant.

JOHN COLLINS, D.S.G.

[58] Mr. Augustus Jones.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY ALURED CLARK, Esquire,

Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Canada & it's dependencies.

The Memorial of Augustus Jones, Deputy Provincial Surveyor for the District of Nassau.

HUMBLY sheweth:—

That your Memorialist was employed by the Land Board of Nassau to perform the duty of Provincial Deputy Surveyor for that District in the place of Philip Frey, who held that appointment, but who left the country on leave of absence and did not return.

Your Memorialist faithfully did his duty in this Office, from the 28th November, 1789; to the tenth April, 1791 inclusive, to the satisfaction of his employers, as will more particularly appear by the enclosed Certificate from them. For this he has never received any compensation or payment of account formerly transmitted a copy of which also accompanies this.

He therefore most humbly solicits your Excellency to direct the Committee of public Accounts to examine his claim and to afford him such relief as their Wisdom shall point, and your Memorialist as in Duty bound shall ever Pray.

Niagara, 25th Feby., 1792.

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[59] Nassau, 26th Feby., 1794.

Sir,—I am duly favoured with yours of the 23rd ulto., & think myself exceedingly happy in any degree to have merited your approbation; The commendations you bestow will I trust have the effect to make me exert myself to the utmost to deserve the continuation of your good opinion, I send herewith the plans of my surveys made last summer on the north side of Lake Ontario on a scale of 80 chains to an inch;—The field notes are too bulky to accompany this by express, but will send them per first opportunity in the Spring.

Since my last letter to you I have been busily employed, making a survey of the town of Lenox, but the weather setting in very severe, was obliged to stop proceeding in that business until a more favourable opportunity & when finished I shall have the honour of laying it before you.

I am truly sensible and very thankful for your kind attention to my pecuniary matters, and must take the liberty of soliciting your assistance in the recovery of my pay from the 28th November, 1789 to the 10th April, 1791, a Memorial on this subject I herewith transmit thro' Mr. Lester my Attorney to the Commander in chief accompanied by my account and the certificate of the Land Board, stating my appointment by them and my services.

I observe by a copy of the Minutes of the Committee of Quebec of the 19th December last, that they look on me accountable for 542 rations of [60] Provision issued at this place to the surveying party between the 24th Decr., 1790, and the 24th April, 1791, when employed in the survey of the Indian Lines on the Grand River will you have the goodness to state to them, that those provisions were issued to the people employed on actual service exclusive of the two shilling and six pence currency pr. day as this service was peculiarly hard at that inclement season of the year as stated by the certificate of the Land Board which accompanied that account.

If I am so fortunate as to retain my present place under the new Government I shall owe it entirely to your obliging recommendation for which

I shall be ever thankful & I shall doubly esteem my appointment should you be at the head of the Department. I have the honor to be Sir Your most obedient & very humble Servant.

AUGUSTUS JONES, D.P.S.

Honble. John Collins,
Dy. Surveyor Genl.,
Quebec.

[61] SURVEYOR GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT.

To Augustus Jones, Dr.

	£	s.	d.
To his actual service in surveying a Township line back of No. 5 from 22nd April to the 9th May, both days inclusive, 18 days, 7/6	6	15	0
To surveying part of Township Geneva on the North side of Lake of the same name from the 14th to the 26th May 1790 inclusive 13 days, 7/6	4	17	6
To surveying Indian Lands on Grand River from 4th January to 29th March, 1791, both days inclusive, 85 days	31	17	6
To his Salary allowed to Deputy Surveyors from 28th November, 1789, to the 10th April, 1791—383 days exclusive of the above services at 4/	76	12	0
Hallifax Currency	120	2	0

Amounting in all to one hundred and twenty Pounds two Shillings, Hallifax Currency.

I do certify that the above Account is a just and true one.
Sworn before men 26th Feby., 1792.

ROBERT KERR, J.P.

True Copy sent to Head Quarters.

[62] SURVEYOR GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT.

To Augustus Jones, Dr.

To Expences Incurred at surveying a county Town to be called Lenox.

To Daniel Cassida as chain bearer from 28th November to 22nd December both days inclusive, 25 days at 2/7	3	4	7
To John Camp do do	3	4	7
To John Swails do do	3	4	7
To Henry Hartly do do	3	4	7
To Mattice Chesister (?) do do	3	4	7
To John Cockle do do	3	4	7
To Andrew Templeton from 29th Nov. to 22nd Dec., as chain bearer	3	2	0
To Henry Chryster " " " " " "	3	2	0
To James Everson, 13 days as chain bearer	1	13	7
To John Morta, 10 days from 13th to 22nd Dec. inclusive as do	1	5	10
To John Coon, 8 days from 15 to 22nd Dec. inclusive do	1	0	8
To William Van Horn, 11 days from 21st March to the 10th April inclusive	1	8	5
To Burgoyne Camp " " " " " " "	1	8	5
To John Philips " " " " " " "	1	8	5
To John Rude " " " " " " "	1	8	5
To Henry Hartly " " " " " " "	1	8	5
	£ 36	13	8

[63] Amount brought forward	36	13	8
To John Coon for 9 days from 2nd to the 10th April, both days inclusive, 2/7	1	3	3
To Miner Bradt for ferriage of men and provisions	0	7	6
To John Cole for 11 days from 31st March to 10th April, 2/7	1	8	5
Hallifax Currency	£ 39	12	10

Amounting in all to thirty nine Pounds Twelve Shillings & Ten Pence Hallifax Currency.

I do attest that the above is a just and true Account.

AUGUSTUS JONES.

Sworn before me at Niagara, this 21st Day of April, 1792.

(signed) ROBERT KERR, J.P.

[64] Surveyor General's Department.

To Augustus Jones, Dr.

To his actual service in surveying a County Town to be called Lennox from 28th November to 22nd December, 1791, both days inclusive, being 25 days at 8/9	10	18	9
To his actual service in Do. from 31st March to 10th April, 1792, inclusive, 11 days, 8/9	4	16	3
To his salary from 11th October, 1791 to 10th April, 1792, being 147 days exclusive of 36 days upon actual service at 4/	29	18	0
To amount of stationary purchased of Hamilton & Crooks	3	5	7½
Hallifax Currency	£ 48	8	7½

Amount in all to forty-eight pounds eight shillings and seven pence half penny Hallifax Currency.

I do attest that the above is a just and true account.

A. JONES, D.P.S.

(signed) ROBERT KERR, J.P.

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[65] Nassau, 15th June, 1792.

Sir,—Inclosed is a charge of expences incurred at surveying of Lenox, &c., including the last six months amounting in all to eighty-six pounds, thirteen shillings and a half penny currency accompanied with the necessary vouchers which I trust you will find right, and must beg of your interest in settling the same.

A plan of the town of Lenox according to the survey I herewith transmit, it does not extend so far back as our former one proposed owing to Colonel Butler and some others who lives in rear of and refuse giving up their possessions in consequence of which the Land Board directed me (for the Present) to extend the survey only one mile back from the river bank a copy of which accompanies this. The field notes thereof as well as the survey on the north shore of the Lake I am now making out and will send by the first opportunity.

Your order of the 10th June, 1791 for land at Toronto in favour of Mr. Rochblave and others I only received the other day, and as the members of the Land Board think their power disolved by our Governor's late Proclamation relative to granting of lands in Upper Canada, they recommend it to me to postpone doing in respect of said order until I may receive some further instructions. I am your obt. Hl. Servant.

AUGUSTUS JONES, D.P.S.

Honble. John Collins, Esqr., D.S.G.
Quebec.

[66] Kingston, July 9th, 1792.

Sir,—It being necessary for the public service that an analysis should be made of a Salt Spring reported by the Deputy Surveyor General, to be near Niagara, His Excellency Lieutenant Governor Simcoe has directed Mr. McDonell to proceed immediately to analyse it's quality,—he will receive particular instructions for this purpose.

At the same time his Excellency thinks it proper for various reasons that a Deputy Surveyor should accompany him. I must therefore beg that you will immediately proceed with Mr. McDonnell to the object of this mission.

You will please to note down as particular as possible the nature of the soil and the country you pass through and any observations that may be serviceable to his Majesty's Government you will communicate in writing.

The mode of Conveyance must depend entirely upon you and in the hiring of boats, axe-men, &c., you must use the utmost economy.

You will repair to your customary duties as soon as this expedition shall be over and be ready to report to his Excellency so soon as he shall arrive at Niagara. I am Sir, Your obt. Humble Servt.

THOMAS TALBOT, Secretary.

To Mr. Jones, Depy. Surveyor,
Niagara.

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[67] Kingston, 22nd July, 1792.

Dear Sir,—Inclosed is my old application for the land on the carrying Place, which I send agreable to your desire. I need not attempt to explain it better as you know so well what I want. I wish if consistent that land 200 Acres, Mrs. Ferguson is entitled to might, be joined to it. If I cannot get a grant of the carrying Place will you be so good as to let me know what terms it may be had on. I have it in my power to settle the place immediately, had I any security for it. I am certain Mr. Hamilton will interest himself for me but I am loth to apply to him at present as in all probability has too much business to think of besides. Should it be asked how and where I served I'll mention the particulars.

The 24th June, 1774, I was appointed and acted as Barrack Master of ..... until 24th March, 1778, when I was ordered to Carleton Island, being also Commissary at that Post.

13th April, 1782, I was appointed Barrack Master of Ontario, where I remained until ordered to Cataraqui in September, 1783, and acted as Barrack Master for both posts until 24th June, 1785, when I was obliged to relinquish it, having more business in the commissary's Department than I could well manage with the other appointment, occasioned by the increase of Loyalists settling in this neighbourhood 25th February, 1778. My Father being then Commissary of Oswegatchie delivered the stores to me as he was unable to do the duty himself; He died 13th March following when I was [68] appointed his successor.

The 13th April, I was ordered to Carleton Island to assist Mr. McLean in the Transport Business; in Novr., 1778 I was again sent to Oswegatchie, where I remained Commissary of the Post until 24th June, 1782, when I was sent to Ontario to take charge there. From thence I was sent to this place 24th Sept., 1783, where I remained until a reformation took place in the Commissary Department & I was on the 24th June, 1787, served like a great many others sent about my business, without any provision after having spent my best days in his Majesty's service. You see I was also six years in the Commissary General's Office at Montreal (a Clerk) during which time my father was permitted to do my duty as Barrack Master. I'll write you again by next Opportunity. Your very Humble Servant,

[69] Mr. Augustus Jones. JOHN FERGUSON.

To his Excellency The Right Honourable Guy Lord Dorchester Captain General and Governor in Chief of the Colonies of Quebec, Nova Scotia

and New Brunswick and their Dependencies, Vice Admiral of the same, General and Commander in Chief of all his Majesty's Forces in the said Colonies & in the Island of Newfoundland, &c., &c., &c.

The Memorial of John Ferguson, late Assistant Commissary at Kingston.

Humbly sheweth:

That your Memorialist findeth by the Minutes of Council, dated the 22nd October, 1788, that your Lordship has been pleased to allow to officers reduced in the Province of Quebec the same probation of lands as officers of equal rank in the late 48th Regiment are entitled to.

That by his Majesty's Instructions to his Excellency Sir Frederick Haldimand, dated the 16th July, 1783, all reduced Staff Officers are allowed Lands in the same proportion as Subaltern Officers.

That your Memorialist having come under that description has received in the District of Mecklenburg six hundred acres of land.

That your Memorialist on the 25th July last applied to your Excellency through the Land Board at Kingston for the remaining fourteen hundred acres, and after twelve months was informed by the said Board, that the petition having been imperfect by your Memorialist not having pointed out the particular lot of Land he wished, was not attended to.

[70] Your Memorialist therefore humbly prays your Lordship will be pleased to allow him the same indulgence as the other officers reduced as above; and be pleased to grant to him the remaining fourteen hundred Acres of land between the westernmost stake of Ameliasburg in the head of the Bay of Quinty and a small Creek called *Dead Creek*, this Tract being commonly called the Carrying Place and your Memorialist as in duty bound will ever pray.

JOHN FERGUSON.

Kingston, 25th Sept., 1790.

[71] Niagara, 24th August, 1792.

Sir,—In Order that the Commandant of Niagara may be enabled to comply with the General Orders of the 12th May, 1787 he has directed me to beg from you a return from such observations as you have been able to make of the number of inhabitants in Nassau together with the quantity of land granted by the Board or otherwise.

The Commandant hopes it may be convenient to you that this return may be furnished as soon as possible in order to it's being transmitted to his Excellency at Head Quarters. I have the honour to be Sir, Your most obedient humble Servant.

D. W. SMITH,
Secy. to the Commandant.

Mr. Jones,
Surveyor for Nassau.

[72] SURVEYOR GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT, Dr.

To Augustus Jones, D.P.S., for the late District of Nassau.

	£	s.	d.
To actual service from 11th April to 10th October, 1792, both days inclusive, being 183 days at 8/9	80	1	3
To Amount of his stationary in the above period as Pr. Receipts of Crooks & Co	3	5	3½
Hallifax Currency	83	6	6½

	£	s.	d.
Amounting in all to eighty three pounds, six shillings and sixpence half penny.			
Augustus Jones, D. P. S.			
To expenses of chain and axe men of 27th Oct., 1792	82	16	3
" " " " " "	20	0	0
	186	2	9½
Received in part payment of D. W. Smith Surveyor General the sum of one hundred pounds currency	100	0	0
Due Currency	86	2	9½

|73| Navy Hall, Sept. 4th, 1792.

Sir,—You are hereby directed to engage ten chain-bearers and axe men on the most reasonable terms they can be had, not exceeding if possible, one shilling and six pence Per day Currency, each man with an allowance of one shilling and three pence per day to yourself and party for provisions.

And immediately proceed with all diligence to survey and mark a boundary line, commencing at the outlet of Burlington Bay, thence a north course 45d— to the westward until you strike the Heads or Sources of the River La Tranche now the Thames; however after having proceeded on your said line as far as you may conceive the distance ought to fall on the said Sources, and not having met with them, you will branch off from said boundary line with such Offsets as may compleat a semicircle with four or five radi till you meet the heads of the said River La Tranche, now Thames; which you will ascertain by following the said sources or waters till you are well assured you have hit the said River, after which you will return to Niagara, having regard in other matters, minutes and journals to the general and existing instructions which you may heretofore from the Surveyor General's Office.

THOMAS TALBOT, Secretary.

Mr. A. Jones, D.S.

[74] Expences incurred for a surveying Party in running a Line from Burlington Bay to the River Thames.

	£	s.	d.
To Joseph Hulett for 50 Days Service as Chain bearer from 6th September to 25th October inclusive at 3/1½ Per Dm	7	16	3
To Cornelius Wardell, 50 days do do	7	16	3
To William Chrysler, 50 do do	7	16	3
To Henry Gray, 50 do do	7	16	3
To Henry Hartly, 50 do do	7	16	3
To Andrew English for six Days Service in transporting Provisions from Niagara to Burlington Bay from 6th to the 11th Sept. inclusive at 3/1½	0	18	9
To John George for 11 days do in September, 3/1½	1	14	4½
To Thomas Wilson " do do	1	14	4½
To John Peter for 42 days do from 14th September to 25th October inclusive, 3/1½	6	11	3
To Jacob Johnson for 42 days do 3/1½	6	11	3
To Nicholas a Achquaga Indian, do	6	11	3
To John Dahiax 42 days do	6	11	3
To William Hesse, for 11 days service from 14th to 24th September, 3/1½	1	14	4½
To Henry, a Cayeuga Indian, 11 days do	1	14	4½
To Peter a Mohawk, 31 days from 25th September to 25 October inclusive	4	16	10½
To Jacob, a Mohawk, 31 days do	4	16	10½
	£82	16	3

[74] *Circular.* Niagara, 26th Octr,. 1792.

Sir,—I am directed by his Excellency Governor Simcoe to beg you will tansmit to me for his Excellency's Information a Return of the several Mill Streams within the Home District, formerly the District of Nassau, remarking their situations and local advantages, or the contrary, whether occupied and by whom, on what condition, authority and tenure, since what period, and if for any limited time, together with all other circumstances relative thereto. I have the honor to be, Sir, Your most obedient Servant,

D. W. Smith, Surveyor General.

Mr. Jones, D.P.S. &c.

[76] Expences incurred in going to the River Ouse to analise Salt Springs, and from thence to Toronto on public Business.

	£	s.	d.
To Peter Hamer for 16 days service from 25th July to the 9th August, 1792 both days inclusive, at 3/9	3	0	0
To James Swallow for 16 do do	3	0	0
To Francis Branch for 16 do do	3	0	0
To Henry Frederick for 16 do do	3	0	0
To Donald McDonald for 16 do do	3	0	0
To Henry Hartly for 16 do do	3	0	0
To two Delaware Indians going with Mr. Angus McDonnell to shew a mineral spring	0	10	0
To two Missisaga going as Batteau Men from Burlington to Toronto	1	10	0
Hallifax Currency	£20	0	0

amounting in all to twenty pounds, Hallifax Currency.

I do certify that the above is a just and true account.

Augustus Jones, D.P.S.

Sworn before me at Niagara, this 27th
Day of October, 1792.

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[77] (Copy). Niagara, 28th October, 1792.

Sir,—The enclosed Petition, No. 64, being referred by the Governor in Council to the Surveying Department, I beg you will afford me such information relative thereto as you may be able to procure & return the petition with your Report. I have the Honour to be, Sir, Your very humble Servant

Mr. Jones, D.S., &c. D. W. Smith.

Received from Augustus Jones on account four hundred dollars in hard money.

Newark, Oct. 29th, 1792.

£160—York. R. Hamilton.

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[78] Newark, 6th November, 1792.

Sir,—I am favoured with yours of the 22nd July last, stating your different appointments in his Majesty's Service during the late war, which I took the earliest opportunity to communicate to his Excellency Governor Simcoe for his approbation but he would not allow those services entitled you to lands as a subaltern or commissioned officer, but he was pleased to direct me to inform you that the lands you wished to have at the Carrying

Place, Head of the Bay of Quinty, are to be reserved for public use but may be given you for a certain term of years, by writing your proposals to our Receiver General who will contract with you for the same.

Your being absent from home prevented me from Writing you sooner. I am yours, &c., &c.

A. JONES, D. Surveyor.

Mr. John Ferguson,
Kingston.

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[79] Statement of the Mills in the District of Nassau specifying by whom erected, by what authority and in what year, &c., &c.—

(1) A Saw and Grist Mill near the falls at Niagara on the West Side of the River Saint Lawrence in the Township of No. 2, on Lot No. 174, by John Burch, Esqr., in the year 1786, by Permission of Major Campbell, then Commandant at Niagara. Mr. Burch says that he was bound in the Sum of two hundred Pounds Currency to build in the Term of two Years from that Date, but no other Conditions named, only supposed to be held on the same Terms the Mills were in Lower Canada.

(2) A Saw and Grist Mill on a Creek called the 12 Mile Creek, the Township No. 3 & on Lot No. 23 in the 10th Concession by Duncan Murray, Esquire, in the year 1786, but he dying before they were compleated they were transmitted to Robert Hamilton, Esqr., who finished them in the year following by Permission as the other.

(3) A Saw Mill on a Creek called the Forty Mile Creek in the Township No. 6, Lot No. 11, 3rd Concession, by John Green, in the year 1788, with-
[80] out Permission, the lands were granted him as only fit for husbandry.

(4) A Grist Mill on the aforesaid Creek by Lot No. 10 in the 1st Concession in the year 1789 by John Green, the Lands were granted to Nathaniel Petit, Esqr., as only fit for Husbandry; but he sold them to the said Mr. Green as a Mill Scite, who erected a Mill thereon.

(5) A Grist Mill on a Creek called the four Mile in the Township No. 1, on Lot No. 2, in the 4th Concession, in the year of 1789, by Peter Secord, Senior, on the verbal Promise made him by Lord Dorchester at the House of the late Major Tice in Presence of Mr. Burch & others.

(6) A Saw Mill on a Creek called the 15 Mile in Township No. 3, Lot No. 9 in 10th Concession by Street and Butler in 1789, now transferred to Colonel Butler.

(7) A Saw and Grist Mill on a Creek called the 30 Mile in Township No. 5, Lot No. 22, in the 4th Concession in 1790 by William Kitchen, the Lands were granted to him as only fit for husbandry.

(8) A Saw Mill on black Creek about seven Miles back of Fort Erie, in the year 1791, by Philip Stedman, Senr.

(9) A Grist Mill on a Branch of a Creek called the 12 Mile in Township No. 10, lot No. 5, 4th Concession, in the year 1791, by David Secord, the Lands were granted him as only fit for husbandry.

[81] (10) A Grist Mill on a Creek called the Four Mile near the King's Mills, in the year 1791, by Daniel Servos, on ungranted Lands.

(11) A Saw Mill on a Creek called the Four Mile, by David Secord, in the Year 1791.

(12) A Saw Mill on a Small Creek called the Muddy Run, near the Whirl Pool in Township No. 2, in the year 1791, by John Donaldson.

(13) A Saw Mill on one of the Branches of the twelve Mile Creek, in Township No. 9, Lot No. 23, in 8th Concession, in the year 1792, by Benjamin Canby, the lands were granted to him as only fit for Husbandry.

(14) A Saw Mill now erecting on one of the Branches of a Creek called the twelve Mile in Township No. 9, Lot 16, in 5th Concession, by John Deloow, the lands were granted to him as only fit for Husbandry.

(15) A Grist Mill now erecting near Fort Erie on the West Shore of the River Saint Lawrence at the Rapids (on a Lot of John Gardener's), by William Dunbar.

(16) A Saw Mill now erecting on a Creek called the forty Mile in Township No. 6, Lot No. 10, in the 2nd Concession, on Lands granted to the late deceased Henry Nellis as only fit for Husbandry, now building by his [82] Sons, Robert and William Nellis.

(17) A Saw Mill on a Creek called the four Mile in Township No. 1, Lot No. 89, in 4th Concession, in 1792, by Sampson Lutes.

(18) A Grist Mill on a Creek near the Sugar loaf Hills, Lake Erie, by Christian Savitz, unsurveyed.

(19) A Saw and Grist Mill on a Creek that empties into the Head of Burlington Bay near the Road leading from said Bay to the Mohawk's Village, by Bazely & Willson in 1791.

(20) A Mill Scite on a Creek called Smith's Creek on the North Shore of Lake Ontario in Township Hesse, Lot No. 6, in front at the Head of a small Pond.

A. JONES, D.S.

Newark, 7th Novr., 1792.

D. W. Smith,

Surveyor General.

[83] Newark, 12th Novr., 1792.

Sir,—With regard to the Memorial of Frederick Gerghen of the 25th September last, addressed to his Excellency Lieut. Governor Simcoe, stating his local Situation on a Point of Land between Chippewa Creek & Fort Erie. I beg leave to observe that in the year 1788 I had Instructions to make a regular Survey of that Part of the Settlement, as there had not been any before,—excepting a few front Lots which had been posted off without running the regular front Concessions. Accordingly, I began my Operations from a fixed Boundary one Mile below Fort Erie, being immediately below the Ground originally reserved for public Uses and continued paralel with the division line of said Reserve to No. 10, where the River makes a turn to the Westward. The Settlers below this had settled, and after measuring off the customary Width of a Lot had fixed arbitrary Division Lines between each other, not considering how the Side lines would intersect at right Angles in Order to make it agreeable to their Possessions or Clearings, as will more fully appear by the Plan hereunto annexed.
[84] The said Berghen stated his Case to the Members of the Land Board sometime last Fall at Fort Erie; They to make up for his Deficiency of Lands in Front gave him Lot No. 10 in the second Concession, with which he, the said Berghen, declared himself satisfyed.

D. W. Smith, I am, &c.,

A. S. Gl. (signed) A. Jones, D.P.S.

DISTRICT OF NASSAU

Register of the Lots in the Townships of that Distrtct

Book No. 3

This Book received from Mr. Richard Hatt—August 5th, 1795.

p. MR. SECRETARY RIDOUT.
D. W. SMITH, Actg. Sur. Genl.

Witness,
Thos. Ridout.

TOWNSHIP No. 1.

1st Concession, Lot No. 1, Daniel Rose; 2, Elijah Phelps; 3, Samuel Street; 4, ditto; 5, ditto; 6, Elijah Phelps; 7, John Chisholm; 8, Peter Miller; 9, Charles Depew; 10, James Durham; 11, Gregor Van Every; 12, Joseph Robertson; 13, Jhn. Comfort; 14, Michael Showers; 15, Gilbert Fields; 16, Wm. Baker; 17, R. Wilkinson; 18, Nathen Fields; 19, Philip R. Frey, entered, then struck out; 20, R. M. Guthrie; 21, ditto; 22, John Macdonald; 23, ditto.

2nd Concession, Lot No. 1, John Lerg; 2, Jam. Street; 3, ditto; 4, David Secord; 5, ditto; 6, Elijah Phelps; 7, blank; 8, Peter Miller; 9, Charles Depew; 10, James Durham; 11, 12 & 13, blank; 14, Michael Showers; 15, blank; 16, Wm. Baker; 17, R. Wilkinson; 18, Nn. Fields; 19, blank; 20, R. M. Guthrie; 21, ditto; 22 & 23, Mrs. Freels.

3rd Concession, Lot No. 1, John Lerg; 2, Stephen Secord; 3, ditto; 4, David Secord; 5, Phillip Frey; 6, Stephen Secord; 7, ditto; 8, Adam Chrysler; 9, Solomon Quiet; 10, Aaron Stevens; 11, ditto; 12, Peter Clow; 13, ditto; 14, ditto; 15, James Clement; 16, David Beatty; 17, blank; 18, David Beatty; 19, Robert Lottridge; 20, James Hennesy; 21, ditto; 22, Capt. Hare; 23, ditto.

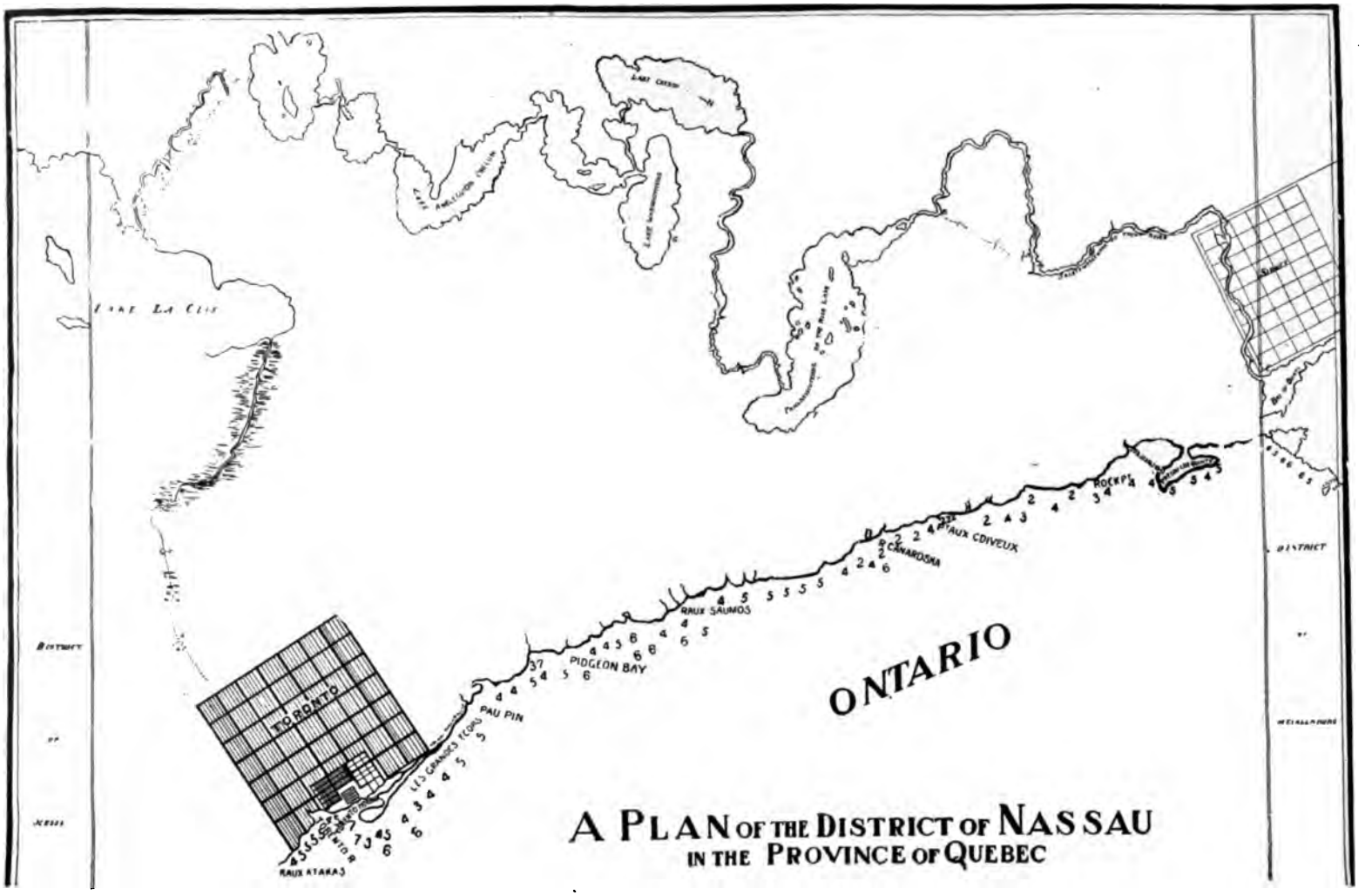
4th Concession, Lots 1, 2 & 3, Peter Secord; 4 & 5, Saml. Lutes; 6, Adam Chrysler; 7, blank; 8, John Chrysler; 9, John Brown; 10, Adam Chrysler; 11, 12 & 13, blank; 14, Jas. Clement; 15, Clement & Coon; 16, John Coon; 17, John Casselman, ½ to Sam Van Every; 18, Danl. Cassidy; 19, blank; 20 & 21, Aaron Bradt; 22, Ryer Bradt; 23, Jasper Cosus.

5th Concession, Lots No. 1, 2 & 3, Peter Secord, Senr.; 4 & 5, Samson Lutes; 7, 8, 9, Adam Chrysler; 10 & 11, John Clement; 12 & 13, Joseph Clement; 14, James Clement; 15, Clement & Coon; 16, John Coon; 17, John Casselman, ½ to Sam Van Every; 18, Danl. Cassidy; 19, Barnas. Cain; 20, Barnrd. Frey; 21, Jacob Sparbuck; 22, Barnas. Cain; 23, George Laurence.

6th Concession, Lots No. 1 & 2, Christian Wanner; 3, 4, blank; 5, 6 & 7, Joseph Page; 8, Adam Chrysler; 9, blank; 10, 11, 12 & 13, Glebe; 14, 15 & 16, blank; 17 & 18 Adam Vroman; 19, Robert Conclin; 20, Bard. Frey; 21, ditto; 22, George Cauchett; 23, blank.

7th Concession, Lot No. 1, Edward Horten; 2 & 3, Christian Wanner; 4, John Collard; 5, Elijah Collard; 6, 7 & 8, Conns. Lambart; 9, 10 & 11, blank; 12, 13 & 14-13, 14 Edwd. Hains; 15, 16 & 17,-15, 16, Jo. Hains; 18, John Toung, Junr., 19 & 20, John Boyce; 21, Henry Harris; 22, John Springer; 23, Adam Vroman.

8th Concession, Lot No. 1, David V. Every; 2 & 3, Peter Lampman; 4, Elijah Collard; 5 & 6, Fran. Goring; 7, blank; 8 & 9, Elijah Collard; 10,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A PLAN OF THE DISTRICT OF NASSAU
IN THE PROVINCE OF QUEBEC

John Collard; blank to 19; 19 & 20, Jacob V. Alstyne; 20, 19, Hermans V. Alstyne; 21, Sopinus Van Alstyne; 22 & 23, William Vanderlip.

Record of a Piece of Ground laying between the Base line of Mount Dorchester Township and the river above the falls of Niagara and extending also partly up the Chippewa of which the persons whose Names are inserted in their respective lots, were in possession in the year 1785, 6 & 7.

TOWNSHIP No. 2.

1st Concession, Lots No. 1 & 2, blank; 3 & 4, Phillip Bender; 5, Thos. Spencer; 6 & 7, Wm. Brown; 8, John Donaldson; 9, Elias Anderson; 10, Joseph Jenne; 11, 12, 13, 14 & 15, blank; 16, Jacob Kilmon; 17 & 18, blank; 19, James Parks; 20, John Thompson; 21, Peter Thompson; 22, Archd. Thompson; 23, Thomas McMickon.

2nd Concession, Lots No. 1, 2 & 3, James Ramsay; 4, Wm. Skinner; 5 & 6, Timothy Skinner; 7, Frans. Elsworth; 8 & 9, James Forsyth; 10 & 11, Phillip Bender; 12, Jesse Millard; 13, Josiah Millard; 14, Benjn. Doyle; 15, Wm. Oslar; 16 & 17, Robert Spencer; 18, Jacob Nowman; 19, 20 & 21, Peter Bowman; 22, Gilbert Tice; 23, Arch. Thompson.

1st Concession, Lots No. 1, 2 & 3, blank; 4, Oldsfield; 5, Baily; 6, 7 & 8, Wm. Skinner; 9, F. Elsworth; 10 & 11, Jas. Forsyth; 12, Thos. Millard; 13, John Frelick; 14, Jams. Haztep; 16 & 17, John Riley; 18, Jacob Kilman; 19, John Muckel; 20, Jacob Bowman; 21, John Burch; 22 & 23, Gilbert Tice.

2nd Concession, Lot No. 1, Oldfield; 2 & 3, Baily; 4 & 5, H. Skinner; 6, 7 & 8, Benjn. Skinner; 9, Noah Cook; 10 & 11, Robert Cook; blank to 17; 17 & 18, Bernard Frey; 19, Peter McMicken; 21 & 22, G. Tice; 23, Phillip Frey.

1st Concession, Lot No. 1, John McDonald; 2, blank; 3, Chris. Jacobs; 4 & 5, blank; 6 & 7, John McEwein; 8, John Thompson; 9, William Divher; 10, Ecringham; 11 & 12, Stunhoff; 13 & 14, Chris. McDonald; 15 & 16, Joseph Hazlep; 17, James Hazlep; 18, John Hazlep; 19, Peter Misener; 21 & 21, . . . Hazlep; 22 & 23, blank.

Chippewa, S. Side; Nathan Fowler the lot between Mr. Lyons & Thomas Cummings.

Concession 4, Lot 14, Jacob Kilmon; 1, ditto; 74 & 68, Philp Kilmon; 75 & 69, Jacob Kilmon.

TOWNSHIP No. 3.

1st Concession, Lot No. 1, Stufle Berlinger; 2, Collin McNabb; 3, ditto; 4, ditto; 5, 6 & 7, blank; 8, W. B. Sheehan; 9, blank; 10, Andrew Butler; 11 & 12, Jos. Jones & Wm. Hudkison; 13, Joel Austen; 14, Darby & Austen; 15, Benjamin Pawling; 16, 17 & 18, ditto; 19, Adam Bowman; 20, ditto; 21, Capt. Tinbrook; 22, ditto; 23, ditto.

2nd Concession, Lot No. 1, blank; 2, Collin McNabb; 3 & 4, ditto; 5, 6 & 7, blank; 8, W. B. Sheehan; 9, blank; 10 & 11, Wm. Harkison; 12, James Jones; 13, Fredk. Seran or Scran, Jr.; 14, Jno. Seran, Senr.; 15, Abram Seran; 16, ditto; 17, blank; 18, Henry Bowman; 19, Wm. May; 21, ditto; 21, Peter May; 22, Capt. Tinbrook; 23, ditto.

3rd Concession, Lot No. 1, blank; 2, Collin McNabb; 3 & 4, ditto; 5, 6 & 7, blank; 8, John McNabb; 9 & 10, blank; 11, Stephen Filcher; 12, blank; 13, John Seran; 14 & 15, Geo. Darby; 16, John Seram; blank to 21; 21, Capt. Tinbrook; 22 & 23, ditto.

4th Concession, Lots No. 1 & 2, Jacob V. Alstyne; 3, 4 & 5, blank; 6, Fredk. Scran, Jur.; 7, blank; 8, Fredk. Scram, Jur.; 9 & 10, blank; 11, Stephen Filcher; 12, William Price; 13, John Price; 14, William Price; 15, blank; 16, John Scram; blank to 23; 23, Isaac Valk.

5th Concession, Lots No. 1, 2 & 3, blank; 4 & 5, Edward McMichael; 6, William Man; 7 & 8, ditto; 9, William Man; 10, ditto; 11, 12 & 13, blank; 14, Two Sisters to Price; remaining lots blank.

6th Concession, Lot No. 1, blank; 2, Joseph Hanes; 3, 4 & 5, ditto; 6, 7 & 8, John Reade; 9, blank; 10, William Havens, Junr.; 11 & 12, blank; 13 & 14, Black Dick; 15, Frederick Smith; 16, ditto; remaining lots blank.

7th Concession, Lot No. 1, blank; 2, Richd. Harris; 3, Job Brown; 4, Joseph Hanes; 5 & 6, John Reade; 7, Geo. Read; 8, 9 & 10, blank; 11, William Havens, Junr.; 12, 13, 14 & 15, blank; 16, A. Clendenen; 17, ditto; remaining lots blank.

8th Concession, Lot No. 1, F. Goring; 2, Richard Harris; 3, Job Brown; 4, Abr. Dufries; 5, John Reade; blank to 12; 12, Robt. Bessey; blank to 19; 19, Thomas Howe; 20, Js. Gould; 21, John Turney; 22 & 23, ditto.

9th Concession, Lots No. 1 & 2, blank; 3 & 4, John Shaver,—sold to Adam Hutt; 5, Peter Hance; blank to 12; 12, Philip Shaver; 13, blank; 14, John Harris; 15, blank; 16, Joseph Haines; 17, ditto; 18, Pr. Marcerlas; 19, Js. Gould; 20, John Harrie; 21, John Turney; 22 & 23, ditto.

10th Concession, Lot No. 1, Pr. Lampman; 2, ditto; 3, Jam Acre; 4, ditto; 5, Jo. Stephen's say Peter Hand; 6, Lt. Jacob Ball & P. Ball; 7 to 17 inclusive, Ball; 18, John Turny; 19, George Turney; 20, William Dickson; 21, do; 22, Mill, R. N.; 23, ditto.

Township No. 4.

1st Concession, Lots No. 1, 2 & 3, Captain Ten Broeck; 4, Jesse Pawling; 5 & 6, ditto; 7, F. Seram; 8, ditto; 9, ditto; 10, Benony Crum; 11, Jacob Walker; 12, Eden Beeby; 13, Eden Beeby; 14, Valentine Scram; 15, Chrisr. Price; 16, Wido Isabeth Murray; 17, Widow Hare; 18, Pond, Widow Hare to the Point at the Pond in Lue of 50 acres; 19, ditto; 20, ditto; 21, Col. Butler; 22 & 23, ditto.

2nd Concession, Lots No. 1, 2 & 3, Captain Ten Broeck; 4, Jesse Pawling; 5 & 6, ditto; 7, Scram; 8, ditto; 9, B. Scram; 10, B. Crum; 11, Jacob Walker; 12, Eden Beeby; 13, William Hare; 14, Scram; 15, Price; 16, Widow Murray; 17, Widow Hare; 18, Pond; 19, ditto; 20, Pond; 21, Col. Butler; 22 & 23, ditto.

3rd Concession, Lots No. 1 & 2, Capt. Ten Broeck; 3, Jonathan Matties; 4, Walter Clendennin; 5, H. Haines; 6, Philip Gregory; 7, P. Gregory; 8, P. Gregory; 9, ditto; 10, Storm Valk; 11, Walker; 12 & 13, Walker; 14, Wm. Hare; 15, Price; 16, Wm. Hare; 17, ditto; 18, 19 & 20, blank; 21, Colonel Butler; 22 & 23, ditto.

4th Concession, Lots No. 1, Dick Haines; 2, ditto; 3, John Cole; 4, Henry Beemer; 5, Philip Beemer; 6, Philip Gregory; 7, Christian Bradt; 8, P. Gregory; 9, Adrian Bradt; 10, Storm Valk; 11, Commons; 12, ditto; 13, J. Walker; 14, J. Walker; 15, W. Hare; 16, Wid. Hare; 17, ditto; 18, Col. Butler; 19, 20, 21 & 22, ditto; 23, ditto Slingerland.

5th Concession, Lot No. 1, Saml. Smith; 2, Philip Smith; 3, Joseph Smith; 4, Vacant; 5, ditto;

6, Robt. Smith;
7, Chris. Bradt;
8, P. Gregory;
9, Adn. Bradt;

} Entered for Smith in March, '88.

10, S. Valk; 11, Common; 12, ditto; 13, Walker; 14, John Cole; 15, William Hare; 16, Wid Hare; 17, Wid Hare; remaining lots blank.

6th Concession, Lot No. 1, R. Hamilton; 2, blank; 3, John Cole; blank to 8; 8, Ruloff Segar; 9, 10 & 11, ditto; 12, Common; 13, Philip Frey; 14, ditto; promised; 15, Jesse Pawling; 16, Michael Crantz; 17, do; 18, Magaret Hare; 19 & 20, ditto; remaining lots blank.

7th Concession, Lot No. 1, R. Hamilton; 2, 3 & 4, blank; 5, J. Stoner; 6, 7 & 8, blank; 9, Ebenezer Colver; 10, ditto; 11, Philip Beemer; 12, ditto; 13, Ebenezer Colver; 14, blank; 15 & 16, Jesse Pawling; 17, Margeret Hare; 18, 19 & 20, ditto; 21, Jonas Carrol; 22 & 23, ditto.

8th Concession, Lots No. 1 & 2, blank; 3, John Brown; 4, blank; 5, J. Stoner; 6, Benjn. Fraelick; 7 & 8, ditto; 9, Philip B. Frey; 10, ditto; 11 & 12, Henry Beemer; 13, Christian Beemer; 14, ditto; 15, Philip Stedman, Sen.; 16 & 17, ditto, ditto; 18, ditto, P. Frey; 19, Piere Muhette Fortier; 20, 21, 22 & 23, ditto.

Township No. 5.

Concession 1, Lot, Lake 1, Peter Hare, Ser.; 2, blank; 3, J. Culp; 4 & 5, blank; Za. Stickle, 6; Fs. Stickle, 7; Andrew Stickle, 8; 9 & 10, blank; H. Tuffert, 11, John Tuffert; 12, blank; Tilm. Culp, 13; 14, Widow Hare; F. Hane, 15, Frederick Hane; S. Overholt, 16, Staats Overholt; Sts. Overholt, 17, Staats Overholt; Sts. Overholt, 18, Jacob Overholt; F. Albright, 19, Staats Overholt; ditto, 20; 21, Michael Webb; 22 & 23, Mathew Fisher; Jno. Mathews 21 on Lake.

2nd Concession, Lot No. 1, Peter Hare, Ser.; blank to 14; 14, Margaret Hare; 15, Frederich Hane; 16, James Narborough; 17, blank; 18, 19 & 20, Daniel House; 21, Michael Webb; 22 & 23, blank.

3rd Concession, Lots to 8 blank; 8, Joseph House; 9, George House; 10 & 11, Hermanus House; 12, Philip House; 13, ditto; 14, Phenis Slingerton; 15, Frederick Hane; 16, blank; 17, Thomas Mathews; 18, ditto; remaining lots blank.

4th Concession, Lots No. 1, 2 & 3, blank; 4, T. B.; 5, 6 & 7, James Henry; 8, Joseph House; 9, George House; 10 & 11, Hermanus House; 12 & 13, Philip House, Phenis Slingerton; 14, ditto; 15 & 16, blank; 17, Elias Anderson; 18, ditto; remaining lots blank.

5th Concession, Lots No. 1, 2 & 3, T. B.; 6 & 7, George Rancier; 11, Hermanus House; remainder blank.

6th Concession, Lots No. 1, 2 & 3, blank; 4, T. B.; remainder blank.

7th Concession, lots blank.

8th Concession, Lots No. 1 & 2, blank; 3 & 4, John Stoner: blank to 15; 15, Jack Baker; 16, ditto; remainder blank.

Township No. 6.

The Marginal Names denote the broken quantities upon the lakes—opps. the No. of the lot.

1st Concession, Lots No. 1 & 2, Nathaniel Pettit: blank to 9; N. Pettit, 9, Nathaniel Pettit; NP, 10, ditto; L. Lanison, 11, Lang Lanison; 12, John Pettit; 13, Allan Nixon; 14, Jacob Glover; 15, Andrew Pettit; 16, John Smith; J. Smith Coop., 17, John Smith Cooper; Jno. Bemer, 18, John Beemer; B. Wilcox, 19, Benj. Willcox; L. Lewis, Sr., 20, Levi Lewis Senior; ditto Junr., 21, ditto Junior; 22, Joseph Chambers; Isaac Chambers, 23, Isaac Chambers.

2nd Concession, Lots No. 1 & 2, Nathaniel Pettit; 9, Nathaniel Pettit; 12, John Pettit; 13, Allan Nixon; 14, Jacob Glover; 15, Andrew Pettit; 16, John Smith; 17, John Smith Cooper; 18, John Beemer; 19, Benjamin Wilcox; 20, Levi Lewis, Senr.; 21, ditto Junior; 22, blank; 23, Isaac Chambers.

3rd Concession, Lots blank to 6; 6, Edmund Thatcher, Senr.; 7, Enoch Thatcher; 8, ditto; 9, Johnathan Pettit, Junr.; 10 & 11, John Green; 12, John Pettit; 13, Allan Nixon; 14, Jacob Glover; 15 & 16, Miller Lanison; 17, John Evans; remainder blank.

4th Concession, Lots blank to 9; 9 & 10, William Van Horn; 11 & 12, blank; 13 & 14, John Green; remainder blank.

5th, 6th, 7th & 8th Concessions blank.

Township No. 7.

1st Concession blank.

2nd Concession, Lots blank to 29; 29, Robert Kerr; 30, Robert Kerr; 31, ditto.

3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th & 7th Concessions blank.

Township No. 8.

1st Concession, Lots blank to 7; 7, Andrew English; 8, George Steward; 9 & 10, blank; 11, Mathew Cain; 12, Caleb Reynolds; 13 & 14, R. Clench; 15, John Smith; remaining lots blank.

2nd Concession, Lots blank to 8; 8, George Steward; 9 & 10, blank; 11, Mathew Cain; 12, Reyonlds; 13 & 14, Clench; blank to 21; 21, Lt. John Colins, Interpreter; 22, blank.

3rd Concession, Lots blank to 8; 8, George Steward; 9, 10 & 11, blank; 12 & 13, Caleb Reynolds; 14, blank; 15, Daniel Springer; remaining lots blank.

4th Concession, Lots blank to 4; 4, 5, 6, 7, James Durham; 8, George Steward; blank to 15; 15, Michael Hesse; 16, Aaron Cribbs; 17, John Scot; 18 & 19, Jacob Long; 20, Jacob Reymille; 21, Willi Reymille; 22, blank.

5th Concession, Lots blank to 15; 15, Michael Hesse; 16, Aaron Cribbs; 17, Henry Smith; 18, John Scot; 19, John Long; 20, William Reymille; 21, William Reymille; 22, blank.

6th Concession, Lots blank to 16; 16, Aaron Cribbs; 17, Henry Smith; 18, Henry Smith; 19, John Long; 20, Jacob Reymill; 21, John Long; 22, blank.

7th and 8th no entries made.

Township No. 9: No entries made; but a memorandum shows that John Brown had been given lot No. 22 in the first Concession; lot No. 23 in the second Concession; also that John Brown had been given lot No. 1 in the first Concession and lot No. 1 in the second Concession of Township No. 10, as well as a lot between Township Nos. 9 and 10.

There is also a note stating that in Point Abino Township No. 6, 1 Con. had been transferred from John Warts, Junr., to Geo. Upper.

Notes and Descriptions.

(Copy)—Survey'd for Hugh Docherty Lot No. 40 and 41 in the first [T]nship Surveyd the 1st July, 1786. (Sgnd) Allan McDonald.

Novr. 25th, 1788.

William Lewis has taken his land next to Griffin on the 20 Mile Creek towards the Lake, Elias Smith next to him, and towards the lake.

David Van Every where the Grand River road crosses the 20 Mile Creek, 2 hundred acres upon a creek called the 8 Mile Creek in the 5th Township.

John Ekeman 2 lots below the new road.

Mr. Showers 2 lots next to Ekeman. . . .

Basnor Dill No. 4 second Township on Chippewa.

Joseph Romick. . . .

John Flack, . . the flatt above Griffin below a spring about 40 rods above a little Island.

Taken up for Lt. Frey, Clinch Church, & Docr. Kerr, Capt. Tenbrook, R. Hamilton, Esq., 1000 Acres Each—begininng at a tree west from the outlet on the N. West side of the Little Lake marked for the Purchase line, and running up the west side of the said lake to a creek, which comes into the head of the said lake and extending back westerly towards the mountain from the above mentioned places. By me, AUGUSTUS JONES.

March 10th, 1790: Messrs. Sheehan, Johnson Butler and Capt. Turney have taken a tract of land on the 15 Mile Creek, commencing at the Saw Mill and extending up the Creek half a Mile on each side of it to a place called the Marsh or Beaver Dam, then extending half a Mile on each Side of the Marsh to encompass the Whole to contain 6000 Acres, the lots taken heretofore for the Mill excepted.

Captain Lottridge has taken 1000 acres of land back of Township No. 8 or rather upon the right of it, beginning where the Creek empties into the Pond.

Memo: Captain Lottridge and Captain Bradt say they have taken possession of lands on the north side of the inlet prior to Mr. Jone's location for others.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS—DISTRICT OF NASSAU.

TOWNSHIP No. 1.

1787. To Surveyor General's Department, Dr.

	£	s.	d.
To Ferriages of Provisions to Coon & Winny	0	5	6
To Augustus Jones from 11th June to 24th August, 74 days, 4/	14	16	0
Benjamin Bealy 1 month 50/	2	10	0
Nathaniel Oldfield 1 month 60/	3	0	0
Robert Conklin 16 days 4/	3	4	0
A pack Horse 74 days 2/	7	8	0
William McIntire 49 days 3/	7	7	0
John Steenwax, 35 days, 2/1	3	12	11
John Claus, 74 days, 4/	14	16	0
Benjamin McAffee, 25 days, 2/5	2	12	1
Peter Hare, Jun., 24 days, 4/	4	16	0
Samuel Wheeler, 10 days, 2/	1	0	0
Ebenezer Jones, 49 days, 3/	7	7	0
William Allen, 58 days, 3	8	14	0
Proportion of a Tent	1	0	0
Proportion of Survey in 1786	4	14	0
N. Y. C. £	87	2	6

Township No. 2.

To Surveyor General's Department, Dr.

	£	s.	d.
To Ebenezer Jones from 5th November, 1787 to 9th January, 1788, 65 days 4/	13	0	0
Augustus Jones " " " " " " " 4/	13	0	0
Andrew English 60 days, 4/	12	0	0
John Brady, 1 month, 60/	3	0	0
Hugh Wilson, 60 days, 2/	6	0	0
John Price, 65 days, 2/1	6	15	0
Anthy. Westbrook, 5 Novr. to 24	3	10	0
Daniel Hazen, his trouble in examining the sworn line, the account approved by Mr. Burch	3	10	0
Preportion of Survey in 1786	4	14	0
Preportion of a Tent	1	0	0
Transport of Provisions	0	16	0
Ferriage of Men and Provisions	0	8	0
N. Y. C.	67	13	0

Township No. 3.

1788. To Surveyor General's Department, Dr.

	£	s.	d.
To Daniel Hazen, 96 days, 4/	19	4	0
Thomas Howey, 2 months, 60/	6	0	0
William Cook, 2 months, 60/	6	0	0
Henry Skiner, 2 months, 60/	6	0	0
Benjamin Gilmore, 2 months, 60/	6	0	0
Abijah Chambers, 2 months, 60/	6	0	0
Peter Hains	2	10	0
William Dell	1	10	0
Emanuel Steinhoff	1	10	0
Unavoidable detention of some of the hands during which time they had Provisions from Mr. Vroman to the amount of £1, 3s., 8d.			
Provisions from Mr. Hamilton, £1, 14s., 6d., the sums £2, 18s., 2d	2	18	2
Ferriage of provisions and men	0	8	0
Preportion of survey in 1786	4	14	0
N. Y. C.	62	14	2

Township No. 5.

1788. To Surveyor General's Department, Dr.

	£	s.	d.
To Andrew English from 1st April to 24th, 4/	4	16	0
Hugh Wilson, 24 days, 2/2	2	12	0
Michael Byrne, 24 days, 2/2	2	12	0
Ebenezer Jones, 24 days, 2/	4	16	0
Augustus Jones, 24 days, 4/	4	16	0
Battoe Hire from James Middagh	0	14	0
Preportion of a tent	1	0	0
Ferriages of provisions and men	0	8	0
N. Y. C	21	14	0

Township No. 6.

1788, 21st Sept. To Surveyor General's Department, Dr.

	£	s.	d.
To Ebenezer Jones, from 2nd Sept. to 21st, 20 days, 4/	4	0	0
Benjamin Stanton, " " " 20 days, 4/	4	0	0
Dirk Bell, " " " 20 days, 2/	2	0	0
Benjamin Smith, " " " 23 days, 2/	2	6	0
William Van Horn " " " 6 days, 2/	0	12	0
Augustus Jones, " " " 20 days, 4/	4	0	0
Preportion of a tent	1	0	0
Ferriages	0	5	0
N. Y. Currency	18	3	0

Township No. 7.

1788. To Surveyor General's Department, Dr.

	£	s.	d.
To Ebenezer Jones, from 22nd July to 1st Sept., 41 days, 4/	8	4	0
Benjamin Stanton, " " " " "	8	4	0
Mathew Cain, 28 days, 2/8	3	14	8
Benjamin Quick, 7 days, 2/	0	14	0
Dirk Bell, 8 days, 2/	0	16	0
Ferriages	0	6	0
Joseph Jones, 33 days, 4	6	12	0
Benjamin Stanton, 33 days more, 4/	6	12	0
Abraham Decow, 6 days, 2/4	0	14	0
John Decow, 6 days, 2/4	0	14	0
Michael Byrne, 19 days, 2/4	2	4	4
John Garrison, 15 days, 2/	1	10	0
Augustus Jones, 74 days, 4/	14	16	0
Preportion of a tent	1	0	0
Ferriages	0	6	0
N. Y. C.	56	7	0

Township No. 8.

1788. To Surveyor General's Department, Dr.

	£	s.	d.
To Ebenezer Jones, from 15th Jan. to 12th March, 58 days, 4/	11	12	0
Andrew English, 58 days, 4/	11	12	0
James King, 52 days, 4/	10	8	0
John Depew, 14 days, 2/8	1	17	4
Anthony Westbrook, 14 days, 2/8	1	17	4
Mathew Cain, 30 days, 2/8	3	10	0
William McDonald, 1 month, 64/	3	4	0
Augustus Jones, 58 days, 4/	11	12	0
Ferriage	0	8	6
Slay Hire to Benjamin Van Every, 6 days @ 20/ per day	6	0	0
Preportion of a tent	1	0	0
N. Y. C.	63	1	2

Townships Nos. 4, 5, 6, 7, 8.

1787. To Surveyor General's Department, Dr.

	£	s.	d.
To John Calaghan, from 30th Aug. to 27th Oct. at £4 per month	7	12	0
Samuel Hawley, 30th Aug. to 30th Oct. at £3.15 per month	7	10	0
John Cawhill, 1st Sept. to 27th @ 3/ per day	4	1	0
Vallintine Scram, from 1st Sept. to 11th @ 3/	1	13	0
Peter Hare, Jun., from 30th Aug. to 27th Oct., 4/	11	12	0
John Claus, 30th Aug. to 10th Oct., 4/	8	4	0
Anthony Westbrook, 19th Oct. to 30th Nov., 3/	6	6	0
Ebenezer Jones, 9th Oct. to 27th, 4/	3	18	0
Augustus Jones, 30th Aug. to 27th Oct., 4/	11	12	0
During this period the course of the lake was taken, and the first concession marked off, and staked in the above township			
N. Y. C	62	8	0

Township No. 9.

1788. To Surveyor General's Department, Dr.

	£	s.	d.
To Joseph Jones from 24th Aug. to 19th Oct., 56 days, 4/	11	4	0
Benjamin Stanton, " " " " "	11	4	0
Augustus Jones, " " " " "	11	4	0
Benjamin Johnson, 9 days, 2/4	1	1	0
Isaac Hany, 27 days, 2/4	3	3	0
Hugh Wilson, 8 days, 2/	0	16	0
David Demude, 24 days, 2/	2	8	0
Dirk Van Every, 6 days, 2/	0	12	0
George Hanceler, 6 days, 2	0	12	0
Ferriages	0	8	0
N. Y. C.	42	12	0

Settlement of Fort Erie beginning at Black Creek extending to Sugar Loaf Hills, on Lake Erie.

1788. To Surveyor General's Department, Dr.

	£	s.	d.
To Augustus Jones, from 25th April to 22nd July, 89 days, 4/	7	16	0
John Wilson, 21 days, 2/	2	2	0
Benjamin Johnson, 1 month	3	10	0
James Simonds, 2 months, 9 days	8		8
Lazarus Stanton, 15 days, 2/	1	0	0
Joseph Jones, 40 days, 4/	8		0
John Flack, 35 days, 2/4	4	0	8
Benjamin Stanton, 89 days, 4/	17	16	0
Simon Wray, 8 days, 2/4	0	18	8
Ferriage at Chepewa	0	8	0
Preportion of Survey in 1786	4	14	0
N. Y. C.	68	28	0

£2, New York Currency

Benjamin Johnson, received of Augustus Jones two Pounds York, in part of his pay, for Surveying.

Township back of No. 4 (20 Mile Creek) Nassau.

1789. To Surveyor General's Department.

	£	s.	d.
To Augustus Jones, from 24th Dec., 1788, to 12th Feb., 1789, 49 days, 4/	9	16	0
Jacob Overholt, 23 days, 2/	2	6	0
Lott Regan, 37 days, 2/	3	14	0
Benjamin Smith, 23 days, 2/	2	6	0
Benjamin Stanton	9	16	0
To Slay hire from Daniel Casidy, 6 days, 20/	6	0	0
Ferriage of Provisions and Men	0	6	6
N. Y. C.	34	4	6

DISTRICT OF NASSUA

PAPERS

Book No. 9

Dated Quebec, 6th Dec., 1788.

DEPUTY SURVEYOR GENERAL COLLIN'S REPORT.

[1] Quebec, 6th December, 1788.

My Lord,—In obedience to your Lordship's instructions dated 29th May, 1788, wherein is specified that doubts being entertained whether "Carleton Island or Kingston is the most eligible situation for the King's "Ships-of-War to protect the navigation of Lake Ontario, and the upper part "of the River St. Lawrence, I am to make this particularly an object of my "attention, and report how far it may be necessary to occupy either or both, "and what works I judge advisable for that purpose"—I therefore lost no time in going into this investigation, but before I proceed to state the result, I would beg leave to premise as well with respect to this as to other objects of my instructions, that when speaking on subjects purely naval, I cannot be supposed to do it with that confidence which might be expected from a professional man; what I have to say on this head must therefore be considered in some degree as a detail of such information as I have been able to procure; connected, however, with the observations I have myself made on the spot; but I do not on any account mean to insinuate, that I shall snrink from giving an opinion of my own; on the contrary, I shall never advance any doctrine or opinion which I do not myself think well founded; I shall therefore without further preface proceed to state to your Lordship such particulars as may be necessary to form a comparative view of the two Posts here before mentioned.

KINGSTON AND CARLETON ISLAND.

[2] With respect to Kingston, what is there called the harbou where the town is laid out, is not the situation on this side for vessel lies rather open to the Lake and has not very [illegible]chorage ne entrance, so that they are obliged to run a [illegible] for shel

where there is but little water; they may, however, lay safe; but the most eligible situation here for naval purposes is the cove immediately to the eastward (marked A), therefore in what I shall have further to remark upon the properties of a harbour here, this latter situation is to be understood as referred to—

It is remarked (speaking both of Kingston & Carleton Island) that the wind here blows from the eastward upon an average at least three fourths of the year, sometimes varying a few points either to the N. or S., it is said to have been observed in general it is to the south of west in the spring & to the N. of W. in the fall; in this case from the different positions of Carleton Island and Kingston, as there is about two points of the Compass difference in the course from thence into the open lake; from the former it being nearly S. W. a little westerly and from the latter about S. S. W. so that it should appear from the foregoing remark on the general state of the winds that it is more favourable for getting into the Lake from Carleton Island in the spring, and from Kingston in the fall; the safety of the navigation is in either case nearly or quite equal; the distance also from either place into the Lake is nearly the same. Vessels may be sooner sheltered in the Harbour at Carleton Island than at Kingston and on that account might be sooner warped in or out; but on the other hand it has been observed [3] at Kingston that there is very frequently early in the morning a light northerly land breeze with which vessels might be carried out of the harbour with great facility and dispatch, in either case when they are clear of the harbour, they must have a leading wind to carry them into the Lake; they cannot beat up either from Carleton Island or Kingston—at least the present vessells cannot—

The harbours both at Kingston and Carleton Island are safe, commodious, and well sheltered, the Neck B would be perhaps a good situation for storehouses and other naval buildings, but I am not quite satisfied that it could be in all respects equal to that at Carleton Island, the former in some places is low and wet, the greater part, however, is rocky; the latter is low, but it is a flat rock and dry; but the former is by no means a bad situation as far as may be requisite for naval purposes, there is sufficient depth in both harbours for vessels of any moderate draft of water, but it is supposed as well with respect to those two posts as to the navigation of this Lake in general, that schooners from 80 to 100 tons would best answer the purpose; but if an enemy has also vessels upon the Lake, then the nature and force of ours must, I immagine, be proportioned to the sort of vessels we may have to oppose.

Having now brought forward all the material information and observations I have been able to make and procure, and having duly weighed the several properties both at Kingston and Carleton Island relative to naval purposes only, it at present remains to draw that conclusion which the premises may seem to warrant; in doing this there appears some difficulty; [4] many circumstances are very nicely balanced, nevertheless after maturely considering the whole of what has been remarked on this subject, I cannot help being of opinion that the preference rather leans on the side of Carleton Island. If the object was that of trade only, or regarded merely the transport of goods to Niagara, I do not see that Carleton Island has any material advantage over Kingston; but as a station for the King's Ships of War, I am induced to think that Carleton Island is the best; indeed, the features of S.W. end of this island are very singularly formed, and seem admirably adapted for all naval purposes, upon a scale perhaps sufficiently extensive for whatever could at any time be requisite upon this Lake.

In considering the two situations as military posts, I shall not have that difficulty in deciding which should have the preference, the few following Observations will, I imagine, be amply sufficient to ascertain it—

A single work at Carleton Island embraces the best situation for Defence, protects the naval yard and both harbours & scours the country; the ground in front is a natural glacis, and it is on this front only it can be attacked by a land force, but it is not commanded by it, nor can the works be approached under cover, upon the whole I conceive it to be a good post and that it would effectually answer the purpose of protecting the navy.—

At Kingston, the only eligible situation for a military post is on the [5] Ground marked (C), this is a good commanding spot, but the height does not seem sufficiently spacious for a work of any great capacity, something, however, of good defence might, I believe, be constructed here for three or four hundred men, but the particular figure and dimensions of it cannot be ascertained with any precision untill the wood is cleared and proper Sections are taken. This fort with a battery on the extremity of point below, and another on the Point D. would secure the harbour from any attempts of an enemy on this side, but it could not prevent their taking post within fourteen or fifteen hundred yards, at the back of the Town of Kingston, and bombarding the navy yard and shipping in the harbour, neither do I see that this could be any way prevented but by such a complicated and extensive system of works as I imagine would not be thought expedient to adopt, nor could I undertake to recommend.

Neither Carleton Island or Kingston, nor indeed any other situation I have been able to discover could be capable of preventing an enemy's vessels from entering the River St. Lawrence from the Lake; the channels are too wide and the wind in general, as well as the current in their favour,—but I am, nevertheless, of opinion that the best station for the King's Ships of War to be ready to act for the protection of the navigation of the Lake, and the upper part of the River St. Lawrence is—Carleton I. In regard to the present condition of the works at this post the whole is now so far in ruins as to be altogether defenceless and irreparable; the ditch, which is in the rock, has never been sufficiently excavated, the other works have [6] been compleated, but it strikes me that they never were capable of any serious defence, as well from the smallness of the bastions as the oblique manner in which their faces are seen from the other works; but the whole could be considered as a temporary matter; the green logs with which the fort was built could not be expected to last long; the ground is favourable for a fort of great capacity and strength, but it is probable that such a system may have been originally adopted for the works at this place, and might then have been thought adequate to its importance, to the number of troops designated for its defence and the strength it was likely an enemy might be able to bring against it; and these ideas must again be brought into consideration if the post should be re-established or any new system adopted; without therefore going in this place into a detail of particular works, I will beg leave only to remark, which will be applicable to any system, that as the ground in front widens and extends some way over the extremities of the work, particularly on the right—particular care should be taken to strengthen those points towards the fields, to counteract in some degree the advantage an enemy attacking might have in the extent of his flanks.

The barracks, altho' partly dismantled and in very bad condition, may be still repaired.

[7] FORT ONTARIO.

Proceeding to the other objects of your Lordship's instructions, I next examined the State of Fort Ontario—

Fort Ontario being an earth work and not lately attended to has suffered considerably, the face of one of the bastions has fallen down, a few other slips of less consequence have also happened to the exterior slope of the parapet throughout, and one of the embrasures, has mouldered away; the banquette is also in bad order, and at improper and unequal distances from the top of the parapet in some places not more than three feet; the platforms are bad; the gun carriages want repairs and new trucks. The outworks designed have not been compleated, except one ravelin nearly so, the parapet of which is now in very bad order, the picketing in the ditch is too low as well as too light. The blockhouses in the bastions designed also for barracks are so exceedingly damp below, owing to the earth laying against them and so much out of repair above, that they are not habitable. The bombproofs in the curtain are falling down, being forced by the weight of the earth behind. The barracks may be repaired without great expence; the powder magazine is too damp to be serviceable. The bastion shut in at the gorge as a retreat to the small number of troops in garrison unequal to the defence of the whole fort, might perhaps for a short time protract their being taken by an enemy unprovided with canon; but it is assailable by the parapets of the adjoining curtains, and the nearest flanks of the bastions [8]—on each side would serve as a breast work against it, therefore much defence must not be expected from it. The fort is seen into and commanded, but it is from the distance of twelve or fourteen hundred yards there is low ground at the foot of part of the glacis not seen into from the works, and the bank and shore on the lake side is not sufficiently commanded.

To restore Fort Ontario and put it into a proper state of defence, that is to say, to repair or rebuild where necessary, the works and buildings of the body of the place, and to compleat the outworks the following would be necessary:

The scarp would be best revetted with masonry or brick work, but if that should not be approved then there should be substituted new log work raised to the height of twelve feet, with a slope half the height, the logs to be placed up and down, not horizontally, and on the top of a horizontal capeil, and a small berm on which should be placed a strong fraize; from this to the top of the parapet to be sodded, with a slope three fourths of the height. The inside of the parapet is to be lined with log work or masonry; also the embrasure with oak plank; and the plate forms and gun carriages to be repaired, a new palisade in the bottom of the ditch. and the covered way all to be palisaded; the ravelin to be compleated and the work executed in the manner proposed for the body of the place; the glacis to be raised to its proper height, and traverses made in the covert way; if the glacis is also regularly sloped, very little of the hollow at the foot of it will remain unseen; the barracks in general to undergo a thorough repair, and to be weather boarded The blockhouses in the bastions to be reduced in size so as to admit an area or passage between them, and the rampart, for which purpose a stone retaining wall to the rampart within the bastions will be [9]—necessary; the bombproofs in the curtains to be pulled down and rebuilt, in which case they should be thrown forward so as to admit a passage between them and the rampart.

The Fort being in some degree commanded, altho' at the distance of 1,200 or 1,400 yards it might at least be proper to prevent its being seen into from bastion No. 8 to bastion No. 9—about four feet; a new powder

magazine must be built; an advanced blockhouse or redoubt on the cliff eight hundred and fifty feet N. E. of the fort is necessary to command the approach alone shore, and a line extended from the counterscarp on the left face of bastion No. 7 to the edge of the bank to scour the same as it is not at present sufficiently seen from any of the works; the brush wood within a thousand yards of the Fort should be cut down; it has been formerly done but is now grown up again—

These several alterations and repairs, if done by the troops, might probably cost in executing about eighteen hundred or two thousand pounds, and when compleated would require for their defence from five to six hundred men.

The Harbour here is safe within and vessels may carry in about two fathoms and a half water in mid channel, but the entrance is so narrow and the current sets out so very strong that it is extremely difficult to get into it, and it is not good lying without, being exposed to the swell of the whole [10] Lake from the N. & N. W. & the shores are very rocky and dangerous.

Toronto Harbor.

(Plan B.) The Harbour of Toronto is near two miles in length from the entrance on the west to the isthmus between it and a large morass on the eastward. The breadth of the entrance is about half a mile, but the navigable channel for vessels is only about 500 yards, having from 3 to 3½ fathoms water; the north or main shore the whole length of the harbour is a clay bank from 12 to 20 feet high and rising gradually behind, apparently good land and fit for settlement. The water is rather shoal near this shore, having but one fathom depth at 100 yards distance, two fathoms at 200 yards, and when I sounded here the waters of the Lake were very high, there is good and safe anchorage every where within the harbour, being either soft or sandy bottom. The south shore is composed of great number of sand hills and ridges intersected with swamps and small creeks; it is of unequal breadths, being from a quarter of a mile to a mile wide across from the harbour to the Lake and runs in length to the E. five or six miles. Through the middle of the isthmus before mentioned, or rather near the north shore, is a channel with two fathom water, and in the morass there are other channels from 1 to 2 fath. deep. From what has been said, it will appear that the harbour of Toronto is capacious, safe and well sheltered, but the entrance being from the westward is a great disadvantage to it, as the prevailing winds is from that quarter and as this is a fair wind from hence down the Lake, of course it is that with which vessels in general would take their departure from hence, but they may frequently find it difficult to get out of the harbour. The shoalness of the north shore as [11] before remarked is also disadvantageous as to erecting wharfs, quays, &c. In regard to this place as a military Post I do not see any very striking features to recommend it in that view, but the best situation to occupy for the purpose of protecting the settlement and the harbour would, I conceive, be on the Point A near the entrance thereof.

Besides the Harbours already mentioned, and the River Niagara, of which I shall speak hereafter, there are other situations on this Lake, where vessels may lie in safety, such as the Sodus and Jenesee Rivers; the first is capacious and has from 3 to 5 fathom water within; the Bar has generally from 2 to 2½ fathoms. The Jenesee River is from 150 to 180 yards wide, has from 3 to 3½ fathoms water within, and about 2 fathoms over the bar.

Vessels may also find shelter within the islands called the "False Ducks"; and also under the Real ducks, and in some other situations; but

as these afford only a partial security against particular winds, they cannot be called harbours.

Vessels drawing only 8 or 10 feet water can go into the Bay of Quinte.

[12] NIAGARA.

The defects in Niagara are so numerous that I find it difficult to detail them; I shall, however, endeavor to point them out together with its real situation as explicitly as I can.

On the land front the sod work of the interior line of the parapet has in part fallen in, the remainder will soon follow; the cheeks of such embrasures as are not of log work are in the same state; but sod work will never stand to so little a slope as it is necessary to give these parts of the works, they should be lined with masonry, or at least with log work or oak plank; the exterior slope of the parapet is in tolerable condition as low as the berm and fraize, but from thence to the bottom of the ditch, the ground is fallen to an easy and practicable slope, the right face of the south bastion and of Haldimand's Battery adjoining if fronted with log work which is now rotten and giving way, the picketing in the ditch and the fraise are sound. The outworks do not appear to have been ever compleated; the ravelin has neither picketing or fraise before it. Lunettes' seem to have been designed, but never brought forward to an useful state, or if they were have been since destroyed.

In the state these outworks are at present, I think they are of more prejudice than service to the defence of the place, it appears also improper their having been converted into gardens.

Four new platforms are wanting; seven of the gun carriages are unservicable & seven want repairing; The five mortar beds are all unserviceable, some of the guns are too short to be used in embrasures. Brunswick Battery [13] and the projecting points on the front towards the Lake are undermined and in danger of falling down, particularly the north demi-bastion, a part of which is already gone, I have recommended to the Commanding Officer to shore up what is left to endeavour at least to keep it in its place till next year, if it falls a part of the garrison will be laid open, the lake makes such progressive encroachments on the whole of the shore on the front, that any expedient to prevent the works falling must be considered as merely temporary, until the whole of that shore as far as the works extend shall be wharfed, so as to prevent as far as may be practicable any further impression from the surf of the Lake; this, however, will be a very expensive business. The picketing from the King's Battery round to the Water Gate on this front is mostly rotten. The officer's barracks will be in tolerable good condition with the repairs done this fall, except the small range on the north east side of the parade, which are too much decayed to be ever put in good repair; the range of soldier's barracks near the curtain wants new floooring and drains made to carry off the water which falls against the back walls from the works not in want of any very considerable repairs. The Lighthouse is entirely rotten and must be rebuilt. The bridge wants some repairs; the drains are made with logs and are in general rotten; the two stone blockhouses and picketing round them are in pretty good condition—the powder magazine is in pretty good repair, but is damp from the bank of earth which is placed against it on one side with a view of protecting it from any batteries on the other side of the river.

The buildings in the Indian Department without the Fort are mostly in ruins—the wharf also where the vessels come to is in exceeding bad order and partly washed away.

Having stated particularly the condition in which the Fort of Niagara is at present it still remains to take further notice of some defects in it's [14] construction as a military of which Haldimand battery is not the least striking for altho' it throws some fire on the approach by the bank of the River, yet it makes with the right face of the south bastion a dead angle, where and at the land port gate there is cover for an enemy unseen from any Part of the works. The front towards the River is only a picketing if I except a small log work battery called King's Battery, of four guns of which two are in the face and one in each flank; an enemy therefore possessing the other side of the River in force, would very much annoy the garrison on this, as the shot from their batteries which they could bring to bear within 800 yards would meet with no interruption from passing entirely through the fort. The front towards the lake is equally weak it is not well flanked, and does by no means sufficiently command the approach by the shore. If these two fronts were to be reconstructed on good principles of defence it would among other things be absolutely necessary to give them some substance particularly towards the River, so as to be cannon proof, but this would take up so much of the interior space of the fort already rather too confined, as not to leave sufficient room for the necessary buildings or for the troops to act with the freedom requisite for its defence and on this idea it would be necessary to acquire space by throwing forward the field front about 80 Yards. But these alterations would in fact amount to rebuilding the whole fort, and indeed as it appears scarce any thing short of that can make it respectable. I have not therefore attempted to offer any specific sum for that purpose as any estimate that is not grounded on the particular plans and sections of the work to be executed, as well as of the sort of materials to be used in the construction proportioned to the degree of permanence intended to be given must be vague & erroneous. If the fort was in proper state of defence I should imagine it would require a garrison [15] of about 400 men.

[16] The buildings of Navy Hall are for the most part in exceeding bad repair, and the wharf is in ruins. Of the Ranger's Barracks one pile has been so far dismantled as to be past re-establishing; one end indeed might perhaps with some fitting up be made to serve for some time as a blacksmith's shop to the Indian department, which they say is much wanted: the other pile is capable of being repaired and might also answer the temporary purpose of accommodating (at least in part) the said Department: Their storehouses, &c., on the Niagara side, as already observed being in absolute ruins and not repairable; the fitting up of this pile of building would cost about £35.

In regard to the situation at Navy Hall, boats or vessels may be well sheltered there from rough weather, it is convenient for embarking & disembarking and equally safe and applicable to the purposes of the transport as at Niagara: vessels can also more readily and safely get under way from hence, when the wind is from the westward (which is fair to carry them down the Lake) than they can immediately from Niagara and this seems the most material advantage that Navy Hall possesses over Niagara: but the latter has rather a better command of the entrance of the River than can be had from any situation on this side: a good post might be constructed on the height above Navy Hall, and such as would afford protection to boats or vessels from any attempts of any enemy on this side of the River, but they could not be secure here from bombardment or covered from batteries of cannon on the other side.

The store house at the landing place which is of round log work is mostly rotten and is altogether in exceeding bad condition and should be [17] rebuilt, the dwelling house is much out or repair. The ways, wharf, cradle, and capstan want some repairs which may be done for about £20.

FORT SCHLOSSER.

All the picketing and small platforms in the angles of Fort Schlosser are rotten and in a tottering state, part of the wharf has been washed away the remainder cannot last long, the barracks storehouses are not in much better condition. They have been kept standing by the temporary repairs which have been annually performed merely to keep the weather out. Repairs of a similar nature were included in the estimate transmitted from Niagara, the 19th July last.

This place never could have had any pretensions to defence and the picketing could only have served as an inclosure to prevent an intrusion upon the buildings within & to keep the troops in their quarters:—The loopholes are so low, they may be made use of from without as well as within. The storehouse within the pickets is I apprehend too small, and very inadequate to the purposes of Government. The whole of this Place is now so far gone to decay as to be past any effectual repairs, therefore any attempt in that way (further than what has already been mentioned with respect to the buildings) would I apprehend be an useless expence; and as to rebuilding it, the mode of doing that will depend upon the conveniences requisite for forwarding the transport, the quantity of provisions or stores which may be expected to be at any time lodged here, and the degree of protection it may be intended to afford.

FORT ERIE.

[18] The whole of Fort Erie is in so wretched a state and altogether so much in ruins that it is not easy to say which is the worst part of it. The picketing is altogether rotten and great part of it gone and the front next the water which was a stone wall has been washed away by the encroachment of the Lake. The barracks by dint of patching and temporary repairs has been kept habitable, some further repairs of the same nature have been provided for against this winter:—The storehouse is in so bad a state that it is almost past repairing the weather comes in now in all quarters of it; the shingling of the roof cannot be repaired, it must be entirely new shingled or rather if it can be got a bark covering is to be put on as the building is hardly worth the expence of new shingles. The weather boarding and underpinning is scarce in a better condition, but it may be made to do for another season. It seems doubtful whither the bake house can stand the winter, but the oven may be repaired; the wharf or landing place wants repair: this would have been better placed to the northward of the Fort when Board would have been much better sheltered.

I cannot recommend re-establishing or making any alterations to the present Fort as it appears to me to be improperly placed: the rising ground behind would I conceive be the proper situation, the Harbour is a tolerable good one, and altho' there is sometimes a considerable swell from the Lake, yet vessels may ride here in safety, taking proper precautions for preserving their cables as the bottom is rocky. There does not appear to be any other [19] place equally eligible.

TRANSPORTATION.

Previous to making any Observations on the communication and Transport from the upper end of Lake Ontario to the lower end of Lake Erie it may not be improper just to state in a few words the present mode of proceeding in that business.

From Niagara to the landing place below the Falls is about 7 miles and ¼, there is a tolerable good road, but the merchandize, stores, &c., are carried up the River in batteaus or vessells, there being sufficient depth of water all the way up, and also to lye along side the wharf to unload: beyond this place the current becomes too strong to proceed any further by water without great difficulty: Boats indeed but not vessels can go about half a mile higher, but no advantage can be obtained from it, as the shore then becomes impracticable, being a precipice of loose rock about three times as high as where the present landing is, from the wharf. At the Landing goods are drawn up the side of the bank about fifty feet high upon Ways on an easy slope by a capstan fixed on the top. From this place there is a waggon road to Fort Schlosser (1 mile and ½ above the Falls) when the goods are again put into boats and carried up 18 miles to Fort Erie,—from whence they are conveyed in vessels across Lake Erie to Detroit.

Plan C. I think a better situation A for a landing place might be chosen below the present one about half a mile distant by land and three quarters by water, the bank of the River here is not half the height of the other; the water is sufficiently deep at a short distance from the shore for [20] vessels to unload and by raising a wharf and lowering some of the bank for a road, the labour and delay of hauling goods up by Ways as in the present practise would be avoided; it would also be much more convenient and expeditious for vessels to come up to, as the worst part of the navigation would be avoided, which is in passing round a point between this place and the landing. The length of road to be made from this proposed landing place will be about half a Mile, but it is mostly good ground and will not require much expence. The real length of land carriage, however to Fort Schlosser will not be encreased or at most more than 100 or 150 yards, owing to the greater detour which the road makes from the present landing. As the state of the buildings and appurtenances of the landing place are now so ruinous as to require little less to make them perfect than reconstructing. In case therefore it should be meant to make the business of the communication permanent on that side, it might then be an object worthy of consideration, whether it would not be more eligible to adopt the new situation here pointed out.

If on the other hand it should be thought expedient to carry on the communication on this side the River, then the landing place B. must be nearly opposite to the present one, a very little below it when the bank of the shore is lower than at any other place, and seems in all respects the most convenient spot for the Purpose whether on this or on the other side of the River. There is good ground here for storehouses and other conveniences and it is close to the road leading thro' the settlements. The situation above the Falls to be chosen instead of Fort Schlosser ought I imagine to be the Chippeway Creek: it is indeed nearer the Falls than Fort Schlosser, and there is a very strong current passes it, but there is no difficulty (going along Shore) to get into the creek, and as there is then still water, boats may lye there in great safety and such buildings as are requisite may be erected. The creek is about 80 yards across and has 7 or 8 feet depth of water; It would be necessary to have a bridge as likewise a good road; the [21] first would not cost a great deal as there is a good bottom and no cur-

rent; but the latter would be attended with some expence as the ground is very wet, to the distance of a mile and a half from each side of the creek, not however of such a nature as would not be readily improved by cutting down the trees to let in the air and sun and making a few drains. Both the road and the bridge are objects which the new settlers themselves must sooner or later be obliged to have for their own convenience, but whether their ideas in this respect might lead them to execute these works upon a scale sufficiently extensive and substantial to answer the purposes of Government and of the Transport, I cannot undertake to say. The length of land carriage on this side the River will be near three miles more than on the other, but the ascent of the hill from the then landing place below the Falls will not be so steep as on the other side, and I think the excess of distance will be otherwise compensated by not having the River to cross as at present from Fort Schlosser: by the degree of security to be derived by having the whole transport carried on compleatly on one side of the River from Navy Hall to Fort Erie, and by having the assistance of the new settlers with their waggons and teams at hand in cases of exigence, an advantage not to be obtained conveniently, if at all, on the other side. The current all the way to Fort Erie is very strong, and the business of getting up loaded boats in both is both laborious and tedious, but I should think the Transport from above the Falls might be much improved if the bank of the River was sufficiently cleared to admit of the boats being dragged up by men or rather by horses, as few hands would be necessary and they would get up [22] much more expeditiously than at present. It may not I hope be thought inapplicable to the present subject of my Report to remark in general terms that it does not appear to me that any precautions taken on one side of the River for the security of this communication can insure it's safety from annoyance by an enemy established on the other; that where any may be found in a particular situation on one side it will in general be counterbalanced by some one of equal importance on the other: that therefore under these circumstances the communication may be liable to be impeded or at least interrupted and rendered precarious, that is, should an advantage at any time shew itself in the hands of either side it must be derived from superiority of force rather than situation, otherwise being on equal terms the communication could never go on to any certainty but under a compromise between the two contending parties.

Lake Erie.

There are not any good harbours for vessels between Fort Erie and the entrance of the River leading to Detroit on the north Side of Lake Erie; but there are points of land which afford a partial security from particular winds and have pretty good anchorage, near them; of these the principal are Point Abino, Long Point and the east side of Point au Pins. On the south and west Shores the best harbours are at Presque Isle, Cayuga River and Miami Bay. Vessels of the same description as those proposed for Lake Ontario, will also be proper to navigate this Lake, if they are not intended to go higher than Lake St. Clair Bar; if they are meant to pass into Lake Huron they should not exceed fifty tons on account of the shoalness of the water over the bar at the entrance of the river Lake St. Clair.

Detroit.

[23] Fort Lenoult, at Detroit, altho' in want of some things, yet it is not altogether in a bad state of repair; the description of the buildings within the fort is the most injudicious that could have been devised, as they do

not admit of any interior space as a Place of Arms or Parade where the Garrison can assemble.

The fort being small and constructed with half bastions of course their places are not properly defended and the ditch and palisading is very imperfectly seen. There does not appear to me any other remedy for this, but in placing a small blockhouse in the middle of the ditch upon each front to defend the same. The repairs together with these defences in the ditch might cost about £250. The powder magazine without the fort wants the floor to be compleated: this building is in every respect badly situated and too much exposed.

In what is called the Citadel which is only the barracks enclosed with a picketed fence, the buildings want very considerable repairs,* and the expence of compleating them might probably amount to £800 or £900.

The several blockhouses have been repaired, and when the picketing which surrounds the town and connects it with Fort Lenoult shall have been renewed agreeable to your Lordship's directions, the inhabitants having already provided the pickets, the place will be secure from any surprise; but it is to be lamented that the situation of the naval yard being altogether without the defences, precludes it from the possibility of receiving any effectual protection.

[24] I imagine that Detroit would be properly garrisoned with 500 men, of whom about 180 might be sufficient for the defence of Fort Lenoult, and the remainder to be distributed to the several blockhouses and points of defence in the picketing round the town.

In regard to the communication from Lake Erie to Detroit, it having been a matter of doubt with some people, whither a good ship's channel might not be found betwen Gross Isle and the west main shore, I considered this as an object of the first consequence to be ascertained previous to the going into an investigation of the properties of the ground (as a military post) oposite to the Isle Bois blanc, as the importance of this situation would have been much lessened, if another Communication passing clear and independant of this place had been really practicable. I therefore determined to sound this channel carefully in which I was assisted by Capt. Grant of the Naval Department.

In going down from Detroit by this channel (between Gross Isle & the main shore) we had regular soundings of not less than three nor more than five fathoms, until we came opposite to the small island called Isle au Celeron which lies near the south end of Gross Isle and between it and the west main shore at this place the water suddenly shoaled and upon examining the two outlets, the one by the west & the other by the east of Isle au Celeron we found that the soundings in both were very irregular: the former having from seven feet to 3 fathom water and the latter from six feet to two and a half fathoms, the deep water being only in holes, as we could never get more than two throws of the lead without coming again into shoal [25] water. I therefore think that it may be safely concluded there is no ship channel from Lake Erie up this river to the westward of Gross Isle, & particularly when it is considered that the waters of the lake and river were at least 3 or 4 feet higher this year, than has ever been remembered at any former period. The best channel for vessels passing this communication to or from Lake Erie is between the Isle Bois Blanc & the east main shore. There is however, another tolerable good channel to the westward of the Island, which I likewise examined; but this unites with the former close in with the north end of the island.

* State of deficiencies omitted.

I am therefore of opinion that the best situation for a port will be on the main shore (A) opposite to the N. end of Isle Bois Blanc, as such a position will command both channels, every vessel being obliged to come within 500 Yards of it. There is good and safe anchorage between the Island and the main shore, that shore is also well adapted for wharfs and other conveniences for naval or commercial purposes, and to which a Post as above described would afford good protection, and if a battery was constructed on the south end of the Island the whole of this channel and harbour will be secured.

The Island of Bois blanc is elevated about 15 feet above the level of the water and the main shore about 18 feet, the ground of the latter for a very considerable extent preserves a regular and even surface, and is no where more than 25 feet above the level of the river.

About four miles above I. Bois Blanc is a low marshy island called Turkey Island or Fighting Island near five miles long; the ship channel divides here and the Island may be passed on either side but the western channel is now generally preferred, as having more breadth and nearly an equal depth of water. It is but a few years since, that is was doubted whether this latter channel was safe or practicable.

[26] Proceeding on the communication from Detroit into Lake Huron the current is pretty strong to Lake St. Clair distant from Detroit about seven Miles: Isle Cochon lies about midway and is two miles long, the channel on either side is navigable for vessels and is used indifferently, as the wind may best suit for one or the other, they are each of them 800 or 900 yards wide in the narrowest part; Lake St. Clair is about 20 Miles over and has in general about three fathom water. At the entrance of the River St. Clair from this Lake there is a bar thro' which there is a very narrow channel with not more than seven feet of water and muddy bottom. From hence to Lake Huron (14 Leagues) the current is very strong, and at the bottom of that Lake becomes rapid.

After passing the bar before mentioned there is a good depth of water for vessels all the way up. From the general prevalence of the northerly and westerly winds and the strength of the current upon this communication it is often a tedious and difficult operation to get up from Detroit and vessels are not unfrequently a fortnight and more in accomplishing it. The whole of the east shore as well as the west of this River seems good land & very proper for settling on; and when that event shall have compleatly taken place, the navigation will be much aided thereby, for the banks of the river being cleared, vessels may in contrary winds be tracked most of the way up to the rapid there being in general 2½ and 3 fathoms water within 50 feet of the shore. The river is for the most part about ¾ of a mile broad, except at the rapid where it is somewhat narrower; but the shore here does not offer any advantage to recommend it for a Post.

[27] The Island of Michillimackinac is about 9 miles in circumference and is chiefly composed of lime stone rock, the small bay on which the town is built is convenient and well sheltered by the opposite island; there is a strong current sets thro. the channel between them, but the bay is very little affected by it: this current passes in general with the wind, either westward or eastward, but in winter it is said to change every 24 hours.

The Fort stands over the north end of the town on a bank of about 50 or 60 feet high, and is on this side very steep, but from the land front the ground rises gradually above the fort and at the distance of 700 or 800 yds. there is a very steep ascent of about 100 feet perpendicular and from this place the Fort is so effectually commanded that it could never resist cannon from hence as the garrison would not dare to shew themselves in their works.

The fort itself has never been compleated; the ditches which are in the rock are very little excavated: and the rampart but partly raised: but in order to shut the place up from being surprized by Indians or others, a picketing has been raised upon it all round, which now begins to be very rotten: I had a part of it towards the bay staid up whilst I was there but the bank having lipped from under the cill, there is an opening of forty or fifty feet long into the fort. The soldiers' barrack is in indifferent repair, the powder magazine is in pretty good order, having lately had a new roof, and a window struck out ot the End, it is now sufficiently dry and airy. There is a very good well sunk in the rock and there is a pile of building of masonry intended for officer's barracks about half finished: The walls nearly raised to the proper height and the window frames put in, but the roof floors, &c., are wanting. The Commanding Officer's house, the Indian and [28] Engineer's stores are without the fort, there is only one front of the fort that has flanks which is opposite to the commanding ground.

Considering the foregoing circumstances and situation of this place, I cannot help being of opinion, that as a military post, the greater part of the expence bestowed here has been a waste of money. If the works were intended as a defence against musktry or Indians only, too much was designed; and if against cannon, by far too little, and most of that little ill-judged. In the first case a picketed fort flanked with blockhouses or if designed to be permanent a loop holed wall instead of picketing would have been quite sufficient. But if an enemy with cannon was to be apprehended it was then absolutely necessary to have taken post on the commanding ground. either by a redoubt or such other work as the strength of the garrison proposed to be kept here would have pointed out.

But for the immediate protection of the town, it would still have been necessary to have the small picketed or walled fort in the situation where the present work stands; the town being under the hill is too distant & not seen from the commanding ground.

Such being the state and circumstances of this post as they have occurred to me, I cannot therefore recommend compleating the fort on the original plan and hardly any improvements or alterations can be made that will fall much short of a new one. But as a temporery business, and in [29] order as far as may be to insure immediate possession of it at least to prevent any surprize by Indians or others, I should imagine that the picketing ought to be renewed, and the platforms repaired; and if it should be judged expedient, the Officers' barracks might be compleated as they are much wanted. About 150 Men would I conceive be requisite for the defence of this place.

Falls of St. Mary.

[30] What is called the Falls of St. Mary on the communication between Lakes Superior and Huron is a strong rapid of near a mile in length and about ½ a mile across, but above and below the rapid it is about ¾ of a mile across from shore to shore, canoes pass the rapids by going up quite light and by taking out a part of their lading to come down. There is a portage on the south shore of about half a league in length partly over wet ground and partly rock, but there is no hill, it is a cart road. Near the foot of the Falls on this shore are two forts (as they are called) or dwelling houses and store houses enclosed with a picketted fence belonging to the merchants: but this place is not otherwise settled or inhabited except by such Indians and Traders as occasionally stop there.

The situation here is convenient for the trade and the land seems good and proper for settling upon, and altho' there is nothing very striking to recommend it as post, yet it may be capable of such a one at least as might be sufficient for the protection of the trade passing on this side the falls. The channel for canoes is near this shore, it is narrow and somewhat crooked but has every where about three feet depth of water, there is a deeper channel but not safe for canoes near the middle of the rapid, or rather a little towards the north shore by which small vessels have frequently passed; but the Arabausca, the vessel at present employed on Lake Superior between the Grand Portage and this place does not come any lower than the landing at the head of the falls.

NORTH SHORE.

[31] The North Shore immediately along the Rapid consists of several small islands; the channel between them is shoal, but a channel might probably be made with some Labour in the rapid itself near this shore fit for canoes to pass, and for which undertaking there are occasionally seasons here which are favourable, for when it blows hard from the eastward, it then frequently happens that the rapids or rather that part of the streights over which they pass, are nearly dry; by watching these opportunities the large stones might be blown up and others cleared away so as to make it navigable for canoes on this Side; or one of the channels passing between the island and the main shore might perhaps be able with the assistance of locks of being converted into a navigable Canal: This wou'd however, I apprehend, be attended with very considerable expense. The shore on this side opposite to the present forts is mostly low and wet of that which is dry there is but a small proportion of it good land, the remainder is rocky: but the dry ground altogether is of no great extent for at 600 or 700 yards back from the shore the land falls into swamps and savanahs, and this for the most part is the case all the way between this and Lake George.

This part of the country therefore, at least on this shore of the Streights, does not appear to be propitious for a settlement of any magnitude there are indeed to be found certain spots of good land, but they are only of small extent.

Adverting merely to the Transport of goods and convenience for trade with Lake Superior, I think there does not appear any reason to suppose that it is not possible to have that business carried on nearly or quite as well on this side as on the other. It is presumed as before observed that it is practicable to make a channel sufficient for canoes, and it is certain there can be [32] no great difficulty in making a road for carts which wou'd also be shorter than the present portage on the other side. The shore at the foot of the Falls in consequence of the projection of the several islands before mentioned, in the rapid is here formed into a safe commodious bay with from two to three fathoms water, soft bottom, where the necessary wharfs or quays might be erected, and is therefore in this respect rather more convenient for vessels to come to than on the other side, and altho' as I have before remarked from the nature of the ground that a settlement of importance cannot be established here, yet there is more ground than is sufficient for such families and buildings as might be necessarily connected with the transport and for such works as may be requisite for their immediate protection as well as the vessels or boats while laying there. Another circumstance much in favour of this shore, which perhaps ought to be omitted, is that the whole fish of which great quantities are taken here and salted in the Fall of the year, are, as I am informed chiefly caught on this side of the

Streight, the depth of water in the mid channel for a mile and a half below the falls is five fathoms and ½ and lower down it runs in general from two or three fathoms.

THESSALON.

[33] Thessalon is twenty leagues to the eastward of the Falls of Saint Mary, the shore on each side of the entrance of the river here is low, but dry; the long projecting point is rock and sand, the river is about 100 feet across. It has a bar with only six feet water, but within that there is three fathoms, and it is navigable for boats as far as the rapids, which are eighteen or twenty miles up. On each side of the head land or projecting point before mentioned there is a good bay, secure from northerly winds, and one of them well sheltered from the easterly and the other from the westerly winds, but I should imagine neither of them to be safe when it blows from the southward. If the entrance of the River was practicable for vessels it would be a good harbour, and might perhaps be of some convenience to the trade, and could also be protected by a battery on the point of the head land with a better work behind it near the entrance of the river: but I apprehend the want of Water over the bar for vessels drawing more than five or six feet will always remain an obstacle to it's being a place of any consequence either in commercial view or as a port. I was in great hopes of being able to find a place which might have combined these objects at the south east entrance of Lake George, and at the same to have had the entire command of the ship channel which is not more than a quarter of a mile wide here, and the east shore being higher than and commanding the opposite side; but upon particular examination of the ground, I found it to consist of small rocky islands none of them capable of admitting a better work than a small battery of block house, not the least particle of earth or herbage for raising vegetables feeding stock & in all the rout from St. Mary's to Thessalon I have not observed any situation possessing advantages [34] sufficient to recommend it; indeed with respect to the concerns of trade only by the way of Lake Superior I am not aware that any post is necessary on the communication short of the Falls, there is some tolerable good land along the banks of the River Thessalon, but it does not appear to be of any great extent and from the Falls of St. Mary to this place; except some small spots of indifferent good land on Lake George the coast is rocky and barren.

FRENCH RIVER.

French River is eighty leagues to the eastward of the Falls of St. Mary: the entrance is composed of a considerable number of small islands and channels but the westermost of these latter is the best navigation, it is about 250 feet wide and has from two to three fathoms depth of water; it is narrower a little way up and about half a league from the entrance becomes exceedingly intricate on account of the small islands and channels which are here so numerous in every direction, and so much resembling each other in appearance, as to make it extremely difficult without a guide to find the true navigable channel, which in general is deep in some places not less than thirty feet, but so narrow that there is scarce any room for two canoes to pass each other; the bank in these situations is a steep rock almost perpendicular and there are very strong currents. The country adjoining to and near this river is a rocky desert nothing growing but small scrubby bushes and pine trees not thirty feet high; my own observations did not extend above three or four Leagues up the River, but, as I am informed the same dreary pros-

[35] pect continues all the way up to Lake Nipissing which is reckoned 25 leagues and indeed I cannot speak more favourable of the general complexion of the coast all the way from Thessalon to French River, for it is a rude, barren and inhospitable shore, and in no respect fit for or capable of supporting any settlement. There are scarce any situations that I have observed capable of any cultivation, except on the borders of the River Mississague, but the tracts of good land here as well as at Thessalon appear of such small extent, and must therefore be so unconnected and unsupported that no advantage could I imagine, be expected from them sufficient to encourage any attempts to settle on the north shore of Lake Huron. The greater part of this coast is also a dangerous navigation even for canoes and would be much more so for vessels, as the rocks in many places run to a considerable distance into the Lake. Canoes, indeed with discreet management and by seeking in time for a place of safety on the appearance of a gale of wind, may generally find shelter among some of the islands which lye along most part of this coast: but vessels would not always so readily meet with a harbour; and to navigate here in storm with any probability of safety, would require a thorough knowledge of this part of the Lake.

Matchadash Bay.

From French River to Matchadash bay is about forty-five leagues and the description I have already given of the north coast of the Lake will also nearly answer for this district as it appears equally barren and rocky, there is a range of islands—which line almost the whole extent of it in some places not spreading more than half a league from the main shore, and in others three Leagues, but no where more, there are however other islands detached and scattered about in this part of the Lake in various distances.

[36] Plan E:—Matchedash Bay lies to the eastward and southward of French River, it is of considerable extent being about twelve miles deep and an irregular breadth from five to seven miles: at the entrance from the lake there are several islands, the best chanel thro' them for a vessel is next to the main shore, throughout the greatest part of the bay there is a depth for vessels of any draft of water, but towards the bottom of the bay it is shoal having only six feet of water within about a mile and a half from the shore.

There are several small rivers or creeks which fall into the bottom of this bay, but not any one in particular, which bears the name of Matchadash. Adverting however to that which leads to Lake La Clie, and by which there is a communication (sometimes used) to Toronto on Lake Ontario· I therefore examined the entrance of this river particularly, and found that there was a bar with only six feet water within that there was two fathoms and at a quarter of a mile up a rapid. The banks of the river are rock and continue so, as I am informed the greatest part of it's course: it therefore does not seem a proper situation of a settlement but if it should ever be thought an object of consequence in the view of a communication to Lake Ontario, storehouses may be built at the entrance and protected on the south shore. But it is I apprehend to be doubted, whether it can ever become a place of much importance even in this respect, if, as I am informed, it is impracticable to pass with large canoes on account of the rapids and difficult carrying places; and if to this is added the great length of portage [37] from Toronto to Lake La Clie, and the being obliged to keep canoes on that Lake; these seem altogether at the first view to be very strong obstacles to any business being carried on this way upon the great scale of trade.

The face of the Country (as I have described if from St. Mary's) seems on a sudden in Matchadash Bay to put on a different appearance; it however, continues rocky and barren quite down to the bottom of this bay—the north-east shore of it being much the same as that on the Lake but the south and south west shore has all the marks of tolerable good land and seems very well adapted for settlements.

Lake Huron Coast.

From Matchadash Bay along the east Coast of Lake Hurron down to the river leading to Detroit, the Navigation is in general dangerous, and in the last 50 leagues there is no harbour for any vessel and but one even for boats or canoes, and being an open coast the swell from the lake in westerly winds beats upon it with great violence. In this great extent of coast from Matchadash Bay which has been hitherto little known or frequented except by some few Indians; the country has various appearances in some places sandy and barren, but in many others very proper for cultivation, there being several considerable tracts of land, which I make no doubt may hereafter be settled to advantage, but for more distinct information as to the particular situation of these places, I beg leave to refer to the annexed general sketch of Lake Hurron.*

I will now beg leave to close this Report with observing that I have endeavoured as far as in my power to adhere to the spirit of my instructions, and to give every information as compleat as possible not having designedly omitted any thing which I thought could be in the least useful. I have at present only further to add by way of recapitulation, a few remarks on the subject of the Lakes in general; that vessels sailing on these waters being seldom for any length of time out of sight of land, the navigation must be considered chiefly as Pilotage to which the use of nautical charts are essential and are therefore much wanted. That gales of wind or squalls rise very suddenly upon the Lakes and from the confined state of the waters or want of sea room (as it is called) vessels here may in some degree be considered as always upon a lee shore, and this seems to point out the necessity of their being built on such a construction as will best enable them to work to windward; schooners should perhaps have the preference as being rather safer than sloops they should be from 80 to 100 tons burthen on Lake Ontario and 50 tons burthen on Lake Erie and Huron, but if not intended to communicate between these two lakes they may then be of the same size as on Lake Ontario, and if this system is approved, there can be no necessity to deviate from it, unless an enemy should possess vessels of greater magnitude or force; but as the intent of bringing any such forward, at least the building them can never remain a secret there may be always time [39] to counteract such a design by preparing to meet them at least upon equal terms.

It does not seem advisable nor do I know any reason to continue the practice of building vessels flatbottomed, or to have very little draft of water, they are always unsafe and many of the accidents which have happened on the Lakes have perhaps in some degree been owing to that construction: on the contrary, if they are built on proper principles for burden as well as for sailing, they will be safer and will find sufficient depth of water, proportioned to any tonnage which can be requisite for them upon these Lakes.

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INSTRUCTION BOOK

No. 5.

George the third by the Grace of God, King of Great Britain and the Territories thereunto, Defender of the Faith, and so-forth—

To our Trusty and well beloved the Honourable John Collins of the District of Montreal in the Province of Quebec, Esquire——

Greeting: Know you that we have thought fit to empower you, and we do hereby give and grant unto you full power and authority to tender and administer unto all persons, whom it may concern, the oaths directed by Law, and the declaration followeth that is to say:

I do promise and declare that I will maintain and defend to the utmost of my power the authority of the King in his Parliament, as the Supreme Legislature of this Province, and to receive [2] from such persons their subscriptions severally to the oaths and declarations and what you shall do herein, you are here to make return into the office of our Clerk of the Council for our said Province together with this Writ.

Witness our Trusty and well beloved Frederick Haldimand, our Captain General and Governor in Chief of our said province of Quebec at our Castle of St. Lewis in our City of Quebec the Seventeenth day of May in the Year of our Lord 1784.

17th day of May, 1784.

(Signed.) FREDK. HALDIMAND.

By His Excellency's Command,
(Signed,) ALEXR. GRAY, a C. C.

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[3] Quebec, the 11th Sepr., 1783.

John Collins, Esquire, D.S.G.:

SIR,—It being my Intention to establish the settlements for the provision of part of the distressed Loyalists resorting to this Province, at, or in the neighbourhood of Cataraqui upon Lake Ontario—You are hereby required and directed to proceed to that place without loss of time, for the purpose of surveying and laying out the several lands in townships, and lots agreeable to the following Instructions:—

See copy letters received, vol. 3, page 896.

1st., You will make an exact survey of the Neck intended for the Town Plot, describing and expressing the nature of the ground and soil and if Point Frederick is not commanded from Point Henry, on both which places sufficient spaces for a Fortification must be reserved.

L.R. Vol. 3, p. 896.

2nd., At the west side of Cataraqui Harbour, the ground near the Fort and within the Lines (as marked in the Plan A, B, C) must remain to the Crown for the use of the Garrison, and as a [4] place of resort for the Indians, where some of the most noted might be allowed to build, reserving sufficient space round the ships (where vessels were formerly constructed) unincumbered with buildings.

3d., Tho' a Common containing about 400 acres must be reserved for the use of the Town, lease may be given for a term of years, not exceeding thirty years, to settle* there as the people for the present will be glad to be as near the town as possible, and the common will be clear by the time the town will be in want of it.

*Vol. 3, L.R.P. 897.

4th., The method of laying out the townships* of six miles square I consider the best to be followed, as the people to be settled there are most used to it, and will best answer the proportion of lands—I propose to grant to each family, vizt., 120 Acres, of which

*L.R. vol. 3, L.R.P. 897.

six are to be in front, which will make 19 Chains in front, and [5] 63 Chains and 25 Links in depth—so that every Township will have 25 Lots in front, and four Chains 75 Links will remain for roads, with 7 concessions in depth 58 Links will remain for a road by which distribution each township will contain 175 Lots of 120 Acres

For your assistance in the execution of this business, you will be joined at Montreal by Captain Sherwood, and Lieut. Ketté, and also by Mr. Grass, Captain of one of the Companies of Militia intended for this Settlement, and these Gentlemen will be attended with axemen, etc., proper for the occasion.

You will begin your survey by a township on each side of the Bay, and transmit it to me together with your remarks, reporting to me in the like manner from time to time the progress you shall make.

[6] As it is not improbable that in exploring these lands, some of the persons employed may make choice of particular situations, and make preparations accordingly, to prevent which, you are to signify to them that my intentions are to distribute the lots impartially by drawing for them, and that all timber cut down this Fall, or any loghouses they may chuse to make, and reside in until the settlements shall be regularly granted, will not be considered as any right of such persons, but entirely as a temporary beginning, and should any of them prefer remaining there this winter, to returning to Sorel, may have lots of four acres marked out for them in the common which they will enjoy for 30 years as beforementioned, by which means whatever work is done will forward the clearing of the common, and be for the public good. Vol. 3, L.R. page 898. Vol. 3, L.R. page 898.

The Officers commanding at Carleton Island, Cataraqui, or any Post you shall have occasion to call at, are hereby directed to [7] afford you every assistance in their power, whether in provision, or otherwise, for the speedy and effectual execution of these instructions. Wishing you Success, I am, Sir, your most Obedient, Humble Servant,

(Signed) FREDK. HALDIMAND.

Quebec, the 17th May, 1784.

Instructions from His Excellency Governor Haldimand to John Collins, Esquire, for Granting Lands in the Siegniory of Sorel.

SIR,—In pursuance of His Majesty's Instructions for granting lands in the Seigneurie of Sorell, to Refugee Loyalists, in this Province, you are directed to repair to that place without loss of time, and to distribute Lots of such land as remains to be conceded to the Loyalists specified in the enclosed list, provided that from the information you shall receive from Captain Barns, and [8] others to whom they are known, you shall esteem them fit persons to be placed there together with any others of the same description who shall be desirous to settle thereon.

His Majesty's Instructions particularly direct, that the land in this Seigneurie be laid out in as small lots as possible. You will therefore be careful not to grant to any person more than one lot consisting of sixty acres. When a situation for a town shall be determined upon, the persons who now settle upon farm lots,

and who are mechanics, will each be allowed a town lot. Major Jessup, his son-in-law Mr. Walker, Captain Barns, Captain Gleisenberg, and Lieutenant French, have had my permission to settle each a lot, which you will see marked upon the plan.

The persons now to be settled, are to draw for their lots in conformity to the general rule, I have established throughout the Province for settling the Loyalists, they may afterwards make whatever exchange amongst themselves they shall think proper. You will herewith receive one of the books prepared to take down the names of the settlers in each Seigneurie and containing the King's Instructions, etc., for their information, together with the oaths, and declaration, necessary for them to take and subscribe, and also certificates that are to be given to each settler in the [9] manner, and for the purpose which has already been communicated to you, which you will explain to Captain Barns, leaving the book and some certificates with him that he may be enabled to receive such settlers as may hereafter apply for lots, for which he will be furnished with proper authority.

You will compleat this business with all the dispatch possible, and join Major Holland at Montreal, and proceed with him in settling the Loyalists upwards to Cataraqui. I am, Sir, your most Obedient and most Humble Servant,

(Signed), FRED. HALDIMAND.

Samuel Holland, Esquire, Surveyor General of His Majesty's Province of Quebec, and the Northern Districts,

To John Collins, Esquire, Greeting. By Virtue of the power and authority to me given by His Majesty, I do by these presents nominate, constitute and appoint you to be my Deputy Surveyor General, for the admeasuring, surveying, setting out of roads, and lands in the Province of Quebec, agreeable to my instructions [10] hereunto annexed, with power to the said John Collins, to do, execute and perform by himself, or the Assistant Deputy, or Deputys, all things whatsoever belonging to the said office, To have, hold, exercise and enjoy the same during our pleasure, together with the salary granted by Parliament and a moiety or half part of all salaries, fees, perquisites, profits, and advantages, thereunto belonging or appertaining to the said office, subject to further instructions in the premises and for so doing this shall be your deputation.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Quebec, this eight day of September, in the fourth year of the Reign of Our Sovereign, Lord
8th Sept., 1764. George, the third, one thousand seven hundred and sixty-four.

(Signed), SAMUEL HOLLAND.

[11] Province of Quebec:

Commission from His Excellency Genl. Carleton to J. Collins as Deputy Surveyor Genl. May 2nd, 1775.

Guy Carleton, Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over the Province of Quebec and the Territories depending thereon in America, Keeper of the Great Seal of the said Province, Vice Admiral of the same, and Major-General of His Majesty's Forces, Commanding the Northern District of North America, etc., etc.,

To all to whom these Presents shall come, sendeth Greeting.

Know ye that being well assured of the loyalty, prudence, and integrity of the Honourable John Collins, of the City of Quebec, in the Province aforesaid, Esquire, and one of the Members of

His Majesty's Council for the said Province, and having had experience during the course of many years' service, of his capacity, and abilities in the execution of the office of Deputy Surveyor General of Lands of the said Province, I have thought fit to constitute, [12] and appoint, and do by these presents constitute and appoint, him the said John Collins to be Deputy Surveyor General of Lands in, and for the said Province of Quebec, to have, hold, exercise and enjoy the office of Deputy Surveyor General of Lands aforesaid, unto him the said John Collins, during pleasure, together with such fees as shall hereafter be allowed, or appointed by me, or other of His Majesty's Governor in Chief, or Lieutenant Governor, or other Commander in Chief of the said Province for the time being, by and with the consent of His Majesty's Council for the same, to be taken in respect of the execution of the said Office.

Given under my hand and Seal at Arms, at the Castle of Saint Louis in the City of Quebec this Second day of May, in the fifteenth year of His Majesty's Reign and in the Year of our Lord One Thousand seven hundred and seventy five.

[13] (Signed), GUY CARLETON. 2nd day of May, 1775.

By His Excellency's Command, GEO. ALLSOP.

Quebec, May 22nd, 1785.

SIR,—You will please immediately upon your arrival at Montreal to wait on the General, and acquaint him with time of your intended departure from thence, and receive his commands for any of the settlements on your route.

You will confer with Mr. Delancey before you leave Montreal, and should anything appear necessary to be communicated to me, either on account of the Loyalists, or the intended survey, you will lose no time to inform me of it. You will consult the heads of the [14] townships, and report to me briefly the state, and progress of each, with their *real* wants, not their fancied ones.

Having settled with Mr. McLean about the management of the Loyalists at the upper Townships, and directed how the mills are to be worked for the common benefit, having settled Capt. Brandts lot, and distributed the garden seeds, having left your instructions with Mr. Kotte how he is to proceed, and arranged all for the best with Capt. Potts,—you will proceed upwards to take a survey of the communication between the Bay of Quinté, and Lake Huron by Lake La Clie.

You will particularly note the depth of water at every necessary place and mark the soundings on your plan or chart. The parts navigable for the different sorts of crafts—the nature of the soil, and its produce particularly timber. The Indian tribes, on the communication, their numbers, disposition, &ca. What tract [15] of land it may be necessary to purchase, and at what rate. Calculate the time and expence of rendering the different portages, &c., practicable, consider and weigh well the disadvantages as well as favorable points. The time which the transport of goods would require if the roads were in good condition. Consult the merchants at Montreal, upon the idea of erecting stores at the different convenient places, and if you find they are desirous of encouraging the project, write me immediately.

Your prudence will suggest the necessary measures. I wish you all health and good weather, and am, Sir, Your most Obedient & most humble Servant,

(Signed), HENRY HAMILTON.

John Collins, Esquire, Deputy Surveyor General.

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[16] Quebec, 28 May, 1785.

Additional Instructions to John Collins, Esquire, respecting the surveys in the upper Country.

You will take especial notice in your report of the stations which may be most advantageous for the erecting forts, redoubts, or batteries,—having in view, first the protection of the shipping, or small craft, secondly the advantages of giving shelter and security in case of an attack from a regular force, or in the event of an Indian War. The nature of the soil, the distance of commanding grounds, the means of procuring water, and of keeping communication by land and water, are to be considered.

I am, Sir, Your most Obedient, Humble Servant,

(Signed), HENRY HAMILTON.

Honble. John Collins, Esqr.

Instructions to Lewis Kotte from J. Collins, Esq., respecting the surveys in the upper country, Octr., 1785.

[17] SIR,—You are hereby required and directed, after you have settled your affairs in Montreal, to go, and make the following Surveys, Viz., To go and survey and lay out in two hundred Acre lots of six acres in front commencing at a small River at West Bay, in the Fifth Township (Hallowell?) beginning on the south side of the mouth, and going round the head to the north side, until you come opposite to the place where you sit out.

You will then proceed and lay out a second Concession of eleven Lots of 200 Acres in front, in the sixth Township (Ameliasburgh?), beginning near the last Settler (or the Sixty-sixth Lot), who will shew you the beginning should you be at a loss. You will then proceed to the East Lake in the like manner, on the South side, and lay out a second concession, (Hallowell?) beginning at [18] N. 1, where, should you be at a loss, Major Rogers will shew you the place, and this shall be your order and authority for so doing. Given under my hand at Cataraqui this ... day of October, 1785.

(Signed), JOHN COLLINS.

Mr. Lewis Ketto, Deputy Provl. Surveyr.

Cataraqui, 18th June, 1785.

Instructions to Mr. P. McNiff from J. Collins, Esqr., respecting surveys in the upper country, June 18th, 1785.

SIR,—You will please to proceed immediately to make the following surveys, viz.:

In the township called Lake Township (Lancaster) you will survey and lay out the front line of the second and third concessions.—

In the Third Township, (Osnabruck), the front line of the second, third, and fourth concessions.

In the fourth Township (Williamsburg), the second, third, and fourth concessions.

[19] In the fifth Township (Matilda), the front line of the second, third, and fourth concession, leaving Roads of forty feet wide, between each concession, and taking care to set up two posts at proper distances in the division line between each Lot, to serve as a government to the inhabitants to divide their lands,—The same to be done in the front line of each township on the Lake. When you have completed the above survey, you will lay out a road for the use of the public of forty feet wide, in the front of the townships as near the Lake as the nature of the country will admit of, commencing at Coteau du Lac, and running to the upper end of the Fifth Township, taking with you the inhabitants of each township to assist you in surveying, and laying out the said road, laying down on your plan all the rivers, creeks and swamps, &c., that cross your lines in the course of your survey, which you will insert in your report, with the nature, and quality of the soil, and [21] the quantity of cleared land in each township, make due report to me of your proceedings thereon and for so doing this shall be your sufficient authority. Given under my hand at Cataraqui, 18th day of June, 1785.

Mr. Patrick McNiff, Surveyor.

Quebec, 31st May, 1786.

Instructions from Lt. Govr. Hope to John Collins, Esq., respecting the surveys in the Bay of Chaleurs May 31, 1786.

Sir,—In Order to obtain more full and perfect information on objects of material importance to the tranquility of many of His Majesty's subjects, and with a view also, to secure their welfare, as well as the advantage and prosperity of the fisheries in that quarter, by the establishment of just, and suitable local regulations, in concurrence with the opinion of His Majesty's Council [22] of this Province, to whose deliberations I have submitted several papers on the subject. I am now to direct for the better attainment of these purposes, you do with all convenient dispatch proceed to the Bay of Chaleurs, there to carry into effect the following objects of my instructions.

You will in the first place make an exact survey of all the lands now held in possession by the Acadians, Canadians, and Europeans in the Bay—distinguishing whether with, or without grants, or other written titles, and ascertaining the number of acres claimed by each settler, and how many thereof are in culture. You will also make faithful extracts of all such grants and other titles, as may be produced to you, in consequence of my Proclamation of the 9th Instant, in order for your reporting to me fully on this subject on your return to Quebec.

[23] You will next proceed to survey one thousand acres of land, beginning at a small island, coming down towards the western side of the River called great Cascapebiac, together with the small island above mentioned, and make a report thereon to me, in order that a grant of the said one thousand acres, may be made to Messrs. Robin, Pipen & Co. conformable to the order of the King in Council:—I must, however, particularly recommend to your observation, and that you will point out to me, if it should appear to you that a grant of the quantity of land above-described, as demanded by Messrs. Robin, Pipen & Co., would in any shape interfere with the prior right of the Acadians, or others, with the claims of Indians, or with the general benefit and prosperity of the Fisheries. In course of your enquiries on these objects, I must

desire you will particularly inform yourself on the state of all lands which have been granted, but which remain unsettled, and [24] unimproved by the parties to whom the Grants were made.

I must request also that in concert with Lieut. Governor Cox, you will make the state of the fisheries below, the subject of your enquiries, using every means in your power to gain such information as may form a proper basis for establishing regulations on this important object.

The rights of the Indians in that quarter, will likewise justly claim your attention, the points to be punctually enquired into, appear to be their claims to the exclusive right of the salmon fishery on the River Ristigouche—to certain lands and the produce thereof, adjoining to the settlements lately made by the Loyalists, and others, and generally into the extent and situation of such [25] hunting grounds as they claim to.

To prevent difficulties arising by jarring interests of individuals, it has been lately found expedient to assume for the King's Seigneuries of Port Daniel and Ristigouche, by the Droit de retrait, from persons who had offered the same for sale, as using the right of retrait—in this instance, there was no intention to deprive the proposed purchasers of any advantages that might be derived therefrom, if not inconsistent with the rights and privileges of the Indians, or settlers, in that quarter. I must request you will particularly examine into the consequences which might result from privileges annexed to the said Seigneuries, remaining possessed by individuals, in order that after the reservation of such thereof as might prove prejudicial to the interests of the Indians and new settlers, or beneficial in any other respect to Government. The proposed purchasers may have an optional preference in the acquisition of these Seigneuries, if again to be disposed of.

[26] I am, with due regard, Sir, Your most Obedient Humble Servant,

(Signed), HENRY HOPE.

John Collins, Esqr., Deputy Surveyor Genl. of the Province of Quebec.

Quebec, 2nd June, 1786.

Additional instructions from Lt. Govr. Hope, to John Collins, Esqr., respecting the surveys and settlements in Bay of Chaleurs 2nd June, 1786.

SIR,—Having already in my letter of the 31st ult. pointed out the several objects which will demand your attention in the Bay of Chaleurs, I have now to express my desire, that you proceed thither by the first opportunity, there being no Government vessel to be sent down at this time, and as it cannot be expedient to hire one to attend on you during the whole summer, you are therefore hereby authorized to engage such boats, or craft, as may be necessary to convey you from place to place, in the Bay of Chaleur in performance of the business under your direction, and in so doing [27] I am persuaded I need not recommend to you the strictest attention to œconomy.

As I see with you the necessity of your having the assistance of a clerk, in the variety of business, which will come under your inspection, you are therefore authorized to engage a proper person in that capacity to accompany you to the Bay, whose pay will be reimbursed to you by Government.

I beg leave to charge you with the enclosed letter to Governor Cox, to whom, on your arrival you will please to communicate the

objects of your instructions. By his endeavours united with yours, I trust much information will be collected which may prove highly beneficial to His Majesty's service, as well as to the welfare of his subjects.

I am, Sir, Your most Obedt. Humble Servt.,

(Signed) HENRY HOPE.

[28] Surveyr. Genl's Office, Quebec, 18th Jany., 1786.

Copy of instructions from Saml. Holland, Esq., Surveyr. Genl. to the deputy surveyrs., assigning their pay and their respective districts, etc., etc., Jany. 18th, 1786.

SIR,—By His Honor Brigadier General Hope's letter, dated the 14th December last, requiring me to report to him, the state of the Surveyor General's Department in this Province, and to specify the different expenditures for allotting lands for the Loyalists, &c., &c., I have transmitted to His Honour my letter of report thereon dated 28th of December following, wherein I at the same time laid before His Honour a plan, and proposals for the better regulating of the Department, so as to prevent for the future any extra expences to be added to the enormous sum already accumulated on that account, and as His Honour was pleased to signify to me by his answer of the 14th instant; that I should immediately give direction for carrying the same into execution. [29] I am to acquaint you for your future Instructions—

1st. That you and other Deputy Surveyors, imployed for admeasuring and laying out Lots of land for the Loyalists, and disbanded troops agreeable to His Majesty's instructions, are to be allowed 4/ Sterg. per day when in your district, and not employed on actual surveys and when employed to have 7/6 Sterling per day.

2ndly. That your district shall comprehend from Monsieur De Longueuil's Boundary Line near Point a Baudet upwards, including Township No. 8, above new Oswegatchy.

3ndly. That for the future no extra charges for chain or axmen, &c., shall be allowed; but those who desire to have lands surveyed are to make application to Stephen Delancey, Esq., Inspector of Loyalists, who is to require of them to furnish at least 6 men, or more, if necessary to assist you as a surveying party, in laying out the lands (which will naturally be supposed to be people who have their lands adjacent to each other) and those who will join in this business, to be allowed one extra Loyalist's ration of [30] provisions per day while they are in this employment: when you are to proceed on the survey, agreeable to the directions you receive from the Inspector of Loyalists, who will give you a certificate for the days you have been actually employed, on the survey, with a report of the survey you will transmit, and if you cannot perform all the business in the upper Townships yourself, you may employ under direction Mr. Jessup of New Oswegatchy, at 5/ per day, but with the approbation of the Inspector of Loyalists.

4th. That for the future no alterations in exchanging lots can be made without the approbation of the Inspector of Loyalists, and if allowed by him you are to make a report of the same to me, that the names may be altered on the plan you have transmitted by John Collins, Esqr., to the Surveyor General's Office.

5th. As I find by the plans transmitted to my office, that you have not reserved any lands for a glebe, nor more than five

hundred, nor less than three hundred acres, agreeable to His Majesty's instructions—I have sent by the bearer a copy of the [31] plan, wherein they are laid down, as they are transmitted to the Secretary of State's Office. However, if any of the lots are actually occupied by the settlers you make some alterations in laying them down, one or two numbers up, or downwards, provided they remain in the same concession, when you will return the same plan to me expressing the alterations thereon you have been obliged to make, but if possible leave them as they are on the plan.

6th. The certificates and accounts of the days you have been employed must be transmitted to me before the 10th April for the winter six months, and the 10th of October for the summer six months, in order that they may be laid before the committee of Council appointed to examine the public accounts.

The above is a copy of the instructions sent Mr. Patrick McNiff, Surveyor at Johnstown, Mr. Kotte's Letter of Instructions correspond with the above except in the following articles, vizt.:—

[32] 1st. In Article 2nd of the above instructions, that your district shall comprehend from Township No. 8 above New Oswegatchy to the upper part of the Bay of Quinty, with the neck of land between the said Bay, and Lake Ontario.

2nd. Articles 3 and 4, the same with Mr. McNiff's, excepting that the application for the surveyor is to be made to Neil McLean, Esqr., Deputy Inspector of Loyalists, instead of Stephen Delancey, Esqr., and to employ Mr. Mathew Dies, instead of Mr. Jessup, on the same conditions.

3nd. Article 5th. To specify on the different plans where glebes are reserved. Article the 6th the same with Mr. McNiff's.

Alterations in the instructions to Mr. Fry, Deputy Surveyor at Detroit.

1st. In Article the 2nd, that your district shall comprehend all the land to be laid out near Niagara, and Detroit.

2nd. Article the 3rd. The same with Mr. McNiff's excepting that the application for the surveyor is to be made the Commanding Officer.

3rd. Article the 4th. That in the Township laid out, or to be laid out, you are to reserve a glebe, no less than 300, nor more [33] than 500 acres, agreeable to His Majesty's instructions, and that in the most centrical part of the Township. Article the 5th. The same with Mr. McNiff's.

Alterations in the Instructions to Mr. Vandervelden, Deputy Surveyor Chaleur Bay.

1st. Article 2nd. That your district shall comprehend Gaspeé Bay, the North side of Chaleur Bay, with Ristigouche River.

2nd. Article 3 and 4. The application to be made for the surveyor, to Nicholas Cox, Esqr., Lt. Governor of Gaspeé, and if Mr. Vandervelden is not sufficient to perform all the business himself, Lt. Governor Cox will employ Felix O'Hara, Esqr., at 7/6 per day while employed, under His Honor's directions.

3rd. Article 5th. That a glebe is to be reserved in the most centrical part of every Township. Article the 6th, the same with the foregoing.

(Signed) SAMUEL HOLLAND.

Quebec, 1st Feby., 1786.

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[34] The business of Sorell being accomplished; or as far advanced as to admit of your separating from the rest of your associates, in that service, the Interests of the Inhabitants render it expedient that you then repair to the settlements in the Western Country above Montreal.

Instructions from Ld. Dorchester to John Collins, Esq., Dy. Survyr. Genl. respecting the surveys and settlements in the western country above Montreal, June 4th, 1787.

1st. Your first object in that quarter, is the accommodation of those Loyalists who remain still without their appointment of lands, and particularly in the Third, and Fourth Townships, (Osnabruck, Williamsburg) where such as are of this class, represented to be the most numerous.

2nd. The inconveniences to the planter, of assigning less land to him, than is sufficient for a farm is obvious, and the discouragement increased, if the portions of the other branches of his family are remote from the first tract, you willl be careful in laying out [35] new townships, so to proportion the lots, as to give the heads of the family three hundred acres, where he is entitled to so much, and to locate the shares of the other individuals of which it is composed, as nearly as may be contiguous to the tract assigned to the master of the family.

But in settlements contiguous to a town whose situation gives reason to expect a great increase of population, a sufficient space round such town should be kept vacant, unless already granted, for the purpose to annex a farm of fifteen acres to every town lot in the same.

3nd. For the encouragement of such settlers, who besides supporting their former characters for loyalty to the King, and attachment to the British Government and a peaceable decent deportment, have by their industry, in improving and cultivating the lands already assigned them, cause to presume that they will be good and profitable subjects, you are to add to every head [36] of a family of that description two hundred acres exclusive of what is allowed to the other members of it severally by the Royal Instructions.

4th. The Loyalists can scarcely be unapprized, that it is essential to their own safety as well as the public tranquility to guard against the admission of any persons among them of suspicious characters; you will nevertheless for their greater security, cause diligent enquiry to be made into everything connected with a subject of so much consequence to the prosperity of these settlements; and respecting persons of doubtful principles and reputations—you are to suspend the aforementioned additional favours and grants intended only for real Loyalists, until you have reported their names and cases for future determination. And you will warn the Loyalists not to harbour any persons of [37] such characters.

5th. The propriety of maintaining the same vigilance after your return, requires that you forward previous information in

what individuals among the chief settlers the like confidence may be reposed, so conveniently however separated from each other, that a constant eye may be kept upon all the settlements, and yet so situated as to be in a capacity to admit of their reciprocal aid in the general inspection.

6th. It is to be greatly regretted that there are already complaints of irregularities and disorders even in the quarters settled by the Loyalists, but much to be hoped that when the new district to be formed under the authority of the late Act of the Legislature is organised, the grounds of inquietude and animosity will be effectually removed. You are charged, nevertheless, to investigate to the causes, and hear all parties upon every subject of complaint, and accusation, transmitting to me a full report with all the proofs upon oath, that such measure may be taken, [38] as the case may require, and for your farther assistance in this part of the service, Mr. Powell will accompany you, and return as soon as the necessary inquiries upon this subject are completed.

7th. That there may be no unnecessary delay of the affairs of the Loyalists and especially such of them, who by their demeanor and dutiful conduct are entitled to all the benevolence Government can bestow upon them, consisting with the general interests of the community; you will consider everything that regards their comfort, ease, and prosperity, as within the sphere of your mission, and will find means immediately upon your arrival among their settlements to cause these instructions to be published, or fully made known to the inhabitants, and give every necessary information for affording them the speediest satisfaction, and [39] upon your return, report at large whatever may tend to the advancement, prosperity and safety of those important districts, as well as what you shall have transacted under these instructions, in such manner as shall be requisite for issuing the intended grants, in due form of law and until this can be accomplished, to leave every settler by a certificate, under your signature, pledging the faith of Government assured of the fruit of his industry upon the location you shall have assigned him, according to the form of the certificates heretofore granted, for similar purposes under the signatures of the Governor, or Commander-in-Chief for the time being, to many hundreds of individuals for lands in various parts of the Province, which are hereby recognized, ratified and confirmed.

(Signed) DORCHESTER.

[40] Quebec, 4th June, 1787.

Instructions from Lord Dorchester to John Collins, Esq., respecting the surveys and settlements in the Cataraqui country.

SIR,—When you shall have finished the several objects already presented to you to be followed up at Sorell, I am to desire you will proceed from thence without delay to Cataraqui, in order finally to adjust such business as still remains to be done, for settling the Loyalists on their lands in that quarter.

It has been reported to me, that many of the first settlers in the several townships in that district, particularly in the 3rd and 4th Townships,* are still without their complement of lands, you

* 3rd. Fredericksburg, Sophiasburg; 4th. Adolphustown. T. D.

will give your first attention to see that all persons of this description are satisfied without delay.

I have also been informed that a number of persons, who are in no shape entitled to the protection and encouragement of Gov- [41] ernment have through the connivance of connections and friends crept in and settled themselves amongst the Loyalists, without any authoritv whatever, as this may prove an object of consequence to the future wellfare of the settlement, it is propōsed that an enquiry be held into characters and pretentions of all new comers since the original settlement, for which purpose a Commission, and proper Instructions will be expidited to yourself, and such others as it may be thought fit to join with you.

It having been represented to me that irregularities have prevailed in regard to the town lots at Cataraqui, I am to desire that this may be an object of your consideration, that you will form and transmit a regular plan thereof, inserting thereon the names of the several holders, with remarks upon such persons as shall appear to have taken up lots without authority—and that you will inform the Magistrates that they alone in future are to [42] authorize the taking up town lots, in which they will no doubt take due care that no person of improper character is admitted, and they will also take care to transmit reports to the Surveyor General's Office, when the lots shall be granted, which shall specify the number of the lots, and the persons' names to whom granted.

Quebec, 19th July, 1787.

Instructions from Lord Dorchester to John Collins, Esq., respecting the purchasing from the Indians the lands north of Lake Ontario, July 19th, 1787.

Sir,—I have received your Letter of the 10th July.

It being thought expedient to join the settlements of the Loyalists near to Niagara, to those west of Cataraqui. Sir John Johnson has been directed to take such steps with the Indians concerned, as may be necessary to establish a free and amicable [43] right for Government to the interjacent lands not yet purchased on the north of Lake Ontario, for that purpose, as well as to such parts of the country as may be necessary on both sides of the proposed communication from Toronto to Lake Huron.

As you have been employed in the former purchase made of the Indians in that country, you will give every assistance and information to Sir John, who will correspond with you on the subject. I am with regard, etc.

(Signed) Dorchester.

Instructions from John Collins, Esq., to James McCarthy respecting the surveys of the Townships in the Upper Districts, June 14th, 1787.

Sir,—You are hereby required and directed with all possible diligence so soon as you shall arrive at New Johnstown to proceed to Township No. 6, or 7, and No. 8 beginning with Township [44] No. 6 where you will lay out the concessional lines that are not already run out, the distance between each lot to be 19 chains, and the course S. 66, W. or N. 66, E. remembering to leave roads between every concession of forty feet, and the roads for the depth of the concessions as laid down in the plan of forty feet, the depth of each concession to be 105½ chains, and the course N 24 W., remembering the boundaries of each township, the course of which to be in depth N. 24 W. nine miles, or seven hundred and twenty chains.

Augusta Edwardsburgh

You will then proceed to N-7, where you will act in the like manner as in Township No. 6.

Elizabethtown.

You will then proceed to Township No. 8, where you will act as in Township No. 7, and as soon as you have finished this business you will immediately join me at Cataraqui, first confering with Mr. Wm. Chewett, Deputy Provincial Surveyor, in order to enquire what further business may be done for the good of the Settlement, and this shall be your authority for so doing. Given [45] under my hand at Sorell, 14th June, 1787.

(Signed) JOHN COLLINS.

Quebec, 4th June, 1787.

Instructions from His Excellency Lord Dorchester to John Collins, Esq., and William Powell, Esq., respecting the New Districts, 4th June, 1787.

GENTLEMEN,—At the same time that I wish the Article for your joint investigation as well as the other instructions herewith made known, to the inhabitants of the new western settlements, there will be need of caution, in the execution of it, for the better discovery of the principles, and temper to which it refers.

That you may be apprized of the object of that Article you will receive with this Letter, and carefully peruse the late communications from that quarter, and in marking the conduct of the chief agents, in exciting disorder and contentions you will accompany your report with proofs upon oath, to substantiate what shall appear to be exceptionable, as to deserve public animadversion. You will also give public intimation of my design to [46] form those settlements into a district, agreeable to the late Act of the Legislature, and endeavour to make your visit there useful in obtaining information concerning the fittest instruments for the several offices and trusts, necessary for its organization, as well as the most convenient distribution of them, and the proper places for a court-house, and prison, conversing with Sir John Johnson on these subjects whose acquaintance with Loyalists and disposition to serve them, and the Government I very much confide in, maintaining a proper reserve as to others, that the common curiosity may not be awakened, nor any handle given for any popular conventions, and representations upon these heads. I am with regard, etc.

[47] (Signed) DORCHESTER.

Johnstown, 26th July, 1787.

Instructions from John Collins, Esq., to James McDonnell, D. P. surveyor, respecting the surveys of Charlottenburg and Lancaster, 26th July, 1787.

SIR,—Without loss of time you will please to survey and lay out for the several families lately arrived from Britain a tract of land sufficient to give each head of a family two hundred acres—beginning your survey at No. 1, now Charlottenburg at the front line of the fifth concession one the east side running twelve and a half lots to the division line, betweeen that township and Lake Township, now Lancaster, from thence down the division line aforesaid, to the front line of the sixth concession of Lancaster, which you are to run to the east line of the said township, dividing the same into lots of six acres in depth, taking care to set up two pickets in each division line at proper distances from each other, as a government for the inhabitants and leaving roads of [48] forty feet wide in the same manner that has been done in the lower concessions, extending your survey northward, until you have compleated the full compliment as mentioned above, which

See McDonnell's plan of Lancaster and Charlottenburgh.

land you are to distribute fairly by lot, to the heads of the several families, making due report of your proceedings thereon—wishing you success. I am with due Regard, Sir, Your most Obedient Servant,

(Signed) JOHN COLLINS.

Quebec, 4th June, 1788.

Instructions from J. Collins, Esq., to Patk. McNiff, D. P. Surveyor respecting the surveys on the Ottawa River, and the allotments to the officers of the Emigrant Corps, June 4th, 1788.

SIR,—You will please proceed immediately without loss of time to the north side of the Ottaway, or Grand River. Your first object in that quarter is the accommodation of the officers and privates of the late Emigrants Corps with the proportion of [49] lands allowed them by the King, viz.:—

To a Field Officer	5,000	acres.
a Captain	3,000	do
a Lieutenant	2,000	do
a Private	200	do

You will begin your survey at the foot of the Great Fall, or Long Sault, at the upper boundary of a Seigneurie belonging to Peter Panet, Esquire, and make an accurate survey of the river nine miles on a direct line, which will enable you to run your base line parallel to the river, upon which line you will set off and fix boundaries of the above mentioned land, after the manner it was done in the lower townships, a plan, and report of your proceedings you will return into the Surveyor General's Office, on having completed the survey. Wishing you health and good Weather, I am, Sir, Your most Obedient Servant,

(Signed) JOHN COLLINS.

Letter of Instructions, a copy of which was sent to all the Deputy-surveyors, 23rd June, 1788, respecting the quantity of Field Work to be performed in the respective Townships.

[50] I enclose you a copy of a late Report in Council on the business of Surveys, and in furtherance of that œconomy which ought to be consulted, by all the Officers of the Crown, and especially in our Department, in which the expenditures have been so considerable I add you will use your discretion in carrying your field work to no greater extent than will be necessary for your returning such a protraction as will enable the Surveyor General to issue out of it returns for specific quantities in future directed to be granted, and suffice for the patentees laying out his grant with competent certainty and equal safety to himself, and the Crown. It is under this idea, that the actual survey of only one line along the river, or water, is directed to be actually run from and to [51] fixed boundaries, except when number of settlers ready to begin to work, and in danger from their want of knowledge in surveys of commencing in confusion may make it requisite, to give the first concession a road, or rather the second concession a front line, with so much of the exterior side lines of the township, and the breadth of the subdivisions of the first concession as will guide the grantees in extending the side lines, of their own lots to the road in the rear of that concession, dividing from the second as from the first, our grant will thus be made to connect with another prior in time, there must be due care to ascertain the two capital stations for the breadth of the townships, and to blaze healthy trees for purpose—several of them should be distinguish-

ingly marked, and their bearing, and distance from the precise spot.

A blaze through rind and letters cut into the wood, by such [52] an instrument as is used by coopers in marking casks, I am told has been opened, on boxed, after eighty years, and shewn the letters perfectly fresh and legible.

Council Chamber, 30th June, 1788.

Instructions to Messrs. Jas. McDonell from John Collins, Esq., respecting the survey of the vacant land between Elizabethtown and Pittsburg, 30th June, 1788.

SIR,—As soon as this reaches you, please to proceed without loss of time to the vacant land that lies betweeen Elizabeth town, and Pitsburg, below Kingstown, where you will be joined by Mr. Hugh McDonell.

Your first object will be to survey and lay out the said land, dividing into three seigneuries, or townships of six miles in front, by nine miles in depth. You will run the first, and second lines, of the concessions of each township dividing the same into equal lots of six acres front, by thirty three, and one third acres in [53] depth,—making two hundred acres, fixing the front boundaries of each lot and leaving roads of forty feet in breadth between each concession, running the side lines of each township, two and a half miles in depth, fixing good strong boundaries, with a cedar post on the bank of the river, in each side of the same. You are not to promise the preference of any lot of land to any person whatever, a plan and report of your proceedings you will transmit to the Surveyor General's Office as soon as the business is completed. Wishing you health and good weather. I am with respect Your most Obedient, Humble Servant,

Yonge, Escott and Landsdown.

[54] (Signed) JOHN COLLINS.

Instructions to P. McNiff, D. P. Surveyor from J. Collins, Esq., respecting the appointment of the land boards, 11th Sept., 1788.

Surveyor General's Office, Quebec, 11th Sepr., 1788.

SIR,—His Excellency Lord Dorchester having been pleased to appoint Richard Duncan, John McDonell, Jeremiah French, Justus Sherwood, James Gray, John Monroe, Esquires, or any three of them a Board to examine the claims and characters of Loyalists coming into this Province—

I am to request that upon your receiving an order from the above Board, or any three of them that you immediately proceed to give each master of a family mentioned in the said order, a lot consisting of two hundred acres in either of the townships laid [55] out for the Loyalists on the Ottawa, or Grand River, they may wish to settle in having the lots fairly drawn for, transmit to the Surveyor General's Office without delay, a plan and report of your proceedings, and also whatever you may transact under this instruction, with each proprietor's name inserted in his own lot, that the same may be recorded in this office. Wishing you health, I am, with regard, Sir, Yours, etc.

(Signed) JOHN COLLINS.

Instructions to Wm. Chewett, D. P. Surveyor from Saml. Holland, Esq., Surveyor General, laying out Lands in the

SIR,—You are hereby required and directed with all possible diligence, to set off for your District in my Department at New Johnstown, in order to carry into execution, and to compleat the following business:—

1st. You are to lay out the land of the Highlanders, agree- neighbourhood of New Johnstown, 20th May, 1787.
[56] able to the Muster Roll you are to receive from Lieutenant Angus McDonell.

2ndly. You are to lay out the family land for all those who have not yet received any, and to compleat all those who have not yet receved a portion for themselves, agreeably to your former instructions, that is to say, by Order from Stephen Delancey, Esquire, Inspector General of Loyalists.

3rdly. You are to enquire into the manner of laying out the lands in the back concessions of the 6th, 7th, 8th, and 9th Townships,* it having been reported to me of the peoples having set themselves down promiscuously in many places.

4th. You are to request the assistance of those two gentlemen who met you last Fall, and any others who may be acquainted with the country (in order to find a proper place for a road, through the Lake and other Townships) to go with you at a time most con-
[57] venient to themselves, but that it must not interfere with the aforementioned business, and I do recommend that you will try the height of land aback from the River aux Raisins, to see how far it extends, as I am induced to think it will be most expedient.

5th. When Mr. Theodore De Pencier is properly instructed in the business of our Department, you may employ him to assist you in running the side lines where the Kng's roads fall, for which he shall receive 5/—curry. per day when employed, and for which you must give him a certificate. You are to have two chainmen at 1/6 currency per day, and you and they will be given a ration per day each, for which you will give the necessary receipts.

Any other necessary business coming under the aforementioned heads, you may likewise carry into execution, and compleat, always duly reporting the same to me, and this shall be your order and authority for so doing.

Quebec, 20th May, 1787.

Surveyor General's Office, 4th June, 1789.

Instructions from John Collins, Esq., to Mr. Jas. Rankin, D. P. S. for ascertaining the boundary line of the Seigny. of D'Argentieuil, surveying the south side of the Ottawa River to the River Rideau for 40 miles up, and to ascertain the distances from the Ottawa and Rideau Rivers, to the St. Lawrence, June 4th, 1789.

Sir,—His Excellency the Govr. having been pleased to order the following surveys to be made, you are appointed for that service, and to proceed to the execution of it without delay, and when it is finished to report the protraction of it, to this office, by a scale of forty chains to an inch.

1st—To ascertain and mark the line fronting the northern boundary of the Seigniory of D'Argentieuil, for preventing disputes between the proprietors of that Seigniory, and the subsequent Grantees of the Crown, and to fix good and sufficient but not expensive boundaries, at each end of the same. You'll notify those inter-
[59] ested in that Seigniory of the intended work, and report the proofs, and principles upon which you decide and proceed.

2nd—To survey the south side of the Ottawa River, from the part already surveyed to the River Rideau, and forty miles on the south easterly side of the Rideau.

3rd—For the greater caution against errors arising from a mistake of distance, between the St. Lawrence and Ottawa Rivers,

*6 Edwardsburg. 7 Augusta. 8 Elizabeth. 9 Yonge.

two traverse lines are to be run, one in the course of the western line of the Township of Charlottenburg, to the Ottawa River, and the other from the end of the forty miles on the River Rideau, on the nearest to the St. Lawrence.

You are directed to keep a journal and field book, inserting whatever is observable for its singularity and value, towards the public utility, as water falls, minerals, quarries, the quality of the lands, and timber, &c.

I am charged to apprize you that besides the return to me of a map, and field book, you do also account for the time spent on [60] it in a journal to be kept for the purpose with such minuteness and certainty as will enable you to answer questions respecting the business upon oath, if the same shall be required.

It is proper that you be informed that grants may be made founded on the surveys you are to make along the Ottawa, and Rideau Rivers; and the two traverses above mentioned; You'll therefore inrich your field books and maps accordingly; and in the field make correspondent marks at the end of every mile, and sometimes at such places as have natural and peculiar determinations; for by this means a township may be granted and found independent of a re-survey, following all the steps you are to take in your present work.

There must be very strict attention to œconomy in the whole and the hands dismissed as soon as they can be spared, and as the [61] accounts will all go subject to audit, you'll take care to furnish the documents that will be expected in justification of every article of charge. It is not, however, His Lordship's intention by any small savings to disappoint the useful end for which these surveys are commanded, but there must be a responsible discretion exercised in the expences, both of time and means.

Approved (Signed) Dorchester.

Surveyor General's Office, Quebec, 4th June, 1789.

Instructions from John Collins, Esq., to Wm. Chewett for laying out a road between Montreal and Kingston, 4th June, 1789.

SIR,—His Excellency the Governor having been moved on behalf of the Loyalists in the western district so far as to assist them in opening the land communication between Montreal and Kingston in Mecklenburg, as to cause the routs of this interval [62] proper for the intended highway to be traced and marked.

You are appointed for that service, and to proceed to the execution of it without delay, and when it is finished to report the protraction of it to this office.

Intimations of this intended service are gone before you to Messrs. De Longueuil, and De Lotbegniere, who are interested in the vicinity of Quins Chiens in the Seigneury of Vaudreuil, the place of setting out, that they may meet you with such information as you may want as to the Line to be run, which is to depart from the general course, only so far as the nature of the intermediate country, on account of the soil, rivers, lakes and hills, &c., shall necessarily require.

As you advance to the new townships, you will premonish the Magistrates, and chief inhabitants of the day of your intended [63] arrival, that they may be ready with similar information concerning the Countries for your intended work.

Let the line of the road be well marked, and ascertained, that the inhabitants if they think fit may employ themselves upon it, where, and as their strength and conveniences may admit. You'll be careful in running the line, to set up durable posts of cedar at the end of every statute mile, and to mark the distance thereon, giving it in charge to the inhabitants to have an eye to them, as boundaries that may be refered to of property, of utility in preventing disputes, and charging the Magistrates as they decay, to fix up others with competent solemnity, and notoriety in their stead.

His Lordship is very desirous that this work be performed with as much economy as will consist with the execution of it, in a useful, accurate and workmanlike manner, and I am therefore charged [64] to apprize you that besides the return to me of a map and field book, you do also account for the time to be spent on it, in a journal to be kept for that purpose, with such minuteness and certainty as will enable yon to answer questions respecting the business upon oath, if the same shall be required.

It is trusted to your good sense & fidelity, to diverge from the main course of the whole line from one end to the other, upon good reasons and sound local information, to be noted in your journal, and special regard is to be had to such circuits, or bendings, as may be necessary to avoid places impassable on account of swamps, rocks and streams, over which it may be dangerous and difficult to throw bridges.

You and your people are to spend no part of your time in making any road; but you will do well to instruct the inhabitants of the country you pass through, as to the best manner in which it [65] ought to be performed, and in noting the places requiring ditches, bridges, and the greater efforts necessary to render the same practicable.

By Order (Signed) John Collins, Deputy Surveyor General.

Approved (Signed) Dorchester.

Surveyor General's Office, Quebec, 20th May, 1790.

Instructions to Mr. Alexr. Aitkin from John Collins, Esq., for laying out 4 townships between Kingston and Camden, in the district of Mecklenburg, 20th May, 1790, and for running the line between districts of Mecklenburg and Luneburg, May 20th, 1790. N. B.—The abovementioned townships are Salisbury, Faucenburg, Aylesburg and Tryon.

Sir,—His Excellency having been pleased to direct that the Land Board of Mecklenburg employ the Deputy Surveyor of their District with ten men, to survey and mark the front lines of four townships, one on a Lake adjoining the Township of Camden, one on the north of Kingston, and two in the intermediate space between the above-mentioned, and to carry the side line of the township back one mile, well marked, as may best fall in with general [66] arrangement of the summer's business of their district; and

That the Land Boards of Luneburg and Mecklenburg concert the proper mode for running the division line between their respective districts, as far as the shore of the Ottawa River, jointly by the surveyors of both Districts, or either of them, under such instructions, and at such time during the present, or the ensuing season, as the general arrangement of the business of their Districts may admit.

You are to proceed to the execution of the services, at such time and agreeable to such instructions as the Land Board of your District may direct, reporting to this office protractions of the work when finished.

You are directed to keep a journal and field book, inserting whatever is observable for its singularity and value, towards the public utility, as water falls, minerals, quarries, the quality of the [67] lands and timber, etc., and I am charged to apprize you, that besides your return to me of a map, and field book, you do also account for the time to be spent on it, in a journal kept for that purpose, with such minuteness and certainty as will enable you to answer the questions respecting the business upon oath, if the same should be required.

There must be very strict attention to œconomy in the whole service, and the hands dismissed as soon as they can be spared, and as the accts. will be subject to audit, you will take care to furnish the documents that will be expected in justification of every article of charge.

It is not, however, His Lordship's intention by any small savings to disappoint the useful end for which these surveys are commanded, but there must be a responsible discretion in the expences exercised, both of time and means—

And you are on the receipt of these instructions, to communicate the same to the Land Board of your District, for their informa-[68] tion, and that they may be better enabled to direct such further particulars as their local knowledge and experience may suggest. I am, with regard, &c.,

(Signed) JOHN COLLINS.

Recd. 31st May, 1790, and approved by His Excellency Lord Dorchester the same day. (Signed) Henry Motz.

Surveyor General's Office, Quebec, May 20th, 1790.

Instructions to Mr. Jesse Pennoyer, D. P. Surveyor from J. Collins, Esq., for laying out a road from Cornwall to Kingston 20th May, 1790.

SIR,—His Excellency the Governor having been moved on behalf of the Loyalists in western districts, so far to assist them in opening the land communication between Cornwall, in the District of Luneburg, and Kingston, in the District of Mecklenburg, as [69] to cause the routs of the interval proper for the intended highway to be traced and marked, you are appointed for that service, and are allowed ten men to assist you, and to proceed in the execution of it without delay, and when it is finished to report a protraction of it to this office.

Intimations of this service have already been given to the inhabitants of Cornwall, the place of setting out, that they may meet you with such information as you may want as to the line to be run, which is to depart from the general course only so far as the intermediate country on account of the soil, rivers, lakes and hills, &c., shall necessarily require.

As you advance through the new townships, you will premonish the Magistrates, and chief inhabitants, of the day of your intended arrival, that they may be ready with similar information concerning their countries for your intended work.

[70] Let the line of the road be well marked and ascertained, that the inhabitants if they think fit may employ themselves upon it, where and as their strength and conveniences may admit: You'll be careful in running the line, to set up durable posts of cedar, at the end of every statute mile, and to mark the distance thereon, giving it in charge of the inhabitants to have an eye to them, as

boundaries that may be referred to, or property, of utility, in preventing disputes, and charging the Magistrates as they decay, to fix up others with competent public solemnity and notoriety in their stead.

His Lordship is very desirous that this work be performed with as much œconomy as will consist with the execution of it, in a useful, accurate and workmanlike manner, and I am therefore charged to apprize you that besides the return to me of a map and field book, you do also account for the time to be spent on it in a journal to be [71] kept for that purpose, with such minuteness and certainty, as will enable you to answer questions respecting the business upon oath, if the same shall be required.

It is trusted to your good sense and fidelity to diverge from the main course of the whole line from one end to the other, upon good reasons and sound local information, to be noted in your journal, and special regard to be had to such Circuits or bendings as may be necessary to avoid places impassable on account of swamps, rocks, streams, over which it may be difficult to throw bridges.

You and your people are to spend no part of your time in makiny any road, but you will do well in directing the inhabitants of the country you pass through, as the best manner in which it ought to be performed, and in noting the places requiring ditches, bridges, and the greater efforts necessary to render the same practicable.

And you are in your way up to communicate these instructions [72] to the Land Board of the District of Luneburg, and transmit a copy thereof by the first opportunity to the Land Board for the District of Luneburg for their information, and to follow such additional directions as their local knowledge and experience may enable them to point out to you, for the more perfect accomplishment of the object of your appointment. I am, Sir, Your most Obedient Servant, (Signed) John Collins.

Recd. 31st May, 1790, and approved by His Exy. Lord Dorchester the same day. (Signed) Henry Motz.

Surveyor General's Office, Quebec, 20th May, 1790.

Instructions to Wm. Chewett, from J. Collins, Esq., for ascertaining the quantity of land in Lancaster under double certificates to loyalists and emigrants from Scotland and satisfying the latter out of the land on the North side of their present location.

SIR,—His Excellency the Governor having been pleased to direct that the Land Board of Luneburg employ the Deputy Surveyor of their District with ten men for ascertaining the quantities [73] of land in the township of Lancaster, under double certificates to Loyalists in that township, and the emigrants from Scotland, marking the line of division between them, and satisfying the latter out of the waste lands of the Crown, on the northern side of their present locations, at such time as may best fall in with their general arrangements of the summer's business of their District, and also that the Land Boards of Luneburg and Mecklenburg concert the proper mode for running the division between their respective Districts, as far as the shore of the Ottawa River, jointly by the Surveyors of both Districts, or either of them,* during the present or ensuing season, as the general arrangement of their business may admit, and likewise,—

That the Land Office Board for the District of Luneburg, cause the town plot of Cornwall (formerly new Johnstown) to be

*Under such instructions and at such time.

laid out, and subdivided in the manner suggested by the Board, and recommended by the Land Committee in their Report of the 12th April 1790—and as nearly as may be according to the tenor [74] of the additional rules and instructions for the conduct of the Land Office Department of the 25th August 1789. You are to proceed to the execution of these services at such time and agreeable to such instruction, as the Land Board of your District may direct, reporting to this Office protractions of the work when finished.

You are directed to keep a journal and field book, inserting whatever is observable for its singularity and value towards the public utility, as water falls, minerals, quarries, the quality of the lands, and timber, &c. And I am charged to apprize you, that besides your return to me of a map and field-book, you do also account for the time to be spent on it, in a journal to be kept for the purpose, with such minuteness and certainty, as will enable you to answer questions respecting the business upon oath if the same should be required.

[75] There must be a very strict attention to œconomy in the whole service, and the hands dismissed as soon as they can be spared, and as the accounts will be all subject to audit, you'll take to furnish the documents that will be expected, in justification of every article of charge. It is not however His Lordship's intention by any small savings to disappoint the useful end, for which these surveys are commanded but there must be a responsible discretion exercis'd in the expences both of the time and means.

And you are on the Receipt of these Instructions to communicate the same to the Land Board of your District for their information, and that they may be the better enabled to direct such further particulars as their local knowledge and experience may suggest. I am, etc., (Signed) John Collins.

Recd. 31st May, 1790, and approved by His Excellency Lord Dorchester the same day. (Signed) Henry Motz.

Surveyor General's Office Quebec, 20th May, 1790.

Instructions from John Collins, Esq., to Mr. Phillip Fry for laying out townships in the district of Niagara from the Eastern boundary of that district to Toronto, 20th May, 1790.

Sir, His Excellency the Govr. having been pleased to direct that the Land Board of Nassau employ the Surveyor of their District, with ten men to survey and mark the front line of townships from the eastern boundary of their District to Toronto, and to carry the side lines of each township back one mile well marked; at such time as may best fall in with the general arrangement of summer's business of their District, and if other more necessary work will admit of it. You are to proceed to the execution of these services, at such time and agreeable to such instructions, as the Land Board of your District may direct, reporting to this [77] office protractions of the work when finished. You are directed to keep a journal, and field-book, inserting whatever is observable for its singularity, and value towards the public utility, as Water falls, minerals, quarries, the quality of the lands and timber, &c.

And I am charged to apprize you, besides your return to me of a map, and field-book, you do also account for the time to be spent on it in a journal to be kept for that purpose, with such

minuteness, and certaintv. as will enable you to answer questions respecting the business upon oath if the same should be required.

There must be a very strict attention to œconomy in the whole service, and the hands dismissed as soon as they can be spared, and the accounts will be subject to audit, you'll take care to furnish the documents that will be expected in justification of every Article of charge.

It is not however his Lordship's intention by any small savings to disappoint the usefull end for which these surveys are commanded, but there must be a responsible discretion exercised [78] in the expenses, both of the time and means.

And you are on the receipt of these instructions, to communicate the same to the Land Board of your District for information, and that they mav be the better enabled to direct such farther particulars, as their local knowledge and experience may suggest. I am, &c.

(Signed) JOHN COLLINS.

Recd. the 31st May, 1790, and approved by His Exy. Lord Dorchester the same day. (Signed) Henry Motz.

Instructions to Samuel Holland, Esqr., Surveyor General, and to John Collins, Esqr., Deputy Surveyor General, of the Province of Quebec, or either of them.

Given at Quebec this 14th day of February, 1791.

Instructions for laying out new townships in 1791.

You are hereby authorized and required for the due perform- [79] ance of the different services directed by Order in Council of the 3rd instant, to be done in your department, during the ensuing season, to employ the following surveyors, vizt.: In Lunenburgh, William Chewett, Jesse Pennoyer, James Rankin and Theodore Depincier. In Mecklenburgh, Alexander Aitkin, and in Nassau, Augustus Jones, who are to be paid at the usual rate of seven shillings and six pence per day each and to have authority to employ parties respectively not exceeding ten persons of chainbearers and axmen, on the most reasonable terms they can, not exceeding one shilling and six pence per day each man, with an allowance of to each surveyor and attendant one shilling and three pence per day for provision or a ration of provision from the King's magazines in lieu thereof, at their option.

In Luneberg the following townships: Marborough, Oxford, Cambridge, Mansfield, Kenyon and Roxburg.

In Mecklenburg the following: Salisbury, Fansonbury, Aylesbury and Tryon.

In Nassau a town plot to be called Lennox, a row of townships from the eastern boundary to Toronto, to be called Murray* Cramahe, Haldimand, Hamilton, Hope, Clark, Bristol, Darlington, Norwich, Whitby, Edinburg, Pickering, Glasgow, Scarborough, Dublin and York.

You are to give full and particular instructions, to each of the said surveyors, concerning the execution of such part of the [80] business directed by Order in Council above mentioned, as may be allotted to them respectively taking care—

1st. That they severally commence and proceed in the execution of their work with all diligence, accuracy and fidelity in conformity to the General Rules, and Regulations, in all instances not otherwise specially directed.

2nd. That they keep journals, and field-books inserting whatever is observable for its singularity, and value, such as water falls, minerals, quarries, the quality of the lands, timber, &c., and likewise accounting for the time to be spent upon each service, with such minuteness and certainty, as will shew the work of each day, and enable them to answer questions upon oath in respect thereto, if the same shall be required, reporting all such journals, and field-books, under their respective signatures to

your office after the completion of the work, together with the [81] protractions thereof both to you, and to the Land Board of the district in which they shall have been employed.

3rd. That they pay very strict attention to œconomy in the whole service, dismiss the hands so soon as they can be spared, and as the accounts will be all subject to audit, that they take care to furnish the necessary documents in justification of every article of charge, observing nevertheless that it is not intended to disappoint the useful ends for which these surveys are commanded, but that a responsible discretion must be exercised in the expenditure both of the time and the means.

4th. That the several surveys be made in that order, as to time which their urgency demands, viz.:—

In Luneburg. (*a*) One township to be named Malborough, on the west side of the River Rideau, above the junction of the two branches to satisfy a number of Loyalists now waiting for [82] their locations.

(*b*) One township to be named Oxford, between the south and west branches of the River Rideau, to satisfy the claims of certain reduced officers under the Orders in Council of the 22nd October, 1788, and 21st July, 1790, when liquidated.

(*c*) One township to be named Cambridge, on the River Petite Nation, including the location lately ordered in Council for Major Jessup and Lieut. Edward Jessup.

(*d*) To compleat the surveys of all the townships fronting on the River St. Lawrence in the said district, by extending the side line on the east and west, to the depth of twelve miles, including the parts already surveyed.

(*e*) One township to be named Mansfield, on the north boundary of Elizabethtown, to satisfy the claims of certain reduced officers, under the Orders of October, 1788, and July, 1790, aforementioned when liquidated.

(*f*) One township to be named Kenyon, fronting on the north boundary of Charlottenburg to satisfy the claims of the inhabit- [83] ants of Charlottenburg to whom the same is stated to be under certificates.

(*g*) One township to be named Roxburg, fronting on the north boundary of Cornwall, to satisfy the inhabitants of Cornwall, to whom the greatest part of it is stated to be under certificates.

In Mecklenburg. (*a*) To survey and mark the front lines of four new townships, as described in your report of the 25th of last month to be named Salisbury, the second Fansonburg, the third Aylesbury, and the fourth Tryon.

(*b*) To run the third concession lines in the Townships of Marysburgh, Sophiasburg, and Ameliasburg, and the lines of the second concession, if the Land Board of the District shall certify that work to be necessary.

In Nassau. (*a*) To survey and mark out a town-plot for a County Town, of the district, to be called Lenox, on the west side of Niagara River, at such place and according to such plan, and dimensions as the Land Board of the said district may direct, in [84] conformity to the General Rules and Regulations.

(*h*) To survey and mark out the front line of a row of townships, from the eastern boundary of the District of Toronto, and to carry the side lines of each township back one mile, well marked, which townships are to be designated on the chart, the first adjoining the said eastern boundary, by the name of Murray, and the rest as they follow proceeding westerly in the order here mentioned, vizt.: Cramahé, Haldimand, Hamilton, Hope, Clark, Bristol, Norwich, Edinburgh, Glasgow and Dublin.

The division line between Luneburg and Mecklenburg, to be run according to the patent of the 24th July, 1788, from the mouth of the River Thames, to the Ottawa River, by two surveyors, one from each district, under such instructions from the respective Land Boards, and at such time as the business may require.

5th. That no work be done in the nature of the subdivision of townships into lots, except to such number, and extent, as the Land Boards of the respective districts shall from time to time in [85] writing direct.

6th. That the several surveyors communicate the instructions they shall receive from you to the Land Boards of the respective districts, to which they relate; and copies thereof are to accompany the accounts hereafter to be rendered to obtain payment for the services they shall have performed.

DORCHESTER.

Surveyor General's Office, Quebec, 2nd April, 1791.

Instructions to Wm. Chewett, Esq., D.S. Gen., from J. Collins, for running the interior lines in Charlottenburg and laying out the Township of Kenyon, 2nd April, 1791.

SIR,—You are hereby directed to engage ten chainbearers, and axmen, on the most reasonable terms they can be had, not exceeding one shilling and six pence per day, each men, exclusive of provisions, and immediately proceed with all diligence to the township of Charlottenburg in the District of Luneburg, and there survey, and mark out the east and west boundary lines, of the said townships twelve miles in depth, including the parts already sur- [86] veyed, and to fix good and sufficient boundaries, at the end of the same and from thence to survey and mark out the north boundary line, and every third line of concession, where it has not yet been done, and fix the boundaries of the several lots on each side of the same.

When you have compleated the above survey, you are to proceed to survey and mark the lines of a township of nine miles in front, adjoining the north boundary of Charlottenburg, by twelve miles in depth, which is to be named Kenyon. You are to divide the front into lots of two hundred acres each, and mark every third line of concession, reserving a glebe of four hundred acres, for a schoolmaster in, or near the center. This township is to satisfy the claims of the inhabitants of Charlottenburg, to whom the greatest part of it are under certificates, when their claims are liquidated out of the residue, you are to reserve, and mark out the scite of a town, and the reservations for the Crown.

[87] 1st. You are to commence and proceed in the execution of this work with all diligence, accuracy and fidelity, in conformity to the General Rules and Regulations, in all instances not otherwise specially directed.

2nd. You are to keep a journal and fieldbook, inserting whatever is observable for its singularity and value towards th

public utility, as water falls, minerals, quarries, the quality of the lands, timber, &c., and likewise accounting for the time spent upon each service, with such minuteness and certainty, as will shew the work of each day, and enable to answer questions upon oath, in respect thereto, if the same shall be required, reporting all such journals, and fieldbooks under their respective signatures to your office, after the completion of the work, together with the protractions thereof, both to me, and the Land Board of the district in which you shall have been employed.

That you pay very strict attention to œconomy in the whole service, dismiss the hands as soon as they can be spared, and the [88] accounts will be subject to audit, that you take care to furnish the necessary documents, in justification of every article of charge, observing nevertheless, that it is not intended by any small savings to disappoint the useful ends for which they were intended, but that a responsible discretion must be exercised in the expenditure of both time and means. That the several surveys be made in that order, as to time which their urgency demands.

The division line between Luneburg and Mecklenburg to be run according to the Patent of the 24th July, 1788, from the mouth of the River Thames to the Ottowas River, by two surveyors from each district, under such instructions from the respective Land Boards, and at such time as the other business of the two districts may permit.

That no work be done in the subdivision of townships into lots except to such number, and extent as the Boards of the respective districts shall from time to time in writing direct.

[89] That you communicate these instructions to the Land Boards of the respective Districts, to which the work therein directed relates, and copies thereof are to accompany the accounts hereafter to be rendered to obtain payment for the services you shall have performed.

Mr. William Chewett.

Surveyor General's Office, Quebec, 22nd June, 1791.

Instructions to William Chewett from J. Collins, Esq., D.S.G., for running the division line between the Districts of Lunenburg and Mecklenburg, and for assigning 800 acres of land to Zabiah Wright and 200 to Z. Philips, 22nd June, 1791.

Sir,—The Townships of Charlottenburg, and Kenyon, being compleated, you will wait on the Land Board of Luneburg and take their directions, respecting the survey of the Division Line, between that District, and the District of Mecklenburg, and fix with the surveyor of Mecklenburg, the most proper time for setting out on the business, which you are jointly, or separately as the Board shall direct, to execute, agreeable to your instructions [90] you received in the year 1790.

In inclose you herewith a Copy of the Orders of Council of the 5th March last, for assigning Zabiah Wright 800 acres of land, and two hundred acres to Ziba Philips, both in the District of Luneburg, which Orders you will execute, and report the same to this Office. I have wrote a few days past, to Mr. Joseph Frobisher to send you up immediately four months' provisions. Please let your accounts be made up to the 10th October, and sent immediately after that period by a safe hand to Montreal, with directions to forward them to me, let them be certified by the Board, in the same manner as they formerly were, let me hear

from you respecting the state of your health. Wishing you health and good Weather, I am with great regard, Sir, Your most Obedient Servant.

(Signed) JOHN COLLINS, D.S.G.

Instructions to Mr. James Rankin from John Collins, Esq., D.S.Genl., for marking out the new townships of Cambridge, in the District of Luneburg, as also 5,200 acres for Major Jessup and Lt. Jessup, 22nd Feby., 1791.

[91] SIR,—You are hereby directed to engage ten chainbearers, and axmen, on the most reasonable terms they can be had, not exceeding one shilling and sixpence per day, each men, exclusive of provisions, and immediately proceed with all diligence to the River Petite Nation in the District of Luneburg, and there survey and mark a township of ten miles square, agreeable to the plan of an inland township approved by His Excellency the Governor which is to be named Cambridge and is situated on the aforementioned River. You are to divide the front into lots of two hundred acres each, and mark every third line of concession, reserving the scite of the town, the glebe, and the Crown Lands, and you are to take care to include the locations of Major Jessup and [92] Lieut. Jessup, as ordered by His Excellency the Governor in Council the 4th January last in the following manner, for Lieut. Edward Jessup, fourteen hundred acres, on the west side of the second fall on the River Petite Nation, and for Major Jessup. three thousand eight hundred acres, on the east side the said River, opposite the second fall, to begin at the southwestermost angle of a lot in that concession, in which the said fall may be found, and running thence northerly, so far as may be necessary to include the number of lots required to make up three thousand eight hundred acres. (Signed) JOHN COLLINS, D. S. Gl.

Surveyor General's Office, Quebec, 22nd Feby., 1791.

nstructions to Mr. Jesse Pennoyer from J. Collins, Esq., D.S.Gl., for marking out the new townships of Oxford and Mansfield, in the District of Luneburg, 22nd Feby, 791.

SIR,—You are hereby directed to proceed to Montreal without loss of time, and on your arrival to engage ten chainbearers, and axmen, on the most reasonable terms they can be had, not [93] exceeding one shilling and six pence per day each man, exclusive of provisions, and immediately proceed with all diligence by Lake St. Francis, to the River Rideau in the District of Luneburg, and there survey and mark out the lines of a township ten miles square, agreeable to the plan of an inland township prescribed by the General Rules and Regulations, which is to be named Oxford, and to be situated between the south and west branches of the River Rideau. You are to divide the front lots of two hundred acres each, and mark every third line of concession, the scite of a town and glebe, and the reservations in the corners.

The township is intended to satisfy the claims of certain reduced officers under the Orders in Council of the 22nd October, 1788, and 21st July, 1790, when liquidated.

When you have completed the above survey, you are to proceed to Elizabeth-town, and there survey and mark out the lines [94] of a township of ten miles square, agreeable to the plan aforementioned, fronting on the north boundary of Elizabeth-town, which is to be named Mansfield. You are to divide the front into lots of two hundred acres each, and mark every third line of concession—the scite of the town, the glebe, and the reservations for

the Crown, in the corners. This township is to satisfy the claims of certain reduced officers under Orders of October, 1788, and July, 1790, aforementioned when liquidated.

You are to commence and proceed in the execution of this work, with all diligence, accuracy, and fidelity in conformity to the General Rules and Regulations, in all instances not otherwise specially directed.

You are to keep journals, and field-books, inserting therein whatever is observable for its singularity, and value, towards the public utility, as water falls, minerals, quarries, the quality of the lands and timber, and likewise accounting for the time to be [95] spent upon each service, with such minuteness, and certainty as well shew the work of each day, and enable you to answer questions upon oath, in respect thereto if the same shall be required, reporting all such journals, and field-books under your signature to this office, after the completion of the work, together with the protractions thereof, both to me, and to the Land Board of the District in which you have been employed.

You are to pay very strict attention to œconomy, dismiss the hands so soon as thev can be spared, and as the accounts will be all subject to audit, you will take care to furnish the necessary documents, in justification of every article of charge, observing nevertheless that it is not intended by any small savings, to disappoint the useful end for which these surveys are ordered, but that a responsible discretion must be exercised in the expenditure of the time and the means.

[96] You are to do no work of the nature of the subdivision of townships into lots, except to such number and extent as the Land Board shall from time to time in writing direct.

You are to communicate these instructions to the Land Board of Luneburg. and a copy thereof is to accompany the accounts hereafter to be rendered to obtain payment for the services you shall have performed.

It is probable that you will receive further instructions for other services to be performed by you, before these surveys are completed. Wishing you health, I am with regard, Sir, your most Obedient Servant. (Signed) Saml. Holland, S. Gl., John [97] Collins, D. S. Gl.

District of Luneburg, 21st March, 1791.

Orders from the Land Board to Jesse Pennoyer, Provincial Surveyor, respecting the laying out a township between the south and west branches of the River Rideau to be named Oxford.

That previous to the beginning of the survey of the Township of Oxford, you are to ascertain the true boundaries of Edwardsburg, in order to avoid any interference between that and the Township of Oxford.

You are also to measure the true distance from the rear of back line of Edwardsburg, to the point of land lying between the south and west branches of the River Rideau, in order to determine the place of beginning the survey of the Township of Oxford.

And as it is the opinion of us as well as the Gentlemen interested in the vicinity, that the Rideau River is navigable for

canoes, and small boats in that part on which the Township of Oxford will fall and may be of public utility—you are ordered to survey and take the general course of that part of the river so far [98] as to fix a base or front line of the township, which you are to lay out, and to run the side lines perpendicular to the general course of that part of the river, on which it may fall.

You are to run and mark every second concession line, instead of every third, as specified in your instructions from the Surveyor General's Office.

And as the gentlemen who have applied for their lands between the south and west branches of the River Rideau, have desired that the scite of a town be reserved, at the point of land lying between the south and west branches of the said river, it being thought more eligible than in the center of the township. You are therefore ordered to reserve at the point aforementioned, one mile square for a town, and one lot of two hundred acres as glebe for a minister and schoolmaster, to be situated in the center of the front.

And you are ordered to lay out remainder part of the township into lots of two hundred acres each, for the gentlemen who have applied for their lands lying between the south and west [99] branches of the River Rideau, without any other reserves whatever, it being thought that were the Regulations respecting reservations strictly to take place, it would wholly defeat the purpose of serving the gentlemen for whom it was intended.

(Note.)—It is nevertheless to be understood that the minister and schoolmaster are to have their full quantity of land, but is thought necessary for convenience that the land for a minister, and schoolmaster, should be one half in front, and one half in or near the center of the township.

JOHN MONROE,
(Signed) RICHD. DUNCAN, Commissr.
[100] MAL'M. MCMARTIN,

Surveyor General's Office, Quebec, 22nd Feby., 1791.

Instructions to Mr. Alex. Aitkin, D. P. Surveyor from J. Collins, D. S. Gl., for laying out the new Townships of Salisbury, Fauconburg, Aylesbury and Tryon in the District of Mecklenburg, Feb. 22nd, 1791.

SIR,—You are hereby directed to engage ten chainbearers and axmen, on the most reasonable terms that can be had, not exceeding one shilling and six pence per man, per day, with an allowance of one shilling and three pence per day, to your self and attendants for provisions, or a ration of provision from the King's store, in lieu thereof, at your and their option. And immediately to proceed with all diligence to survey and lay out the front lines of four new townships, of ten miles square each, agreeable to the plan of an inland township, prescribed by the General Rules and Regulations, and to carry the side lines of each township back one mile, well marked, the first is to be named Salisbury, and to be situated on a lake adjoining the township of Camden—the second to be named Fauconberg, and to be situated on [101] the north of Kingston, the third to be named Aylesbury, and the fourth Tryon, and to be situated in the intermediate between the abovementioned. And likewise to run the second, and third concession lines in the Townships of Marysburg, Sophiasburg, and Ameliasburg, if the Land Board of the District shall certify that to be necessary.

The division line between Luneburg and Mecklenburg to be run according to the Patent of the 24th July, 1788, from the mouth of the River Thames to the Ottawa River, by two surveyors, one from each District under such instructions from the respective Land Boards and at such time as the other business of the two Districts may permit. You are to commence and proceed, &c., (same preamble as Mr. Pennoyer's Instructions).

[102] (Signed) JOHN COLLINS, D. S. Genl.

Instructions to Mr. Theodore De Pincier, D. P. surveyor, from the Surveyor and Deputy-Surveyor General.

Surveyor Genl.'s Office, Quebec, 22nd Feby., 1791.

SIR,—You are directed to proceed to Montreal without loss of time, and on your arrival there to engage ten chainbearers, and axmen, on the most reasonable terms they can be had, not exceeding one shilling and six pence per day, each man, exclusive of provisions, and immediately proceed with all diligence by Lake St. Francis, to the River Rideau, in the District of Luneburg, and there survey, and mark the outlines of a township of ten miles square, agreeable to the plan of an inland township prescribed by the General Rules and Regulations which is to be named Marlborough, and to be situated on the west side of the said river, above the junction of the two branches. You are to divide the front into lots of two hundred acres each, and mark every third line of concession the scite of the town, the glebe, [103] and the reservations in the corners. This township is intended to satisfy a number of Loyalists now waiting for their locations. You are to commence and proceed in the execution of this work with all diligence and fidelity in conformity to the General Rules, and Regulations, in all instances not otherwise specially directed. You are to keep journals and fieldbooks of your proceedings, inserting therein whatever is observable for its singularity and value towards the public utility, as water falls, minerals, quarries, the quality of the land, timber, &c., and likewise accounting for the time spent on each service, with such minuteness and certainty, as will shew the work each day, and enable you to answer questions upon oath in respect thereto, if the same shall be required, reporting all such journals, and field books, under your signature to this office, after the completion of [104] the work, together with the protractions thereof both to me, and the Land Board of the District in which you have been employed.

Marlborough, see Plan & Field Book.

You are to pay a very strict attention to œconomy in the whole of the service, and dismiss the hands as soon as they can be spared, and as the accounts will all be subject to audit, you'll take care to furnish the necessary documents in justification of every article of charge, observing nevertheless that it is not intended by any small savings to disappoint the useful ends for which these surveys are commanded, but that a responsible discretion must be exercised in the expenditure, both of the time and the means. You are to do no work in the nature of subdivision of townships into lots, except to such number and extent, as the Land Board of the District shall from time to time in writing direct. You are [105] to communicate these instructions to the Land Board of Luneburg, and a copy thereof is to accompany the accounts hereafter to be rendered to obtain payment, for the services you shall have performed. It is probable that you will receive further in-

structions, for other services to be performed, by you before these surveys are compleated. Wishing you health I am with regard, Sir, Your most Obedient Servant. (Signed) Samuel Holland, S.G., John Collins, D. S. Gl.

Mr. Theodore De Pincier, Deputy Surveyor.

District of Luneburg, 21st March, 1791.

Orders from the Land Board to Theodore Depencier, Deputy Provincial Surveyor, respecting the laying out a township on the [106] west side of the Rideau River to be named Marlborough.

You are to proceed to the junction of the two branches of the River Rideau, at which place, you are to begin your operation by taking the general course is to be your base, or front, for the township, and you are to run the side lines of the township perpendicular to the base, or front, and you are to proceed in all other respects agreeable to the nature of your instructions from the Surveyor General.

(Signed) John Munro, Mal'm McMartin, Richd. Duncan, } Commissioners.

Mr. Theodore Depincier, Deputy Surveyor.

Surveyor General's Office, Quebec, 22nd Feby., 1791.

Instructions to Mr. Augustus Jones, D.P.S. from J. Collins, Esq., D.S. Genl.

Sir,—You are hereby directed to engage ten chain bearers, and axmen, on the most reasonable terms they can be had, not [107] exceeding one shilling and six pence per day each man, with an allowance of one shilling and three pence currency per day to yourself and attendants for provisions, or a ration of provision, from the King's store in lieu thereof at your option. And immediately proceed with all diligence to survey and mark out a town plot, for a county town, of the District, to be called Lenox, on the west side of the River Niagara, at such place and according to such plan, and dimensions as the Land Board of the said District may direct, in conformity to the General Rules and Regulations.

And likewise to survey and mark the front lines of a row of townships from the eastern boundary of the District to Toronto, and to carry the said lines of each township back one mile, well marked, which townships are to be designated on the chart, the first adjoining the said eastern boundary by the name of Murray, [108] and the rest as they follow in proceeding westerly in the order here mentioned, vizt.: Cramahé, Bristol, Norwich, Edinburg, Glassgow, and Dublin. You are to commence and proceed, &ca. (Same preamble as Mr. Pennoyer's instructions.)

[109] (Signed) John Collins, D. S. G.

Quebec, 14th Decr., 1785.

Letter from Lieut.Governor Hope to obtain information relative to the state of the Surveyor Genl.'s Department, Quebec, 14th Decr.,1785.

Sir,—Being desirous to obtain information on the state of the Surveyor General's Department in this Province, I have to request you will prepare for my inspection with all convenient dispatch, a report on that subject wherein you will be pleased to specify the different expenditures under separate heads dis-

tinguishing particularly the expences which have been incurred in surveying and allotting lands for Loyalists and all which may have been found necessary for other services I am, Sir, your most Obedient

[110] (Signed) HENRY HOPE.

Saml. Holland, Esqr., Surveyor Genl.

Quebec, 28th December, 1785.

Letter from the Surveyor Genl. to Lieut. Govr Hope relative to the state of his Department

SIR,—Agreeably to your Honour's orders of the 14th inst. (requiring a report of the state of the surveying Department with the different expenditures under separate heads distinguishing particularly the expences which have been incurred in laying out and allotting lands for the Loyalists) I have applied and inclosed a copy of your Honour's Letter to John Collins, Esqr., Deputy Surveyor General, to make a report of the upper part of the Province, where he was last summer intrusted with the direction of the Surveying Department; to which requisition I have received his Report, dated 17th instant, of which I have the honor to enclose a copy, from which it appears there is very little remains to be surveyed in the five lower townships, or Seignieries; and as Mr. McNiff, the Deputy Surveyor there, reported to me last spring that all the people were on their lands but applied for changing [111] thir lots, which I perceive from the plan brought down by Mr. Collins by comparing them with those of Mr. Niff transmitted me before, I think that for the future the surveying expences should be bore by those who make application for having their family lands (which can be of no service to them until the home lots or lands they live on are cleared) should find chain, or axmen themselves.

I have further examined the several letters from the gentlemen employed in the Surveying Department, at Chaleur Bay, and Gaspeé, by these it is evident that those people who have a right to claim lands are on their lots, but there is no mention made of their family lands.

By a letter from Felix O'hara, Esqr., dated 28th Septr. last, I find he is employed in laying out the town plots of Haldimand, and Douglas Town and complains much of the extravagant demands of the people he is obliged to employ to lay out their own lots, and clear the streets in their own towns, not being satisfied with 2s. per day, for which reason he thinks they should be [112] obliged to assist, or have their provisions stopt if no sufficient reason can be alledged that prevents them from assisting the surveyor.

As for the second part of your Honour's request, to specify the different expenditures under separate heads, distinguishing particularly the expences which have been incurred in surveying and allotting lands for Loyalists, I must beg leave to refer until I can obtain copies of the several accounts lodged as vouchers in the Council Office, particularly one of Captain Manvers for £278.12.1—and an other paid to the Engineer's Department of £114.19.6 with several others charged to the Surveying Account and as the charges on Account of the Surveying Department are daily accumulating to an astonishing amount, I must take the

liberty to suggest to you my thoughts on this subject, so as to prevent in future unnecessary expences.

1st. As it cannot but be supposed but that all those entitled to lands by His Majesty's Instructions are on their lots, if not, it must be their own fault, by being absent, and if those that have been absent, or those that will have their family lands laid out must join with several others who have also made application for [113] the same to assist the same the surveyors as chain bearers and cutting the lines without any pay, as for cutting roads the whole of the townships should assist.

2nd. Those gentlemen who act as Deputy Surveyors in the several Districts should have only part of the surveyors' allowance when they are not on actual surveys. Mr. Lewis Kotte was appointed with His Excellency Genl. Haldimand's approbation Surveyor at Cataraqui, at 6.6 per day, this gentleman being expert in the business, has now surveyed and laid out all the front lines of all the townships from Point au Bodet where the new settlements begin on Lake St. Francis, as far as the upper part of the Bay of Quinty, except Townships No. 1, 2 and 3 which he has since been obliged to rectify, and from Cataraqui round the north side of Lake Ontario, to Niagara, for these reasons he should be allowed 4/ per day when not employed on actual surveys and while employed 7/6 per day agreeable to the Provincial Ordinance. Mr. McNiff who was appointed to assist Mr. Kotte at 5/ per day, and is now Surveyor at New Johnstown should be allowed [114] 3/ per day when not employed and when employed 7/6 per day agreeable to the Ordinance. Mr. Jessup, acting Surveyor at New Oswegatchy, 2/ per day when not employed on actual surveys, and when employed 5/ per day. These surveyors may do all the business which remains to be done in the settlements, from Point Bodet to the upper part of the Bay of Quinty.

Mr. Felix O'hara was first appointed Deputy Surveyor at Gaspée, and Chaleur Bay, who employed under him one Tuttle, and Case, to lay out lots, but were found so erroneous in their performance, that I was obliged (with the approbation of Lt. Governor Hamilton) to appoint last spring Mr. Vanderveldon to assist in that business; and was further ordered to survey the River Ristigouche as part of the boundary of this Province, with the Province of New Brunswick; a copy of my instructions to him I have enclosed, by which your Honour will perceive that the survey of the Ristigouche River was the principal object, as Lt. Governor [115] Hamilton had then proposed to Governor Carleton to settle the boundaries of this Province and New Brunswick, on which subject Lieut. Governor Hamilton wrote to Governor Carleton.

I wrote to Capt. Sproule, the Surveyor General, by Lt. Governor Hamilton's desire, by whose answer I found that more material business in their Surveying Department would not allow them to settle their northern boundaries, so that the remaining part of the Ristigouche River may be referred until the other Province is inclined to join, and Mr. Vandervelden may be employed in finishing the survey agreeable to His Majesty's instructions for settling the Loyalists, &c., as this gentleman was qualified for a compleat surveyor, of which Lt. Governor Cox was much in want of in Chaleur Bay, I promised him 7/6 per day agree-

able to the Ordinance for the first year, which will finish next May, when 4/ per day will be sufficient when not employed on [116] actual surveys, and when employed 7/6 per day, and this for the time His Majesty continues his bounty in furnishing the settlers in provisions and surveyors gratis, when all others surveyors' allowances must cease.

Mr. O'hara at Gaspée may perform that business in and near Gaspée at 7/6 per day when employed, and the people there to assist as chain bearers and cutters; as I have proposed in the upper part of the Province.

At Niagara Lieut. Tinling has been so good as to act as Deputy Surveyor, who is now come down, and at Detroit Mr. Philip Fry, late Ensign in the 8th Regiment, now on half pay, was appointed Deputy Surveyor, by the recommendation of the late Lieut. Governor Hay, and with the approbation of Lieut. Governor Hamilton, who I find to be very deserving and capable for the business, for whom I would propose 4/ per day when not employed, and 7/6 per day when employed on survey, and as but [117] little business is carried on at Detroit, and Niagara he might serve for both places.

And in order that the surveying business should be carried on with regularity, and to prevent the surveyors being at the call of every individual, those at Chaleur Bay and Gaspée should make application to Lieut. Governor Cox, that the surveyor is wanted in such and (such) places, or townships for such business, when the surveyor should be ordered by the Lt. Governor, provided that the parties applying for him should give security to find the men wanting and no less than 6 men to form the surveying party. At Detroit, Niagara, and Cataraqui, the application should be made to the Lt. Governor, or in his absence, to the Commanding Officer, and should be ordered on the same footing with those at Chaleur Bay. Those at New Oswegatchy, and New Johnstown, to the Commander in Chief of the Province, or any other your [118] Honor thinks proper.

I have adjoined a return of those surveyors still necessary to complete the intentions of His Majesty's instructions for settling the Loyalists, &c. By which it will appear that the whole of the expence of the five surveyors, I have, proposed, will amount to 16/ per day when not on actual surveys, and to £1.15.0 per day if they are employed, which cannot be more than 5, or 6 months in a year, without any extraordinary charges.

(Signed) Samuel Holland.

His Excellency Lt. Govr. Hope, &c., &c.

Quebec, 14th Jany., 1786.

Sir,—Having maturely considered your report of the 28th ulto. on the state of the Surveyor Genl's. Department in this Pro- [119] vince under your direction and the Regulations you propose to be established for the better carrying on this service in future.

After expressing my thanks you have entered into for my information, and my approbation, of the outlines proposed for the future Regulations of the Surveying Department, I have now only to communicate to you my sentiments of the alterations I think necessary which I request you will attend to.

The persons proposed by you in your Return, to be employed as surveyors on a permanent establishment, are Messrs. Kotte, McNiff, Jessup, Vandervelden, and Fry, with different pay allowed, as therein stated.

As I find that a surveyor is not essentially requisite to be stationed at New Oswegatchie, I propose that Mr. McNiff shall [120] transact the whole business of the settlements from No. 1 to No. 8 Townships below Cataraqui. From this arrangement it will not be necessary that Mr. Jessup should continue on a permanent footing, and I am the more induced to this decision from finding that he has made no report on the surveys of Townships No. 6, 7, 8 in compliance with Mr. Collins's instructions.

I am therefore of opinion that the following persons shall be continued in pay as Deputy Surveyors in the several Districts, vizt.:

Mr. Kotte for Cataraqui and dependencies. Mr. McNiff for Township No. 1 to No. 8. Mr. Vanderveldon Chaleur Bay. Mr. Fry for Detroit and Niagara to be allowed each four shillings per day, when not in actual service, and seven shillings and six pence per day while employed in surveying for Loyalists or Government. I conceive it highly just and proper that all persons [121] in equal stations should receive equal appointments. Mr. Jessup may be occasionally employed if necessary to assist Mr. McNiff, and allowed during such time the pay you propose of five shillings per day.

I entirely approve of your proposal for regulating the mode of when surveyors are to be employed. The officers to whom such applications are to be made and under whose instructions alone the Deputy Surveyors as abovementioned shall be obliged to act. I beg leave to point out to you as follows, vizt.: For Chaleur Bay, Gaspée, &c., Lt. Govr. Cox; from Pt. au Bodet to the Eighth Township—below and adjoining to Cataraqui—Stephen Delancey, Esqr., Inspector of Loyalists: for Cataraqui and dependencies, Neil McLean, Esq., Deputy Inspector of Loyalists; for Niagara, [122] Detroit. &c., the respective Officers Commanding.

Every other part of your report meeting with my perfect concurrence and approbation, I have only farther to desire that you will immediately give directions for carrying the whole measures therein proposed into execution subject to the alterations and arrangements above specified. I am, Sir, Your most Obedient, Humble Servant.

(Signed) HENRY HOPE.

Samuel Holland, Esqr., Surveyor Genl. &c.

(APPENDIX.)

[130] Quebec, October 4th, 1792.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY JOHN GRAVES SIMCOE, ESQUIRE, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR AND COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF THE PROVINCE OF UPPER CANADA, &C., &C.

SIR,—A retrospect of the surveys heretofore made in the Province of Canada, fully point out their being altogether local and

confined to a small tract of that valuable country now under your Excellency's Government, in consequence of which and of the assiduous attention that distinguishes your administration in favor of any thing that promotes the welfare of the Province, I am induced to mention what strikes me as requisite to be executed, in order to establish the geography of Upper Canada; which the much frequented and now rendered of the utmost importance, is still far from being accurately delineated on any plan or map yet extant, owing to the want of a general survey being made, and latitudes taken to ascertain the true position of the most principal places situated on the several Upper Lakes. Under your Excellency's fostering hand this most useful task might be executed, which if in your wisdom you should judge expedient I take the liberty of proposing the following plan as appearing to me the most eligible for carrying the same into effect.

To commence by taking latitudes and longitudes at the different places as here under mentioned, and in order to obviate the [131] principal difficulties that present themselves to impede the undertaking (that of sufficient instruments and observers) I am ready with a tried and approved set of astronomical instruments to take an active part in the operation myself, and aided by an assistant of capacity such as I am well assured of procuring, I should recommend taking the first latitude at that part of the River St. Lawrence which is intersected by the line of 45° N.L. secondly, at Oswegatchie, third, at Kingston, at Oswego, Toronto, at Niagara, lat. and long., the same at Fort Erie, two lat. on the north side of Lake Erie, at Detroit, latitude and longitude, at Michilimacinac, lat. and long., on Lake Michigan, 2 latds., to determine the most northerly and southerly part thereof. Several latds. on Lake Superior with the long. at the most westerly part thereof, which will not only determine the length of that lake, but more accurately ascertain the distance from Capt. Cook's line of coast, discovered on the western Ocean—to compleat this undertaking the true shape, appearance and nature of the tracts passed over must be expressed by a survey which has in view the knowledge and extent of a country which may be rendered highly beneficial to the purposes of agriculture and greatly facilitate and increase the settlement and population of those dreary forrests, which from climate, excellence of soil, extensive inland navigation, and contiguity to the new establishments making rapidly by the American, becomes daily of greater import, in the perform- [132] ance of this work the ambition of meeting your Excellency's approbation and patronage would be no small inducement towards my executing it with every possible care, exactitude and dispatch. I have the honor to be your most devoted Humble Servant,

[133] JN. FAK. HOLLAND.

To HIS EXCELLENCY JOHN GRAVES, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR AND COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF THE PROVINCE OF UPPER CANADA, &C., &C.

Sir,—As your great love and cognizance of science in every branch is so universally known, and your character for encouraging and benefitting your country by useful knowledge and dis-

covery so conspicuous, I shall with less fear for my presumption take the liberty of laying before you my thoughts on a scheme which is universally allowed to be replete with the greatest advantages to the nation, on the score of trade and essentially necessary to geography.

I mean the exploring the interior parts situated the north west quarter of America lying between the Slave Lake in about the Latde. of 60° and Longtde. 140, and the Line of coast discovered by Capt. Cook.

What I have to offer on this head originates from some proposals my Lord Grenville condescended to offer me in London during the Winter 1790, owing to Peter Pond's discoveries in those parts, and is the result of the remarks and observation which since my return to this country I have gathered and collected from sundry people personally concerned, who notwithstanding their disappointments all agree in the practibility and great utility of the scheme, attributing the chief difficulties to be derived from the severity of the climate, the Indians &c., but these are obstacles [134] no way impeding to me being inured to the climate, accustomed to woods, and competent in the Chippeway language, the tongue universally spoke by the back Tribes.

The last account we have from the Slave Lake have been obtained through medium of a Mr. Mackenzie, a person employed by the merchants of Montreal (self intitled the North west Company) in exploring one of the outlets issuing from that lake and supposed by them to have communication with the Western Ocean, the contrary of which he has discovered as he has informed us of his having followed the course of the river a length of distance westward where it took a turn to the northward he continued according to his account his pursuit to the 70th Degree of North Latitude where he met with a small tide and saw several large sea fish, this river he thinks empties itself into the Frozen Ocean; the inclemency of the season having prevented his proceeding any further.

After the bold and almost incredible attempts of Russia, a nation but of yesterday, who have with the greatest spirit pushed their discoveries through Siberia to Kamatshatka, an extent of upwards of 137 degrees of Longitude in that Parallel and, notwithstanding this great length the forests they passed through, and the small advantages they had from navigable rivers, most [135] of them crossing their tract, and emptying themselves into the Frozen Sea still found means to transport materials for building vessels; from where they prosecuted their discoveries even to the Western part of America, and were the first to prove that the breadth of this continent from Hudson's Bay, and of course the tract we had to explore did not exceed in length one fourth the distance they had traversed in gaining the Western Ocean—add in our favor the superior nature of the country, and numberless advantages of inland navigation, which if we except some trifling carrying places, may be said to continue from the Atlantic to within 12 or 14 degrees of Longde. of the Western Ocean, the greatest part of which if not whole there is all reason to suppose is navigable in same manner to canoes.

It is not for me, Sir, to acquaint you whose knowledge in these matters is so well known, of the necessity of this undertaking, and that exploring these countries and penetrating to the Ocean, independant of the honor accruing to the nation, has further in its behalf the necessity of preventing foreign States from making encroachments.

Particularly as I am creditably informed Mr. Peter Pond is at present using his endeavours in the United States, to procure them to form a Company of Trade with the Indians and explore those parts, and I have great reason to think he will succeed in carrying this into effect, if, not early anticipated by us.

The expence of this undertaking would in comparison be very [136] moderate as two assistants, the one to aid me in my astronomical observations, and the other in sketching in the opposite side of a lake, to that taken by the Chief Surveyor or other detached work that may present itself. I should propose my party not to exceed sixteen people to be divided in seperate canoes, four of which should understand boat building, for obvious reasons.

The expence of instruments if furnished me would be the heaviest, as without a good astronomical quadrant, a time piece and two good telescopes, acroamatic, and reflector of sufficient power to observe Jupiter's Sattelites my equipment would be incompetent, a barometer constituted for measuring heights, a thermometer considerable lower graduated than ordinary with an Azemath Compass would also be essential. Since my arrival from England I have been observing with an excellent astromomical quadrant of Bird's make, which with the telescopes, timepiece and other apparatus to me belonging will be fully sufficient for the purpose, and which I would with great pleasure lend for this business, as being with them mvself I could keep them in that nice order so requisite to prevent their being deranged, and occasioning error.

[137] If therefore your Excellency should judge it expedient to employ me, and consider my being once intended for this business by My Lord Grenville as any recommendation, I shall with the utmost dilligence and attention endeavor to fulfill your intentions and have the honor to remain with the utmost respect. Sir, Your Excellency's most devoted and most Humble Servant,

JN. FAK. HOLLAND.

Quebec, 6th Oct., 1792.

SURVEYORS' LETTERS.

NOTES, INSTRUCTIONS, ETC.,

From 1788 to 1791.

BOOK "S"

A survey of a lot of ground belonging to the King situate in the lower town of Quebec fronting on the River St. Laurence on which the Forges now in Ruins was formerly errected, with the addition of a water lot annexed to the Same.

Beginning on the Bank. Quebec, 7th July, 1788. J. C.

A survey of a lot of Ground belonging to the King situate in the lower town of Quebec lying between Champlain Street and the foot of the Cape of Rock, bounded on the east by Champlain Street, on the west by foot of the Cape or Rock, on the south by a lot belonging to Pierre Canac and on the north by a lot belonging to Edward Harrison, Esquire, beginning on Champlain Street at the northeast angle of a lot belong to Pierre Canac and running north sixty degrees west forty-nine feet. (On back of paper:—)

Description of a Lot of Land for Mr. Antrobus, July 7, 1788.

Dear Sir.—There are some parts yet, the Surveyors of which should be named specially, if they can be ascertained. I have made remarks in pencil against some of these articles. There are also several townships mentioned in a lump to be surveyed by several Surveyors, so as not to shew the part done by each. That should be explained as far as can be done. There is a very uncouth Indian name to one of the rivers. If it is one of those to whom English names were given by the patent of 1788, the name should be added. If not, an English name should be given to it and added to the Indian name. I have also corrected the spelling in several instances. Yours sincerely,

11th October. H. Motz.

Province of Quebec:

Dated the 27th day of July, Anno Domini 1788.

The Bearer hereof, Mr. James Todd, Montl., by virtue of His Excellency Lord Dorchester's Order in Council of the 23d July, 1788, has drawn a Lot consisting of One hundred feet in front by two hundred and seventy-five feet French measure in depth, situated on the beach of the lower Town of Quebec, adjoining his own lot, containing twenty-seven thousand five hundred superficial feet, and having taken the Oaths, and made and signed the Declaration required by the Instructions, he is hereby authorized to settle thereon, he shall receive a Patent, Grant or Deed of Concession, at the expiration of Twelve Months from the Date hereof, to enable him to hold an Inheritable or Assignable Estate in the said Lot. J. C.

(On back):—Copy of a Certificate for Mr. Jas. Tod, Montl., for Lot No. 1, Lower Town, Quebec, 27 July, 1788.

Do., do., for lot No. 2, Lower Town, Dated 10th feby., 1791.

The Chairman as Deputy Surveyor General laid before the Committee a sketch of the land claimed by Captain John and other Mohawks and informed me that in the year 1787 he surveyed the Townships of Thurlow and Richmond on the north side of the Bay of Quinty leaving between them a tract or space of about twelve miles front on the said Bay for Captain John and about twenty families of the Mohawk Nation who had then settled themselves on it. The tract is bounded easterly by the line of the Township of Richmond and westerly by that of Thurlow, to run northerly as far as it may please Government to assign. This tract is a part of a purchase made in 1784 by Captain Crawford of the Indian department by Order of Sir John Johnston from the Missisague Nation by deed bearing date ..... which deed, it seems by Sir John's letter of 25th Ma. 1791, is still in the hands of Captain Crawford.

Mr. Williams being called in, observes to the Committee that the minute in the Council Book (mentioning a Copy of a Speech of His Excellency General Haldimand to Captain John the Chief of the Mohawk nation and his friends, with Captain John's answer thereto addressed to Major Potts at Cataraqui, 12th January, 1785, and a Letter from Joseph Brandt of the 21st February, 1785) is of the 7th March, 1785, when Mr. Williams was absent, in England, with leave, the duties of the Council Office being performed during his absence by Alexander Gray, Esquire. That he, Mr. Williams, has never seen either of the three papers above mentioned, and therefore apprehends they were not lodged as official papers with Mr. Gray, and for the ground of this idea he acquaints the Committee that on his return to the Province and resuming his office, Mr. Gray delivered up various papers relating to Detroit affairs among which is a Deed of Cession by Indians of a Tract of Land between Lake Erie and Lake Ontario to the King; and a Deed of Sale of the Island of Michilimackinac from Indians to His Majesty. That he found with those papers a List of them and in which List no such papers as are specified in the above minute are mentioned. (On back):—10th March, 1791. Mr. Williams' information to the Committee on Indian claims. (No. 2.)

Report entered 13th June, 1784:

On the petition of Captain Thomas Darey (?) and Seven other Loyalists for Lands on the south side of the Grand River.

Order of the same Day:

Ordered by His Lordship with the advice of the Council, that the Surveyor General lay out a Tract of thirty thousand acres according to the prayer of the petition; and that there be assigned to the petitioners, within the same, and to other Loyalists, willing to associate with them, such proportions as have been surveyed and located for other Loyalists in the new Townships on the River St. Lawrence, giving to each the usual certificates, pledging the faith of the Government for the Royal Grant, upon application therefor, within such period as may be in such certificate expressed.

J. Williams.

(On back):—Captain Thomas Darey(?) & Seven other Loyalists.
A Copy of this Sent to Mr. McNiff, 26th September, 1788.

Report entered 23rd July, 1788:

On the petition of Simeon Covel a reduced Captain of His Majesty's late loyal Rangers, for lands between Oswegatchi and Cataracoui.

Order of the same day:

On reading the Report of the Committee relating to the petition of Mr. Simeon Covell, a reduced Captain of the Loyal Rangers:

Ordered by His Lordship, wih the advice of the Council, that the Surveyor General report a survey of seven hundred acres of land for him.

J. WILLIAMS.

(Captain Simeon Covell, 23rd July, 1788.)

Report entered 13th June, 1788:

On the petition of Captain Lachlan McLean, late of the 84th (now of the 60th) Regiment for 3000 acres of land at St. Regis, if so much waste land is there to be found; and for the quantity short of 3000 acres, to be laid out for him at Carillon.

N.B.—The Report states that the D. Surveyor General informed the Committee that the lands prayed for at St. Regis are reserved for the Indians, but that the quantity may be sett off for him at Carillon near the tract applied for by the Officers of the 84th Regiment.

Order of the same Day:

On reading the Reports of the Committee relating to the Petitions of Captain David Grant, Captain Lachlin McLean, and Lieut. Niel McLean, His Lordship and the Council concur in the Report of the Committee, and order that the Surveyor General report a survey of the tracts, and the Attorney General a draft of the Patent in favor of the Petitioners respectively.

(Captain Lauchlin McLean, 13 June, 1788.) J. WILLIAMS.

Report entered 13th June, 1788:

On the petition of Lieut. Niel McLean, late of the 84th Regiment, for 1400 acres of land (the remainder of 2000 acres which he is entitled to) at Carillon.

Order of the same Day:

On reading the reports of the Committee relating to the Petitions of Captain David Grant, Captain Lachlin McLean & Lieut. Niel McLean, His Lordship and the Council concur in the Reports of the Committee and order that the Surveyor General report a survey of the tracts, and the Attorney General a draft of the Patent in favor of the Petitioners respectively.

(Lieut. Niel McLean, 13 June, 1788.) J. WILLIAMS.

Report entered 13th June, 1788:

On the Petition of Captain David Grant, late of the 84th Regiment, for 3000 acres on the east side of the River L'Assomption, adjoining to the lands prayed for by Captain William Dunbar.

Order of the same Day:

On reading the Reports of the Committee relating to the Petitions of Captain David Grant, Captain Lachlin McLean and Lieut. Niel McLean, His Lordship and the Council concur in the reports of the Committee,—and Order that the Surveyor General report a survey of the tract and the Attorney General a draft of the Patent in favor of the Petitioners respectively.

(Capt. David Grant. A Copy of this Sent 25 Sept., 1788.) J. WILLIAMS.

Names of the gentlemen employed in Surveying the Settled parts of Canada, during the years 1759—1760—1761—1762.

Year 1759:—General Wolfe's campaign was surveyed. The S. W. point of the Island of Orleans with the ground where the Army was en-

camped at Montmorenci by Captain Debeig. From the Montmorenci Falls to the passes, entrenchments, &c., with part of Rr. St. Charles by Captain Holland.

Year 1760:—Begun after taking Montreal. South side River St. Lawrence from La Prarie la Magdelaine to Sorel, including the River Richelieu with the several Signiories, to St. Johns, by Captain Holland. North Side River St. Lawrence from Long Point to N. E. end of Isle Montreal, with all the Island in that Extent of River, by Captain Holland. Town of Montreal, with St. E. side of Isled. of Montreal as far as La Chine, by Mr. Montresor.

Year 1761:—Nth. side Rr. St. Lawrence from Quebec to pt. aux Tremble including Cap Rouge Rr. by Capt. Holland. Nth. side Rr. St. Lawrence from pt. aux Tremble to St. Anne's by Lt. Peach. Nth. side Rr. St. Lawrence, from St. Anne (including the Rr. as also Rr. Batiseau to Three Rivers), by Ensign Pitman. Nth. side Rr. St. Lawrence, Town of Three Rivers, from thence to Machiche, including the Rr. St. Maurice to above the Forges, by Capt. Holland, and from thence to Berthier, by Lt. Fusier. From Berthier, to The Ferry at Repentignu to Isle Montreal, by Capt. Holland. South side Rr. St. Lawrence from Sorel to pt. Levi opposite Quebec, by Capt. Holland including the several islands in that extent of Rr. The island of Orleans by Messrs. Montressor & Spry. Nt. side Rr. St. Lawrence from Montmorency to St. Joachim by Ensign Pitman. Rr. Chaudiere from Falls to the uppermost Settlements, including the Road from Nouvelle Beauce to St. Henri and Rr. Treize Chemins, by Lt. Haldimand. Remaining part of Isle Montreal; Isle Jesus; Isle Bisarre, with the North Shore as far as the Cedars; and Sth. shore from thence to La Prarie, by Messrs. Fusier and Montressor.

Year 1762:—St. side Rr. St. Lawrence from Pt. Levi to St. Thomas, by Capt. Holland. Sth. side Rr. St. Lawrence from St. Thomas to St. Rock, by Lt. Haldimand; the Islands and Nth. Shore to Bay St. Paul's by the same.

Surveys made in Canada during the years 1767-1768-76, under the direction of Capt. Holland, Sr. Genl. N. District of N. America.

1767. Nth. side Rr. from St. Rock to Rr. du Loup, by Capt. Holland.

1768. Rr. St. Lawrence, including both Shores and Islands, from the Cedars to the Entrance of Lake Ontario by Lt. Christopher Carleton.

Part of Chaleur Bay and Gaspee, by Ensign Sproule.

1767. Island of Anticosti, by Mr. Wright.

1768. Nth. side Rr. St. Lawrence from Bay St. Pauls to Rr. Sagenay up the sd. River to Lk. St. Johns, by Mr. Blas Rowitz.

Sth. side Rr. St. Lawrence from Isle au Bis, to Mount St. Louis, by Mr. Hanson. From Mount St. Louis to Gaspee, by Mr. Sproule. The Labrador Coast from Rr. St. Johns, to Natistagoet Harbour, by Messrs. Sproule and Wright.

1769. From Rr. Saguenay to Rr. St. Johns by Mr. Blas Rowitz. A Chain of Triangles from Pt. Levi to Rr. Trois Pistoles, by Ensign Sproule.

Dr. Sir,—You will perceive by the inclosed Extract that every impediment that lay in the way of the Township of Rawdon's being surveyed is now entirely removed.

*Minute of Council, 19th July, 1792.

You will therefore commence your survey of that township as soon as possible, as many of the other townships depend upon the survey of Rawdon.
I am, Sir, Your most Obedt. Servt. S. H.

Quebec, 26th July, 1792. Capt. Willm. Fortune, D.P.S.

Surveyor General's Office, Quebec, 24th May, 1791.

SIR,—You are hereby directed, immediately to proceed with all diligence to the Township of Cornwall in the District of Luneburgh, and there survey and mark the east and west boundary lines of the said township twelve miles in depth, including the parts already surveyed, and to fix good and sufficient boundaries at the end of the same, and from thence to survey and mark the north boundary line, and every third line of concession where it has not yet been done, and fix the boundaries of the several lots on each side the same.

When you have compleated the above survey you are to proceed to survey and mark the lines of a township of nine miles in front, adjoining the north boundary of Cornwall,—by twelve miles in depth, which is to be named Roxburgh. You are to divide the front into lots of two hundred acres each, and mark every third line of concession, reserving a glebe of four hundred acres, and two hundred acres for a Schoolmaster in or near the Centre. This Township is to satisfy the claims of the inhabitants of Cornwall, to whom the greatest part of it are under certificates, when their claims are liquidated, out of the residue you are to reserve and mark out the scite of the town, and the reservations for the crown.———

You are to commence and proceed in the execution of this work, with all diligence, accuracy and fidelity in conformity to the General Rules and Regulations.

You are to keep journals and field books, inserting therein whatever is observable for its singularity and value towards the publick utility as water falls, minerals, quarries, the quality of the lands, timber, &ca., and likewise accounting for the time spent upon such service, with such minuteness and certainty, as will shew the work of each day, and enable you to answer Questions upon oath in respect thereto if the same shall be required, reporting all such journals & field books under your signature to this office, after the completion of the work, together with protractions thereof, both to me and the Land Board of the District in which you have been employed.

You are to pay a very strict attention to oeconomy in the whole service and dismiss the hands as soon as they can be spared, and as the accounts will all be subject to audit you'l take care to furnish the necessary documents that will be expected in justification of every article of charge, observing nevertheless that it is not intended by any small savings to disapoint the useful ends for which these surveys are ordered, but that there must be a responsible discretion exercised in the expenditures both of the time and the means.

You are to do no work in the nature of the subdivision of townships into lots, except to such number and extent as the Land Board of the District shall from time to time in writing direct.

You are to communicate these instructions to the Land Board of Luneburgh, and a copy thereof is to accompany the accounts hereafter to be rendered to obtain payment, for the services you shall have performed.

(Signed) JOHN COLLINS, D.S.G.

James Rankin, D. P. Surveyor.

The above is a true Copy of my Instructions, James Rankin, D.P.S.

Montreal, 3d Feby., 1791.

SIR,—In answer to your letter of the 30th of January by order of the Committee, of which you are Chairman, inclosing His Lordship's Order in Council of the 4th of the same month, and the committee's resolve thereon, I have the honor to transmit herewith for their Information substance of Captain Brant's wishes respecting forming a Settlement of the Mohawks and others of the Six Nation Indians upon the Grand River, see together with extracts of two letters from General Haldimand upon the subject of the two Grants under consideration, all which I think I transmitted to His Lordship. The purchase on the Grand River was made in consequence of the orders I received from the Commander in Chief, and the deed, I think is lodged in His Lordship's office at Quebec. As no survey has yet been made of the Tract, it is uncertain whether the Course described in the Deed, commencing at a certain point at the entrance of the Little Lake at the head of Lake Ontario will intersect the Grand or Oswego River so high up as the River La Tranche.

When at Niagara I proposed to the Land Board to employ Mr. Kotte to determine that point and the boundaries of the intended Grant—but the Commanding Officer objected to the measure.

I am not without hopes that Brant and all concerned will relinquish a small township in depth, from the mouth of the River upwards, so as to preserve a continuation of the Settlement forming on the Lake Side, and in hopes that the River may prove a harbour for Small vessels.

The original demand of the Mohawks was from the centre of the River Apane to another river or creek, the name of which I do not recollect, but you have their Boundaries as last agreed on. I imagine they expect to extend in rear as far as the country was purchased from the Mississagas. I have the honor to be, Sir, Your Most Obedient Humble Servant,

JOHN JOHNSON.

Extract of a Letter from Lt.-Col. Butler. Dated
Niagara, 26th August, 1788.

"I called them to Council, and made a Proposal to purchase all the Lands to the Bay of Quinty, and as far back as Lake La Clay and the Rice Lake, which, after two or three meetings, they agreed to. I then proposed to them to run a Strait Line from the place of Beginning above Toronto 15 or 16 miles Back as that being supposed to be the Breadth from the Clay bank to the said Place of beginning."

The Council alluded to above was held at Toronto. The Clay Bank, I take to be the white Banks that appear from Niagara about fifteen or sixteen miles below Toronto. J. J.

(Extract of Lt.-Col. Butler's Letter respecting the Bounds of Lands purchased from the Indians. 1788.)

Quebec, 28th November, 1791.

SIR,—As Chairman of the Land Committee, it becomes particularly my business to see that due attention is paid to the directions given to the Board by the Commander in Chief, and this brings me to call your recollection, that on the 25th of June, I communicated to you a letter, written to me by Mr. Secretary Motz of the 24th of that month, which was laid before the Land Committee and there read on the 15th of July, requiring from the Committee, a more detailed schedule of the plans in the Surveyor General's drawing room, than that annexed to the Committee's Report delivered to Lord Dorchester, the 3d of June, and to insert the scale of the plans, the date of the surveys, with the name of the surveyors by whom they were made: Also a list of all

field books and journals in the Surveyor General's Office;—a list likewise of all remarkable places, such as bays, rivers, and rivulets mentioned in the field books of Mr. Pennoyer, to be reported to Lord Dorchester, with such names as the Committee may judge best calculated for making them known and easily distinguishable, by familiar names taken from rivers, etc., in England, Scotland or Ireland.

I on the same day laid before the Committee another letter from Mr. Motz (of 11th July) which accompanied papers from the Land Board of Luneburg, referred by Lord Dorchester. You then informed the Board that in consequence of the communications you had already had of those letters from the Chairman, you had given directions for everything necessary to be doue on the premises, and that you would report a list of the places noted in the field books lodged in the Surveyor General's Office, within a month from that day; and that you would, in obedience to the directions given in Lord Dorchester's letter of the 11th July, lay before the Committee, views of all locations in progressive protraction upon the General Maps of the Country once a month at least;—but seeing now no less than four months elapsed without any report from the Surveyor General's Office upon any of the businesses which the Land Committee have been required to see performed, I must entreat you to assign the reasons of that delay on the part of the Surveyor-General's Office, that they may appear upon the Minutes of the Committeee.

I have the honor to be, Sir, Your most Obedient humble Servant,

John Collins, Esq. HUGH FINLAY.

(From the Honble Hugh Finlay, Esqr., Chairman of the Land Committee.)

Quebec, 31 March, 1792.

DEAR SIR,—I did not answer your favor of the 17th November, 1791, as the Ottawa River was made the Division between the Two Governments, what you desired was answered. A few days past I was favored with your letter the 16th January respecting a small island, which I have this day Memord. the Governor for on your behalf. As soon as I receive his answer I shall let you know the success of your application. I am with Great regard, Dear Sir, your most obedient Servant, J. C.

Daniel Robertson, Esqr., Montreal.

Quebec, 26th Jany., 1791.

DEAR SIR,—By His Excellency Lord Dorchester's Order in Council of the 4th of January, "the Land Committee are to inspect the Maps, Plans, Surveys, "Field-Books, and papers touching the credit and authenticity of any par-"ticular surveys, belonging to the Surveyor General's Office, concerning "the disposition and arrangement of which they are to make report, with "their opinion of such regulations as they may conceive most expedient to "answer the purpose of their preservation, and of opening a cheap and easy "access to them for the benefit of the public."

As I have understood that there will soon be a Council, I must entreat you to inform me when you will be ready by an exhibition of all the Maps, Plans, &c., mentioned in the order of Reference to put it in the power of the Land Committee to make report relative thereto, as has been commanded. I suppose that His Lordship, at the first Council, will make enquiry touching the progress the Land Committee has made in this business.

The Land Committee were upon the same day further charged "To report "a list of the Instruments remaining in the Land Surveying Office, or that "are in the hands of the several Deputy Surveyors, distinguishing those

"appurtenant to the Office, from such as may be private property, and "Whether any & what kinds of Instruments may be wanted for the better "execution of the work of that Department, together with an estimate of the "probable expence of supplying the deficiency." I must request that you will have the goodness to furnish the list of the Instruments in the office of the hands of your deputies, as also a list of the Instruments wanted together with the estimate required by the Order of reference. I am with much esteem, Dear Sir, Your very obedient humble servant,

HUGH FINLAY.

John Collins, Esq., D. Surveyor General, Quebec.

Surveyor General's Office, Quebec,
22nd June, 1791,

SIR,—The business directed by your former Instructions being completed you will apply to the Land Board of Luneburg and receive their Instructions respecting the service you are to go upon which please communicate to me, with a full state of what you have done under your former Instructions, that I may be enabled to let His Excellency the Governor know how far the busines is advanced, you will confer with Mr. Chewitt or Mr. Penoyer the best means for sending down your accounts and vouchers, let them be made up to the 10 October and set down immediately after by a safe conveyance let me know the time you expect to be at Montreal that I may provide for the payment of your party on their arrival, I have wrote Mr. Frobisher to send you up four months' provisions, which I hope will arrive in time. I wish you health, and am, with regard, Sir, your most obedient Servant,

J. COLL.

Mr. Theodore Depencier, D. Surveyor, at the river Rideau, Luneburg.

Quebec, 22d June, 1791.

DEAR SIR,—The accounts against Government were not paid until the 10th Instant, the same day I paid Mr. Lester & Co. your draft of £106, currency, there was something rejected in your last account by the Committee, which I shall let you know. Since your departure I was ordered by His Excellency Lord Dorchester to make a Statement of all your accounts from the year 1786 to the present date, shewing the days you had been employed at 7/6 currency and those at 4/ sterling in making out this state I find in the six months commencing the 10 October, 1789, and ending the 10 April, 1790, being 1 and 2 days at 7/6 pr. day to £68:5, from which same if deducted £27:16:1 for want of a voucher from the Board, and also a deduction of 10/8 postage of letters, the charge of 8/ for repairing instruments rejected, please to apply to the Land Board for their voucher for making the above charge, and make oath that the sum of 10/8 charged in your account was for letters on Government's Service. This will enable me to recover this money for you at the next meeting of the Board of Accounts. I find in the year '87 a further deduction from your accts. of £8:10 for want of vouchers, please let the men you employed on that occasion sign the receipts in the presence of witnesses, and send them by the same conveyance. Write me fully respecting the business you have in charge. Wishing you health and good weather, I am, dear sir, with great regard, your most obedient servant, J. C.

P.S.—Let your present accounts be made up to the 10th of October with every necessary voucher and send them down immediately after by a safe conveyance.

Alexander Aitkin, D. Surveyor, Kingston.

Surveyor General's Office, 10 June, 1791.

SIR,—His Excellency Lord Dorchester has been pleased to order one thousand acres of land to be layed out at Toronto for Mr. Rochblanc (?), and for Capt. Leforse and Capt. Bouchet Seven hundred acres each at the same place, which please lay out accordingly and report the same to this office, with all convenient speed. I am, Sir, your most obedient Servant,

Mr. Augustus Jones, Dept. Surveyor at Nassau. J. C.

Quebec, 23d May, 1791.

DEAR SIR,—Inclosed is an Order on Mr. John Gray's house for five months' provision, viz., five barrels pork, ten bushels pease, and two thousand two hundred and fifty pounds flower, by Mr. Samuel Hopkins, who leaves this place to-morrow. I shall send you instructions and money. I am with regard, Dear Sir, Your Most obedient Servant, J. C.

Mr. James Rankin, Depty. Suevryor, Montreal.

Castle of St. Lewis, Quebec, 31 March, 1794.

SIR,—In consequence of your two Reports of the 21st and 28th instants, I am directed by His Excellency, Lord Dorchester, to inform you, that it is His Lordship's determination that the Order made by him in Council on the 23 July, 1791, should be strictly adhered to; and that, in future, no monies will be paid by Government on account of surveys, whether general or particular, unless the expence has been previously ascertained, and authorized by a special Order. I have the honor to be, Sir, Your most humble Servt.

HERMAN WITSIUS RYLAND.

Saml. Holland, Esqr., Surveyor General.

(from Mr. Secry. Ryland, 31 March, 1794.)

Extract from the Minutes of Council.

Monday, 29th December, 1788.

Charles Réaume, prays for seven hundred acres at Toronto.

Ordered that the Surveyor General report a survey of two hundred acres to be granted to him. J. WILLIAMS.

Extract from the Minutes of Council.

Monday, 29th December, 1788.

Mr. Charles Thomas, late Judge Advocate of the Brunswick Troops, prays for five hundred acres of land on the Ottawa River, opposite to the lands laid off for the 84th Regiment.

Ordered that the Surveyor General report a survey of five hundred acres of land to be granted to them accordingly.

J. WILLIAMS.

Extract from the Minutes of Council.

Monday, 29th December, 1788.

Sir John Johnson for himself.

Ordered that the Surveyor General report a survey of the Island of Tonti, to be granted to the Petitioner.

J. WILLIAMS.

Extract from the Minutes of Council.

Monday, 29th December, 1788.

Sir John Johnson, Baronet, for the heirs of Guy Johnson, on the south side of the Ottawas River.

Ordered that the Surveyor General report a survey of one thousand acres on the south shore of the Ottawas River, to be granted to the heirs of Guy Johnson, deceased.

J. WILLIAMS.

Extract from the Minutes of Council.

Monday, 29th December, 1788.

William Dummer Powell for lands on the south side of the Ottawas River between the upper boundary of Mr. De Lotbiniere's Seigneury, and the lower boundary of that of Monsr. de Longueuil. (Grand or Ottawa River.)

Ordered that the Surveyor General report a survey of three thousand acres corresponding as nearly as may be with the location described by the petitioner.

J. WILLIAMS.

Extract from the Minutes of Council.

Monday, 29th December, 1788.

John Emerson, a Loyalist, prays for two thousand acres on the south side of the Grand River.

Ordered that the Surveyor General report a survey of five hundred acres, to be granted to him as located.

J. WILLIAMS.

Extract from the Minutes of Council.

Monday, 29th December, 1788.

Lieut. Lewis Foy, on the half pay of the 44th Regt. prays for 500 Acres on the South side of the Grand River.

Ordered that the Surveyor General report a survey accordingly.

J. WILLAIMS.

To the Committee of the whole Council charged to enquire respecting any Inroads into the Province of Quebec, on the South Side of the St. Lawrence.

Report from the Office of Surveyor General in Answer to the Several Questions proposed by the Committee.

GENTLEMEN,—Having duly deliberated upon the Questions proposed to this Office We answer to the

First Question—

Supposing a North perpendicular from the end of the line run for the Latitude of 45 North, on Connetticut River to the St. Lawrence, there will be continued to the Westward therefrom to St. Regis and between the River St. Lawrence and the said latitude Agreeable to the Plans and Surveys of the River St. Lawrence in our possession about Six Millions eight hundred. Sixty two Millions six hundred and fifteen thousand, eight hundred and forty Acres is already granted, and the Ballance remaining ungranted will be four Millions two hundred forty six thousand eight hundred and eighty eight English Acres.

We answer to the Second Question—

Eleven Statute Miles.

We answer to the third Question—

About One Million One hundred and eighty-three thousand four hund red and twenty Acres.

We Answer to the fourth Question—

A grant to Nicholas Rine Le Vasseur by Le Marquis de La Gallisoniere Governor and Bigot Intendant Of Six Leagues front up the River Missis-

koi, and three Leagues depth on each side of said River, dated 23 Septemr., 1748, the said Grant is ratified by the King at Versailes the 30 April, 1749 and the Ratification is registered in the Register of the Superior Council at Quebec, the 29 Septemr., 1749. This Seignory is the Property of Thomas Dunn, Esq., and is now claimed by him Four Leagues and two thirds front to the Lake of this Seignory by six Leagues depth, lies south of the latitude 45 and of course Mr. Dunn's claim between the Parallels will contain One hundred and Twenty-nine thousand One hundred and eighty four Superficial Acres.

The Tract of land now called Caldwell Mannor was formerly granted to Monsr. Foucault by the Marquis de Beauharnois, and Monsr. Hocquart in two Concessions the 1st dated 1st May, 1743, Containing three Leagues in front of the River Chambly and the second a Continuation of that front two Leagues farther to the Point de Detour or Point Algonquin, which is oposite to Dutchman's Point, on Grand Isle, where there is a King's Post, the Concession dated 1st Novr., 1744. The above Grants from a peninsula bounded on the North by the Senory de Noyan now belonging to General Christie and Colonel Campbell, to the South by the Waters that run from Lake Champlain into Missiskoi Bay to the West by the River Chambly and to the Et. by the Bay of Missiskoi Of the first Concession about four Miles only are to the No. of 45, the remaining eleven Miles are to the Southward of 45, and each Contain about 20,000 Acres. The above lands were Sold by Mr. Foucaults Heins to the Honorable General James Murray, and are now in the Possession of Henry Caldwell, Esq.

We answer to the fifth Question—

On the North Side of the oblong none to our Knowledge on the South side what is Comprized within the tracts Mentioned in the Answer to the 4th Question.

We answer to the Sixth Question.

What is west of the Perpendiculars abovementioned is already stated to be four Millions two hundred and forty six thousand eight hundred & eighty eight Acres, What is Eastward of that Perpendicular We Compute at Sixteen Millions five hundred and forty Nine thousand five hundred and fifteen acres, and the amount of both is Twenty Millions Seven hundred and Ninety Six thousand four hundred and three Acres, and the Contents of what is within the oblong is Stated to be,—One Million, One hundred and eighty three thousand four hundred and twenty Acres.

We answer to the Seventh Question—

His Majestys' ungranted lands between the point of Intersection of the 45 degree with the River St. Lawrence and a line due North, from the Height of land passing through the Junction of the River St. Johns and Madawasca, and Intersecting the River St. Lawrence is 11,936,163 Acres. From our own Knowledge of great part of that Country and good Information had from persons of Characters, We are of the Opinion that two thirds of that Quantity may be fit for Cultivation & Settlement. His Majestys ungranted lands between the discharge of the River Madawasca and the Bay of Chaleur if 8,860,240 Acres, from the best Information I have had of this Country I suppose not more than one third of the above Quantity may be fit for Cultivation.

We answer to he Eight Question—

From the line of 45 North to point au fer 5¼ Miles from the line of 45 North to Dutchmans Point is 11 Miles. The Bredth of the Royal Occupations from point au fer to Connecticut River is 87¼ Miles; from point au fer to River St. Lawrence is 84 Miles—From Dutchmans point to Con-

netticut River is 81¼ Miles. From Dutchmans Point to the River St. Lawrence is 95 Miles.—How far there are actual possessions in the Oblong under the Crown We cannot ascertain, but they must be within the tracts abovementioned to be now Claimed by Mr. Dunn, Colonel Caldwell, & Genl. Christie. What there are possessed without the Royal Authority in the said oblong Et. and Ws. of these tracts We are not Sufficiently informed of to ascertain the Committee.

We have the Honor to be,
Gentlemen,
Your most obedt., Humble Servant
(Signed) SAML. HOLLAND, S. Gl.
JNO. COLLINS, D. S. Gl.

To His Excellency Alured Clarke, Esqr., Lieut. Governor and Commander in Chief of the Province of Quebec, &c., &c.. &c. Major General Commanding His Majesty's Forces in America, &c., &c., &c.

The Memorial of John Collins. D. S. Gl.

Humbly Sheweth

That your Memorialists is in want of Six hundred and fifty pounds Currency to enable him to pay off and discharge the several parties, now employed by the Surveyor General's Department, in Carrying into Execution His Excellency Lord Dorchesters Orders in Council of the 14th February, 1791.

He therefore prays a Letter of Credit on the Acting Receiver General, for that Sum, for which he will hereafter Account.

And your Memorialist as in Duty bound will &c.

Quebec, 30th August, 1791. (Signed) JOHN COLLINS, D. S. Gl.

SIR,—You will please to proceed immediately to make the following, Surveys, Vizt.

In the Township called Lake Township, you will Survey and run the front line of the second and third Concession. In the third Township the front line of the second and third and fourth Concessions. In the fourth Township the front line of the second, third and fourth Concession. In the fifth Township the line of the second, third and fourth Concessions, leaving roads of forty feet wide between each Concession, and taking care to set up two Posts at proper distances in the division line between each Lot as a Government to the Inhabitants to divide their lands—the same to be done on the front line of each Township on the Lake, when you have completed the above Survey, you will lay out a road for the use of the Public of forty feet wide in the front of the Townships, as near the Lake as the nature of the Country will admit of, commencing at Coteau du Lac, and running to the upper end of the fifth Township, taking with you the Inhabitants of each Township to assist you in Surveying and laying out the said Road, laying down on your Plan all the Rivers, Creeks, Swamps, &ca that cross your lines in the course of your Survey, which you will insert in your Report with the nature and quality of the Soil, and the quantity of cleared land in each Township. Make due Report to me of your proceedings thereon, and for so doing this shall be your sufficient authority.

Given under my hand at Cataraqui this 18th day of June, 1785.

Mr. Patrick McNeef, Surveyor.

The Governt. of Quebec

1765. To Jno Collins, Dr.

E	To fixing the Boundary between this Province and ye Province of New York, on the Lakes Champlain and St. Francis, agreable to the Order and Instruct of the Honorable James Murray, Esqr., Governor of the said Province and the Honorable, his Majesty's Council, from 2d March, 1765, to the 19 May, both Days included is 79 Days, @ 24/ p day	94.16.
F	To My Assistants Employed during the above time of 79 Days, at 15/ p Day	59. 5.
D	To Sundry Expences attending the same, Viz.: postage by Land hire of Batteaus & Cannoes, Men's wages, Provisions, &c.	
G	To admeasuring, Surveying and Setting out the Lands of the Bays and Harbors of Gaspey and Chaleur from the 1 Day of July to the 1 Day of Novemr., both Days included is 124 Days, @ 24/ p Day	148.16
H	To my assistant Employ in the Survey from the 15th July to ye 1 Novemr., 1765, both Days included is 110 Days, at 15/ p Day	82.10
	the article at Letter C must come in here before letr. K.	
K	To making a fair Entery and recording the Several Surveys in the Surveyor General's Office	32.10
A	To a Sett of Plans returned to the Honorable board of this Province a Set of Plans	32.10
B	To a Set of Plans returned to the Honorable board of this Province to be returned to the Honorable board of Commissioners of trade and Plantations	32.10.
	Amount Carried forward	£

Dr. Province of Quebec in acct, Currt. with John Collins Deputy Surveyor General,—Cr.—

76	Amount brought forward	£
C	To two Chain Carriers and 2 Hatchet Men employ'd during the time of the Survey, 61 days, @ 3/ p. Day	36.12
	To taking Charge of the King's Highways and the Streets in this Province giving all necessary Orders for having them kept in good Repair agreable to my Deputation and Instructions from the Surveyor General	100.
I	To my Office, &c., to be allow'd by Government £50 Sterling p. Annum	66.13.6
	Quebec Currency	770.19
	Exchange at 33⅓ p. ct.	192.14. 9
	Sterling	578. 4. 3

John Collins, Esq., Deputy Surveyor General of the Province of Quebec, Humbly prays an allowance the under mentioned sums for money Disbursted and Services done for the Province, and in taking the Latitude and fixing the Boundary of the same and making Sundry Surveys by Order and Instructions the Honorable James Murray, Esqr., Governor of the said Province & the Honorable his Majesty's Council.

1765, February the 26th, Recd. Orders from His Excellency Genl. Murray to Survey and Lay out five thousand Acres of land on Lake St. Francis.

28 February. By the same Authority to lay out four thousand and fifty Acres same place.

1st March. By the same Authority to lay out Seven thousand and fifty Acres as Above.

28 Do. . . By the same Authority to Ascertain the 45 Degree of North Latitude on Lake St. Francis & Champlain and Survey the River St. Lawrence from Montreal to the long Sault.

1769 Feby. 10th. . . Recd. His Excellency Governor Carleton's Order for Surveying the River St. Francis, & Nicholet. The same day by the same Authority I was Ordered to draw the Boundary lines between La Prarie, Sault St. Louis La Salles and the King's ungranted Lands.

May 18th. . . By the same Authority to Survey the River Chatauguay to the Boundary line of the province.

1772. . . . By Order of Lieutenant Governor Cramahe met the Deputy Surveyor of the Province of New York, at the River La Cole, the first of March and proceeded on the Survey of the Division line between the two provinces.

1766 March. . Omitted a Survey of the Seigniory of River Du Loup and Six thousand Acres on the Back of the same, by the Authority of General Murray.

The above Surveys were made under the Authorities abovementoned by (Surveys made in the Winter by Jno. Collins, 1761 a 1772.)

(Copy) 2d September, 1793.

Questions proposed to the Surveyor & Deputy Surveyor General by order of the Committee for Examining the Public Accounts.

1st Q.: Was not the River St. Lawrence Surveyed on both Sides from Quebec to Three Rivers in March and April, 1792.

2nd Q.: How comes it now to be Surveyed a Second time by Messrs. McCarthy & Ecuyer.

3rd Qn.: How comes Mr. Depencieres Provisions to be charged so high, sav Pork at £5 p. Barrel, when Mr. Peachy charges his 5d. p. lb., and all the other Deputys £4 p. Barrel; Biscuit at 12/6 p. Cwt., and Mr. Peachy Charges 11/8 p. Cwt., Pease at 5/ p. Bushel, and Mr. Peachy Charges only 3/4 p. Bushel.

4th Qn.: What is the usual Allowance of time you make to the Deputy Surveyor to come from Sorrel to Quebec.

5th Qn.: Do you think it could take Mr. Depenciere 32 days allowed him by you for Copying his Field Book and Drawing his Plans, seeing he was not employed more than 30 days in the Field.

6th Qn.: Does it appear to you that the Deputy Surveyors have strictly adhered to His Excellency the Governors Warrants of Survey, or in what instances have they materially deviated.

7th Qn.: Can you inform the Committee why the Charges for Surveying the Townships in general are so high, as stated in the Account sent by you to the Chairman the 19th of last Month & in particular the following Townships—

Vizt. Alton on which the Committee are informed, the Line is run only about 8 Miles ..... £ 74. 2. 2½
Stanfold nearly finished 112.15.10½
Bulstrode of which only the front on the River Becancour and the line dividing it from Stanfold is run..... 72. 8. 2
Aston the out lines not finished 113.10. 8
Blandford ditto "and what is done appears to interfere with the Old Seigniories" 59. 0. 0
Maddington do do 71. 0. 0

8th Qn.: The Charges for running the out lines of Townships as stated in the Account sent by you to the Committee appearing to be much higher than was Estimated. Does it appear that the time Charged in the Accounts of the Deputy Surveyors for field work from the time they got their Instructions from you was properly employed.

Ansrs. to Questions.

1st & 2d. The River St. Lawrence was surveyed in March & April, 1792, from the Chaudier to the Beceancour River on the south side, and to Cape Magdaline on the North Side; but these not agreeing so nearly as was wished, and the Surveys being ordered to be continued in 1793, we thought it best that the latter Surveyors (who at any rate would have to travel to where the Surveyors of 1792 left off) should proceed with their Instruments & Chain in order to ascertain the former Mistake seeing that the Difference of Expence would be but trifling whether they so measured or travelled without Measuring. We are however sorry to add that on the Surveyors of 1793, getting to the Commencement of Lake St. Peter, they found the Ice there broke up in consequence of which Mr. Ecuyer who was on the south side returned. Mr. McCarthy travelled to the upper end of the Lake St. Peter and there commenced his work again, leaving the intermediate Part to be surveyed when the Ice shall next serve.

3d. We are unable to say why the Provisions supplied to Mr. DePencier are charged higher than the others. It was proposed to give Mr. DePencier a Letter to Bernie & Jones of Montreal for them to supply him with Provisions as they did others of the Deputies, but Mr. De Pencier requested a Letter to Mr. David and his request was complied with, no suspicion being entertained of Mr. David's charging higher than the others. Whether the Provisions furnished by Mr. David was or was not of a Superior Quality we are unable to say. Mr. De Pencier should undoubtedly have taken care that his Provisions should be charged at a reasonable Rate, particularly as the Person who supplied them was recommended by himself.

Ansr. to the

4th Quest. We have not usually made any particular allowance of Time for travelling, because the same Distance sometimes requires a greater and sometimes a lesser Number of Days according to the weather, the state of the Roads, &ct., by Land, and according to the Wind if going by Water. We should however think that a Person in Health might easily *walk* from Sorel to Quebec in a week when the Roads are in any tollerable State.

5th. The 32 Days mentioned is certainly a very great allowance of Time for such a service. But the work being done, for the greater accuracy, from a computation of the Northing & Southings, Eastings & Westings of the several Courses, a method which Mr. De Pencier had

not been accustomed to, we are of opinion that he would have employed himself the 32 Days mentioned if he had been in Health during the whole of the Time. The method of Plotting by the abovementioned computations is so much more accurate than any other, that we would willingly introduce it as the general method to be used in future:—After People are once accustomed to it they will be able to proceed with equal Expedition as they could do by those Methods that are less accurate.

6th. There are sundry Instances in which the Deputy Surveyors did not strictly adhere to the Tenor of the Warrants & Instructions they received. They were directed in their Instructions to agree with the Petitioners with respect to the One Half of the Expence to be by them defrayed previous to their incurring any Expence in the Business. But on Account of many of the Petitioners living remote and having no Agents here The Deputy Surveyors found it impracticable to make those Agreements in many Instances and they therefore omitted it altogether, on a supposition that the Petitioners might settle their shares of the Expence when they should take out their Grants.

There are likewise Deviations from the Warrants in the Running of the Lines of the Townships of Blandford and Maddington on the North Side of the River Beccancour, those Lines being so run that they interfere with the Old Seigneuries, and the westerly Line of Maddington being run from a Point on the River Five Miles *below the Falls* whereas the warrant directs it to run from a Point *at the Falls*. In consequence of this Deviation Maddington is made to cover a great Part of the Lands that were intended for Storrington (?). These Deviations appear to have been owing to the Course of the River Beccancour, and the Distances from one Point thereon to another turning out to be extremely different from what had been represented in the Petitions on which those Warrants were issued. We are of opinion that Deviations and Errors of this sort will never be effectually avoided by the Deputy Surveyors untill we shall have obtained such a knowledge of the Country as shall enable us to point out to them, before they set out, the several courses and distances they are to run.*

There is likewise a Deviation from the Warrants in the Townships on the Province Line between Lake Memphramagog & Connecticut River. There not being the full Distance for all those Townships, the Deficiency which ought to have fallen on the *Youngest* Warrant has been thrown on the *Oldest*, whereby the Township of Hereford has been laid only about Six Miles along the Province Line instead of Ten.

There was also a Deviation from the intended Parallelism of the Lines of the Townships on the West side of Lake Memphramagog, but this has been corrected, except in a Part of the North Line of Bolton and the North Line of Brome.

Ansr. to the

7th Questn. We are sorry that we are not able to inform the Committee, so satisfactorily as we could wish, why the Expences of Surveying the Townships are in general so high. We however beg Leave to observe that a great Part of the Expences of Alton & Aston (Two of

*The Check Lines which are now running will furnish us with a very considerable Degree of Knowledge in this Respect, but it can never be *completely* obtained untill the Boundaries of the French Seignories shall be established by actual Surveys.

the Townships particularly mentioned by the Committee) were incurred for the Purpose of ascertaining the Boundaries of the adjoining Seignories on which those Townships have their Dependance, as mentioned in our Statement of the 8th of August. The other Townships particularly mentioned by the Committee appear by the Field Books to be difficult surveying, and equally difficult for getting on the Provisions, on account of thick Swamps, and the lowness of the water in the River Beccancour. It appears likewise that some of the Men fell Ill on the Surveys of these Townships which occasioned more Time to be taken up therein than would otherwise have been required.

8th. We are sorry that we are unable to answer the Eighth Question in such a Manner as to be really satisfactory either to the Committee or to ourselves. The Field Books do not give us altogether that satisfaction which we could wish. It is not indeed possible for us to say that *so many Hours* might have been more advantageously employed on *one Day* and *so many Hours* on *another Day* making in the whole *so much*. But we are sorry to say that we cannot on the whole give it as our Opinion that the Time in general has been employed to the best Advantage.

Copy of Instructions from Samuel Holland, Esq., to the Deputy Surveyors.

Surveyor Genl's. Office, Quebec, 18th Jany. 1786.

Sir,—By His Honor Brigadier General Hope's letter, dated 14th December last, requiring me to report to him the State of the Surveyor Genls. Department in this Province, and to specify the different Expenditures for allotting Lands for the Loyalists, &c., &c., I have transmitted to His Honor my letter of report thereon, dated the 28th December following, wherein I at the same time laid before His Honour a Plan and Proposal, for the better regulating of that Department so as to prevent for the future any Expences to be added to the enormous Sum already accumulated on that amount, and as His Honour was pleased to signify to me by his answer of the 14th Instant that I should immediately give direction for carrying the same into execution.

I am to acquaint you of your future Instructions. 1st. That you and the other Surveyors employed for admeasuring & laying Lots of Land, for the Loyalists and disbanded troops, agreable to His Majesty's Instructions, are to be allowed 4/ pr. day when in your District & not employed on actual Surveys and when employed to have 7/ 6d. pr. day.

2dly That your District shall comprehend from Monsr. Longueuil's Boundary line near Point au Baudet upwards including Township No. 8 above New Oswegatchy.

3dly. That for the future no extra charges for chain or Axmen &ca., shall be allowed; but those who desire their Lands Surveyed are to make application to Stephen Delancey Esqre., Inspector of Loyalists who is to require of them to furnish at least 6 men or more if necessary to assist you as a Surveying Party in laying out the Lands (which naturally be supposed to be people who have their Lands adjacent to each other) & others who will join in this business, to be allowed one Royalist ration of Provisions pr. day while they are on this employment; when you are to proceed on the Survey, agreable to the Instructions of Loyalists, who will give you a Certificate for the days you have been actually employed on the Survey which Certificate, with a report of the Survey you will transmit me, and if you

cannot perform all the business in the upper Townships yourself, you may employ under your direction, Mr. Jessup of New Oswegatchy at 5/ pr. day, but with the approbation of the Inspector of Loyalists.

4th. That for the future no alterations in exchanging the Lots can be made without the approbation of Loyalists, & if allowed by him you are to make a report of the same to me, that the names may be altered on the Plan you have transmitted by John Collins, Esqre. to the Surveyor General's Office.

5thly. As I find by the Plans transmitted to my office that you have not reserved any Lands for a Glebe, no less than 300 nor more than 500 Acres agreable to His Majesty's Instructions, I have sent by the bearer a copy of the Plan wherein they are laid down, as they are transmitted to the Secretary of State's office. However, if any of the Lots are actually occupied by the Settlers you may have some alteration in laying them down, one or two numbers up or downwards, provided they remain in the same concession when you will return the same Plan to me expressing the alterations thereon you have been obliged to make, but if possible to leave them as they are on the Plan.

6thly. The Certificates and accounts of the days you have been employed must be transmitted me before the 10th April for the winter Six months, in order that they may be laid before the Committee of Council appointed to examine the public accounts.

The above is a copy of the Instructions sent Mr. Patrick McNiff, Deputy Surveyor at John's Town, Mr. Kotte's letter of Instructions corresponds with the above except in the following Article, viz.

1st. In the above Instructions, Article 2d, that your District shall comprehend from Township No. 8 above New Oswegatchy, to the upper part of the Bay of Quinty, with the neck of Land between said Bay and Lake Ontario.

2d. Article, 3 & 4 the same with Mr. McNiffs, except that the application of the Surveyor is to be made to Neil McLean Esqr., Deputy Inspector of Loyalists instead of Stephen Delancey, Esqre., and to employ Mr. Mathew Dies instead of Mr. Jessup on the same conditions.

3d. Article 5th to specify on the different Plans where the Glebes are reserved—article the 6th the same with Mr. McNiffs alteration in the Instructions to Mr. Fry, Deputy Surveyor at Detroit.

1st. In Article, the 2d, That your District shall comprehend all the Lands laid or to be laid out near Niagara & Detroit.

2d. Article 4th. That in the Townships laid out or to be laid out, you are to reserve a Glebe no less than 300 nor more than 500 acres agreable to His Majesty's Instructions, and that In the most centrical part of the Township. Article 5th, the same with Mr. McNiffs.

Alterations in Instructions to Mr. Vonderveldon, Deputy Surveyor, Chaleur Bay.

1st. Article 2d. That your District shall comprehend Gaspé Bay, The North side of the Chaleur Bay with the Ristigouche River.

2d. Article 3 & 4. The application to be made for the Surveyor to Nicholas Cox, Esqre., Lt. Governor of Gaspé. And if Mr. Vondenvelden is not sufficient to perform all the business himself, Lt. Governor Cox will employ Felix Hohara, at 7/6 p. day, while employed under His Honors direction.

3d. Article 5th. That a Glebe is to be reserved in the most centrical part of every Township; article 6th, the same with the foregoing.

(Signed) SAMUEL HOLLAND.

Quebec, 1st February, 1786.

Extract from the Minutes of Council, 21st July, 1790.

Ordered by His Lordship with the advice of the Council, that a Copy of the Proceedings of the Land Committee of the 24th & 28th of June, relative to a letter of the 18th of the same Month from the Deputy Surveyor General respecting the District of Hesse and the Original Papers therein refered to, be transmitted to the land Board of the District of Hesse for their Information apprizing them that no Survey of their District can be sent from hence, none being in the Possession of the Surveyor Generals Office.

21st July, 1790. (Signed) J. WILLIAMS.

Extract from the Minutes of the Council of the 22d February, 1790:—

His Lordship expressing his opinion of the utility of furnishing the Council Chamber with a General Map of the province, and separate Maps on a larger scale of the several Districts into which it is divided shewing the parishes, Seignories and their Concessions, in the Districts of Quebec and Montreal; and the Townships Grants and tracts held under Occupation Certificates, throughout the Province. It is accordingly ordered by His Lordship, with the advice of the Board, that the Surveyor General's Office proceed to the execution of this work without delay; and that a Duplicate of the General Map be also prepared for transmission to the Office of His Majesty's Secretary of State.

The destination of each Map to be inscribed thereon as well as the names of the persons by whom the original surveys were made, distinguishing the parts done by each, and at what time.

The Scale of the General Map to be six miles to an inch, and the Scale of the Maps of the several Districts two miles to an inch.

And to facilitate the design with greater accuracy and dispatch, it is committed to Messrs. Finlay, Harrison, Delery, Grant & Baby as soon as may be to make report to His Lordship of a list of the parishes, and of all the Seigneuries and Grants they respectively comprehend, specifying the dates of the creation of the parishes as well as the dates of the Seigniories and Grants. That for this purpose they send for persons, papers and records, and that they take course for calling in the assistance of the Seigniors, Clergy and Officers of the Militia for such information as the case may require, and for returns from every parish of the *names* of all Males therein of the age of sixteen years and upwards, discriminating those under nineteen years from such as are above that age; and also distinguishing of what Seigniories or Grants they are stated inhabitants.

(Signed) J. WILLIAMS.

(Copy.) Bellwood, near Montreal, 7th March, 1790.

DEAR SIR,—Your favor of the 27th Ultimo I duly received Yesterday on my arrival in town, a part of which Surprised me much. However I now beg leave to Send you a Notorial Copy of the proceedings for Captain McLean, which as one of the Attorneys for him, and if agreeable to your Ideas I must request to be presented to Mr. Collins for his final Confirmation, or if that is refused other Steps must be taken to force open to the World the uncommon transaction that is the Cause.—I am exceedingly Sorry to be thus forced to push matters upon Mr. Collins, but in my opinion We have no Alternative in the proper discharge of the trust reposed in us.—Another's property and right is not to be Sported with, and no mistake whatever or Subsequent Certificate can annul Mr. Collins' Original Instructions Executed in so formal a manner, nor can bear the test against the Vouchers whereof I

now send you duplicates properly authenticated, as well as others in my possession.—It is for that reason and as a friend to Mr. Collins that I have taken so much pains and expence thus to transmit for his information, &ca., and his final decision how to conform himself and to Show how well prepared and Sufficient is Captain McLean's well grounded right, and Vouchers in my possession as well as in the Council Office, where it will appear that Colonel Harris's application for Lands in form was only given in to his Excellency at Montreal in September, 1788, and at the same Instant that he himself (Colonel Harris) gave in the last Representation by Captain Robertson (for himself and the Original Memorialist) for them to be first Served, &ca., and which, as was expected, prevailed,—as is evident from Mr. Collins' own Letter to Captain Robertson and his Instructions of the 2d of October following therein inclosed for Mr. McNiff—Captain McLean was at that very time on duty with his Regiment at Niagara from whence I had a letter from him (just now before me) of the 5th July, 1788, respecting his Lands on the Grand River;—in that very Letter he informs me that Colonel Harris was expected from England and to join that fall, &ca. Strange to Observe that Colonel Harris possibly could be Supposed to be served before another Officer equally entitled that regularly and previously went through the Official form of Office before Colonel Harris' arrival in the province, or asked for any lands whatever, and of course it is obvious which Side it ought immediately to preponderate. I have been thus again more particular to remind Mr. Collins and to explain to him the Ground we Stand upon in behalf of Captain McLean (and not to be diverted from) to prevent further trouble I must Confess that this business is very disagreeable to myself, between Gentlemen I esteem.—I hope what I have said and possibly forced to do, will be attributed to the Idea I have always of common Justice and Equity as well as the trust reposed in us, and it must be the same to you. for the trouble your good nature has led you into. I am, Dear Sir, Your Most Obedt. Servant,

(Signed) Dun. Macdougall.

P.S.—You will be so good as to take care of the Notorial Copy after Mr. Collins' perusal of it. as it is not without trouble and expence I can get another of the same.—D.M.D.

(Copy of Mr. McDougall's Letter to Mr. McDonell respecting Lands in Dispute between Col. Harris and Captain McLean.—7th March, 1790.)

12th April, 1790.

Ordered by His Lordship with the advice of the Board, that Messrs. Finlay, Dunn, Harrison, De Lery and Baby, or any three of them, be a Committee to examine & certify all transcripts of the Minutes of the Council for transmission to His Majesty's Minsters from this day until the last day of August next, and Messrs. Collins, Mabane, Pownall, Lanaudiere & Dupré or any three of them, for the residue of the year, & Messrs. Caldwell, Grant, Holland, Davison, & Harrison, or any three of them, for the first four months of the ensuing year, and that the trust and service continue in this rotation yearly until further order be made respecting the same, and that the Clerk of the Council from time to time give early notice to the then sitting Committee of the transcripts ready for their examination, and lay the same with the original records before them at such times, as such Committee shall appoint.

And in case of any member of the Committee not being able to attend, it shall suffice, if he procure any other member of the Council, not of the Committee to attend in his place.

Cornwall, 22nd April, 1791.

Dear Sir,—Having found out a Girl, whom I mean to make a partner for life, and without which it is impossible to exist in this Settlement, having no settled place to retire to after the fatigues of a Survey, or take care of the little property I have,—this I hope you will not think unreasonable, at the time of life I am come to,—as it does not proceed from motives of folly, —but of mature, and deliberate consideration. I therefore must pray you as my friend to obtain a licence for me and Isabella McDonell (she is of the family of Major Archibald McDonell of the Long Sault) to be sent by the first opportunity, and in so doing you will oblige an old Servant, who is with the greatest respect, Dear Sir,

Your most Obedient, Humble Servant,

W. Chewett.

The Honorable John Collins, Esqr.

Montreal, 16th November, 1791.

The Honorable John Collins, Esquire,
Deputy Surveyor General, &ca., &ca.

I this moment received Your favour of the 20th October last and of the 15th Instant for which I acknowledge myself under a very great Obligation.

By Your letter of the 20th October I am both surprised and ashamed and hardly know what reply to make that can in any measure do away the mistake or Errors You speak of, at the same time I am confident that there is no mistake in the original Field-book from which I protracted the work, as the meathod I made use of on the paper was the same as that in the Field I allways cast up the contents of every Angle and if such glaring mistakes had been in the original I could not have helped discovering them. I have left the Original Field-book at Edwardsburg and when I return there will with the greatest care Copy it and send You a copy attested by a Majistrate and if You should think it necessary I will examine every mile mentioned in Your letter or do any thing else that may lie in my power to endeavour to clear the matter as much to Your satisfaction as possibly I can.

I shall write Mr. Dunn on the subject of my Accts. and next Post after this shall send You a Journal of every days business which I have done this season, which I hope may be a sufficient Voucher to that part of my Accts. which it respects, as You will thereby be enabled to Judge whither the charge against Government is Just or not, and as I mentioned in my last letter as soon as possible You shall have the Field-books and Plans of the business which I have done. I have the Honor to be with the greatest respect Your most obedient, humble Servant,

Jesse Pennoyer.

Matilda, 4th November, 1791.

Dear Sir,—The honor of your favor enclosing the Order of Council only came to hand a few days ago. I cannot say it was any surprise to me, as I received an intimation of something in a former letter; which soon came to me from public report. I now find, I have been serving my whole life for nothing. You will say I have been paid for it, to which I agree; but in the service of Government, having been brought up in it, the expectation is of being continued. There is no Surveyor, in the same line with myself, that has the same right to expect a continuation, from having been always on one service, or another—this you will say, was so much the better for you—however, I trust, you will be able to find me some employment, either in

our Department, or some other, before the expiration of December, 1792. I have the honor to be with the greatest respect, Dear Sir, Your most Obedient, Humble Servant,

W. CHEWETT.

The Honorable John Collins, Esq., Deputy Surveyor General, &ca., &ca.

Matilda, 4th November, 1791.

Sir,—I have the honor to enclose my Accts. to the 10th October, by which you will perceive there is a balance of £..... Currency in my favor.

I send also the plan of the work I have executed, of which I have given a Copy to the Board. I likewise send the Survey of the Line between the 12th and 13th Concession in the Township of Lancaster, and the Order of the Board for that purpose.

Enclosed is the Return you demanded.

I shall now proceed with all possible speed to the River Thames, where I shall in conjunction with Mr. Aitkin, begin the Division Line between the District of Luneburg and Mecklenburg, and continue so long out, as the Season will permit. I have the honor to be with the greatest respect, Sir, Your most obedient, humble Servant,

W. CHEWETT.

The Honorable John Collins, Esq., Depy. Surveyr. Genl., &ca., &ca.

turn over

I laid before the Board your Instructions to me relative to fixing the reserves for the Crown, &ca., in the Township of Kenyon, immediately on the recital; but I never received an order for that purpose. Captain Duncan's sudden departure for the States, I suppose postponed this matter.

Pray excuse my writing to you on a half sheet of paper, as there is none to be had. I have the honor to be with the greatest respect, Sir, Your most Obedient, Humble Servant,

W. CHEWETT.

The Honorable John Collins, Esq., Deputy Surveyr. Genl., &ca., &ca.

Niagara, 16th November, 1791.

Sir,—I am honored with your three letters of different dates, with the inclosures, and have been busy in making out the Plans of the Township of of this Settlement, and in Compleating a List of reduced Provincial Troops, being under the Description you direct.

The Death of my Father and Brother which happened last Month, prevented me from making my Returns to you so soon as I could have wished.

The Plan which I mentioned to have left I left with the Clerk of the Land Board, (when I was ordered by them out on a Survey) he was to have sent it the first opportunity that might offer, he falling sick it was neglected and I concluded it was gone down, till I received Yours. As the Draft has been somewhat defaced hope you will excuse the present appearance, as I had not time to make a new one. This I send with the Plans of the separate Townships, and with each proprietors Name inserted in his own lot, which I hope will meet your Approbation.

Enclosed is a charge of Expenses incurred in Surveying the last Six Months, with the Vouchers both from the Land Board, and the Men who have been employed, which I trust you will find right.

I have compleated the Survey from the Eastern boundary of this District extending Westerly two Miles beyond Toronto, including the fronts

of Eleven Townships, agreeable to your Regulations in that respect. A Plan thereof together with the Field notes, I will extend for you the earliest opportunity that may offer after this.

The land Board order me to proceed in laying out the Lots in Lenox, for the Accommodation of several Persons who wish to Build. When this is Compleated, I shall have the honor of laying it before you.

New as yet in the Office you have had the Kindness to place me in, I trust to your Goodness to overlook any Inaccuracies, or Omissions I may have been guilty of, and I will most thankfully receive any Corrections or Instructions, you may be pleased to favor me with.

With Sincere Respects, I am, Sir, Your most obedient, Humble Servant,

(Signed) AUGUSTUS JONES, D. P. Sr.

John Collins, Esq., D. S., Gl.

Saturday, 30th July, 1791.

The Committee took up Mr. Jones's Account of Disbursements to Ax Men, Chain Bearers, &ca., amounting to, New York currency £102

from which the Committee deduct for an error in Calucluation 4 days, at 4/ 16

Remains, New York Currency £101 4

This account being Certified by the members of the Land Board, the Committee recommend the payment, Strg. £56.18.6.

Then this account for Services as Deputy Provincial Surveyor from the 28th Novemr., 1789, to the 10th April, 1791, Currency... £149 0 9

Upon the 1st Article in this Account 6 15

The Question arises, by what Authority Mr. Jones was Employed? If by the Land Board or other Authority, Proof thereof should accompany the account to enable the Committee to Determine whether or not the Charge is admissable.

The same, on the 2nd Article	£4	17	6
The same, on the 3rd Article	31	17	6
The came, on the 4th Article	76	12	0
The 5th Article, viz., for 463 Rations of Provision at 1/3	£28	18	9

is inadmissable, the Deputy Surveyor General having informed the Committee that Provisions are not allowed to Deputy Provl. Surveyors Except when actually employed.

The Committee therefore recommend that Mr. Lester, who presented himself as Attorney to Mr. Jones, be permitted to take a Copy of this day's Minute of the Committee.

A true Extract.

(Signed) J. WILLIAMS.

Montreal, 10th November, 1791.

The Honorable John Collins, Esquire,
Deputy Surveyor-General, &ca., &ca.

I send You herewith my Accounts up to this date, which, I hope, may meet Your approbation, for I have endeavored (as by my instructions directed) to vouch for every article of charge, and You will perceive that I have not charged anything for Cariole or Calache hire, nor for carrying provisions across the carrying place, Piloting down the Rapids, nor many other small

things which I have really been obliged to pay money for, lest they might be thought unreasonable, and, of course, disallowed. I therefore really hope there may nothing be struck off my Account.

I am affraid my Accounts will arive too late to come under the consideration of The Honble. Committee of Council this Season, but my situation is such that I hope they may not or could wish they might not. If they should be too late, and there should be a Ballance of anything coming to me I must humble beg that You might send it up by the returning Post as I want some money to pay off my Party and shall wait here until I may be favoured with Your Answer on the subject.

I have left a Plan of the Township of Oxford with the land Board of the District of Lunenburg, but not having had time to make out another for the Surveyor General's Office, as well as of the rest of the work which I have done, neither should I have had it in my power to have furnished the land Board with a Plan had it not have been for the accident which I met with last summer of cutting my Leg as during my lameness when I could do nothing else I made the aforesaid Plan.

However, I shall take particular care to furnish the Surveyor General's Office with Plans, Field-books and Journals of every part of the work which I have done this season in as good Order as may lie in my power to make them out. At the same time I must beg Your Indulgence and permission to do a piece of Business for General Christie, Colonel Caldwell and Colonel Campbell first, if you can see it consistent. Colonel Campbell spoke to me on the subject and I desired him to be so obliging as to try to obtain Your permission for me to compleat the business above mentioned for himself, General Christie and Colonel Caldwell before I made out the Plans and field books for the Surveyor General's Office.

The business which the Gentlemen would wish me to do is to run a line of Separation between the Seignories which they own and have been in dispute on Lake Champlain. As I have left my Field books and Journals up the Country, thinking to return there and make out the Plans, &c. of the work which I have done for Government, and as the season is coming on when the business can most properly be done for the Gentlemen before mentioned, I hope You may be so Indulgent as to let me do their business first, which if so I shall immediately after make out my returns for the Surveyor General's Office and be on the spot ready to receive any commands You may be pleased to honor me with which shall ever be executed with the greatest pleasure and punctuality by Honor'd Sir.

Your most Obedient humble Servant,

JESSE PENNOYER.

A SHELF.

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SHELF No. 3.

Parts of the Province 6 Copies, Plan of the Province, Town of Quebec, Seigniory of Sorel, Toronto Harbour, Sketch of the upper lakes—

WILLIAM MURRY,
in Council Room.

M.

Montreal 2 Cops., Marysburg, &ca., 2 Cops., Michilimackinac, Matilda 2 Cops., Maul Bay, Meridian Line at Quebec 2 Cops.

N.

Nine Townships at the head of Lake Ontario, 2 Cops. New Carlisle.

O.

Osnabruck, 2 Cops.

P.

Points Henry & Frederick, Pittsburg, part of the province of Quebec, 3 Cops. Ponds plan of the upper Country, Paspipibiac 2 Cops.—Portage to Lake Tamisquata—Port Daniel 2 Copies, Project for a Town & Township on a Lake or River.

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R.

Richmond 3 Cops., River Restigouche 2 Cops., River Riddeau—River Gananoqui—River Batiscan, & River Yamaska 2 Cops., Rivers Chambly & Yamaska, River Niagara, River Chateaugai. Road from Coteau du Lac to Kingstown 2 Cops.

S.

Survey from Oswegatchie to Cataraqui, St. Lawrence, Subburbs at Montreal & Sydney, 2 Cops., Seigniories of De Rigaud, De Vaudreuil, De Soulange & Nouvelle Longeuile, & Sketch of Vacant land between Col. Christies Seigniories and Beauharnois,—Sketch of Hudson's River—Seigniory of St. Johns, Sketch of the lower Townships, Sketch of the River from Tadousac to Masquinonge—Sketch from Montreal to Lake Ontario, Suffolk Survey from Charlottenburg to River Petite Nation.

Toronto, 2 Copies, Toronto Harbour—Thurlow—Township No. 1 & 2 above Catariqui, Townships No. 3 & 4 above Cataraqui.

U.

W.

Williamsburg. 2 Cops. William Henry.

Y.

York River.

Shelf No. 1 contains work unfinished.

(List of Plans in the Surveyor General's Office, Quebec, 3d June, 1791.)

15th August, 1791.

Read the following Report of the Land Committee:

To His Excellency The Right Honorable Guy Lord Dorchester, Governor General and Commander in Chief of the Province of Quebec, &ca., &ca.

May it please Your Excellency:

The Land Committee beg leave to refer Your Lordship to their Minute of this Day hereunto annexed, wherein is Stated their opinion relative to a proposal from the Land Office Board of Luneburg touching a deviation from the General Rules and Regulations laid down for fixing the Scites of Towns in the Townships that may hereafter be laid out, which that Board wishes may be permitted, in laying out Four New Townships on the River Rideau; Which is nevertheless most humbly Submitted to Your Lordships great Wisdom.

Signed by order of the Committee at the Council Chamber in the Bishop's Palace, Quebec, 5th August, 1791.

(Signed) HUGH FINLAY,
in the Chair.

(In pencil) Order for Ottawa City to be laid out.

Minute of the Land Committee.

At the weekly meeting, Friday, 5th August, 1791. Present: Mr. Finlay in the chair, Mr. Collins, Mr. Grant, Mr. Lanaudiere.

The Chairman called the attention of the Committee to the Contents of Mr. Secretary Motz's Letter of the 11th of July last, addressed to Mr. Finlay, which had been already read at the Board on the 15th. He observed, that tho' there lies upon the Table many returns from the Land Office Boards of the New Districts, which ought to be reported upon according to the Dates of the References accompanying them, yet considering the nature of the business contained in the last communications from the Land Board of Luneburg referred to in Mr. Motz's letter of the 11th July, he submitted whether the Committee should not without delay report on the 8th Article of the Paper entitled "Remarks and Observations suggested by the Land Board of Luneburg, humbly submitted for the consideration of His Excellency, Lord Dorchester," which is in the words following:

"It is submitted whether a Town at the Junction of the Forks of the River Reddo, surrounded by four Townships, would not answer a good purpose, and in this as well as in some other cases, induce a departure from the established Rule."

The Committee considering the same, conceive that the proposed deviation should be reported upon immediately, in order that His Excellency Lord Dorchester's Pleasure concerning it may be communicated to the Land Board of Lunenburg without delay, if so it shall please his Lordship.

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Committee it is advisable, in the present instance, to permit a deviation from the General Rules and Regulations for the conduct of the Land Office Department in laying out Townships. They therefore humbly recommend that the Scite of a Town may be laid off at the forks of the River Reddo, as delineated in a Plan drawn by Mr. Chewett 28th March, 1791, and referred to by the Land Office Board of Luneburg, to serve as a Town Plot in the Center of four adjoining Townships, two on each side of the Main Branch of the aforesaid River, the Reserves to be Sixteen farm Lots in the Outer Corners of each of the said four Townships as laid down in the Plan.

Ordered, that the chairman report the Minute of this Day to His Excellency Lord Dorchester, with Mr. Chewett's Plans thereunto annexed.

Signed by order of the Committee,

(Signed) HUGH FINLAY, in the chair.

His Lordship, taking the said Report into consideration, was pleased, with the advice of the Council, to approve of what is therein recommended to be done, and to order that the same be carried into execution by the Surveyor General's Department, taking care that there be no dimunition of the established Reservation of two and thirty farm Lots in each of these four Townships, and also that a Glebe of four hundred acres for a Clergyman, and a Glebe of two hundred acres for a Schoolmaster, be set apart in each Township adjoining to the Common Town Plot, agreeable to the general Regulations.

J WILLIAMS.

Copy.

4th January, 1791.

His Lordship informed the Board that a Map of the Province compiled in the Surveyor General's Office, pursuant to the Order of the 22d February last had been transmitted to His Majesty's Secretary of State together with a Schedule of the Plans in the Office of Surveyor General to the intent that His Majesty's Ministers may be Enabled to direct the transmission of Copies of such of them as they may think necessary.

The Schedule is inserted in Land Book B, page 25 to 29. J. W.

A duplicate of the Schedule was then read in the following words—

Take it in..... ....

Read also a representation of the Surveyor General, a copy of which His Lordship informed the Board had been transmitted to England at the same time, in the following words:—

Take it in..... ....

The Representation is inserted in ditto, page 31 & 31. J. W.

Ordered that the Land Committee inspect the Maps, Plans, Surveys, Field Books and papers touching the Credit and authenticity of any particular Surveys belonging to the Surveyor General's Office concerning the disposition and Arrangement of which they are to make report, with their opinion of such Regulations as they may conceive most expedient to Answer the purpose of their preservation, and of opening a cheap and easy access to them for the benefit of the Public.

And as soon as may be after the first day of May and first of November. in every Year, the land Committee are to make like reports, noting any additions of Maps, Surveys or other papers of the description aforementioned which may have been acquired in the course of the six Months then next preceeding.

And in respect of the Increase of the Business of the Surveyor General's Office and the Necessity of performing all Surveys with due Accuracy, the Land Committee are also charged to report, a List of the Instruments remaining in that Office or in the hands of the Several deputy Surveyors, distinguished those appurtenant to the Office from such as may be private property, and whether any and what kind of Instruments may be wanted for the better execution of the Work of that department, together with an Estimate of the probable Expence of Supplying the difficiency.

(Signed) J. Williams.

12 January, 1791.

List of the Plans in the Surveyor General's office:

In Compartment A

Augusta 2 Copies, Adolphustown 3 Copies, American Purchase in the Genesee Country ————.

In Compartment B.

Bay of Chaleurs 3 Copies, Bonaventure Harbour, Bay of Quinte 2 cops. Bay of Gaspee 2 Copies.

C.

Cornwall 2 Copies, Camden 2 Copies, Caermarthen 2 Copies, Charlottenburg 2 Copies, Cox Township, Coteau du Lac.

D.

Dartmouth River.....

E.

Elizabeth town 2 Copies, Edwardsburg, Ernest town 2 Copies, Eight Townships from point au bodet to Oswegatchie.—2 Copies.

F.

Fredericksburg 2 Copies.....

G.

Grand River including the Townships of Chatham, Hawkesbury, Grenville, Caermarthen, Norfolk, Suffolk, and Buckingham, Two Copies of Grand River Contaning each Chatham, Hawkesbury, Grenville and Caermarthen.

H.

Hopetown 2 Copies.....

I.

Isle aux Grues to Isle au Coudre, Johnstown, Isle of Tonte.

K.

Kentucké, Kingstown 3 Copies.....

L.

Lancaster 3 Copies, Leeds & Lansdown 2 Copies, Lake Champlain, Lake Ontario, part of, 2 Copies, Lake St. Peters, Little Paspipibiac, Land belonging to the Ursuline Convent, Lake St. Francis, Lancaster, Charlottenburg and Cornwall, Lake Erie. ———

M.

Montreal 2 Copies, Marysburg &ca. 2 Copies, Michilimackinac, Matilda 2 Copies, Maul Bay, Meridian line at Quebec, 2 Copies.

N.

Nine Townships at the head of Lake Ontario & Niagara River 2 Copies, New Carlisle.———

O.

Osnabruck 2 Copies.....

P.

Points Henry and Frederick, Pittsburg, Part of the Province of Quebec 3 Copies, Ponds plan of the Upper Country, Paspipibiac 2 Copies, Portage to Lake Tamisquata, Port Daniel 2 Copies, Project for a Town and Township on a Lake or River, Purchase made from the Indians at Toronto.———

Q.

Quebec, Claims in ditto 2 Copies; Quebec Bason, Parts of Quebec 4 Copies.

R.

Richmond 3 Copies, River Ristigouche 2 Copies, River Riddeau, River Gananocqui, River Batiscan, River Yamaska, 2 Copies, Rivers Chambly and Yamaska, River Niagara, River Chateauguay, Road from Coteau du Lac to Kingstown 1 Copy.————

S.

Survey from Oswegatchie to Cataraqui, St. Lawrence Subburbs at Montreal, Sydney 2 Copies, Seignories of De Rigaud, De Vaudreuille, De Soulange, and Nouvelle Longeuille, Sketch of Vacant Land bewteen Colonel Christies Seigniories and Beauharnois. Sketch of Hudsons River, Seigniory of St. Johns, Sketch of the 3 lower townships. Sketch of the River from Tadousac to Maskinongé, Sketch from Montreal to Lake Ontario. Suffolk. Survey from Charlottenburg to River petite Nation.

T.

Toronto 2 Copies, Toronto Harbour, Thurlow, Townships No. 1 and 2 above Cataraqui (now Ernest town & Fredericksburg), Townships No. 3 and 4, (Fredericksburg & Adolphustown).————

V.

W.

Williamsburg 2 Copies, William Henry.————

Y.

York River.....

Shelf No. 2—Contains plans of too great length to be put in the lettered Compartments.

No. 1 and 2 above point á Bodet, Caughnawaga, Boundary line between the Province of Quebec and New York 2 Copies. River St. Francis, Fort Frontiniac, Lakes St. Francis, St. Louis & St. Peters, Gaspee Bay 2 Copies, Laprairie, District of Luneburg, City of Montreal, District of Nassau, Marysburg & Sophiasburg, District of Mecklenburg, Lake Ontario, from Isle Perot to LaNauray.—Project for laying out Townships ————

Shelf No. 3 Contains.—Plans of great length.

Parts of the province 6 Copies, Plan of the Province, Town of Quebec, Seigniory of Sorel, Toronto Harbour, Sketch of the upper Lakes.

Quebec, 30th June, 1791.

3rd February, 1791.

Read the State, and Estimate of the Expense of business proposed to be done by the Surveyor General's department in the ensuing Season, and the Report of the Committee of the whole Council thereon.

His Lordship, with the advice of the Council, is pleased to approve of the foregoing report of the Committee of the whole Board, and to order hereby, that the work therein recommended, be carried into Execution accordingly, in as far as proper Persons can be found for the Service, to which end the Surveyor General's Office is to report a List of names to His Lordship for his Approbation and final Orders thereon.

J. WILLIAMS.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the whole Council upon the Statement, and Estimate proposed, by the Surveyor General's Department for 1791.

To His Excellency The Right Honorable Lord Dorchester, Governor of the Provinces of Quebec, &ca., &ca.

May it please Your Lordship,

The Committee of the whole Council, in obedience to your Excellency's reference of the 28th January, have taken into consideration the Statement of the business proposed by the Surveyor General's Department for the ensuing Season, together with an Estimate of the expense, and beg leave to refer their opinion relative to the business referred;

All which is nevertheless, humbly submitted to Your Lordship's great wisdom.

Signed by order of the Committee.

(Signed) ALURED CLARKE, Chairman.

Council Chamber, Bishop's Palace, Quebec, 2nd Feb., 1791.

Council Chamber Bishop's Palace
Quebec, 2d February, 1791.

At a Committee of the whole Council
Present
His Honor Major General Clarke Lieut. Governor
The Chief Justice

Messrs—	Finlay	Messrs—	Coldwell
	Harrison		Grant
	Collins		Baby
	De Lery		Holland
	Pownall		De Lanaudiere

Read Lord Dorchester's reference to this Committee the 28th January as follows,

"Read a statement of the business proposed by the Surveyor "General's department for the ensuing season, with an "estimate of the Expence."

"Ordered that it be referred to a Committee of the "whole Council."

Read a paper dated the 25th January 1791 and signed by John Collins Esqr. the Deputy Surveyor General, Intituled "State of business proposed by "the Surveyor General's Department for the ensuing Season," then read an Estimate of the expences that will be necessarily required to execute the proposed Surveys amounting to One thousand three hundred and fifty three pounds ten shillings likewise signed by Mr. Collins the 25th of January.

Resolved

To concur in the proposals from the Surveyor General's Office, with condition that no work proceed in the nature of the Subdivision of a Township

into Lots, except to such a number & extent as the Land Board of the District shall from time to time to the Deputy Surveyor in writing direct, to the intent that no further expence may be incurred than the utility and exigency of this service may require; and it is expected that the Land Boards will give facility and dispatch to the Deputy Surveyors, and failing therein, that they be elsewhere Employed in the other work to be performed under Instructions they may have received form the Surveyor Generals' Office,

(Signed) ALURED CLARKE, Chairman.

A true Copy

J. WILLIAMS.

(On back)

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the whole Council, respecting the Statement & Estimate of surveying business for 1791, to accompany the Order of His Excellency Lord Dorchester in Council of the 3rd of February 1791.

For the Surveyor General's office.

J. WILLIAMS.

5th February 1791.

15th August 1791.

His Lordship expressed his approbation of the principle upon which the Committee discommend the granting of Joseph Crette's petition, and, adverting to the Islands opposite to the Seigniory of Sorel, observed upon the expediency of the Government being apprized of all such tracts and lots of land in the Province as have been either purchased by the Crown, reannexed to the Royal Domain or ordered to be reserved, on account of their utility to the public, upon which it was ordered, that the Land Committee, by communication with the Surveyor General's office, and the Commanding Engineer, inform themselves of all tracts and lots of the description aforementioned, that they report a list thereof, and that in all cases of Petitions for grants of Land the Committee make it an object of inquiry whether the Lands prayed for have been so purchased, reannexed or reserved, to the intent that in all future dispositions of the Crown Lands due attention may be had to the condition of all tracts and Lots of the description aforementioned.

J. WILLIAMS.

(on back) 15th August 1791. Order respecting Lands purchased by the Crown, reannexed, or reserved.

Saturday 23rd July 1791.

At the Council Chamber in the Bishop's Palace

Present

His Excellency The Right Honorable Lord Dorchester Governor

The Honorable

Major General Clarke Lieutenant Governor

The Honorable

William Smith Esquire Chief Justice

and

The Honorable

Hugh Finlay	George Pownall
Thomas Dunn	Henry Caldwell
Edward Harrison	William Grant
John Collins.	Francis Baby
Adam Mabane	Samuel Holland
J. G. C. De Lery	Chas. De Lanaudiere

Esquires.

His Lordship observed, that, as soon as the business of settling the Loyalists and reduced Troops on the Waste Lands of the Crown free of expence should be brought to a Conclusion, there could be no further occasion for the employment of extraordinary Surveyors in the different parts of the Province at Stated daily allowances, and that it was reasonable to suppose, that all claims to land of the nature abovementioned were now nearly satisfied.

Upon which it was ordered by His Lordship, with the advice of the Council, that all stated daily allowances now paid to Surveyors in different parts of the Province do cease at the close of the work which may be ordered for the next Season, and not later than the first day of December 1792.

Ordered likewise, that all Services hereafter to be performed in the Department of the Surveyor General be previously authorized upon annual Estimates of the Expence to be brought forward by the Surveyor General's office, and approved by the Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being in Council.

Ordered that Copies of this Entry be transmitted by the Clerk to the Office of Surveyor General, and to the respective Land Boards, for the information and guidance of all persons concerned.

J. WILLIAMS, C. C.

Extract from the Minutes of Council of the 17th March 1794.—

"His Lordship observed to the Board that notwithstanding the order in Council of the 23 July 1791 directing that all stated daily allowances paid to Surveyors in different parts of the Province should cease on or before the 1st Decemr. 1792, Yet that the pay of Mr. Vondenvelden had been continued to the 10th April 1793—And thereupon ordered that another Copy of the order of the 23rd July 1791 be transmitted by the Clerk of this Board to the Surveyor Genl. & that he be desired to give his reasons for the disobedience of the said order.

J. WILLIAMS.

Council Office 18th March 1794

Sir,—I am commanded by His Excellency The Right Honorable Lord Dorchester to transmit you the inclosed Extracts from the Minutes of Council of the 23rd July 1791 and 17th inst. You'll please to observe that I am directed by the Order, comprised in the last mentioned Extract, to desire you to give your Reasons to His Lordship for the disobedience of the Order of the 23rd July 1791. I have the Honor to be Sir, your most obedient humble Servant.

J. WILLIAMS.

Samuel Holland Esquire Surveyor General.

State of Business proposed by the Surveyor General's Department the ensuing season.—

1st.....To Complete the Survey of all the Townships fronting on the River St. Lawrence in the said District by extending the side lines on the East and West side, the Distance of twelve Miles in depth, including such part as has been already Surveyed and fix the Boundaries of the Interior Lots.

2nd .....To Survey and lay out a Township fronting on the North Boundary of Charlottenburg, the same to be divided into lots of 200 Acres each, to satisfy the Inhabitants of Charlottenburg, to whom it is under Certificates.

3rd .....To lay out a Township fronting on the North Boundary of Cornwall, divided into lots as above, to satisfy the Inhabitants of Cornwall to whom the greatest part of it is under Certificates.

4th.....To Survey and lay out a Township on the petite Nation, to satisfy Major Jessup, and others who wish to Settle there.

5th.....To lay out a Township fronting on the North Boundary of Elizabeth Town, to satisfy the Inhabitants and Officers of Sir John Johnsons Corps, who may wish to settle there.

6th.....To Survey and lay out a Township between the South and West Branches of the River Rideau to satisfy the Officers and others of Edwardsburg, Augusta and Elizabeth town, who are desirous of Settling there.

7th.....To Survey and lay out a Township on the West side of the River Rideau, above the Junction of the two Branches, to satisfy a Number of Loyalists recommended by the Board of Luneburg and impatiently waiting to begin their Settlement.

8th.....To Survey and run the Division line between the Districts of Luneburg & Mecklenburg, from the mouth of the River Thames to the Shore of the Ottawa River.

9th.....To Survey, and mark the front lines of four Townships, one on a Lake adjoining the Township of Camden, one on the North of Kingston, and two in the intermediate Space between the above mentioned, and to carry the side lines of each Township back one Mile well marked, and likewise to Survey and run the second and third Concession lines in the Townships of Marysburg, Sophiasburg, and Ameliasburg, and to fix the Boundaries of the several lots in the said Concessions.

10th.....To Survey and mark the front line of Townships from the Eastern Boundary of the District to Toronto, and to carry the side lines of each Township back one Mile well marked, and Likewise to lay out a Township, at Niagara agreeable to the proposed plan sent up for that purpose.

It is proposed that in a Township of twelve Miles Containing Nine Concessions in depth, where the front line is already ascertained, it will only be requisite to run the third Concession line in the 5th the 7th and 9th and the back boundary line of the Township, which will be a saving to Government of one half of the work.

It is proposed that the Business of Luneburg may be completed by 4 Surveyors with 10 Men each during the Summer.

That the Surveyor of Mecklenburg is sufficient to Complete the business of that District.

That the Surveyor His Excellency shall be pleased to appoint for the District of Nassau, will be sufficient to Complete the Business proposed for that District.

(Signed) JOHN COLLINS, D. S. G1.

Quebec 25th January 1791.

Reduced officers on half pay in the District of Hesse.

Officers Rank and Names.	Their Proportion of Land in Acres.	Acres of Land received.	Acres of Land yet remaining due.
Captain William Caldwell of Butler's Rangers.....	3,000	800	2,200
Captain William La Motte of Detroit Volunteers.....	3,000	320	2,680
Captain Matthew Elliot of the Indian department.....	3,000	800	2,200
Captain —— Chabier of Detroit Volunteers	3,000	.....	3,000
Lieutenant —— Bolange of Detroit Volunteers.....	2,000	.....	2,000
Lieutenant Robert McDugal of the 8th Regiment.....	2,000	.....	2,000
Lieutenant Henry Hay of 2nd Battalion of Royal Yorkers	2,000	.....	2,000

The Lands already received by Captains Caldwell, La Motte & Elliot they do not acknowledge to hold as any part of their Quotas of Land as reduced officers they only consider it as a gift made to them by the Indians as by a deed of Conveyance from the Indians on the 7th June 1784 will appear.

PATRICK MCNIFF, Depy. Survyr.
Detroit 30th September 1791.

To The Honble. John Collins Esquire.

Detroit 30th September 1791.

Sir—I am honored with your Letter of the 4th of August last Covering the Minute of Council of the 23rd July 1791, which came to hand last evening. In conformity thereto I enclose you a List of the reduced officers of Provincial Corps in the District of Hesse.

I cannot avoid observing that if the Minute of Council so far as it respects the dismission of Surveyors on Stated Subsistance from Government in different parts of the Province Should be meant to Extend to me, that I had been much better off for the time past with my family in the middle of the lower parts of the Province at 2/6 per day pay. than all I have received here from Government;—I had Exactly the same Idea of it prior to my leaving Quebec, but ever obedient to the Commands of my Superiors and willing to promote the Interest of that Government which I have so long and so faithfully served and for the support of which my Sufferings have been great, I did not hesitate to come here with my family; tho was convinced I was (under my then pay) doing wrong, being well Informed that on an average, three Shillings at this place in the purchase of the Necessaries of Life, was not better than one Shilling the same Currency below, but could I at that time suppose or even entertain the least Surmise that my Long and past Services should be so little regarded by Government as first to order me with a numerous & helpless family into the Heart of a Wilderness near one Thousand Miles from the Seat of Government, and there cut me off from all Support and leave my Infants to Suffer; could I have thought this, I Still would have obeyed, but would have left my family below;—but as I have and ever had that Confidence in Government that She never would lead a faithful Subject and old Servant to do an act by which he must unavoidably be ruined, I flatter myself I may be entirely clear of the Effect Intended to proceed from said Minutes of Council. Yet must Confess would be happy how soon I was ordered down from here; but should said Minutes of Council be meant to Effect me here, I have to

request that I may take the most early opportunity by the opening of the Ensuing Spring to convey my Infants from hence to some place where they may not perish for want of the Necessaries of Life.

I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect Sir your most obedient humble Servant.

PATRICK MCNIFF, D. Surveyor.

Honble. John Collins Esquire.

Quebec 21 June 1791.

Dear Sir,—I rec'd your favor of the 1st Instant, and herewith Inclose you a Copy of the Report made by the Land Committee of Council in favor of Major Jessup and Lt. Edward Jessup, respecting their Lands at the river Petite Nation, and request you will lay out their lands according to the report. I wish you health and am with regard Dear Sir your most obedient Servant.

MR. JAMES RANKIN, D. Surveyor.

Surveyor Genls. Office Quebec 21 June 1791.

Dear Sir,—I have before me your favor of the 6th & 19 May, and am truely sorry you should think your Conduct had given me the least uneasiness the only Concern it gave me was that it was at that time out of my power to Comply with your request. I observe by your favor of the 19 May you Expected Soon to finish the Business you were upon, and to go upon the Survey of The Township of Mansfield, and that you should want provisions in about six weeks it gives me Greate pleasure your work is so far advanced I have requested Mr. Joseph Frobisher to send to you Mr. Depencier and Mr. Chewett each four Months provisions the pork I bot from Mr. Isaac Todd, it arived a few days past from London, and must undoubtedly be good and I hope it will reach you in good time. I approve of your Sending down your accounts, and request they may be made up to the 10 of October, and Sent immediately by a Safe hand to Montreal with directions to forward them to me in time to be Examined by the Committee, you can give notes to your party for the Money due them, and let Each man Sign the Receipt in the presence of witnesses, and if your owne account is Certifyed by the Board it will be better, your Instructions clearly points out the mood you are to pursue. I request you will let me know in time when you Expect to be at Montreal as I shall make provision for the payment of your party on their arrival there. Write me when opportunity presents. I wish you helth and am with Great regard Dear Sir your most obedient Servant

J. C.

Jesse Penoyer, D. Provincial Surveyor at the River Rideau.

P.S.—Please assign to Ensign Francis McCarty 1500 acres of Land in the Township of Oxford and Report the Same to this office.—J. C.

Quebec 25 April 1791.

Dear Sir,—I have not been favored with a line from you Since the Letter that accompanied your accounts, which came to late, as the public accounts were closed before they arived, and I fear it will be the Case with your present Accounts as they are not yet come to hand. I paid Mr. Dunn and all your drafts that hath appeared. I sent you four months provisions and shall send you a further Suply before you are in wante, if you are in wante of Cash draw on me at a Short Sight for one hundred pounds. I wish you all happiness and am with Good Esteem your Sincere friend and most obedient Servant.

J. C.

Make my kindest respects to Capt. and Mrs. Duncan.
Mr. William Chewett.

Surveyor Generals Office Quebec 17 Sept. 1791.

Sir,—I received your Letter of the 17th August and approve of what you propose in Crossing the Country with your party to the river Petite Nation and completing that part of your Instructions which respects Major Jessups Land the Intent of laying out that Township was to Serve him and his Son, and as you are in possession of the Order of Council which clearly points out the manner those Lands were to be Layed out so as to Include the rapids or proper places for Erecting Mills, I request you will do it before you return to Montreal, it would be a very Great disapointment to the Major should any thing prevent your doing it this faul. Let your accounts be made up to the 10 October, and sent down immediately after by some safe hand, indeed, I wish the Gentlemen Employed in Luneburg would all send their accts. by the same conveyance as soon as possible after the 10 October, let them be clear in every particular, let each man you have Employed Sign the receipt in the presence of witnesses, and make oath to your Accounts before a Magistrate, this will prevent any difficulty with the Committee in passing them. On your Return to Montreal dispose of the provisions that may remain on hand and credit me with the amount.

I am with great regard Sir your most obedient Servt.

J. C.

Mr. James Rankin, D. P. Surveyor Cornwall.

Quebec 17 Septr. 1791..

Dear Sir,—I recd your Letter Marked the 31 April which I suppose was a mistake as I immagine it was the 30 April, accompanyed with a plan of the District of Hess, for which I am much obliged to you. I layed before His Excellency Lord Dorchester as I have done every letter I recd. from you, his Lordship was pleased to observe your Letters were well wrote and gave great information respecting the Settlement. I observe what you mention respecting a number of persons found in the Course of your Survey to fall within the Lands reserved by an order of Council for the Crown, I do not know if His Lordship wrote the Board on this Subject, in Consequence of the information he recd from your Letter, but I must observe that in a Similar instance which hapened this Sumer in laying out Two New Townships on the Back of Charlottenburg and Cornwall the Order of Council was so far disposed of that the whole reserve for the Crown was made in the Corner Lots of the Town Townships adjoining the upper Boundary which I think would be the only means the Board could fall upon to prevent the ruin of a number of Poor people. I request you will Continue to furnish me with Plans of such parts of your district as has not yet been Sent down and Give me Every information you can respecting your Settlement. Lord Dorchester left us the 18th Augt. Genl. Clarke is our Lt. Governor the Act for Dividing the Province of Quebec in to upper and Lower Canada recd. the Royal assent the 7 June, so that you may soon Expect a New Governor and officers of Every denomination for your new Province. I beg my respects to Mrs. McNiff and am with Good Esteem Dear Sir your most obedient Servant.

J. C.

Mr. Patrick McNiff. D. P. Surveyor, Detroit.

Surveyor Generals Office Quebec 5th Septr. 1791.

Sir,—I received your favor of the 1st Instant and am truly sorry for the Cause that obliged you to come to Montreal, agreeable to your request I inclose you Mr. Winslows Order on Capt. Genevey for One hundred pounds Curency for which same please send me your Receipt. I am much obliged to my Good friend Mr. Frobisher for Supplying you with provisions, with respect to the Batteau, hire one on the best terms you Can, and proceede with all diligence on the most necessary part of your Survey, and on your Arival at Montreal when the Season for Surveying is over, dispose of the provisions that may remain on hand. Your accounts are very proper, let the next you send down be in the Same way. I send you here with an Order of Council of the 15 Augt. 1791 respecting a Town to be layed out in the forks of the river Rideau, and a Copy of my Letter of the 30 Augt. to Mr. Chewitt on that subject.

Wishing you helth I am with regard Sir your Most Obedient Servant,

J. C.

(Mr. Jesse Pennoyer.)

Quebec 15 Novr. 1791.

Dear Sir,—I am truly Sorry to find by your Letter of the 10 Instant that we shall not have the pleasure of seeing you this winter, your accounts are before me and Mr. Chambers is Employed in bringing them in to Our General Account respecting money matters. I have so far assisted my Friends that I have not left five pounds in my house nor will it be in my power to advance any farther until the accounts are paid. Mr. Dunn is charged with the Committee on the Public Accounts. I have called twice to spoke with him respecting your going to Lake Champlain, but have not Seen him. I think you will do well to wait next post, if the Committee will dispence with that part of your Instructions that respects your Journal and field book for a Short time you shall have my hearty Concurence.

I am with Great regard Dear Sir your most Obedient Servant.

J. C.

N.B.—The Tryton Frigate arived on friday last with Govr. Simcoe and a New Commission for Lord Dorchester, Genl. Clarke & the Act for dividing the Province.

Mr. Jesse Pennoyer, P. Surveyor.

Surveyor Generals office Quebec 31 August 1791.

Sir,—I received your Account with the Inclosure, which I layed before His Excellency Lord Dorchester, who was pleased to refer it to the Committee of Council appointed to report on public Accounts. A Copy of their Report I herewith Inclose you, that no time may be lost in sending down your Vouchers required, at the same time send down your accounts for the present Six months which will end the tenth of October next, let them be properly attested and Vouched agreable to the Orders of Council Sent to Mr. Frey long since. The Plan of your Settlement which you mention to have Sent down. I never received. Indeed I am in Great want of a plan of your District, and have long expected it, being assured by Mr. Frey I should receive it three years past. I am now to request that such plan be sent to this Office with all diligence, let it be done by a Scale of forty Chains to one Inch, and the proprietors names wrote in their Lots, with the Lands claimed by Joseph Brant and his people, Surveyed by you, and all other Indian Claims Clearly laved down, and also a List of Coll. Butlers Core and the Quantity of Lands they

have received, and a List of all other officers that come within the meaning of His Lordships order in Council which puts them upon a footing with the 84 Regiment.

And the Quantitys they have recd.

I wish you helth and am with regard Sir your most obedient Servant

J. C.

Augustus Jones, D. P. Surveyor, District of Nassau.

Surveyor Generals Office 5 Septr. 1791.

Sir,—I received your Letter of 13 August respecting a Complaint against Mr. Stegman, as that Gentleman is not Employed by the Surveyor Generals department, it is out of the line of my duty to interfere, it rests Entirely with the Land Board of the District, who ought to put a Stop immediately to Such Illegal proceedings, which is suffered to go on, will through the whole Settlement into Confusion I hope your present party will Enable you to Complete the Instructions you Recd. from this office, and those you have Since recd. from the Land Board of Luneburg both of which please send me an Exact Copy. Let me have your account with all the Mens receipts properly attested, mad up to the 10 October and Sent down immediately after to this office, and on your arrival at Montreal dispose of the provisions that may remain on hand.

Wishing you helth I am with regard Sir your most obedient Servant,

J. C.

Mr. Theodore Depencier, D. P. Surveyor.

Quebec 11th July 1791.

Sir,—His Excellency Lord Dorchester is pleased to refer the communications from the Land Board of Luneburg, herewith Sent, to the consideration of the Land Committee, for such report and observation thereon, as they may Conceive to be pertinent.

The Committee are at liberty to call upon the Surveyor General's Office for a written report upon any questions they may think proper to raise upon their contents, and for Such Sketches and diagrams as they may find necessary for a clear comprehension of the subject.

A regular deposit of all papers of this description for future access will be very material in the business of investing the Settlers with the property of their respective Shares by legal Titles.

A uniform Orthography of the Names of places, Rivers &ca. is also of great importance for avoiding the mischief of doubtful boundaries, and locations.

All unauthorized deviations from the general regulations should be brought into full view for such injunctions to the Boards and Deputy Surveyors, as the Case may require.

His Lordship wishes all concerned in the Land granting Department to be properly impressed with the Importance of accuracy in the Transactions, and perspecuity & Certainty in the Descriptions, of all the Occupations made upon the public Faith, in the Waste Lands of the Crown, as well for the security of Individuals and the Encouragement of their Industry, as for the Comfort and harmony of the rising Settlements, and the preservation of the Common Tranquility and prosperity. And in these views His Lordship recommends it to the Land Committee, to exercise all possible vigilance within the Sphere of their own Trust, and to diffuse a correspondent attention among

the Offices concerned in the Granting of Lands, and that it may be thence extended to all their Subordinate Agents, both in the Field and the Drawing Room.

It will conduce to this end, that the Surveyor General's Office frequently hold up to the land Committee views of all the Locations, in progressive protractions upon the general Maps of the Country once a Month at least, that when the Reports of the Land Committee wait the confirmation of the Board of Council, the spots may be instantly pointed to, and the Government from time to time be apprized, as far as the Maps can exhibit it, of the general progress of the Occupation and Cultivation of the Lands of the Province, and that the Grants for the Legal Confirmation of the Estates of the Occupants may be perfected with the greatest facility and certainty, and with as little expence as possible to the Settlers.

I am Sir your most obedient humble Servant,

HUGH FINLAY.

SCHEDULE OF THE INCLOSURES.

A Letter from Mr. Duncan, Chairman of the Land Board of Luneburg dated Williamsburg 4th April 1791, accompanied by

1. Remarks of the Land Board.
2. Return of Lots under double Certificates &ca.
3. Report of Mr. Chewett in regard to Stegmann's lines &ca.
4. Copy of Instructions from the Board to Mr. Pennoyer & Mr. Pancier.
5. Minutes of the Land Board with a List of persons admitted from 4th January to 1st March 1791.
   25 Petitions in One Bundle Mark'd—Granted.
   12 Ditto in another Do—mark'd—Recommended.
   3 Ditto in another Do mark'd—Referred.
   Map by Mr. Chewett of a Town Surrounded by 4 Townships.

Sunday 1st May 1791.

Dear Sir,—It is now almost ten weeks since the Land Committee met. This being a day of tranquility, uninterrupted by business I determined early in the morning to sit down & turn over the leaves of our minute-book to see

The matters now before us are of great magnitude.

I find that there remains a good deal to be done in your office before the Committee can proceed to Report.

I find that the Maps & Plans in the Surveyor General's office are yet to be exhibited & compared with a Schedule which you are to deliver, shewing at one View, their Titles & the places where they are deposited, so that they may be had recourse to in a moment upon occasion. I find the Committee met on Friday 28 Januery to examine the Maps, they were not ready. The Com. adjourned until Wednesday 2d february—not ready; adjourned to Thursday—Mr. Collins at the Chateau on Thursday—Nothing done.

Friday 4th february—Were told in the office that pressing business had prevented the making out of the list of Plans. Examination of the Plans therefore deffered until friday 11th.

Friday 11th Mr. Sketchley the draftsman, informed the Committee, that he had not had time to label the Maps & Plans. Adjourned, previously agree-

ing to meet Mr. Collins in the Surveyor General's Office, whenever he should give notice to the Chairman of the Land Committee that he was ready to exhibit his Maps & Plans agreeably to Lord Dorchester's Order of the 4th of January last.

Having heard nothing from you since, it becomes my duty to put you in mind, that that very pressing business remains unfinished, & that it lies at present on your shoulders.

I have likewise to put you in mind, that you have not furnished the Committee with a list of all the reduced officers of Provincial Corps who have applied for Grants of the Waste Lands of the Crown in this Province—in compliance with the request of the Land Committee signified to you in my letter of the 12 February inclosing a form in which they desired the list to be made out.

I am Dear Sir Your very obedient Servant,

HUGH FINLAY.

John Collins Esq.

I beg you may return the Papers from Mecklenburg which I sent to you the 20th April.

(Copy)

Quebec, 24th June, 1791.

Sir,—I am commanded by His Excellency Lord Dorchester to observe upon the Schedule of Plans, in the Surveyor Generals Drawing Room, annexed to the report of the land Committee of the 3d Instant, that a more detailed and Accurate description of the contents of the different Plans, appears to be requisite for making it a useful, and Satisfactory guide to the information to be had from the Collection.

The Scale of the Plans and the date of the Surveys should also be mentioned, with the Name of the Surveyor by whom they ware made.

His Lordship desires the Committee will give such intimations on this Subject to the Surveyor Generals Office, as they may Conceive the case to require, and after receiving a more dilated Schedule of the Plans, that they will cause them to be laid before them, and on finding the descriptions given in the schedule to be correct they will mark each Plan as inspected by the Committee.

A list of all field books & Journals in the Surveyor Generals Office should likewise be reported, and proper care taken for the preservation of these documents, which at a future day may become very important to the elucidation & Authenticity of the Surveys to which they relate.

It is material for the prevention of future Confusion and uncertainty of limits, that all remarkable places, such as Bays Rivers and rivulets, should be universally known and distinguished by certain established Names.

The Field Books of Mr. Pennoyers Survey of the Road from Coteau du Lac to Kingston contain a variety of spots of this description, which may be made the more useful in this view, from the Specific mention of the Number of Miles, and Chains of their distances, which are noted in the books.

I am therefore to Signify his Lordships desire that the Committee call upon the Surveyor Generals Office for a list of all such places to be found in the field Books before mentioned, and that they report the same to His Lordship, with such Names as they may judge best calculated to Answer the end proposed, by the Simplicity and clearness of their Sounds and Spelling, as

well as a dissimularity to either French or Indian Names, which having possible been applied heretofore, to more places than one may be less eligable than English Scotch and Irish Names hitherto not made use of in this Country.

I am Sir Your Most obedt. and Most Humble Servant,

(Signed HENRY MOTZ.

The Honble. Hugh Finlay Esqr.

(Copy)

No. 1.

Quebec 5th February 1798.

Dear Colonel,—I have the Pleasure to enclose you the Minute of Council the 29th December last in your Favor of 5000 Acres of Land adjoining the 84th Regiment. As soon as the Season will permit I shall have the Land laid out agreeable to His Excellency's Order, and transmit you a Certificate for the same.

I am with great Regard Dear Colonel Your Most Obedient Servant.

(Signed) JOHN COLLINS.

Lt. Col. Jno. Adolphs. Harris.

EXTRACTS FROM THE MINUTES OF COUNCIL.

Monday 29th decmr. 1788.

Lieut. Col. Harris praying for his proportion of Five thousand Acres, as Major of the late 84th Regiment adjoining to the Nine Miles already surveyed for the Officers of that Regiment on the North Side the Ottowas River.

Ordered that the Surveyor General return a Survey of Five thousand Acres accordingly within the Tract assigned for the 84th Regiment or adjoining thereto, if that is already disposed of.

(Signed) J. WILLIAMS.

PROVINCE OF
QUEBEC.

Dated the Thirty first Day of December Anno Domino 1788.

The Bearer hereof Colol. Jno. Adolphs. Harris being entitled to Five thousand Acres of Land, by His Majesty's Instructions to the Governor of this Province, has drawn No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, & ½ 21 in the first & Second Concessn. consisting of Five thousand Acres in full of the said proportion, in the Seigneurie or Township No. 2 No. Sd. Gd. River and having taken the Oaths and made and signed the Declaration required by the Instructions, he is hereby authorized to Settle and improve the said Lot without delay; and being Settled thereon, he shall receive a patent, Grant or Deed of Concession, at the Expiration of Twelve Months from the Date hereof to enable him to hold an Inheritable or Assignable Estate in the said Lot.

(Signed) JOHN COLLINS, D. S. Gl.

Copy. No. 2.

Quebec, 29th June, 1789.

Dear Sir,—I have before me your favor of the 16th Instant, by which you make a Demand of the Common reserved for the Town. As your Application was previous to the Regulation approved by His Excellency Lord Dor-

chester, respecting Towns, I shall strip the intended Town of its Commons, and add it to your Land. Please send the Certificate you have received.

I am Dear Sir Your Most Obedt. Servant.

(Signed) JOHN COLLINS.

Col. John Adolphus Harris.

Copy. No. 3.

Quebec 20th July 1789.

Dear Colonel,—I am truly sorry to acquaint you that the Land you applyed for on the North Side the Ottowas River, and for which you obtained an Order of Council, & afterwards had my Certificate for the same, had been previously granted by the Council and surveyed for Brigadier McLean and the Officers of his Corps, mentioned in the said Order, who had actually Settled and agreed upon the Mode of carrying on their Settlement, and it appears by their Statement, that the part you possess is claimed by Capt. McLean & St. Ours, who has Memorialed His Excellency on this head, and I make no Doubt but Mr. Motz has wrote you fully on this Subject as the prior Order of Council must always have the preference. I am to request the favor of you to return the Certificate I gave you, in Order that the Mistake may be amicably Settled, and your Application take place immediately after those that are prior to yours.

I am with regard Dear Colonel Your Most Obedt. Servant,

(Signed) JOHN COLLINS.

Lt. Col. John Harris.

Copy. No. 4.

Detroit 7th Augst. 1790.

Sir,—I have to acknowledge the Receipt of yours of 16th Ult. with its Inclosures. In consequence of which have collected what I here enclose from my Instructions & Memorandums, which I transmit for your Information. It was in August 88 that I gave a small Memorandum to Mr. Warburton of them Lots that you ought to ask for; from that time untill the 27th October I heared nothing more on that Subject with respect to yourself; Mr. Collins's Order was positive nor could I refuse complying with it, but I consider it Null and Void to all Intents and purposes as the Order was not immediately put in execution with respect to the whole of the persons, it could only be valid with respect to those whose Names were entered on the plan of Survey and who having obtained separate Certificates, then the Order ought again to revert to the Surveyor General.

(Signed) PATRICK MCNIFF.

Lieut. Col. J. A. Harris.

Copy. No. 5.

Surveyor Generals 2nd October 1788.

Sir,—Out of the Lands surveyed by you on the North Side of the Ottoway River you are hereby directed to give the several Officers, hereaftermentioned their Apportionments of Lands agreeable to the King's Instructions, which you will do in the following Manner Vizt Thirteen Acres in Front for each Thousand the Person is entitled to and so on in proportion the Person is entitled to and so on in proportion for a greater or lesser Quantity, provided they are willing to receive the same.

	Acres.
Col. Allan McLean	5000
Capt. Malcolm Fraser & Son	5000
Capt. Danl. Robertson	3000
Capt. St. Ours	3000
Capt. McLean	3000
Lieut. McLean	2000
Lieut. Dambourges	2000
Lieut. McDougall	2000x
Lieut. Neal McLean	1400
Ensn. Simon Fraser	1800 } a
Ensn. Alexr. Fraser	2000 } a
Total	30200

Make due report of your proceedings to this Office.

I am with Regard Sir Most Obedt. Servant,

(Signed) JOHN COLLINS, D. S. Gl.

Patk. McNiff.

On the 27th of October 1788 when at Carillon Capt Danl. Robertson and Lieut. McDougall presented to me an exact Copy of the foregoing on which I gave the following Certificate—

"I do hereby Certify that the foregoing is an exact duplicate of the Order "or Instructions from the Deputy Surveyor General addressed to me in favor "of the Gentlemen of the late 84th Regt. Agreeable to said Instructions the "Front of their Lands extends from the Upper or West Boundary of the "Seigneurie of Mr. Pannet to take two Acres into Lot No. 29, in the 2nd "Township on North Side of the Ottowa River; Always provided that they "do not claim any part of Lots No. 11, 12. & 13, in the 2nd Township until "such time, as the Lands designed for the Village is fully laid out and ascer-"tained."

(Signed) "P. McN., Dty. Surveyor.

"Carrillon 27 Octobr. 1788."

REMARKS.

a.....One of these two is before included with Capt. Mal. Fraser. If I remember right it will be found in Mr. Collins's Papers that after the 27th of October as above, on Order for Capt. McLean to have his Land with others near L'asumption.—this must have been the case or why had not his Name with that of others in this List been entered on the Plan of Survey of Lands on the North Side of the Ottoway.

The only Names that were entered on the plan of the Nine Miles front first designed for the Officers & Privates of the late 84th at the time that I left the Surveyor Generals Office the 4th May 1789 were those ———

Lieut. McDougal—Capt. D. Robertson, Capt. Malm. Fraser and Son & Col. McLean, each of whom had issued for them severally Certificates, but none for the others on this List.

On my going into the Surveyor General's Office in January 1789, I pointed to Mr. Collins the Impropriety of Messrs. Robertson & McDougal's holding the Copy of this when they had their own Certificates for their Lands in possession, as it was evident the others did not mean to take their Lands *there—in* Consequence of which I was directed by Mr. Collins to call on

Messrs. Robertson & McDougall on my way to this place and receive from them the Certificate in question. On the 17th of May 1789, I waited on Mr. McDougall at La Chine and demanded of him the paper, that I might enclose it to Mr. Collins, he answered he could not think of parting with it before the Boundary between himself and Mr. Pannet was fixt, that as soon as Mr. Collins would order that to be done so as to secure to him the Lands specified in his Certificate he would then return the Paper to Mr. Collins. My Letter on this very Subject will be found in possession of Mr. Collins.

On the 4th or 5th of June 1789 on my Arrival at Niagara when conversing with Capt. McLean on the Subject of his Land I acquainted him that he was not included in the division of the 9 Miles Square first designed for the Officers & Privates of the late 84th as it was said he meant to take his proportion near L'asumption at which he seemed surprised and said he would have his Dividend of the Lands first designed for them.

(Signed) PATRICK MCNIFF, Dty. Surveyor for District of Hesse.

Detroit the 7th Augst. 1790.

Lt. Col. John A. Harris.

True Copies.

JNO. ADOLPHS. HARRIS.

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(on back)

Copies of Papers respecting Lieut. Colonel Harris's Lands on the Grand River.

Referred to the land Committee with a petition of Lieut. Col. Harris 28 March 1791.

H. M.

Filed 29th March 1791.

Your Memorialist Daniel Robertson Esqr. Late Captain in the 84 Regiment humbly Sheweth that opposite the Land Belonging to your Memorialist on the North Side the Ottawa or Grand River There is a Small rockey Island Situated near the Shore containing about Seven Acres, belonging to the Crown.

Your Memorialist humbly prays, your Excellency will be pleased to grant the Said Island to him and His heirs,

And your Memorialist as in duty bound will ever pray ----------

31st March 1792.

To His Excellency the Right Honble. Guy Lord Dorchester K.B. Governor General &c &c &c

The Memorial of Lieut. Colonel John Adolphus Harris Humbly Sheweth

That in August 1788, Memorialist requested Mr. McNiff, who surveyed the Lands on the North River to point out to him any proper Spot, where he might apply for his Lands: who recommended the Lots now in Dispute. Not knowing at that time the proper Mode of Application, he wrote to Mr. Collins to grant him the Land, who returned no Answer, but made an Offer of it to Colo. Campbell (by letter) sometimes after. Of this Memorialist complained to Your Lordship on your Return from the Upper Country the same Summer.

Your Excellency was pleased to say "it was very irregular." and commanded him to Memorial the Governor, which he had the honor of doing next day, and obtained in Consequence a Certificate of Location signed, J. Collins

D. S. G1, dated 31st December 1788, for the Lots No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and ½ 21 in Township No. 2—North Side, Grand River.

That Memorialist Settled on the Land as soon as the Season would permit, wrote again to Mr. Collins for the intermediate Lots, and received Letter No. 2, granting his Request but desiring him to return the Certificate he had received. Three Weeks after that Mr. Collins wrote him another Letter, No. 3 which Memorialist did not receive for two Months, informing him the Land had been previously granted and again desiring him to return the Certificate that the Matter might be amicably Settled.

At the Expiration of the Twelve Months Memorialist wrote to Mr. Collins for the Deeds promised in the Certificate. To this Mr. Collins did not vouchsafe him an Answer. He then wrote to Mr. McNiff, to explain his having given a Certificate for Lands in October, which he had advised him to apply for in August the same year, and received in Answer Letters 4, 5 Copies of which and other Papers tending to elucidate Memorialists Claim, he has taken the Liberty to enclose. Memorialist has been at great Expence for these Two Years past, has built a Large and Substantial Log House with suitable Out Houses on the Premises, and has now in a State of Cultivation near Twenty Acres of Land.

Memorialist therefore prays Your Lordship will be graciously pleased to grant him the Patent, Grant, or Deed of Concession, promised in the Certificate of Location, for which agreeable to the Orders to the Land Board, the Faith of Government is pledged and which he conceives himself justly entitled to, since the 31st of December 1789.

All which is humbly submitted.

JNO. ADOLPHS. HARRIS.

Montreal 21st March 1791.

Extract from the Minute of the Land Committee held at the Council Chamber Quebec 9th Decr. 1791.

Present
Messieurs Finlay, Collins & Grant.

"The Chairman earnestly called the attention of the Board to the abso-
"lute obligation the Land Committee lies under to close every Reference now
"before them, in any way connected with the Land-office department in the
"Districts of Lunenburg, Mecklenburg, Nassau, & Hesse before the *26th of*
"*this current month*, the day on which the Land Committee will be dissolved;
"and in order to enable the Committee so to do it will be requisite for them
"to call upon the Surveyor General's Office for a return of such dilated
"Schedule of the Plans lodged in that office as is required by Mr. Secretary
"Motz's letter to the Chairman of this Committee dated the 24th of June last,
"Copy of which was delivered by the Chairman to the Deputy Surveyor Gen-
"eral: Likewise to obtain a list of the Field books & Journals in the office of
"the Deputy Surveyor General. Also a list of all places such as Bays, Rivers &
"Rivulets &c to be found in the Field Books, that they may be Reported under
"such names as the Committee may conclude to be best calculated to prevent
"confusion and uncertainty by the simplicity and clearness of their sounds
"and spelling, as directed by Mr. Secretary Motz's letter to the Chairman of
"the 11th July, copy of which has also been delivered to the Deputy Surveyor
"General;—And further To request the Surveyor General's Office to enter upon
"the Plans of the Townships in the Upper Districts, all such locations as have
"been transmitted from time to time to the Office of the Governor's Secretary

"along with the proceeding of the respective Boards, and now upon the files; "and to pray that the work here requested may be laid before the Committee "on or before friday the 23rd Instant, which will be the last day of their "meeting under the Authority by which they at present Act as a Committee."

"The Committee acquiescing in the necessity of closing the references "before them prior to the dissolution of their authority."

"Ordered that a copy of the foregoing Minute be forthwith delivered to "the Surveyor General's Office, and to advertise the Deputy Surveyor Gen- "eral that in case the requisitions therein be not complied with by the day "named the Committee will expect that reasons be assigned by the Surveyor "General's Office for non compliance therewith to stand upon the Minutes "of this Committee.

a true Copy.

HUGH FINLAY Chairman.

Quebec 14 July 1791.

Sir,—Lieutenant Colonel Harris's Memorial to His Excellency Lord Dorchester prefering a Complaint against me respecting his Lands on the Grand River, is accompanied with several Copies of my Letters to him on that Subject.—I am therefore to request you will be pleased to Annex to your report the Inclosed Copies of the Colos. Letters to me and also the Copy of a letter from Colo. Campbell, with its inclosure, and my general Instructions to the Several Deputy Surveyors in the Year 1788.....with the copy of a Memorial from Captain Lauchlan McLean, and others of the 84th Regiment, which is humbly Submitted for his Lordships judgment.

I have the honor to be Sir Your most obedt. Servant,

JOHN COLLINS, D. S. Gl.

The Honble. Hugh Finley Esq. Presdt. of the Land Committee.

Quebec 8 June 1791.

Sir,—In answer to your Letter of yesterday the List of reduced officers of Provincial Corps who have received Certificates for Grants of Lands, in this Province together with the quantity that will be coming to them provided they were to be put on a footing with the officers of the 84th Regiment.

I have made a List of Sir John Johnsons first and Second Battilon and Stated the Quantity of Land Each officer has received and the Quantity that remains due him to put him on a footing with the 84 Regiment, with respect to Col. Butlers Corps Mr. Frey the Surveyor of the District of Nassau had given them a much greater Quantity of Land than they were entitled to. I stated this to His Excellency Lord Dorchester, and was Directed by His Lordship to make out a State of what Land each officer ought to have which I did accordingly, and Sent a Copy of it to Mr. Frey, who soon after Left the Province with out making any Report. I have Since wrote Mr. Augustus Jones fully on this Subject and hope soon to have an answer from him, which will enable me to make the Report you require.

I am Sir your most obedient Servant

JOHN COLLINS.

Hugh Finley Esq.

Surveyor Generals office Quebec 29th Novr. 1791.

Sir,—I am favored with Your Letter of Yesterday respecting Lord Dorchesters Directions contained in Mr. Secy. Motzs Letters of 24 June and 11th July which require:

"1st. A more detailed Schedule of the Plans in the Surveyor Generals Room;

"2nd. A list of all Remarkable Places (such as Bays Rivers & Rivulets) mentioned in the Field Books of Mr. Pennoyer, &

"4th. A View of all the Locations in progressive Protraction on the General Maps to be made *Monthly*."

I had, as I observed to the Board in July last, given the necessary Directions for having the above Business performed with as much expedition as possible; but in consequence of sundry other matters being required by Lord Dorchester previous to his Lordship's Departure for England in August last, I was obliged to lay the above Business aside for that Time. Shortly afterds, Mr. Sketchley the Assistant Draftsman left the Office; which occasioned a further Delay. Rough Lists of the Plans and Field Books have been since made out in a more detailed manner agreeable I believe to his Lordships Wishes, but my having been engaged in examining the Government Papers transmitted to England by the Fall Ships together with other Business has rendered me unable hitherto to examine them, which I would wish to do previous to their being laid before the Board.

A List of the remarkable Places (as Bays, Rivers, &ca) mentioned in Mr. Pennoyers Field Book would likewise have been made out, but on examining the Field Book for that Purpose some few Mistakes were discovered which will require to be cleared up before this Part of the Business can be performed. Mr. Pennoyer has been wrote to on the Occasion, and he promises to examine his Original Field Notes and clear up the Mistakes as soon as possible.

The Progressive Protractions of the New Locations should likewise have been done before this Time, but the Returns are not yet received at this Office from the Deputy Surveyors, His Lordships Directions were transmitted to the Deputy Surveyors shortly after they were communicated to me, and as soon as conveniently may be after their Returns arrive, The Protractions shall be made and laid before the Board.

I have the Honor to be &c.

(Draft to Honble Hugh Finlay Esq. Chairman of the Land Committee. Novr. 29 1791.)

Extract from the Minutes of Council of the 15th Augt. 91.

On The Petition of Ephraim Jones.

His Lordship observed that it appeared to be expedient to enquire whether the Spot alluded to in the foregoing Report actually was a Common and upon what Authority it was so called, and also whether there were any other Tracts in the New Settlements of the same Description.

Ordered that the Land Committee make enquiry by Communication with the Surveyor Generals Office and the Different Land Boards, whether there are any such Spots, and upon what Authority they are so Considered and they report the result.

(Signed) J. WILLIAMS.

The land Committee, having Communicated to the Surveyor General the above Extract, of the Minutes of Council, in order for him to report from what authority the said Tracts derive the name and are considered as Commons, He in answer, thereto, has the honor to inform them, That in Consequence of His Instructions from the then Commander in Chief, The several

Townships were laid out in square tracts, of Nine Statute Miles of 5280 Feet which where divided into 37 Lots, each Containing 19 Chains or 1254 feet in front there remained 17 Chains, of which 3 Chains were taken for 6 Roads allowing 33 feet for each road, of Course 14 Chains the Residue was divided and 7 Chains left at each end of a Township, which with the 7 Chains vacant between them, Those vacancies from not having been drawn for, or Distributed with the rest of the Lands, ware called Commons. General Sir Frederick Haldimand granted some of those Vacancies or Commons to People entitled to Lands, and absent at the General Drawing of the Lots.

(Signed) SAMUEL HOLLAND, S. G1.

Quebec 23rd Septemr. 91.

(Major Hollands Answer to the Committee of Council Respecting Commons. 23rd Septr. 1791.)

Quebec, 19 July, 1787.

Sir,—I have received your letter of the 16th July.

It being thought expedient to join the Settlements of the Loyalists near Niagara to those West of Cataraqui: Sir John Johnson has been directed to take such steps with the Indians concerned, as may be necessary to establish a free and amicable right for Government to the interjacent Lands, not yet purchased, on the North of Lake Ontario, for that purpose as well as to such parts of the Country, as may be necessary on both sides of the proposed communication from Toronto to Lake Huron.

As you have been employed in the former purchase made of the Indians in that country, you will give every assistance and information to Sir John, who will correspond with you on the subject.

I am with regard &c

DORCHESTER.

The Honble. John Collins.

(on back)

Letter from Lord Dorchester the 19th July 1787, to Assist Sir Jno. Johnson in the purchase of Land from the Missessaga Indians.

A description of the Land reserved for the Settlement of the Mohawk Nation, Situated on the North side of the Bay of Qninte Containing about twelve Miles in front, and in depth to the West Boundary of the purchase made by the Crown from the Missisaga Nation. Bounded in front on the South by the Bay of Quinte including a small Island called Johns Island. which lies oposite the Mohawk Village, and on the west by the mouth of Angoasoka River (now called the Shannon) and the Township of Thurlow, on the East by the mouth of Bowens Creek, and the township of Richmond and on the North by the West Boundary of the Purchase made by the Crown, from the Missisaga Nation.

(on back)

Description of the Land reserved for the Mohawks on the North side of the Bay of Quinte, 1786.

Cl. Chamber 30th April 1791.

The Committee met on the call of the Chair. Pres. Mr. Collins Chairman, Mr. Pownall and Baby, Grant.

The Chairman laid before the board the following letter from Sr. John Johnston & its inclosures.

Take in Letter 21st March
Then—The Deed of Sale in 1784 by Wabakanyo, Nannebosure &ca to the Crown certified 23rd March 1791 by Mr. Secy. Chew.

The Chairman then laid before the Committee a letter to Mr. Secy Motz from the Land board of Nassau dated Niagara 26th Feby. with its inclosure as follows.....take in the letter 26th Feby. 1791.

Then the Inclosure dated 20 Decr. 1790.

The Chairman observed that until the Survey taken by Mr. Jones mentioned in the foregoing minute comes down, It will not be in his power to form a Sketch of the Tract on the Grand River on Lake Erie, assigned by the Land Board.

The Tract given by the land Board of Nassau to Capt. Brandt and other Mohawk Indians as mentioned in their letter & Report above stated dated 26 Feby. & 26th March, 1791.*

Board of Nassau to Capt. Joseph Brandt and other Mohawks. The Tract however appears to be apart of the Purchase made of the Missisague Nation by the Deed of the 22d May 1784.

Resolved, that it is the opinion of this Committee that

leave here a large Space

The Chairman as Deputy Surveyor General laid before the Committee a Sketch of the land claimed by Captain John and other Mohawks, and informed that in the Year 1787, he Surveyed the Township of Thurlow and Richmond, on the North side the Bay of Quinte, leaving between them a tract or Space of about twelve Miles front on the said Bay for Captain John and about twenty families of the Mohawk Nation who had then Settled themselves on it. The tract is bounded Easterly by the line of the Township of Richmond, and Westerly by that of Thurlow to run Northerly as far as it may please Government to assign, this tract is apart of a purchase made in 1784 by Captain Crawford of the Indian Department, by Order of Sir John Johnson from the Missisaga Nation by deeds bearing date ..... which deed it Seems by Sir John Johnsons letter of 25 March 1791 is Still in the hands of Captain Crawford.

Resolved that in the opinion of the Committee.....
(in pencil) Indian Grand River & Bay of Quité.

Saturday 24th Decr. 1791.

The Committee met at the call of the Chair.
Prest., Mr. Collins, Mr. Grant, Mr. Baby.
Absent, Mr. Mabane undisposed & Mr. Pownall in England!

The Chairman presented Mr. Jones's survey of the lands on the Grand River promissed to Indians of the Mohawk Nation. Also a Sketch of the tract assigned to Capt. John & others at the Bay of Quinty.

The Committee having considered that as the faith of Government is pledged to the Mohawk Chiefs for the Two Tracts mentioned above, every precaution ought to be taken to preserve them in the quiet possession and

*This paragraph crossed out in Ms.

property of them. And the Committee submit That an Act of the provincial Legislature or a grant under the great Seal of the Province be made in favor of the principal Chiefs on behalf of their Nation, or persons in trust for them for ever.

Ordered that the Chairman Report accordingly annexing thereunto the Journal of the Committees proceedings and the papers and Surveys therein mentioned.

By Order of the Committee.

J. C., Chairman

Montreal 25th March 1791

Dear Sir,—I received your letter by Post—and now send you a Copy of the Deed of Purchase of the land, on the Grand River &c with the best description of the Purchase near Toronto and up to the Rice Lake that I am able at present to furnish you with, as I never received any Deed from Crawford of the Purchase he made about Kingston and the Bay of Quinte, and the Deed I had drawn up at the Head of the Bay was left in your own hand, to fill up the Courses, since which I have never seen it.

I have the honor to be with great Regard Dear Sir Your Most Obodient Humble Servant

JOHN JOHNSON.

The Honble. John Collins Esqr.

(P.S.)—The Indians have no other Claims than those of Brants and Johns Tracts. If I recollect right, the Course running from the head of Lake Ontario to the River La Tranche, is wrongly Expressed in the Deed, as by Running a North West Course it is thought it will not intersect any part of that River, and the Intention was that it should.

(On back) Montreal 25 March 1791—Sr. John Johnson—Inclosed purchase 22d May 1784 from M'ssisague Indians.

Niagara 26th February 1791.

Sir,—We beg leave through you to lay before his Excellency the Commander in Chief the transactions of the Land Board, in a Matter we think of Material Consequence to the future Peace and Quiet of this Settlement.

The Grant of Lands to the Indians on the Grand river extends to Six miles on each Side of that River from its mouth, till a line running North West, from the Mouth of the little Lake at the West end of Lake Ontario Shall travers it. The Division line between our Settlement and their Lands had never been Ascertained, lest incroachments should imperceptibly be made we formed the resolution found in the Minutes of the 20th Decmr. last. Fortunately at the Meeting of the Board, on the 1st of Feby. Capt. Brant with several of the Chiefs of the Grand River, happened to be at Niagara, and we thought it highly essential to Procure their Opinion & Concurrence in this Business—this was done in the Manner mentioned in the Minutes of the 1st of Feby. and we have now Sent Mr. Jones with a party Provided as before to run the Lines on each Side of the River as the plan of the River is rather Bulky, and as it cannot be Compleat till both these lines are included, We delay Sending it down till the Opening of the Navigation by the Same Opportunity we trust to transmit a Schedule of all the Certificates Granted by us, through the Settlement with the Corresponding Map which we hope will then be finished.

That these Measures may meet his Lordships Approbation is our Most Anxious Wish.

We are Sir Your most Obedt. and most Humble Servt.

A. GORDON, Lieut. Colonel
JOHN BUTLER
R. HAMILTON.

Henry Motz Esqr.

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(On back.) Land Board of Nassau 26 Feby. 1791 recd. Quebec 26 March. reporting measures taken to ascertain the extent of the Indian Claims on the Grand River on Lake Erie. 1 enclo.

Referred to the Committee appointed on the 4th of January last relative to lands claimed by certain Indians at Lake Erie, with the Minute within mentioned.

By order of H. E. Lord Dorchester

HENRY MOTZ.

Quebec 28 March 1791.

Extract of a Letter from Genl. Haldimand:

Quebec 23rd March 1784.

Sir,—Inclosed I transmit for your Information the Substance of Joseph Brants Requisitions, with my answer thereto. Since my Letter to you of the 15th Instant, I have had frequent conversation with Joseph upon the Subject of it, which have confirmed me in the Opinion therein expressed respecting the Settlement proposed upon the Grand River, for such of the Mohawks and others of the Six Nations who shall chuse to Retire to it. The inclosed will shew you that Joseph is so sanguine in this Business as to expect it may be immediately carried into Execution, desirous to gratify the wishes of these deserving People, no Time should be lost in that part of it, which falls to our share.

You will please therefore to give Lieut. Colo. Butler the Necessary directions for Purchasing without loss of time the Tract of Country as described in the Inclosed, Vizt. The Land situated between Lakes Ontario, Erie, and Huron. Satisfied that you will be very particular in your Instructions to Colo. Butler, respecting the Terms of this Purchase, I shall only observe that the Utmost attention to Oconomy must be paid in this, and all future Expences in a Department which has had so Great a share in exhausting the Public Treasure.

Montreal 3d Feby. 1791.

The above is a True Copy.

JOSEPH CHEW, S. I. A.

Sir John Johnson.

(pencil) Indians Bay of Quinté

Extract of a Letter from General Haldimand:

Dated, Quebec 22d April 1784.

I have to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of the 15th Instant, Covering two Letters to Colo. Claus from John the Mohawk requesting your good Offices with me for an augmentation of the Land intended for the Mohawk Nation at the Bay of Quinte, and the establishment of a School in

their Village. I have so often expressed to you the Interest I take in the Welfare of the Mohawks, that it is unnecessary to say, that I shall Chearfully as far as it is in my Power, come into such measures as You, and they, shall consider the Best calculated for their Happiness, with this view, altho' I am partial to the Situation, and the arguments urged by Joseph for their settling at the Grand River in preference to the Bay of Quinte yet, so desirous am I to prevent the Nation from separating (from a Conviction that a determined Union and attachment can alone support their strength and Consequence as well with the Six Nations as the Americans) That I advised Joseph rather to yield to the General Opinion, than oppose it, if he should find the Bulk of the Nation prepossessed in favor of Quinte Bay as they, can, at any time, extend their Settlement and from such connections with any of the Six Nations who may settle higher up, as their mutual Interests shall require. I have therefore only to acquaint you, that you have my authority, to acquaint the Mohawks who have decided for Bay Quinte, that it is not my Intention to Restrict them to the 7000 Acres mentioned in their Letter to Colonel Claus, and that whatever addition shall be deemed Necessary, for their more Comfortable and happy Establishment, shall be made. I speak of the Mohawk Nation, for I never will entertain an idea of any distinction between their Villages. I shall also, in Compliance with their wishes, allow them a Schoolmaster. You have not said anything of the Person they recommend. I shall therefore rely entirely upon your choice of a Proper Person, whose attachment to Government, in all situations must be the First Consideration.

Sir John Johnson.

Montreal 3d Feby. 1791.

The foregoing is a True Copy.

JOSEPH CHEW, S. Int.

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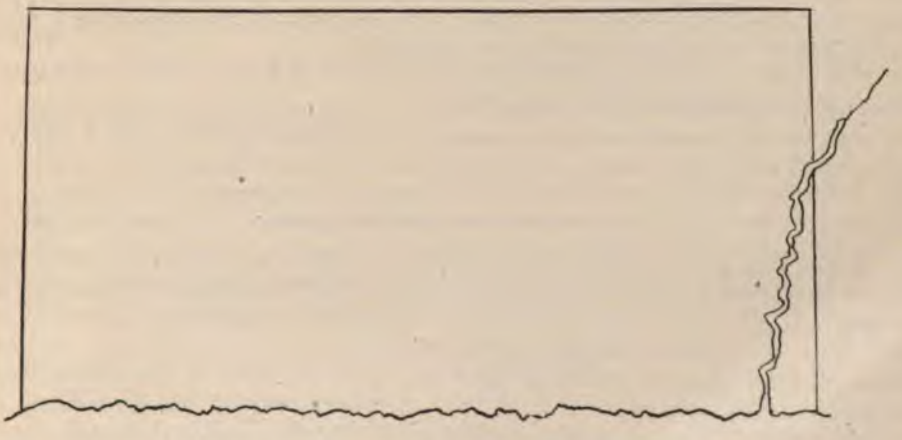

Pursuant to an order from the honorable Paulus Emelis Erving Esqre. President of the Council and Commander in Chief of the Province of Quebec &ca—and the honorable his Majesty's Council to me directed bearing date the 8th day of Augt. 1766, I have set off according to the above scheme or plat hereunto annexed taken from the original plan, of actual survey by me the 8 Augt. 1765 for Samuel Holland Esquire five hundred acres of land lying and being in the Province aforesaid on the Bay of Chaleurs situated on the south side of the River Bonaventure beginning at a Birch standing on the south side

the mouth of Little River, and runs along the Bay North seven Degrees East six thousand feet to a Birch a corner tree then south eighty three degrees East three thousand three hundred feet to a Ceder, a corner tree then south seven degrees west six thousand six hundred feet to the Little River then down the said River running the several courses of the water to the first station.

Surveyed Quebec 12th Augt. 1766.

True Extract from the Records in this office. Surveyor Generals Office Quebec 23 Septr. 1823.

Jos. BOUCHETTE, S. Genl.

Surveyor Generals Office 22nd Feby. 1791.

SIR,—You are hereby directed to engage ten men as Chain Bearers & Axmen, on the most reasonable terms they can be had, not exceeding One Shilling & Six pence currency per day each man, with an allowance of one Shilling & three pence per day to yourself and party for provisions, or a ration of Provisions from the Kings Stores, in lieu thereof, at your and their option.

And immediately proceed with all diligence to survey and mark the front lines of four New Townships of ten Miles square each, agreeable to the Plan of an Inland Township prescribed by the General Rules and Regulations, and to carry the side lines of each Township back one mile well marked. The first to be named Salisbury, and to be situated on a Lake adjoining the Township of Camden, the second to be named Fauconberg and to be situated on the North of Kingston, the third to be named Aylesbury and the fourth Tryon, and to be situated between the intermediate space between the above mentioned.

And likewise to run the Second and third Concession lines in the Township of Marysburg, Sophiasburg and Ameliasburg if the land Board of the District shall certify that work to be necessary.

Extracted from the Instructions of the 22nd of Feby. 1791 and signed by the Surveyor General & Dy. Syr. Genl.

ALEXR. AITKIN, D. P. Sy.

Surveyor Generals Office Quebec 22 February 1791

Sir,—You are hearby directed to engage Ten Chainbearers and ax Men on the most reasonable terms they can be had, not exceeding one shilling and Sixpence p. day each Man Exclusive of provisions, and immediately to proceed, with all diligence to the River Petite Nation in the District of Luneburg and there Survey and mark the lines of a Township of Ten Miles Square agreeable to the plan of an Inland Township approved by His Excellency the Governor which is to be named Cambrige and is Situated on the afore mentioned River. You are to divide the front lots of Two hundred acres each and mark every third line of Concession, reserving the Scite of the Town the Glebe and Crown lands & you are to take care to include the Locations of Major Edward Jessup and Lieut. Edward Jessup as ordered by His Excellency the Governor in Council the 4 January last, in the following maner for Lieut. Edward Jessup fourteen hundred acres on the West Side the Second fall in the River Petite Nation, and for Major Edward Jessup three thousand Eight hundred acres on the East Side the said River, apposite the Second fall to *begin at* the South westernmost angle of a Lot in that Concession in which the

said Fall may be found, and running thence Northerly so far as may be necessary to Include the Number of Lots required to make up three thousand Eight hundred acres.

Mr. Rankin.

(On back.) Instructions to Mr. James Rankin D.P.Sr. Quebec 22d february 1791.—Entd.

To His Excellency John Graves Simcoe Esquire Lieut. Governor and Commander in Chief of the Province of Upper Canada, &c, &c, &c,: In Council

The Petition of Joel Stone Esqr. respectfully shews

That your Petitioner having received an Assignment from the Lower Province for Lots No. 11 & 12 first Concession, and half 11 & all 12 in the second Concession making in the whole seven hundred Acres (as by the annexed Certificate) which he has received and improved, prays that the same may be confirmed to him, with Benefit of any Stream of Water adjoining or running through the same. Your Petitioner further prays that your Excellency will be pleased to grant him the additional Quantity of Land which he conceives himself entitled to in the third and fourth Concession in the Town of Leeds, westward of a North Line from the East Bounds, having served as Captain in the New York City Militia last War and your Petitioner as in Duty bound will ever pray.

(Signed) JOEL STONE.

York 7th March 1796.

A Copy
D. W. SMITH, A. S. G., U.C.

See Map—Page 195

Circular.

Surveyor Genls. Office Quebec 26th June 1792.

Sir,—I transmit to you herewith an Extract of the Minutes of Council of the 21st Instant respecting the Instructions to the Deputy Surveyors, by which You will observe that when your Accounts come before the Committee to be audited, the Alterations proposed by the Land Committee (respecting the leaving of The Trees standing in the Line) are ordered to be laid before the Committee of Accounts. You will therefore avoid every unnecessary Expence and delay that may be occasioned by cutting down the Trees where the deviation of your Needle shall not absolutely require it.

I am Sir Your humble Servt.

To Mr. Jesse Pennoyer—gone.
Mr. Simon Z. Watson—gone.
Mr. Jeremiah McCarthy—gone.
Mr. James Rankin—do.
Mr. J. B. Duberger—do.
Mr. Walter Dibblie—do.
Mr. Joseph Kilborn—gone.
Mr. James McDonel—do.
Mr. Wm. Fortune—do.
Mr. Nathl. Coffin—do July 13.
Mr. Thedr. Depencier—do July 16th.
Mr. Robt. Jones—Augt. 2d 1792.

(On back.) Circular to the Depy. Surveyors directing them not to cut down the Trees except where the Deviation of the Needle shall render it absolutely necessary. June 26 1792.

Account of the Distances run by Mr. Jones in the following Townships:

	Chs.	L.	
Durham	2,654	79	Finished.
Melbourne	1,956	61	
Brompton	1,062	49	
Weekham	2,376	16	Not finished.
Grantham	840	—	
Upton	92	50	
	8,892	55	

(On back.) Acct. of Distances run by Mr. R. Jones in Sundry Townships on the West Side of the River St. Francois. 1792.

List of the Familys who have drawn Lotts in the 4th and 5th Concessions Cataraqui 4th July 1785.

Names.	Famlys.	Lotts.	No.	In what Concession.
Captn. Grass &	9	3	22	4th Concession.
Lieut. Ellibeche	3		24	
Widow Wright &	6	2	1	5th Ditto
John Holmes	2		4	4th Ditto
Amos Anesley	4	1	3	4th Ditto
Captn. McGuinn	3	1	8	5th Ditto
David Whitman	1			
John Edgar	2	1	17	4th Ditto
Captn. Everett	2			
Mellen Knight	4	1	3	5th Ditto
Jacob Bastieto	6	2	15	4th Ditto
John Most	2		21	
George Buck	12	3	18	do do
.....	.....	.....	5	4th
.....	.....	.....	10	5th
Captn. Anderson	4	1	8	4th
Aron Brewer Elijh. Broomes Thomas Moore	1	.....	19	Do
Arthur Auser	3	1	11	4th
Jno. Monier	1			
John Warner	1	1	20	Do
John Herring	3			
Gilbert Auser	2	2	25	4th
John Nappin	3			
Willm. Taylor	3		6	5th
Judah Johnston	1	1	16	4th
Abrahm. Collier	3			
John Cameron	4	1	7	4th
Willm. Howe.	4	1	5	5th
Robert Graham	3	2	2	5th Concession.
Widow Auser	5		10	4th Do
Nichs. Wisdell	7	3	9	5th Do
			6	4th Do
Captn. Herkerman	5		23	Do Do
Thomas Burnett	1	1	9	4th Do
Tenbrook	1			
Capt. Grass	1			
Mr Monier	1			
Mr. Wartman.	2	1	11	5th Do
Solomon Auser	2			

List of Familys who have drawn Lots in the 4th and 5th Concessions, etc.—*Continued.*

Names.	Famlys.	Lotts.	No.	In what Concession.
Lieut. L. Kotte				300 acres 24½, 25, 5 Concession.
Mr. Philips			1	6th Concession.
Jno. McLaughlin, Senr Jno. McLaughlin, Junr		1	18	5th Do
Willm. Woursier William Baker		1	15	Do Do
Terence Dunn John Watson		1	13	Do Do
Christr. Gorgon		1	16	Do Do
John Warner		1	12	Do Do
Wm. Taylor				
David Leming Jno. McFarlane		1	22	Do Do
Edwd. Gross, half of Lean. L. Vanaller, other part			20 20	Do Do
John Gullay the half Wm. Caldwell, half of			21 21	Do Do
			19	Not Drawn, 20th July.
Hugh Simpson			23	Reserve half of that for him Absent.
John Cook, half of		1	23	5th Concession.
Jacob Powly			2	3 Concession Given up to him by Terence Dunn & David Purdy.

The Certificates for the abovementioned people are dated 2d September, 1785.

(On back.) List of the Familys Who have Drawn Lotts in the 4th and 5th Concessions Cataraqui 4 July 1785.

Township No. 1.

GENERAL ACCOUNT of Expences incurred by carrying into Execution His Majesty's Instructions for Surveying and Allotting Lands for the disbanded Troops and Refugee Loyalists in the province of Quebec by the undermentioned Deputy Provincial Surveyors from the 10th October 1787 to the 10th April 1788 Inclusive.

Names.	From what time.	To what time.	No. of days.	Pay per day.		Sums Currency			Remarks and Vouchers.
				Currency	Sterling.	£	s.	d.	
J. F. Holland	10th Oct., 1787	10th Apl.,'88	183	7/ 6.	....	68	12	6	Actually employed.
Wm. Chewett	7th Dec., '87	10th Apl.,'88	126	7/	....	47	5	0	District of New Johnstown. Actually employed.
Wm. Vondenvelden.	10th Oct., '87	10th Apl.,'88	183	"	4/	40	13	4	Bay Chaleurs.
Alexr. Aitkin	10th Oct., '87	10th Apl.,'88	183	"	4/	40	13	4	Cataraqui.
Philip Frey	10th Oct., '87	10th Apl.,'88	183	"	4/	40	13	4	Niagara.
Thedr. dePencier	31st Oct., '87	10th Apl ,'88	162	1/ 6.	"	12	3	0	Chain bearer. Johnstown.
Mathew Diese	"	"	162	.....	.....	8	5	6	Letter A.

Township No. 1.—General Account of Expenses, etc.—*Continued.*

Names.	From what time.	To what time.	No. of days.	Pay per day. Currency.	Pay per day. Sterling.	Sums Currency. £	s.	d.	Remarks and Vouchers.
Lewis Kotte.....	27th Oct., '87	6th Feb , '88	....	.....	....	58	12	6	Letter B.
Alexr. Aitkin.....	10th Apl.,'87	10th Oct., '87	....	.....	....	31	5	0	do. C.
Wm. Vondenvelden.	1st May, '87.	1st Feb., '88.	....	.....	....	23	9	0	do. D.
Philip Frey.....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	79	13	7	do. E.
John Collins, Esq ..	10th Apl.,'87	10th Apl.,'87	....	.....	....	101	8	5¼	do. F.
Total.....	.....	.....	....	.....	£	552	14	6¼	Currency.
Deduct	.....	.....	....	.....	....	55	11	1¼	
						497	3	5	Total currency.

Quebec 12th June 1788.

Errors Excepted.

EXTRAORDINARY EXPENCES.

——	£	s.	d.
Michael Asmus, for Sundries furnished the Surveyor General's Office, as per Voucher No. 1	5	3	6
Philip Brown, for repairing Instruments, &ca., No. 2	1	16	0
William Brown, for Stationary, No. 3	13	19	3
Joseph Dubois as Attendant on the Surveyor General's Office, from 7th to 31st December, 1787, both days inclusive, No. 4	1	5	0
Gasper Dagann, as Attendant on the Surveyor General's Office, from the 8th to the 10th April, 1788, both days inclusive, No. 5	0	3	0
John Dagann, as Attendant on the Surveyor General's Office, from the 7th April to the 4th June, both days inclusive, No. 6	2	18	0
Michael Asmus, as Attendant on the Surveyor General's Office. from 1st January to 7th April, 1788, No. 7	4	18	0
Total..... £	30	2	9

(on back.) copy. Surveyor Generals Department. General Acct. of Expencis incurred from 10th October 1787 to the 10th April 1788 Inclusive.

Particular Return of the Inhabitants of Township No. 5, Septr., 1787.

Mens Names.	Number Men	Woman.	Acres of Land Granted.	Children.		Houses.	No. Acres Land Cleared.		Bushals of Grain Sowed.	Bushals Grain Gathered.	No. of Arms.	Number & difft. Species of Cattle.							
				Males under 15.	Females under 14.		Arable.	Medow.				Horses.	Colts.	Oxen.	Bulls.	Cows.	Heifers.	Sheep.	Hogs.
Captn Alln McDonell	2	1	700	.....	2	1	20	2	9	100	1	2	....	1	1	3	2	....	4
John Shaver	2	4	100	4	6	1	12	.....	16	200	1	2	....	....	....	3	3	....	3
Henry Albrant	1	1	100	1	2	1	9	.....	9	100	1	1	....	....	....	1	1	....	7
John Shaver	1	1	100	1	4	1	5	2	11	140	.....	2	....	....	1	2	1	....	7
William Baxter	1	....	100	.....	.....	1	8	.....	10	130	1	....	1	....	1	....	....	..	4
Adam Shaver	1	1	200	1	1	1	16	.....	22	240	.....	1	....	....	....	1	1	....	1
Necolus Shaver	2	1	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	1	....	....	2	1	....	4
Jno Shaver	1	1	100	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	....	....	....	1	1	....	1
Lieut. Thos. Smyth	2	1	500	.....	1	1	9	.....	1	5	1	....	....	2	....	1	1	..	1
Sergt. Teeple	....	....	200	.....	.....	....	5	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Antony Wallice	4	1	200	.....	1	1	18	.....	20	210	1	1	....	....	1	1	2	....	2
Jno. Bice	3	2	100	2	2	1	20	.....	17	200	1	1	....	....	1	2	2	....	2
Jno. Shriver	1	....	100	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Jno. Van Camp	1	....	100	.....	.....	....	3	4	.....	.....	....	1	....	....	....	1	1	....	1
Jab. Van Camp	2	1	100	3	1	1	20	.....	14	160	1	1	2	....	....	1	1	....	6
Cospard Cown	1	1	100	2	.....	1	12	.....	14	110	1	1	1	....	1	1	....	....	3
Jno. Doun	2	1	100	1	4	1	10	.....	5	16	1	1	1	....	....	1	1	....	....
Martain Staly	1	2	100	2	.....	1	10	6	8	100	1	1	....	....	....	1	....	3	3
Lucus Vader	1	1	100	.....	.....	1	8	.....	10	70	.....	1	1	....	....	1	1	....	4
Henry Wagenor	1	1	100	1	1	1	8	.....	4	60	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Martain Walter	2	1	200	.....	1	1	8	.....	8	100	1	....	....	....	....	2	2	....	2
Mical Careman	4	4	100	1	1	1	16	5	15	160	1	2	1	....	....	3	2	....	4
Peter Brouce	2	1	200	1	.....	1	15	.....	16	150	1	2	....	1	....	2	2	....	10
Peter Crouse	2	1	200	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	13	150	1	....	3	....	....	1	....	....	7
Mical Ault	1	1	100	.....	1	1	12	.....	15	120	1	1	....	....	1	1	1	....	6
John Ault	2	1	200	....	.....	1	9	10	10	80	1	2	2	2	....	2	1	....	3
Henry Snyder	1	1	100	.....	2	1	7	.....	9	70	1	2	1	....	1	1	....	....	4
Willm. Russel	3	1	200	.....	.....	1	10	.....	9	40	1	2	....	....	....	1	....	....	....
Peter Dowrin	1	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	....	....	....	1	1	....	2
Adm. McDonell	1	1	100	.....	.....	1	10	.....	6	40	1	....	....	1	1	1	1	....	2
Edward Foster	2	1	100	.....	.....	1	14	.....	10	60	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Baurnt Fredrick	1	1	100	.....	.....	1	6	.....	9	50	.....	2	....	....	....	2	....	....	3

Particular Return of the Inhabitants of [illegible]ownship No. 5, Septr., 1787.—*Continued.*

Mens Names.	Number Men.	Woman.	Acres of Land Granted.	Children.		Houses.	No. Acres Land Cleared.		Bushals of Grain Sowed.	Bushals Grain Gathered.	Number of Arms.	Number and difft. Species of Cattle.							
				Males under 15.	Females under 14.		Arable.	Medow.				Horses.	Colts.	Oxen.	Bulls.	Cows.	Heifers.	Sheep.	Hogs.
Louk. Fredrick	3	2	100	.....	.....	1	12	.....	22	100	.....	2	2	....	....	2	2	....	3
Luke Bown	2	2	100	2	3	1	12	.....	13	100	.....	1	1	....	....	2	2	....	6
Jacob Carns	3	1	100	.....	.....	1	20	.....	18	240	2	1	....	2	....	1	1	....	18
Henry Baker	1	....	100	.....	.....	1	14	.....	8	100	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	4
Jno. Middock	3	1	100	1	1	1	8	.....	6	90	.....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	11
Stevin Middock	1	1	100	.....	2	1	4	5	4	50	.....	1	....	....	....	1	2	....	5
John Bennidict	2	1	100	.....	2	1	10	.....	6	80	1	1	....	2	....	1	1	....	9
Jacob Van Allen	1	1	200	2	1	1	8	1	8	100	1	1	2	1	....	2	1	....	8
Joseph Avery	1	1	100	1	1	1	10	.....	10	150	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	4
Oliver Arnoldy	1	....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Robert Glassford	3	1	200	.....	.....	1	10	.....	6	100	.....	....	....	....	....	1	1	....	6
Edward Stooks	2	1	100	2	3	1	14	.....	8	100	.....	....	....	....	2	....	1	....	4
George Johnson	1	1	100	.....	.....	....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2
George Thompson	1	1	100	.....	.....	1	4	.....	3	20	1	1	....	2	....	1	....	....	3
Andrew Sipes	1	1	100	.....	1	1	8	.....	3	30	.....	1	2	....	....	....	1	....	3
Jacob Doun	1	1	100	1	.....	1	7	.....	7	80	2	....	....	....	....	2	1	2	5
Jno. Collison	1	1	100	1	.....	1	7	.....	5	50	.....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	2
Phillip Shaver	5	4	100	2	2	1	14	.....	14	100	1	....	3	....	....	4	2	....	4
Jacob Shaver	1	1	100	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1
Jno. McCarty	1	....	100	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2
Florance McCarty	1	1	100	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Henry Whitner	1	1	100	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Dirrick Dingman	1	1	100	.....	5	1	9	.....	4	50	.....	....	....	1	....	....	1	....	6
Ensn. McCanty	1	....	500	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
John Strader	1	1	100	.....	1	1	6	.....	3	20	.....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	3
Willm. Strader	1	1	100	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Jno. McDonell	1	1	100	.....	.....	1	10	.....	2	50	.....	1	....	....	....	4	2	....	7
Alexr. Reid	1	....	200	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Henry Wollery	1	1	100	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Capt. Jno. Munro Lieut. Hugh Munro	3	3	1,600	3	3	1	16	1	3	60	2	1	....	....	1	3	....	....	5
Total	99	68	9,900	35	55	51	403	36	533	4,531	33	44	24	15	12	67	47	5	207

The humble petition of Jacob Ball Late of the Queens Loyal Rangers now in Ernest Town District of Mecklenburgh

Sheweth that whereas I have served honestly and faithfully for the term of Two Years in his Majesties Provincial Regiment, called Loyal Rangers and was disbanded according to his Majesties late Order and was thereby discharged and entitled to the portion of Land allotted to each Private of His Provincial Corps who wishes to become a Settler in this Province having business in the Colonies I was not able to settle my Land with the rest of my fellow Soldiers but since my return I have made application to Mr. McNiff at Johnstown in the Year 1786, and he told me there was no vacant Land for me therefore I proceeded to this place and having found Land in this Township and would wish to become a Settler of it and therefore it is my humble desire and request that you would send Orders to Mr. Atkins the Surveyor at Kingstown to give me a Certificate for my Portion of Lands allotted to me by his Majesties late Order. And your petitioner shall ever Pray ————

JACOB BALL.

Honble. John Collins Esqr. Deputy Surveyor General.

The Government of Quebec Dr To John Collins Deputy Surveyor General between the 24th December 1767 and 25 June 1768:

To Rent of an Office between the above Dates at £50 Sterlg. p. annum	£27	15	6
To Travelling to Montreal by order of the Lieutenant Governor and making Sundry Surveys in order to ascertain the Quantity of his Majesty's Lands betwixt Lake St. Louis & Lake Champlain as far as the boundaries of the Province; also of those reserved for the use of his Majesty within and without the City and Fortifications at Montreal, and likewise making a Survey of the Seigniories at Chateauguay and La Prairie.....	47	0	0
To Sundry Expences attending the several Surveys, Vizt. Postage, Chain-Carriers, Hatchetmen, Batteau hire &c	21	0	0
To a Set of Plans of the above Four Surveys, Duplicates, & recording, in all twelve Plans.	10	0	0
Halifax Cury	£105	15	6

Quebec 26 June 1768.

JOHN COLLINS Depy S. Genl.

(On back.) John Collins D. Surv. Genl. Account Contingencies & Disbursements from 25 Decmr. 1767 to 24 June 1768.

£105	15	6	
10	11	6	
£ 95	4	0	Halifax Stg.

Castle of St. Lewis Quebec 27 March 1800.

Sir,—His Excellency the Lieut. Governor desires to be furnished with Copies of the Diagrams D and E which are lodged in your Office relative to the granting of the Waste Lands of the Crown.

I am Sir Your most obedient humble Servant,

H. W. RYLAND.

S. Holland Esqr. Surveyor Genl.

My Lord,—In obedience to your Lordship's order in Council of 17th February 1789, I have the honor to report the Copy of a Schedule, with an Alphabetical List of the several Townships in the District of Luneburg, Shewing at one View all the Lots under Certificates of Location with the Proprietors Names, the Situation of his Lot, agreeable to the Plans and Reports made by the Deputy Surveyors employed on that Service.

Which is humbly Submitted to your Lordship's Wisdom.

JOHN COLLINS, D. S. Gl.

Surveyor General's office, Quebec 20th January 1790.*

His Excellency The Right Honble. Lord Dorchester.

(on Back) 20 January Report to His Excellency Lord Dorchester annexed to the Schedule of the District of Mecklenburg & Luneburg.

REPORT of the Certificates of location granted in the District of Mecklenburg, by order from the Surveyor Generals Office & under authority of the Board between the 1st day of Octr. 1788 & the 23d day of September 1789 inclusive.

To whom granted.	Date of the Certificate of location.	No. of the Lot.	No. of acres.	Concession.	Township.
Stephen Brown	1st Oct., 1789	½ 8	100	1	1st Township below Pittsburg.
Peter Rorbac	8th "	½ 17	"	"	"
John Hantz	" "	½ 19	"	"	"
John McAfee	" "	½ 21	"	"	"
Richd. Smith	" "	½ 21	"	"	"
Abraham Smith	" "	½ 19	"	"	"
Samuel Smith	" "	½ 22	"	"	"
Robert Wright	" "	½ 22	"	"	"
Thomas Smith	" "	½ 23	"	"	"
Benjamine Attwood	" "	½ 23	"	"	"
Alexr. Laughlin	" "	½ 17	"	2	Ernest Town.
Mathew Longwell	18th "	½ 24	"	1	1st Township below Pittsburg.
John Longwell	" "	½ 24	"	"	"
Eleazer Yeomans	" "	½ 15	"	"	"
Thomas More	10th Nov.	½ 7	"	2	Pittsburg.
Godfrey Leode	17th "	½ 3	"	1	1st below Pittsburg.
Richard Lewis	" "	½ 14	"	"	"
William Lewis	" "	½ 14	"	"	"
Richard & William Graham	10th Decr.	16	200	"	"

*See proper date in Schedule 20 Jany. 1790.

Certificates of location granted in District of Mecklenburg, etc.—*Continued.*

To whom granted.	Date of the Certificate of location.	No. of the Lot.	No. of acres.	Concession.	Township.
Gilbert Purdy & Rulof Ostorum	19th Jany., 1789	18	200	2	Sydney.
Francis Kene	21st "	½ 37	100	1	"
Tobias Cole	" "	½ 37	"	"	"
Peter Bradt	26th "	½ 14	"	"	Richmond.
Philip Sweet (Swuk?)	" "	½ 29	"	"	"
John & William Huff	25th Feby.	16	200	2	"
Abraham & Solomon Huff	" "	15	"	"	"
William Reid	28th "	½ 4	100	4	Thurlow.
Abraham Wilisee	" "	½ 5	"	"	"
John Reid	" "	½ 6	"	"	"
John Johnson	4th March	½ 5	"	"	
James Johnson	" "	½ 4	"	"	
Elias & Joseph Clapp	" "	12	200	2	Richmond.
Isaac Arhold	5th "	½ 13	100	"	"
Samuel Williams	13th March, '89	½ 6	100	4	Thurlow. [carried over
Benjamine Spencer	16th "	½ 18	"	2	Richmond.
Henry Spencer	" "	½ 18	"	"	"
Conradt Fredricks	" "	½ 3	"	4	Thurlow.
Samuel Duree	" "	½ 3	"	"	"
Garret Vanhorn	" "	½ 2	"	"	"
Benjamine Clapp	18th "	½ 1	"	"	"
John Wood	" "	½ 1	"	"	"
James Demarre	19th "	½ 7	"	"	"
William Foster	24th "	½ 7	"	"	"
Benjamine Winney	26th "	½ 9	"	2	Richmond.
Mathias Marsh	16th May	½ 5	"	1	Sydney.
John Vanderloss	" "	5	200	2	"
Jacob Friligh	18th June	6	"	"	"
Michael Smith	" "	20	"	"	"
Jacob Smith	" "	21	"	"	"
Jacob Fritz	" "	12	"	"	
John McMichael	" "	21	"	1	Thurlow.
John Havens	27th "	2	"	5	"
Josuah Booth	" "	3	"	"	"
Nicholas Lake	30th "	19	"	2	Sydney.
Richard Smith	" "	1	"	5	Thurlow.
Arthur Yeoman	1st July	7	"	2	"
Henry Finkle	" "	16	"	3	Sydney.
Robert Young	" "	4	"	"	Thurlow.
David Yeoman	" "	8	"	2	"
Ensign Timothy Thompson	2nd "	.....	200	1	Joining No. 1 Sophiasburg L. Lake.
Peter McDougal	17th "	5 ½ 6	300	3	Thurlow.
Stephen Boyce	" "	5	200	5	"
John Conklin	" "	4	"	"	"
Peter Thomas	" "	6	"	"	"
John Foster	" "	17	"	3	Richmond.
John Ferguson & Capt. Lipscome	25th "	33	"	"	Sydney.
John Ferguson	" "	.....	100	1	Joining No. 1 upon the east side of the River Cataraqui.
Philip Hartman	29th "	23	200	3	Sydney.
John German	" "	34	"	"	"
Jacob Hess	" "	22	"	"	"
James Hennesy	29th July, 1789.	19	200	3	"
Barnabus Hough	" "	20 & ½ 21	300	"	"
Joseph Franklin, Senr	" "	9	200	3	Pittsburg.
Joseph Franklin, Junr	" "	11	"	"	"
John Franklin	" "	½ 9	100	4	"
Capt. Jno. Walter Myers	12th Augt.	11	200	3	Sydney.

Certificates of location granted in District of Mecklenburg, etc.—*Concluded.*

To whom granted.	Date of the Certificate of location.	No. of the Lot.	No. of acres.	Concession.	Township.
David Hartman	12th Augt.	24 & ½ 25	300	3	Sydney.
James Smith	" "	3	200	2	"
Peter Friligh	26th "	½ 35	100	3	"
Martin Friligh	" "	36	200	"	
Solomon Paddock	" "	32	"	"	
Christopher Friligh	" "	½ 35	100	"	
William Johnson	" "	10	200	"	Thurlow.
William Hannah	" "	11	"	"	"
Davis Hawley	" "	26 & 27	300	1	Camden.
Robert Perry	" "	16 & 17	400	2	"
William Walker	" "	28	200	1	"
Daniel Walker	" "	29	"	"	"
Richard Bushell	17th "	4	"	4	Pittsburg.
Lt. James Robins	8th "	14	"	3	"
Ensign William Crawford	17th "	26	"	5	Fredericksburg.
David Babcock	23rd "	20	"	3	Richmond.
Joachim Clocker	" "	19	"	"	"
Samuel Galloway	" "	21	"	"	"
Jacob Smith	" "	18	"	3	
Do		½ 13	250 "	4	Sydney.
Lands granted by Orders of Council & from the Surveyor General's office, &c.					
Niel McLean, Esqr	20th Feby., '89	1	200	3	Pittsburg.
Do	" "	11	300	1	1st below Do.
Do	" "	.....	200 / 700		Between Pittsburg & the Lands resvd. for a fort joing. Lt. A. McDonell's.
Serjt. John Gray, lat 84th Regt.	8th Oct., 1788	20	200	1	1st Township below Pittsburg granted by Mr. J. McDonell.

Kingston, 23rd Sept., 1789. Alexr. Aitkin, Dy. P. Surveyor.

(on back) Return of Certificates of Occupation granted by the Surveyr. Genls Department under the authority of the Board for the District of Mecklenburg in the Years 1788 & 1789.

(in pencil) about 100 Certificates were granted in the above District.

Surveyor Generals Office Quebec

General Annual Report of the Number of Settlers at 5th Township, Bay of Kentee.

Settlers.	Houses.	Men.	Women.	Males under 15 ys.	Females under 14.	Acres of land. Granted.	Arable	Meadow	Bushell of grain sowed.	Bushell of grain collected	No of arms.	Horses	Colts.	Oxen.	Bulls.	Cows.	Heifers.	Sheep.	Pigs.
British	60	134	39	35	33	19,750	487	....	237		40	12	3	11	3	27	9	..	182
German	18	33	11	11	5	5,250	79	....	43	....	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	37
	78	167	50	46	38	25,000	566	....	280	....	45	12	3	11	3	27	9	..	219

(Copy. Dan'l. Wright.

6 October, 1787.

(Copy)

Surveyor Generals Office Quebec 15 Novr 1792

Sir,—I am honoured by your Letter of the 20th Octor, respecting the Claim of Lt. Col. James Gray to the Promontory or Point of Land between the East Part of the Town Plot and the Petite Pointe Maligou on the Bank of the St. Lawrence in the Township of Cornwall; in answer to which I beg to inform you that Lt. Colonel Gray applied to me for a Certificate for the said Point of Land in the Year 1784 which I did not then think myself authorized to grant without previously representng the same to General Haldimand then Governor of this Province:—On my return to Quebec I accordingly represented it to General Haldimand, who was pleased to Grant Colonel Grays request and directed me to communicate the same to Col. Gray by Letter which I accordingly did.——

I have the Honor to be, Sir, your most obedt. Hble. Servt

S.H.

To E. B. Littlehales Esqr.

Quebec 2d July 1792—

Sir,—Enclosed you will find Four Warrants with orders of Survey for the same, the Township of Rawdon is to be laid out for half pay officers. But as I am at a loss as yet to whom I am to apply for the Payement of the Survey, you will postpone Commencing any operations on that Township until you receive further Instructions from me.

One half the Expence of the other Three Townships being to be defrayed by Government, you are at liberty to Draw on me for 15£ pr. Township, the supposed half of the Expence; I therefore need not recommend Economy, as it will be obvious how very attentive you must be to that point, as your accounts will undergo a strict scrutiny; and every charge, that can not really appear absolutely necessary will be disallowed. You will guide yourself accordingly and I make no doubt acquit yourself satisfactorily indeed a strict attention to the above cannot fail of redounding to your Credit, and of furnishing you a surety of future constant Employment.

S. HOLLAND

Col. Willm. Fortune.

(printed form)

SURVEYOR-GENERAL'S OFFICE

QUEBEC, 1st August, 1792.

SIR,—I Beg to inform you that the Warrant of Survey in your Favour requiring a Township to be laid out by the Name of is now into Execution by Mr. Deputy Surveyors; and it being required by the said Warrant that the Petitioners should make Provision for exempting the Crown from more than One Half of the Expence of the said Survey, I am to request the Favour of you to lodge in this Office the Sum of Fifteen Pounds towards carrying the same into Effect.

When the Survey shall be compleated, I shall cause a Regular Account of the Expences to be laid before you, to the End that an Equal Division

thereof may be made between the Crown and the Petitioners agreeable to the said Warrant.

I have the Honor to be, SIR, you most humble Servant,

P.S. The Favour of an Answer in writing is requested, to the End that, in Case of your relinquishing the Preference given you, the Warrant may be returned in Form, whereby the Land may be again open for other Petitioners.

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Sent to			
Ruiter and others	No.	13	Juneken & Hall—No. 93, Sept. 4th, 1792.
Asa Porter	"	14	Mr. Harrison—84, Sept. 4th.
Eleazer Fitch	"	29	Mr. J. S. Glenny—89, Sept. 4th.
Nichs. Austin	"	30	George Allsopp, Esqr.
Knoulton and others	"	36	F. Baby, Esqr.
Clarke & Baker	"	49	Chambers and others.
Gilbert Hyatt	"	52	H. Caldwell, Esqr.
Williams and others	"	54	Kenhelm Chandler, Esqr.
Amos Lay	"	56	John Craigie, Esqr.
Moses Cowan	"	57	Henry Cull.
John Donaldson	"	58	Thomas Dunn, Esqr.
Alexr. Wright	"	59	Hugh Finlay, Esqr.
Saml. Waterhouse	"	60	James Fisher.
Thorpe & Powell	"	61	Simon Fraser, Jr.
Wm. Coit	"	64	William Grant, Esqr.
Hugh Hogan and others	"	65	David Grant, Esqr.
John Prentisse	"	67	J. De Longueuil.
Levi Allen	"	68	Lester & Morrough.
Reuben Bostwick	"	69	Laurier & Sons (written in then crossed out.)
Moses Austin and others	"	70	Francis LeMaitre, Esqr.
Jonn. Dow and others	"	71	Chs. De Launaudiere, Esqr.
Isaac Coit	"	72	Jas. Monk, Esqr.
Menard Harris Yeomans	"	73	J. Mayson.
Abel Spencer	"	77	Mervin Boothe, Esq. (written in then crossed out)
John Bishop	"	78	P. Panet, Esqr.
Heny. Willard Shent	"	80	Jno. Plenderleath, Esqr.
Moses Goddard	"	81	Thos. Scott, Esqr.
Willman Clark and others	"	86	Lauchlin Smith.
Hathway	"	87	Nathaniel Taylor.
Ebenr. Allen and others	"	88	Philip Toosey.
Wm. Lee	"	95	Jenkin Williams, Esqr—No. 75, Sept. 12.
Ward Bailey	"	100	Thos. Wilson— No. 50, Sept. 15.
			Dr. Isaac Moseley or Mr. Allsop his Agent .... } No. 42, Sept. 24.

(written on back)

NB The above sent by Mr. Josh. Sawyer & Mr. May Sept. 3d 1792. They were dated Augt. 1st 1792.

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(on second back) To Sundry People to advance their Proportion of the Exps of their Surveys.

1st August 1792.

LIST of the reduced Officers of Provincial Corps in the District of Mecklenburg, Stating the Corps they belonged to, the number of acres each is entitled to, the number received and the quantity still due.

——	Number of acres each is entitled to.	Number received.	Number due.
Captain James McDonell, of Sir John Johnson's Corps	3,000	700	2,300
" William Redford Crawford	3,000	875	2,125
" George Singleton	3,000	.....	.....
Lieut. William McKay	2,000	700	1,300
" Oliver Church	2,000	.....	.....
" John Howard	2,000	.....	.....
" Hazelton Spencer	2,000	.....	.....
" Henry Young	2,000	.....	.....
" Philip P. Lansingh	2,000	300	1,700
Ensign William Crawford	2,000	600	1,400
" Timothy Thompson	2,000	.....	.....
Chaplain Rev. Mr. Jno. Stuart	2,000	1,400	600
Adjt. William Fraser	2,000	.....	.....
Qr. Mr. Mathew Dies	2,000	.....	.....
Major James Rogers, King's Rangers	5,000	.....	.....
Captain John Stinson	3,000	950	2,050
Lieut. Israel Ferguson	2,000	.....	.....
Ensign John Peters	2.000	200	1,800
" Richard Ferguson	2,000	.....	.....
" Jonathan Miller	2,000	200	1,800
Captain John W. Myers, Royal Rangers	3,000	.....	.....
Lieut —— Parrot	2,000	.....	.....
" Henry Simmons	2,000	.....	.....
" Guisbard Sharp	2,000	700	1,300
" James Robins	2,000	.....	.....
Ensign John Dusenbury	2,000	500	1,500
" Paul Trumpour, Delancey's Brgde	2,000	650	1,350
Lieut. David Brass, Butler's Rangers	2,000	.....	.....
Captain Peter Rattan, Jersey Volunteers	3,000	1,100	1,900
" Tost. Harkemer, of the Batteaux	3,000	1,100	1,900
" William Johnson, Indian Department	3,000	750	2,250
Lieut. George McGin	2,000	.....	.....
" William R. Bowen	2,000	600	1,400
" John Richards	2,000	700	1,300
" Edward Carscallion, Peters's Corps	2,000	600	1,400
Major Peter Vanalstine, Associated Loyalists	5,000	1,470	3,530
Captain John Everitt	3,000	1,050	1,950
" Barret Deyer	3,000	850	2,150
" Joseph Allen	3,000	300	2,700
" Abraham Maybee	3,000	1,000	2,000
Lieut. William Rattan	2,000	800	1,200
" Emanuel Ellerbeck	2,000	.....	.....
" Peter Vallou	2,000	900	1,100
" John Hyck	2,000	800	1,200
" Paul Huff	2,000	700	1,300
" Philip Dorland	2,000	600	1,400
Ensign George Galloway	2,000	700	1,300
Captain Daniel McGuin, De Lancey's Corps	3,000	1,050	1,950
" Michael Grass, New York Militia	3,000	1,250	1,750
Lieut. William Atkinson	2,000	750	1,250

(From Mr. Aitkin, D.P.S., 1785.)

Quebec, 20th December, 1785.

Sir,—In order to distinguish the several Claimes of the Fiefs in Quebec and its Bailiwick on the Plan now forming I have applied to the Communities, who are the Proprietors for their Plans, to lay down the Boundary lines, who with chearfulness complied with my demands, Excepting the Wardens of the great Church or Fabrique, who have denied me theirs; however Monsr. Dechaneau one of the Church Wardens, in whose possession the Plans are has told me, since I had the pleasure of seeing your Honour this morning, that he will let me have the Plans, by a requesition from you, as Commander in Chief.

I find that the difficulty made by them arises from a Law Suit they have with the Seminary, but by my promising them that I would lay down the Boundary lines as claimed by both parties, he seemed to have no objections to deliver it on your Honours Order.

I have the Honour to be with the greatest esteem, Sir, Your Honours most Obed., Humble Servt.,

His Honour the Commander in Chief, &ca.

Habitants of the Town Cataraqui.

1	Lt. Arch. McDonnel	x	43	Willm. Rangiere	
2	Major Ross		44	James Warrick	
3	Georg Grant	Peter Clark.	45	Richd. Haw	Philips
4	Jno. Grant	x	46	Cpr. Johnston	
5	Thomas Markland	x	47	Owen Conner } King	
6	King		48	Adj. Fraser }	
7	John Taylor	x	49	Cluness	x
8	King		50	James Hawley	x Mr. Cook
9	Miss Gibson	x	51	Lt. Brass	
10	Torenne Dunn	Clark	52	Cpr. Grass	Mr. Steward
11	Comisy. McLean	x	53	Willm. Arkenson	x
12	Lt. Church } Arch. McDonnel		54	Ludw. Tuffy	Mr. Gordon
13	Mr. Greenshmidt }		55	Cpr. Singleton	
14	Comisy. McLean	x	56	Rich. Green	
15	Thomas Moore	Mr. Steward	57	Robins	x
16	Willm. McDonnel	Mr. Farlany	58	Thomas Redford	Roch. Camot
17	Babt. Russau	x	59	Hugh Simpson	John Dunken
18	Mr. Russel	John Grant	60	Cluness	
19	Lt. Connelly	NB.	61	Robt. Ellice } King	
20	York Thomas	x John Prahmann	62	Joseph Westley }	
21	Comodor Baiton	Mrs. O'Neil	63	Hugh Allan	x John Gilbarey
22	Willm. Thomas	Mr. Cramoin	64	Georg Murdoff	
23	John Watson	Van Dufon	65	Wm. Melver	
24	Jacob Harkmann	Cpl. Allan	66	Phil. Pemper	
25	Cpl. Harkmann	x	67	Lorens Ildel	
26	Comisy. Farquerson	x	68	Alex. McDonnel	John Farquarson
27	Amos Ansley	x	69	Willm. Farquerson	Robt. McCawly
28	Sam. Ansley	Joh Dunkan	70	Burng Wimp	
29	Peter Clark	x	71	Robert Tindal	Mah. Knight
30	Mich. Diederic	Sam. Ansley	72	Benj. Vancure	
31	Christ. Raschorn		73	Willm. Moore	
32	Willm. Howe		74	John Burnet	
33	Colin McKensie		75	James Braidy	
34	Willm. Bower		76	Copl. McGuin	
35	Widow Wright		77	Lorens Harkmann	
36	Jacob Hofmann		78	Aron Brerer	
37	Willm. Well		79	Georg Hahle	
38	Mahl. Knight	x	80	Carl Maiany.	
39	James Clark, Sen.		81	David Emburry	
40	Robt. McCawly	x	82	John Horning	Am. Ansley
41	Alex. Farquerson	x	83	Cpt. Gahle (Gable?)	John Farquerson
42	Capt. Everett	Mr. Aitkins	84	Solom. Orson	

85	Abij. Crist	146	Re ly. Crawford
86	David Wightmann	147	Rob. Simpson
87	Mr. Wills	148	Thimo. Porter
88	John Parlow	149	Mich. Conlon
89	Lt. McGuin	150	Ludw. McKay
90	Lt. Hector McLean	151	.....
91	——— Major Muntych]	152	John Galleway
92	} King	153	David Purdy
93		154	Dan. McMollen
94	King	155	Andrew Lase
95	Richd. Cammel	156	Baron Reitzenstein
96	Georg Book	157	Louis Crawford
97	Brgar Crawford	158	Georg McDougal
98	Robt. Greham	159	John Deyer
99	Pet. Wartmann	160	Barth. Heaffy
100	} King Neil McLean, Esqr.	161	John Warner
101		162	Gilbert Orson
102	Doctor Karr Major Muntych	163	Willm. Johns
103	John Palmar Phil Pember	164	Ludw. Holland
104	Clany N. McLean Esqr	165	Lt. Tinling
105	Pet. Philips	166	Georg Galloway
106	Henry Holland	167	Lt. Shelhan
107	Vacant	168	Grooms
108	Cpt. Crawford	169	Lt. Sharp
109	John Robertson	170	Reb. Ansley
110	Thomas Burnet	171	Robert Clark
111	Widow Oneil	172	Mr. Dies
112	Peter Grass	173	Georg Faddle
113	Major Roes Neil McLean Esqr.	174	Math. Burnet
114	Lt. Lansing Phil Pember	175	John Anderson
115	Allan McDonnel Phil Pember	176	John Bartholomew
116	Lt. Peppiet Neil McLean Esqr.	177	John File
117	.....	178	John Fernies
118	Simon Swartz	179	Alex. Fisher
119	Willm. Gibb	180	Daniel Rose
120	John Melvin	181	Richd. Prenties
121	John Emburry	182	Lt. Simons
122	John Edgar	183	Thom. Forseyth
123	Alex. Simpson	184	Math. Forrest
124	Andrew Emburry	185	Lt. Howard
125	John Fadle	186	.....
126	James Clark jun	187	John Duncan
127	John Holm x	188	Dav. Hogan
128	John Forseit	189	Lt. Cloves
129	.....	190	Ludw. Spenser
130	John Monier	191	Russell Pittmann
131	Major Vanalstein	192	Peter Clark Sen.
132	Dan. Fisher	193	Willm. Burn
133	Joe. Groom	194	Emanuel Ellerbeck
134	Charl. McCulloch	195	Mich. Taylor
135	Briton Gurnop	196	James Gardenier
136	Colin McKinsey	197	John Most
137	Cpt. Monpleasant	198	Donnel McDonnel
138	Cpt. James McDonnel	199	Ensign Thomson
139	Conrad Orbit	200	Georg Weston
140	Abrah. Wortmann	201	Math. Harkmann
141	Rich. Wingate	202	Martin Snook
142	Miss Page	203	John Thompson
143	John McFarlane	204	Ensign Crawford
144	Nievl. Wietzel	205	Cpr. Meyers
145	James Brown	206	Lt. Arch. Grant

(The outside names in each column in Ms. written in later (?) with different ink.)

(on back) Names of the Settlers and those who have drawn town Lots at Cataraqui. 1785.

Surveyor General's Office,

Quebec, 5th February, 1791.

Sir,—You are directed to proceed to Montreal without loss of time, and on your arrival there to engage ten Chain Bearers, and Ax Men, on the most reasonable terms they can be had, not exceeding one Shilling, and six pence, per day each man, exclusive of provisions, and immediately proceed with all Diligence.———————— to the River Riddeau in the District of Luneburg, and there Survey and mark the lines of a Township of ten Miles Square, agreeable to the Plan of an inland Township approved by His Excellency the Governor, which is to be named Marlborough, and is situated on the West side the said River, above the junction of the two branches. You are to divide the front into lots of two hundred Acres each, and mark every third line of Concession, reserving the site of the Town, the Glebe and Crown Lands, &ca. This Township is intended to satisfy a number of Loyalists now waiting for their locations.

You are to commence and proceed in the execution of this work with all diligence, Accuracy and fidelity, in conformity to the General Rules & Regulations, in all instances not otherwise Specially directed.

You are to keep Journals & field Books inserting therein whatever is observable for its Singularity and value towards the public Utility as Water falls, Minerals, quarries, the quality of the lands, timber, &ca., and Likewise Accounting for the time spent upon each service with such minuteness and certainty as will shew the work of each day, and enable you to Answer Questions upon Oath in respect thereto if the same shall be required reporting all such journals and Fieldbooks under your signature to this Office after the completion of the work, together with protractions thereof both to me and to the land Board of the District in which you shall have been employed.

You are to pay a very strict attention to Œconomy, in the whole service, dismiss the hands to be employed, as soon as they can be spared, and as the accounts will all be Subject to Audit, You'l take care to furnish the necessary documents in justification of every article of Charge, Observing Nevertheless, that it is not intended by any small savings to disapoint the useful ends for which these Surveys are ordered, but that a responsible discretion must be exercised in the expenditure both of the time and the means.

That no work be done in the nature of the Subdivision of Townships into lots, except to such Number and extent, as the Land Board of the District shall from time to time in writing direct.

That you communicate these Instructions to the Land Board of the District of Luneburg, to which the work therein directed relates, and Copies thereof are to accompany the Accounts hereafter to be rendered to Obtain payment for the Services You shall have performed.

When the Surveys aforementioned are compleated, You will receive further Instructions.—

Wishing you health, I am with regard, Sir, Your Most Obedt. Servant

Wishing you health, I am with regard, Sir,

Your Most Obedt. Servant,

Mr. Theodr. De Pencier,
Dy. Surveyor.

At a meeting of The Committee, stiled the Land Committee, for the disposal of the waste lands of the Crown,

Wednesday, the 20th of April, 1790.

Present the Chief Justice,

Messieurs Finlay,
Collins,
Caldwell,
Grant &
Delanaudiere.

Read, The Proposals from the Surveyor General's office of Surveys to be made in the course of the ensuing summer and the estimate of the charge.

Upon the several articles of the work the Committee are of opinion

Article No. 1. That the work will require the strength proposed, but that for ascertaining the time and manner of executing it, the Surveyor employed should be instructed to report minutely in his Journal.

Article No. 2. That this work is not necessary. It will be the business of the Proprietors on each side of the boundary lines of D'Argenteuil to adjust their partition, & the Chart location in the Surveyor General's office is beyond the claim of the Proprietor of D'Argenteuil.

Article 3 & 4. The like opinions, as founded on similar principles.

Article No. 5. That this work appears to be expedient.

Article No. 6. That the Committee are not apprized of the immediate want of any more surveys in this Township.

Article 7. That the actual Survey of the Partition between these two Counties to the extent proposed is necessary, to prevent the mischiefs of an ambiguous Jurisdiction as well as to facilitate the Royal Grants & future settlements in that Vicinity.

Article 8. That this work is expedient and that may be a saving to the Crown at the same time, to run out the outside lines of other Townships in that Vicinity, One on the North of Kingston, & the rest between that & the Lake near the Township of Cambden & adjacent thereto.

Article 9. As this Country is not the immediate object of any applications, & a future purchase in the rear will probably be made from the Indians, the Committee conceive it will suffice to lay out the Coast into fronts of Townships, & carry the actual Surveys back only a mile well marked to be afterwards continued as occasion may require.

Art. 10. A map is said to be already directed.

Art. 11. The like.

Art. 12. That this work does not appear to be immediately expedient.

Copy from the minute.

HUGH FINLAY.

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(on back)—17th May, 1790. Journal of the Land Committee.

20th April, 1790.

Surveys recommended.

The Surveyor General's Office to prepare Estimates for the Different services of the Surveying Department within recommended to be done.

By order of H. E. Lord Dorchester.

HENRY MOZZ.

Quebec, 3d May, '90.

SURVEY'S proposed for the present Year, with an Estimate of Expences Anexed.....

1st.....To trace the Line for a Highway from the Township of Cornwall in the District of Luneburg, to Kingston in the District of Mecklanburg, in the Manner Stated in the Instructions to Messrs. Chewett and Pennoyer last Year.....

2nd.....To Ascertain and mark the Line of the Western Boundary of the Seignory of D'Argentieul in the District of Luneburg for preventing Disputes between the proprietors of that Seignory and the Subsequent Grantees of the Crown.....

3d.....To Ascertain and mark the Line of the Western Boundary of the Seignory of Vaudeuriel, Situated on the South Side the Ottawa River, in the District of Luneburg, for the better Ascertaining the Crown Lands, and prevent disputes in future.....

4th.....To Ascertain and fix the Western Boundary of the Seignory of New Longeuil on the North Side Lake St. Francis in the District of Luneburg for preventing Disputes between the proprietors of that Seignory, and the Subsequent Grantees of the Crown Lands.

5th.....On Adjusting the Quantum of Land in the Township of Lancaster in the District of Luneburg, under Double Certificates to Loyalists of that Township and the Emigrants from Scotland. To mark the Division Line, and Satisfy the Latter out of the Waste Lands of the Crown, on the Northern Side of their present Location.

6th.....To Compleat the Survey of Johnstown and fix the Boundary's of the Land Adjoining the Town plot reserved for a Seminary Glebe, &ca.

7th.....To Survey and mark the Division Line between the Districts of Luneburg and Mecklenburg from the Mouth of the River Gananocque (now the Themes) on a Line due North to Intersect the Ottawa River, and from thence down that River to join the Survey made by Mr. Rankin last Summer.

8th.....To Survey and Lay out a Township on a Lake that Discharges into the Appennie River adjoining the Township of Camden in the District of Mecklanburg, where many of the New Comers wish to make Settlement.

9th.....To Survey and lay out in Townships the Land lately purchased by Sir John Johnson from the Missesaga Nation on the North Side Lake Ontario in the District of Nassau from the head of the Bay of Quinte to Toronto.

10th.....To have an Accurate Survey of the whole Settlement of Niagara in the District of Nassau, by a Scale of two Miles to an Inch with each proprietor's Name inserted in his Lot.

11th.....To have an Accurate Survey of the Settlement, and Crown Lands, at Detroit, in the District of Hesse, by a Scale of Two Miles to an Inch with each proprietor's Name inserted in his Lot.

12th.....In Order to Correct the Several Surveys which Compose the General plan of this province it will be Necessary to Ascertain with Exactitude, both the Latitude and Longitude of the Lakes, Rivers, Forts, Settlements, &ca., in all such parts as may be worthy of Observa-

tion, between the Entrance of Lake Superior, and the Town of Montreal.

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(on back) Surveys first proposed for the year 1790. Referred to the Land Committee by order of H. E. Lord Dorchester.

HENRY MOTZ.

Quebec, 14th April, '90.
filed 14 April, 1790. J. W.

ESTIMATE of Expences it will Necessarily require to Execute the proposed Surveys.....

1st. To trace the Line for a Highway from the Township of Cornwall to Kingston, distance 80 Miles.....

		£	s.	d.
Mr. Pennoyer is proposed for this Service.....	1 Surveyor, 60 days at 7/6 per day.....	22	10	0
	10 Men, 60 days at 1/4 per day	40	0	0
	Provisions for 11 Men, 60 days at 1/3 ...	41	5	0
		103	15	0

2nd. To mark the Western Boundary of the Seignory of D'Argentieul, distance 9 Miles.....

Mr. Rankin.	1 Surveyor, 6 days at 7/6 per day	2	5	0
	10 Men, 6 days at 1/4 ea. per day	4	0	0
	Provisions for 11 Men, 6 days at 1/3	4	2	6

3d. To mark the Western Boundary of the Seignory of Vauderil, distance as above 10 7 6

Mr. Rankin.....

4th. To fix the Western Boundary of the Seignory of New Longuieuil, distance as above 10 7 6

Mr. Rankin.....

5th. To Survey and Mark the Division Line in Lancaster, between the Loyalist Settlement, and that of the Emigrants from Scotland, distance as above 10 7 6

Mr. Rankin.....

6th. To Compleat the Survey of Johnstown with the Land reserved for a Seminary Glebe, &ca. .....

	1 Surveyor, 90 Days at 7/6 per day	33	15	0
Mr. Rankin..	10 Men, 90 Days at 1/4 each	60	0	0
	Provisions for 10 Men, 90 days at 1/3	61	17	6
	Carried Over	300	17	6
	Brot Over	300	17	6

7th. To Survey and run the Division Line between the Districts of Luneburg and Mecklanburg .....

	1 Surveyor, 30 days at 7/6	8	5	0
Mr. Rankin.	10 Men, 30 days ea. at 1/4	20	0	0
	Provisions for 11 Men, 30 days @ 1/3	20	0	0

8th. To Survey and Mark the front Line of a Township in Mecklanburg Adjoining Camden .....

Mr. Atkin.	1 Surveyor, 20 days at 7/6	7	10	0
	10 Men, 20 days at 1/4	13	6	

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9th. To Survey and lay out in Townships the Land between the head of the Bay of Quinte and Toronto, distance 72 Miles.

		£	s.	d.
Mr. Frey.	1 Surveyor, 60 days at 7/6	22	10	0
	10 Men, 60 days at 1/4	40	0	0
	Total	£432	0	2

N.B. No. 10, 11 and 12 Cannot be brought into the Estimate, being Uncertain the time it may require to Compleat it.

All which is Humbly Submitted for Your Lordship's Consideration.

JOHN COLLINS, D.S.Gl.

Quebec, 1st March, 1790.

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The following Arangement is humbly proposed

Mr. Chewett to be employed in the Surveyor General's Office as Draftsman.....

Mr. Rankin to Execute the Orders of the Board of Luneburg.....

Mr. Pennoyer to Execute the Orders of the Board at Montreal.....

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(on back) Estimate of Surveys first proposed.

Report to His Excellency the Right Honorable Lord Dorchester, 1st March, 1790.....

Referred to the Land Committee by order of His Excellency Lord Dorchester.

HENRY MOTZ.

Quebec, 14th April, '90.
filed 14th April, 1790. J. W.

Extract from the Minutes of Council, Monday, 17th May, 1790.

His Lordship was pleased to take into consideration a Proposal from the Surveyor General's Office of Surveys to be made in the course of the ensuing Summer, a Journal or Report of the Land Committee thereon, and an Estimate of the expence for carrying the services recommended by the Land Committee into execution.

ORDERED by His Lordship with the advice of the Council,

1.—That a Deputy Surveyor and ten Men be employed to trace a Highway from the Township of Cornwall in the District of Luneburg to Kingston in the District of Mecklenburg.—

2.—That the Land-Board of Luneburg employ the Deputy Surveyor of their District with ten men for ascertaining the quantities of Land in the Township of Lancaster under double certificates to Loyalists of that Township, and the Emigrants from Scotland, marking the Line of division between them and satisfying the latter out of the waste lands of the Crown on the northern side of their present locations, at such time, as may best fall in with their general arrangemenf of the Summer's business of their district. —

3.—That the Land-Boards of Luneburg and Mecklenburg concert the proper mode for running the division Line between their respective districts as far as the shore of the Uttawas river, jointly by the Surveyors of both Districts, or either of them, under such instructions

and at such time, during the present or the ensuing season, as the general arrangement of the business of their District may admit.—

4.—That the Land-Board of Mecklenburg employ the Deputy Surveyor of their District, with ten Men, to survey and mark the front lines of four Townships, one on a Lake adjoining the Township of Camden, one on the North of Kingston, and two in the intermediate space between the above mentioned, and to carry the side lines of each Township back one mile, well marked, at such time as may best fall in with their general arrangement of the Summer's business, of their district.

5.—That the Land Board of Nassau employ the Surveyor of their District, with ten men, to survey and mark the front lines of Townships from the Eastern boundary of their District to Toronto, and to carry the side lines of each Township back one mile well marked, at such time as may best fall in with their general arrangement of the Summer's business of their District, and if other more necessary work will admit of it.

And it is hereby further ordered, that the Surveyor General's Office take course to give full and particular instructions to the different Deputy Surveyors to be employed in these services, directing them to keep Journals as well as Field-books, minuting whatever is observable for its singularity and value towards the public utility, as Water-falls, Minerals, Quarries, Springs, Timber, &ca., and shewing the disposition of the time they shall be out, premonishing them, that it is expected they will be able to answer questions upon oath if called upon, and that they will be held responsible for the due execution of their Trust.

ORDERED also, that the different papers first aforementioned to be now taken into consideration, be put upon the files for future Resort thereto, as the case may require.

J. Williams.

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(on back) 17th May, 1790. Order of His Excellency Lord Dorchester in Council respecting Surveys to be made in 1790.

For the Surveyor General's Office.

ESTIMATE of Expences it will Necessarily require to execute the Proposed Surveys.....Recommended by the Committee of Council 20th April, 1790.

1st. To Trace the line for a Highway from the Township of Cornwall to Kingston, distance 80 Miles...

By Mr. Pennoyer.	1 Surveyor, 60 days at 7/6 per day.....	£22	10	0
	10 Men, 60 days each, at 1/4 per day...	40	0	0
	Provisions for 11 Men, 60 days ea. at 1/3.	41	5	0
		103	15	0

2d. To Survey and mark the Division line in Lancaster between the Loyalist Settlement, and that of the Emigrants from Scotland, distance 9 Miles.....

By Mr. Rankin.	1 Surveyor, 6 days at 7/9 p. day	2	5	0
	10 Men, 6 days at 1/4 p. day	4	0	0
	Provisions for 11 Men, 6 days ea. at 1/3.	4	0	

To Survey and run the Division Line between the Districts of Luneburg and Mecklanburg.....				
By Mr. Rankin.	1 Surveyor, 30 days at 7/6 pr.	8	5	0
	10 Men, 30 days ea. at 1/4 pr.	20	0	0
	Provisions for 11 Men ea., 30 days at 1/3 pr.	20	0	0
To Survey and mark the front lines of Four Townships, one on a Lake Adjoining the Township of Camden, One on the North of Kingston and two in the intermediate Space between the abovementioned, and to Carry the Side Lines of each Township back, One Mile Well Marked.—				
By Mr. Aitkin.	1 Surveyor, 60 days at 7/6 pr.	22	10	0
	10 Men, 60 days ea. at 1/4 pr.	40	0	0
To Survey and lay out the Land between the head of the Bay of Quinty and Toronto into fronts of Townships and Carry the Side Lines One Mile back, well marked.				
By Mr. Frey.	1 Surveyor, 70 days at 7/6 pr.	26	5	0
	10 Men, 70 days ea. at 1/4 pr.	46	13	4
	Total	401	10	10

All which is Humbly Submitted for your Lordship's Consideration.

JOHN COLLINS, D.S.Gl.

Quebec, 4th May, 1790.

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(on back) Estimate of Surveys recommended.

Report to His Excellency Lord Dorchester. 4th May, 1790.

Surveyor General's Office,

Quebec, 22d February, 1791.

Sir,—You are hereby directed to proceed to Montreal without loss of time, and on your arrival to engage ten Chain bearers and Ax Men, on the most reasonable terms they can be had, not exceeding One shilling and Six pence per day each man exclusive of Provisions, and immediately proceed with all diligence by Lake St. Francis, to the River Rideau in the District of Luneburg and there survey and mark the out Lines of a Township, of ten miles square agreeable to the plan of an Inland Township prescribed by the general Rules and Regulations, which is to be named OXFORD and to be Situated between the South and West branches of the River Rideau. You are to divide the front into lots of two hundred acres each, and mark every third line of Concession, the Site of the Town, the Glebe and reservations in the Corners. This Township is intended to satisfy the claims of certain Reduced Officers, under the Orders in Council of the 22d October, 1788, and 21st July, 1790, when Liquidated.

When you have compleated the above Survey you are to proceed to Elizabeth Town, and there Survey and mark the lines of a Township, of ten Miles Square agreeable to the plan aforementioned fronting on the North boundary of Elizabeth Town, which is to be named Mansfield. You are to divide the front into lots of two hundred Acres each and mark every

third line of Concession, the Site of the Town, the Glebe and reservations in the Corners; This Township is to Satisfy the claims of certain Reduced Officers under the Order of October, 1788, and July, 1790, aforementioned when Liquidated.

You are to commence and proceed in the Execution of this work with all diligence, Accuracy & Fidelity in conformity to the General Rules and Regulations in all instances not otherwise Specially directed.

You are to keep Journals and field books, inserting therein whatever is observable for its singularity and value towards the Public utility as Water Falls, Minerals, Quarries, the quality of the Lands, timber, &ca., and likewise Accounting for the time spent upon each service with such Minuteness and certainty as will shew the work of each day, and enable you to answer Questions upon Oath in respect thereto if the same shall be required, reporting all such Journals and Field books, under your Signature to this Office after the completion of the work, together with Protractions thereof both to me and the Land board of the District in which you have been Employed.

You are to pay a very strict attention to Oeconomy in the Whole service, dismiss the hands as soon as they can be spared and as the Accounts will all be subject to Audit, You'l take care to furnish the necessary documents in justification of every Article of Charge, observing nevertheless that it is not intended by any Small savings to disappoint the useful ends for which these Surveys Are Ordered, but that a responsible discretion must be exercised in the Expenditure both of the time and the means.

You are to do no work in the nature of the Sud-divisions of townships into lots, except to such number and extent as the land board of the District shall from time to time in writing direct.

You are to Communicate these Instructions to the Land board of Luneburg, and a copy thereof is to accompany the accounts hereafter to be rendered to obtain payment for the Services you shall have performed.

It is probable that you will receive further Instructions for other services to be performed by you, before these Surveys are compleated.

Wishing you health I am with regard, Sir,

Your most Obedt. Servt.,

(Signed) Saml. Holland, Sur. Genl.

John Collins, D.S.G.

Mr. Jesse Pennoyer, Deputy Surveyor.

Quebec, the 11th September, 1783.

Sir,—It being my Intention to establish Settlements for the Provision of Part of the distressed Loyalists resorting to this Province, and in the Neighbourhood of Cataraqui upon Lake Ontario, You are hereby directed to proceed to that Place without Loss of Time for the purpose of Surveying and laying out the several Lands in Townships and Lots agreeably to the following Instructions.

1st. You will make an exact Survey of the Neck intended for the Town Lot describing and expressing the Nature of the Ground & Soil, and if Point Frederick is not commanded from Point Henry, on both which Places, sufficient Spaces for Fortification must be reserved.

2d. At the West Side of Cataraqui Harbour the Ground near the Fort and within the Lines (as marked in the Plan A. B. C.) must remain to the

Crown for the Use of the Garrison, and as a Place of Resort for the Indians, where some of the most noted might be allowed to build, reserving sufficient Space round the Ships (where Vessels were formerly constructed) unincumbered with Buildings.

3d. Tho a Common, containing about 400 Acres, must be reserved for the Use of the Town, Leases may be given for a Term of Years, not exceeding thirty years, to Settle there, as the People for the Present, will be glad to be as near the Town as possible, and the Common will be clear by the Time the Town will be in Want of it.

4th. The Method of laying out Townships of Six Miles Square I consider as the best to be followed, as the People to be Settled there are most used to it, and will best answer the Proportion of Lands I propose to grant to each Family, Vizt., 120 Acres, of which Six are to be in front, which will make 19 Chains in front and 63 Chains, 25 Links in depth—so that every Township will have 25 Lots in Front, and four Chains, 75 Links will remain for Roads, with 7 Concessions in depth—58 Links will remain for a Road by which Distribution each Township will contain 175 Lots of 120 Acres.

For your assistance in the Execution of the Business, you will be joined at Montreal by Capn. Sherwood and Lieut. Cotte, and also by Mr. Grass, Captain of one of the Companies of Militia intended for that Settlement, and these Gentlemen will be attended with Ax Men, &ca., proper for the Occasion.

You will begin your Survey by a Township on each Side of the Bay and transmit it to me together with your Remarks, reporting to me in the like manner from Time to Time the Progress you shall make.

As it is not improbable that in exploring these Lands, some of the Persons employed may make Choices of particular Situations, and make preparations accordingly to prevent which, you are to signify to them, that my Intentions are to distribute the Lots impartially by drawing for them, and that all Timber cut down this Fall or any Log Houses they may chuse to make & reside in until the Settlements shall be regularly granted, will not be considered as any Right of such Persons but entirely as a temporary beginning, and should any of them prefer remaining there this Winter to returning to Sorel, may have Lots of four Acres marked out for them in the Common which they will enjoy for 30 years as beforementioned, by which Means whatever Work is done will forward the Clearing of the Common and be for the Public good.

The Officers Commanding at Carleton Island, Cataraqui or any Post you shall have Occasion to Call at are hereby directed to afford you every Assistance in their Power whether in Provisions.

JOHN COLLINS, Esq.

Quebec, 17th May, 1784.

Sir,—In pursuance of His Majesty's Instructions for granting Land in the Seigneurie of Sorel to Refugée Loyalists in this Province, you are directed to repair to that Place without loss of time, and to distribute Lots of such Land as remains to be conceded, to the Loyalists specified in the inclosed List, provided that, from the Information you shall receive from Captain Barns and others to whom they are known, you shall esteem them fit Persons to be placed there, together with any others of the same description who shall be desirous to settle thereon. His Majesty's Instructions particularly direct that the Land in this Seigneurie be laid out in as small

Lots as possible. You will therefore be careful not to grant to any Person more than one Lot consisting of Sixty Acres. When a situation for a Town shall be determined upon the Persons who now settle upon Farm Lots and who are Mechanics will each be allowed a Town Lot. Major Jessup, His Son in Law Mr. Walker, Captain Barns, Capt. Gleisenberg & Lieutenant French, have had my permission to settle each a Lot, which you will see marked upon the Plan. The Persons now to be settled are to draw for their Lots, in conformity to the general Rule I have established thro'out the Province for settling the Loyalists. They may afterwards make whatever exchanges amongst themselves They shall think proper. You will herewith receive one of the Books prepared to take down the names of the settlers in each Seigneurie, & contaning the King's Instructions for their Information, together with the Oaths and Declaration necessary for them to take and subscribe, and also Certificates that are to be given to each Settler in the manner, & for the Purpose which has been already communicated to you, which you will fully explain to Captain Barns, leaving the Book and some Certificates with Him that He may be enabled to receive such Settlers as may hereafter apply for Lots, for which He will be furnished with proper Authority. You will compleat this Business with all the dispatch possible, and join Major Holland at Montreal, and proceed with Him in settling the Loyalists upwards to Cataraqui.

I am, Sir, Your most Obedient and most Humble Servant,

FRED. HALDIMAND.

John Collins, Esqr.

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(from Genl. Haldimand, 17th May, 1784.)

"The Memorial of Sir John Johnson, Bart., Lieut.
"Colonel Commandant of His Majesty's late Provin-
"cial Regiment called the King's Royal Regiment of
"New York.—

"Humbly Sheweth,"

"That Your Memorialist and the Officers of his said Regiment "very early evinced their Loyalty and attachment to His Majesty's person "and Government; and that having served faithfully and zealously and "shared equally in the Dangers and fatigues from the commencement to the "conclusion of the late unhappy War;—they humbly submit their preten-"tions to Your Lordship's consideration; and though they cannot claim a "right, they hope they may be Considered to have equally merited the same "bounty and Indulgence that is Granted to the Officers of the late 84th "Regiment by His Majesty's Instruction to Your Lordship, dated the 23d "day of August, 1786.—

"Your Memorialist therefore in behalf of the Officers of his Regiment "prays that the same Proportion of Land may be Granted to them that is "Ordered by the aforesaid Instruction for the Officers of the said 84th Regi-"ment and Your Memorialist as in duty bound will ever pray, &c., &c.

(Signed) "JOHN JOHNSON."—

Montreal, 23d Sepr., 1788.

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"To His Excellency The Right Honorable Guy Lord Dorchester,
"Captain General and Governor in Chief of the Province of Que-
"bec, &c., &c., &c.

"The Memorial of Lieutenant Colonel John Butler and
"the Officers of the late Corps of Rangers and Indian
"Department at Niagara.—

Humbly Sheweth,

"That your Lordship's Memorialists having left their Families "and Properties, at the commencement of the late Troubles in America, and "served faithfully during the War, and now settled at Niagara, do humbly "beg that Your Lordship will be pleased to consider their services, and allow "the Officers and Non-Commissioned Officers such Additional Quantity of "Lands, as the 84th Regiment has received.—And Your Memorialists as in "duty bound shall ever pray.—

(Signed) "JOHN BUTLER, Lieut.Col.
"PETER TEN BROOK, Capt.
"ANDREW BRADT, Capt.
"JACOB BALL, Lieut.
"TH. BALL, Lieut.

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EXTRACT from the Minutes of Council
Wednesday, 22d. October, 1788.

His Lordship Ordered to be read the 41st Article of His Majesty's Instructions in favor of the Corps, late the 84th Regiment, in the words following, viz.,
41.—

Granting lands to the Corps, late the 84th Regiment

"And Whereas upon the raising and Establishing the Corps, late the "84th Regiment of foot, We did promise and declare that the Officers and "privates of the said Corps should when reduced be Entitled to, and receive "Grants for certain allotments of Lands in proportion to their respective "ranks therein, it is our Will and pleasure, that you do in manner as herein "before directed Grant Warrants of allotment and survey to such of the "Officers and privates of the said late Eighty fourth Regiment of foot now "Reduced, who shall be willing to settle and become Inhabitants of our Pro-"vince of Quebec, and shall apply for the same for such Quantities of Land "as they shall be respectively Entitled to, in consequence of our said promise "and Declaration contained in our Instructions to our Governors of New "York and North Carolina, dated the 3d April, 1775, that is to say,

"To Field Officers	5000	acres.
"Captains	3000	"
"Subalterns	2000	"
"Non-Commissioned Officers	200	"
"Privates	50	"

"And that the Surveys be made and Grants for the same delivered to "them respectively free of Expence as herein before is directed. Provided "nevertheless that every Commissioned and Non-Commissioned Officer or Priv-"ate belonging to the said late 84th Regiment of foot, who shall Claim and "apply for Land in our Province of Quebec as aforesaid, shall declare upon "oath that no Land has been obtained by him in any of our other Provinces "in America under our Royal Declaration as aforesaid.—

Read also a Petition from Sir John Johnson, Baronet, and a Memorial of Lieut. Col. Butler and others as follows, vizt.:

"To His Excellency the Right Honble. Guy Lord Dorchester,
"Captain General and Governor in Chief of the Colonies of Que-
"bec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick and their Dependencies
"Vice-Admiral of the same: General & Commander in chief of all
"His Majesty's Forces in the sd. Colonies and the Island of New
"Foundland, &c., &c., &c.

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The Opinion of the Board being desired by His Lordship,—the Council concurred with His Lordship in Granting the prayer of the Petition and Memorial in favor of all such Officers as have improved the Lands already granted to them as reduced Officers since the peace of 1783.

And it is referred to the Surveyor General or Deputy Surveyor General to make returns of the locations of the Petitioners; And He is directed to give them Certificates thereof under his hand as further Testimonials of the faith of Government for issuing the Patents pursuant to His Majesty's Instructions, if they shall apply for their several Locations in the course of one year to be computed from the first day of May next.

But it is to be understood that Deductions are to be made of all such Tracts as have beeen already Granted to any of the Objects of this Order, that upon the whole they may receive Equivalents with the Corps of the 84th Regiment.—

J. Williams.

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(on back) Memorial of Sir John Johnson & Col. Butler for themselves & in behalf of the Officers of their Corps to be put upon the Same footing (for lands) as the Officers of the late 84th Regt.

22d. Octobr., 1788.

To His Excellency The Right Honourable Guy Lord Dorchester, Governor and Commander in Chief of the Province of Quebec, &c., &c., &c.

The Memorial of George Wurtele, Josias Wurtele, John George Reinhardt, Jonathan Eckart, Junior, & Gottlieb Bauer

Humbly Sheweth

That your Memorialists are Natives of Germany & came into this Province about four years ago, and that they are desirous of settling and improving a Tract of Land upon the Grand River.

They therefore pray your Lordship will be pleased to grant them two hundred acres of Land for each Person.

And your Memorialists as in Duty bound will ever pray, &c.,—

Quebec, July 18th, 1788.

George Wurtele,
Josias Wurtele,
John George Reinhardt,
Jonathan Eckart,
Gottlieb Bauer.

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(on back) Agreeable to the Order of H. E. Lord Dorchester the within persons have recd. an Order for 200 Acres of Land each upon Mr. Rankin, D. Surveyor.
the 12th June, 1789.

This Indenture made at Niagara the Twenty Second Day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand Seven Hundred & Eighty four, Between Wabakanyne, Nannibosure, Poquan, Nanaghkaweskam, Peapamaw, Tanendan, Sawarnenik, Peasanish, Wapamonisschisqua, Wapeanghqua, Sachems War Chiefs & Principal Women of the Mississaga Indian Nation on the one Part, and our Sovereign Lord, George the Third, by the Grace of God, King of Great Britain, France & Ireland, Defender of the faith, &c., &c., &c., on the other Part, Witnesseth, that the said Wabakanyne, the above-mentioned Sachems, War Chiefs & Principal Women, for and in Consideration of Eleven hundred and Eighty Pounds Seven Shillings & four Pence, Lawfull money of Great Britain To them the said Wabakanyne, the Sachems, War Chiefs and Principal Women in hand well and truely paid, at or before the Sealing & delivery of these presents, the Receipt Whereof they the said Wabakanyne, the Sachems, War Chiefs and Principal Women doth hereby Acknowledge, and thereof and therefrom, and from Every Part or Parcel thereof doth Acquit, release, Exonerate, and for ever discharge His Britannic Majesty, his Heirs & Successors and Every of them, by these presents, hath granted, Bargained, doth Grant, bargain, Sell, alien, release & Confirm unto His Britannic Majesty, and to His heirs & Successors, all that TRACT or Parcel of Land, laying & being between the Lakes Ontario and Erie beginning at Lake Ontario, four miles South westerly from the Point opposite to Niagara Fort, known by the Name of Mississaga Point and running from thence along said Lake to the Creek that fall from a Small Lake into the Said Lake Ontario, known by the Name of Waghquata, from thence a North West Course untill it Strikes the River La Tranche, or New River, then down the Stream of said river to that part or Place, where a due South Course will lead to the mouth of Catfish Creek Emptying into Lake Erie and from the above mentioned part or Place of the aforesaid river La Tranch, following the South Course to the mouth of the said Cat Fish Creek, thence down Lake Erie, to the Lands heretofore Purchased from the Nation of Mississaga Indians, and from thence along the Said Purchase to Lake Ontario at the Place of Beginning as above mentioned, together with the Woods, Ways, Paths, Waters, Water Courses, advantages, emoluments and Hereditaments whatsoever, to the said Tract or Parcel of Land, Situated as above mentioned, belonging or in any wise appertaining, or which to and with the same now are, or at any times heretofore have been held, used, Occupied, Accepted, reported, taken or known, as part, parcel, or member thereof, or any Part thereof, and the Issues and Profits of all and Singular, the said Primises, and Every part & Parcel thereof, with the appurtenances; and also all the Estate, Right, Title, Interest, property Claim, and Demand whatsoever of them the Said Wabakanyne, the Sachems, War Chiefs & Principal Women, of, in, and to all and Singular the said Premises above mentioned, and of, in, and Every Part and Parcel thereof, with the Appurtenances; TO HAVE and TO HOLD all and Singular the said TRACT or Parcel of LAND, hereditaments and Premises in and by these presents released and Confirmed, and Every Part & parcel thereof, with the Appurtenances, Unto his Britannic Majesty, his heirs and Successors for ever, and to and for no other use, intent or purpose Whatsoever; And the Said Wabakanyne,

the Sachems, War Chiefs and Principal Women for them Selves, their Heirs and Successors doth Covenant, grant, Promise and agree, to and with His Britannic Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, that they the Said Wabakanyne, the Sachems, War Chiefs & Principal Women, now is the true Lawfull and rightfull owners of all and Singular the Said TRACT or Parcel of LAND, Hereditaments and premises above mentioned, and of Every Part or Parcel thereof, with the Appurtenances; and the time of Sealing & Delivery of these presents, is Lawfully and rightfully Seised in there own right of a good, Sure, perfect, absolute & indefeasible Estate of inheritance in fee Simple, of and in all & Singular the said premises above mentioned, with the Appurtenances, without any Manner of Condition, Limitation of use or uses, or matter, cause or thing Whatsoever to alter, change, charge or Determine the Same; and also that His Majesty, his heirs and Successors Shall and may at all times for ever hereafter, Peaceably and quietly have, hold, Occupy, Possess and enjoy all and Singular the Said TRACT or Parcel of LAND, hereditaments and Premises aforesaid with the Appurtenances and every Part or Parcel thereof, without trouble, hindrance, molestation, interruption or disturbance, of them the Said Wabakanyne, the Sachems, &ca., their Heirs or Successors, or any other Person or Persons Lawfully claiming, or to Claim, by, from, or under them, or any of them, and that freed, Discharged, and kept harmless and endemnified, of, from, and against all former and other Gifts or Grants Whatsoever.

IN WITNESS whereof we have hereunto set our hands and Seals the Date and Date above mentioned.

Witness Present

Signed ROBT. HAYES, Majr. 34 regt.

D. FORBES, Capt. 34 regt.

JOSEPH BRANT, Thayendanegea.

DAVID HILL, Haronghyoutye.

R. WILKINSON,
Actg. Secrety. Six Nation Dept.

Signed

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Montreal, 23d March, 1791.
a True Copy of the
Orriginal Deed.—

JOSEPH CHEW,
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(on back) Copy of Deed from the Mississagas, Dated 22d May, 1784.
referred to in Sr. John Johnston's letter to Mr. Collins, dated 25th March, 1791.
(in pencil) Papers 179
Indian Lands
Upper Canada.

To His Excy. Alured Clarke, Esqr., Lieut. Governor & Commander in Chief of the Province of Quebec, &c., &c., &c.
May it please Your Excy.

The Committee consisting of John Collins, Adam Mabane, Geo. Pownall, Wm. Grant & Fras. Baby, Esqrs., appointed by His Excy. The Right Honble. Lord Dorchester on the 4th Jany., 1791, to report the claims of certain Indians to lands assigned them on the Grand River and Bay of Quinty, pray Your Excy. to receive as their Report thereon the Annexed Journal of their proceedings. Humbly submitting the same to Your Excellency's greater Wisdom. Signed by order of the Committee.

J. C., CHAIRMAN.

Cl. Chamber,
Quebec, 24th Decr., 1791.

SUBSTANCE of Captain Brant's wishes respecting forming a Settlement of the Mohock and others of the Six Nation Indians upon the Grand River, &ca.———

That His Excellency the Commander in Chief should give the Superintendant and Inspector General of Indian Affairs Instructions, and impower Lieut. Colonel Butler to purchase from the Missisagau or Proprietors, a tract of Land consisting of about Six Miles on each side of the Grand River called Oswego Running from the River La Tranche into Lake Erie, for the use of the Mohocks and such of the Six Nations as are inclined to join them in that Settlement.—Colo. Butler is fully acquainted with the Views, and Inclinations of Captn. Brant and the Mohocks Respecting this Settlement, and only waits the Sir John Johnson will be instructed to purchase the Tract of Country between the three Lakes, Ontario, Erie, and Huron, out of which, the Tract required by the Mohawks, for the Six Nations will be Granted to them by a Deed. The rest will be reserved for Loyalists, or any future Purpose.—

General's approbation to make the Purchase. The sooner this can be done the better as they would Remove this Spring time enough to Plant Corn, &ca., and Captn. Brant would propose that some of his Party be sent off upon this Business, to Colo. Butler as soon as he Returns to Montreal. The above Mentioned Limits are only meant for the Indians of the Six Nations who may settle there, but A more considerable Tract of Land may at the same time, be purchased on very Reasonable Terms whereon to Settle Loyalists, or for any future purpose.—Montreal 3d Feby., 1791.

The above is a True Copy.

JOSEPH CHEW,
S. I. A.

To His Excellency Alured Clarke, Esq., Lieutenant Governor, & Commander in Chief, of the Province of Quebec, &ca., &ca., &ca.
May it please your Excellency.—

The Committee, Consisting of John Collins, Adam Mabane, Geo. Pownall, William Grant, and Frans. Baby, Esqrs., appointed by His Excellency the Right Honorable Lord Dorchester, on the 4th January, 1791, to report on the claims of Certain Indians to lands assigned them on the Grand River, and Bay of Quinte;—Pray Your Excellency to receive as their report thereon, the Annexed Journal, of their proceedings.—Humbly Submitting the same to Your Excellency's Greater Wisdom.—

Signed by order of the Committee.

Council Chamber,
Quebec, 24th Decemr., 1791.

JOHN COLLINS,
Chairman.

(Journal.)

Council Chamber, 31st January, 1791.

The Committee appointed by His Lordship in Council, on the 4th Inst. to acquire information and report upon Claims of Land at the Grand River, North Side of Lake Erie: Met at the call of the Chair.—

Present .....Mr. Collins, Chairman.
Mr. Pownall .....
Mr. Grant .....
Mr. Baby.....
Mr. Mabane Abst., on the Circuit.

His Lordship's order of reference, read in the following Words .....
4th January, 1791.

"His Lordship informed the Board that certain Indians of the Six Nations "claimed a tract of Land at the Grand River, on the North shore of Lake "Erie, stated to have been promised to them by Sir Frederick Haldimand, "in the Year 1784. That some of the Claimants actually resided there, and "that there was another Settlement of Indians of the Six Nations in the "Bay of Quinte. His Lordship pointed out the Expediency of ascertaining "the nature and extent, of these claims, to give full effect to any Promises, "and to gratify any reasonable expectations, in which the faith of Govern- "ment, might be concerned, in such a way as would best answer the end of "making a permanent provision for the persons interested and their descend- "ants and securing their comfort and tranquility.—

Ordered, that Messrs. Colins, Mabane, Pownall, Grant, and Baby, be a committee to acquire the necessary information by Corrispondence with the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs, and otherwise, and to report the result of their Enquiries with their opinion of the proper course to be taken, and the Draft of a Bill, if they shall conceive the Legislative interposition necessary.....

RESOLVED that the Chairman inclose a copy thereof by this days post, to Sir John Johnson, Barrt., Superintendant General of Indian affairs, and request his information on the business refered with all convenient Speed.

Adjourned to the next call of the Chair.—

March 10th, 1791.

The Committee met on the call of the Chair at the Council Chamber.—

Present

Messrs. Collins .....
Mabane .....
Baby .....
Mr. Grant being Abst. on other Public Business...

The Chairman laid before the Committee a Letter from Sir John Johnson, dated Montreal, the 3d february last with two Inclosures as follows.— (See Page 408 for letter.)

Extract of a Letter from General Haldimand, Quebec, 23d March, 1784. (See Page 454 for extract.)

Substance of Captain Brandt's wishes respecting forming a Settlement of the Mohawk, and others of the Six Nation Indians upon the Grand River, &ca. (See Page 487.)

The Chairman then read to the Committee an Entry in the Council Book of the 9th March, 1785, in the following words, it appearing to concern the object in reference.—

EXTRACT from the Minutes of Council on Monday, the 7th March, 1785.—

At the Council Chamber in the Chateau St. Lewis.....

Present

The Honorable Henry Hamilton, Esqr., Lt. Governor and Commander in Chief.—

Hugh Finley .....
Francois LeVesque.....
Edward Harrison.....

John Collins ..... Picotte De Bellestre
George Pownall ..... Henry Caldwell ....
J. G. C. De Lery..... Francis Baby.....

Joseph De Longueuil...
Samuel Holland .....

His Honor the Lieutenant Governor laid before the Council a Copy of His Excellency General Haldimand's Speech to Captain John, the Chief of the Mohawk Nation and his Friends, with Captain John's Answer thereto Addressed to Major Potts, Commanding at Cataraqui, dated Cataraqui 12th January, 1785. Also a Letter from Joseph Brandt, of the 21st february last concerning a writing given to him by His Excellency General Haldimand, as a deed of grant of Lands for him and the five Nations, on the Grand River, and requesting a grant of lands near his House at Cataraqui. These being read in English and French His Honor informed the Council, that he had written for a Copy of said Grant, which he expected to be able soon to lay before them for their Consideration and Advice. —

The Council were of Opinion that a lot of land for a Garden should be granted to said Joseph Brandt, near his house, and a portion of two hundred Acres, at some convenient place for firewood and Pasturage.—

RESOLVED, that the Chairman request the Clerk of the Council to procure the Speech of His Excellency Governor Haldimand to Captain John and his friends, and Captain John's Answer thereto mentioned in the above Entry.—

Mr. Grant came in

Mr. Williams called in Observes to the Committee that the Minute in the Council Book, (mentioning a Copy of a Speech of His Excellency General Haldimand to Captain John, the Chief of the Mohawk Nation and his friends with Captain John's Answer thereto Addressed to Major Potts at Cataraqui 12th January, 1785, and a letter from Joseph Brandt of the 21st february, 1785) is of the 7th March, 1785, when Mr. Williams was absent in England, with leave, the duties of the Council Office being performed during his absence, by Alexander Gray, Esqr., that he, Mr. Williams, has never seen either of the three papers abovementioned, and therefore apprehends they were not lodged as Official papers with Mr. Gray, and for the ground of this Idea he acquaints the Committee, that on his return to this province and resuming his Office, Mr. Gray delivered up various papers relating to Detroit affairs, among which is a deed of Concession, by the Indians of a tract of land between Lake Erie and Lake Ontario to the King, and a deed of Sale of the Island of Michilimackinac from Indians to His Majesty.—That he found with those papers a list of them, and in which List, no such papers as are Specified in the above minute are mentioned.—

Adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Council Chamber, 30th April, 1791.

The Committee met on the call of the Chair, Present,

Mr. Collins, Chairman.
Messrs. Pownall .....
Grant .....
Baby .....

The Chairman laid before the Board the following Letter from Sir, John Johnson and its inclosure,—(See page 453 for letter.)

This Indenture made at Niagara the twenty second day..... (See page 484.)

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The Chairman then laid before the Committee a letter to Mr. Secretary Motz, from the land Board of Nassau, dated Niagara, 26th february, with its inclosure as follows:—(See page 453 for Letter.)

Extract from the Minutes of the land Board for the District of Nassau, Niagara, 20th December, 1790.—

Representations having been made to the Board that the Extention of the Settlement to the Westward approached the Lands assigned to the Indians Settlement on the Grand River, and might soon without due Care encroach on these. They thought it a matter of much Consiquence to Ascertain the limits of this Settlement, and accordingly directed Mr. Jones, Acting as Deputy Surveyor, to take the course of the Grand River from its mouth to the Extent of the Indian Claims, and to lay this before the Board, that they might arrange the Division on the Justest Principles, and they requested Colonel Gordon as Commanding Officer to Assist him and his party as usual with Provisions to enable him to Compleat this.

Niagara, 1st February, 1791.

Mr. Jones having finished his Survey laid a Plan of the Grand River before the Board, who having called in Captn. Brandt, Tcharchokea, Shascowanie, Odewanookta, Oghnasongeghton, Oghquarioghtsita, Ojageghte, Gonghsancyonte, Kayendadirhon, Chickhdess, and several of the Principal Chiefs to aid the Land Board with their advice and Council:—

It was Unanimously agreed upon and Determined that the Bend of the River Easterly nearly two Miles from its mouth or issue into Lake Erie, and the Mohawk Village shall be the two fixed points, and that a Streight line drawn from one of these points, to the Other, shall form the Center line, of the Indian Lands, on the Grand River, and that two Parrallel Lines to this, Six Miles Distant, on each side of the Grand River, shall form the Bounds between them and the Settlement of Nassau. This Arangement is Signed on the Map of the Grand River by the Members of the land Board, and the aforementioned Chiefs.—

The Chairman observed that until the Survey taken by Mr. Jones mentioned in the foregoing minute comes down, It will not be in his power to form a Sketch of the Tract on the Grand River, on Lake Erie assigned by the Land Board, of Nassau to Captain Joseph Brandt and other Mohawks. The tract however appears to be apart of the Purchase made of the Missisaga Nation by the Deed of the 22d May, 1784...

——Then the Chairman as D. S. General, laid before the Committee a Sketch of the land claimed by Capt. John and other Mohawks, and informed that in the year 1787, he Surveyed the Townships of Thurlow and Richmond, on the North side the Bay of Quinte, leaving between them a tract or Space of about twelve Miles front on the said Bay, for Capt. John and about Twenty families, of the Mohawk Nation, who had then settled themselves on it, the Tract is bounded Easterly, by the line of the Township of Richmond, and Westerly by that of Thurlow to run Northerly as far as it may please Government to Assign. This tract is a part of a purchase made in 1784 by Capt. Crawford, of the Indian Department, by order of Sir John Johnson, from the Missisaga Nation, by deed bearing date ..... which deed it seems by Sir John Johnson's letter, of 25th March, 1791, is still in the hands of Captain Crawford.—

ORDERED, that the Chairman obtain a copy of Mr. Jones's Survey of the lands on the grand River, assigned to Captn. Brandt, and other Mohawk Indians, with all Convenient Speed, and lay the same before the Committee.—

Adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Saturday, 24th Decemr., 1791.

The Committee met at the call of the Chair.

present Mr. Collins,
Mr. Grant,
Mr. Baby,
Absent Mr. Mabane, indisposed,
& Mr. Pownall, in England.

The Chairman presented Mr. Jones's Survey of the lands on the Grand River, promised to Indians of the Mohawk Nation, also a Sketch of the tract assigned to Captain John and others at the Bay of Quinte.—

The Committee having considered the whole are humbly of opinion, that as the faith of Government is pledged to the Mohawk Chiefs for the two

tracts mentioned above, every precaution ought to be taken to preserve them, in the quiet possession and property of them and the Committee submit, that an Act of the provincial Legislature, or a grant under the great seal of the province be made in favor of the principal Chiefs, on behalf of their Nation, or persons in trust for them, for ever.

Ordered that the Chairman report accordingly Anexing thereunto, the journal of the Committee's proceedings and the papers and Surveys therein mentioned.—

By order of the Committee.

JOHN COLLINS, Chairman.

(on back) **Report** on Indian Claims.—by John Collins, Esqr.

a copy of this sent the 21st April to Mr. Williams with two Plans, referd. to in the **Report**.——

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Account of the Number of Days

Mr. Alexander Aitken, Dy. Provincial Surveyor, was employed, at 7/6 p. day and how many at 4/.

From the 12th November, 1786 to the 10th of April, 1787, is 149 days at 4/.

do ...the 10th of April, 1787 to the 10th Octr., 1788, employed 93 Days at 7/6 p. day —
90 do @ 4/ do

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do ...the 10 Apr., 1788 to the 10th Octr., 1788
105 days at 4/.
78 do.....7/6.

do ...the 10th of Octr., 1788 to the 10th Apr., 1789
182 days at 7/6.

do ...the 10th of April, 1789 to the 10th Octr., 1789
183 days at 7/6.

do ...the 10th of Octr., 1789 to the 10th Apr., 1790
182 days at 4/. p. day—
NB it was charged at 7/6 p. day but the difference between 4/ Sterg. and 7/6 Curry. was suspended by the Committee till a satisfactory Voucher is produced of his being actually employed.

do ...the 10th of April, 1790 to the 10th Octr., 1790
183 days at 7/6.
do ...the 10th of October, 1790 to the 10th of April, 1791.
157 days at 7/6—
25 do @ 4/.

Recapitulation

Mr. Alexander Aitkin's pay from the 12th of November, 1786 to the 10th of April, 1791, vizt.

876 days at 7/6 p. day.
734 do.....4/. Sterg. p. d.

Surveyor General's Office,
Quebec, 21st May, 1791.

EXTRACT from Mr. Secretary Motz's Letter to Mr. Finlay as Chairman of the Land Committee,—dated 11th July, 1791.

"THE Committee are at Liberty to Call upon the Surveyor General's Office for a Written report upon any Questions they may think proper to raise upon their Contents, and for such Sketches and diagrams as they may find necessary for a clear comprehension of the subject."

"A regular deposit of all papers of this description for future access will be very material in the business of investing the Settlers with the property of their respective shares by legal Titles."

"A uniform Orthography of the Names of places,—Rivers, &ca., is also of great importance for avoiding the mischief of doubtful boundaries, and Locations."

"ALL unauthorized deviations from the general regulations Should be brought into full view for such injunctions to the Board and Deputy Surveyors as the case may require."

"HIS Lordship Wishes all concerned in the Land granting Department to be properly impressed with the Importance of Accuracy in the Transactions, and perspicuity and Certainty in the Descriptions, of all the Occupations made upon the public faith, in the Waste Lands of the Crown, as well for the Security of Individuals and the Encouragement of their Industry, as for the Comfort and harmony of the rising Settlements and the preservation of the Common Tranquility and prosperity. And in these Views His Lordship recommends it to the Land Committee, to Exercise all possible vigilence within the Sphere of their own Trust, and to diffuse a Correspondent attention among the Officers Concerned in the Granting of Lands, and that it may be thence extended to all their Subordinate Agents, both in the Field and the Drawing Room.—"

"It will conduce to this end, that the Surveyor General's Office frequently hold up to the Land Committee views of all the Locations, in progressive protractions—upon the General Maps of the Country Once a Month at least, that when the Reports of the Land Committee wait the Confirmation of the Board of Council, the Spots may be instantly pointed to, and the Government from time to time be apprized, as far as the Maps Can exhibit, of the general progress of the Occupation and Cultivation of the Lands of the Province, and that the Grants for the legal Confirmation of the Estates of the Occupants may be perfected with the greatest facility and certainty, and with as little expence as possible to the Settlers.—"

I am, Sir, Your most Obedient, Humble Servant,

(Signed) HENRY MOTZ.

To Hugh Finlay, Esqr.

True extract, Hugh Finlay.

Quebec, 8th Augst., 1791.

"Sir,—By direction of the Land Committee I inclose the 2d, 3d, 4th, "5th, 6th & 7th Paragraphs of a letter written by Mr. Secretary Motz 11th "July last, and directed to me as Chairman of that Committee." 'Tis for "the information of the Surveyor General's Office and in consequence thereof "the Land Committee will look for a View once every Month at least, of all "the locations made in the Districts of Montreal, Luneburg, Mecklenburg, "Nassau, Hesse & Gaspé, which it will be in the power of the Surveyor Gen-"eral's Office to exhibit by obtaining Monthly returns from the Deputies of "the respective Districts, an Instruction for that purpose being at this day "in force & which it will be the duty of the Surveyor General's Office to see "punctually obeyed.—

"As the Surveyor General's Office is in possession of the Plans of all "the Townships laid out in the Upper Districts & in the District of Gaspé, "divided into Concessions, and these Concessions into Lots, each Lot mark'd "with its proper Number, it will be an easy matter to fill them up from the "Monthly returns made by the respective Deputies.—

"The Schedules of the Names of the grantees of each Township being "in the Possession of the Surveyor General, will keep pace, & Correspond "exactly with the Plans, Shewing the Township—the Number of the Con-"cession, the Number of the Lot in that Concession, The Number of Acres "contained in the Lot.—

"Your Plans and Schedules thus in regular Order, The Land Committee "can never be at a loss to inform the Board of Council whether any parti-"cular Lot in any Township within any District lies unlocated; or if located "how it has been disposed of, & when; & they may immediately point out "its Situation by an exhibit of the Plan of the Township.

"Matters being thus arranged, the progress of the Occupation of the "Waste Lands of the Crown may be seen at any Time, and this Arrange-"ment will enable Governments to confirm with Certainty & facility the "grants of the Estates of the Occupants, and with the least possible expence "to the Settlers, an object of which, as you may have Observed, His Lord-"ship has never lost sight."

"I am with great regard, Sir,

Your very Obedient & Most humble Servant,

HUGH FINLAY.

John Collins, Esqr.,
Surveyor General.

Description.

700 acres of land the property of Joel Stone, Esquire, surveyed in the month of October, 1791, by

(Signed)

J. Pennoyer, D.P.S.

Good Land.

Boundaries.

Beginning at a post and stone planted 11 links N. 34° 30′ W. of an Oak Tree marked J.S. standing on the Bank of the River St. Lawrence, and running N. 34° 30′ W. as the needle pointed, 184 chains to a post marked J.S. standing on the south-east of a small hill and 14 links S.W. of a maple tree marked J.S., thence, N. 55° 50′ E. 23 chains to a post marked J.S., 30 links from the bank of the River Thames, and 20 links S.W. of a small maple tree marked J.S., thence on said course N. 55° 50′ E. to the center of the River Thames, thence down the River Thames, as it winds and turns to the mouth, thence westerly along the shore of the River St. Lawrence to the place of beginning containing 700 acres.

Scale 10 chains to an inch.*

*This plan has been greatly reduced.

Reference.

From A to B shore is bold and water deep which forms an excellent harbour in the mouth of the river. The dotted line in the mouth of the river denotes the channel in which the water is from 12 to 15 feet deep and very little current. A true copy.

(Signed)

Lewis Grant,

D. Survr., Eastn. Dist.

Johnstown, 1795.

A Copy.

D. W. Smith,

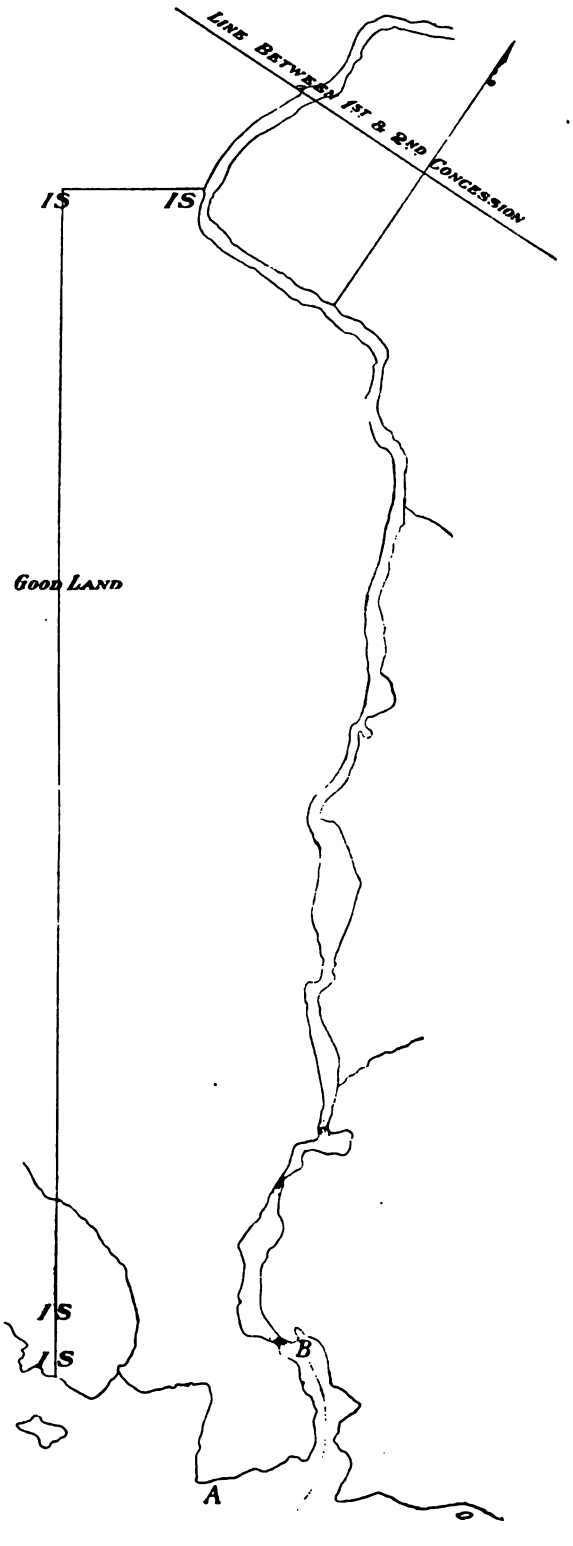
Acting Surveyor General,

Upper Canada.

(*on back*)

Copy of Mr. Pennoyer's survey for Mr. Stone. No. 4.

Note.—The initials on the plan have been by mistake made I.S. instead of J. S.



To the Honble. John Collins,

Deputy Surveyor Genl.

Sir,—Having left Oswegatchie the 1st of August, I arrived at Montreal on the 3d at 9 o'clock in the morning. Mr. Frobisher had the kindness to favour greatly the object of my journey not only by advancing thirty pounds, but also by having the five men I wanted. I left town on saturday, the 6th of August and returned to Oswegatchie on friday the 12th at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. I will enter the woods to morrow, and will not fail to send to Your Honor at the time mentioned in your Instructions, my accounts and the future progress of my work.

It is my duty, sir, to acquaint your Honor of the very particular manner Mr. Stegman goes on working in several Seigniories. He pays no regard to the running of the Seigniorial lines being the limits of each Seigniory, and with which the lands of the inhabitants must naturally be parallel.

No, Sir, he forcibly traces lines from the boundary of a concession to that of another bearing the same number.

As it is almost impossible to the most able chain bearers to trace lines in perfect equal manner through our vast forests in the several concessions of a seigniory, it is more probable that the limits of the lands bearing the same number will not be found to correspond in their laying out with each other, than to maintain that they will; but this difference is of no bad consequence.

Each concession has its road in front where the lines of the former concession fall in, and as soon as those lines are parallel, and also parallel to the seigniorial lines, that is what I call a concession regularly subdivided.

The following concession has no connection unavoidably necessary; trace its lines in the same usual principles, parallel to the Seigniorial lines, and the whole will stand well subdivided so as no proprietor will be aggrieved by such an operation.

It is not so, Sir, with the mode lately introduced by Mr. Stegman. Instead of dividing the lines so as they may form regular long squares, they will form trapeziums that will differ one from the other in form and magnitude as many times as will exist any difference between the true laying out of the lines of the respective limits.

Besides that several proprietors will lose land belonging to them, others will have more than belong to them; finally it is introducing confusion and discord in the settlement by adopting such a plan, very well calculated for the benefit of the surveyor, but contrary, in my opinion, to the advantage of the inhabitants for the embellishment of seigniories.

Add besides the injustice—How many persons are they who have paid surveyors to have their lines traced anew, I have traced several of them myself, faithfully parrallel to the Seigniorial lines. Mr. Stegman upsets them, I do not know by what authority, but I am sovereignly convinced that such an irregular work will never produce a good effect in the great parrallelogram forming the Seigniory.

An art that I study since my childhood, that I have now professed for five years, and the position that I occupy here, gives me enough confidence to speak freely on this subject for the good of the settlement.

I submit my humble knowledge to the superior abilities of your Honor, and it is with the greatest consideration that I remain for life most respectfully,

Sir, Your most humble & Most obedient servant,

Sig. THÈODORE DE FÈNCIER.
D. A. P.

Oswegatchie, 13 Aug., 1791.
(note in pencil along side)

I got Mr. Tessier of this Office to translate this letter into English.

T. DEVINE,
Surveyor in Chief

(APPENDIX A.)

State of the Surveyor General's Office.

York, Upper Canada,
7th January, 1807.

Letters Written.		Books.
From 3rd October,	1792	
To 25 April,	1794	Volume ....., No. 1
From 26th April,	1794	
To 31st March,	1795	.....do 2
From 17th March,	1795	
To 29th Septr.,	1795	.....do 3
From 30th Septr.,	1795	
To 25 March,	1796	.....do 4
with Latitudes, Longitude & Variation.		
From March,	1796	
To July	1796	.....do 5
with Glebes		
From July	1796	
To March	1797	.....do 6
From March	1797	
To September	1797	.....do 7
From Septemr.	1797	
To October	1800	.....do 8
From Novmr.	1797	
To February	1799	.....do 9
From February	1799	
To April	1800	.....do 10

From April ..... 1800 To Decemr. 1800	Volume	No. 11
From Decemr. ..... 1800 To April 1801	.....do	12
From April ..... 1801 To December 1801	Volume .....No.....	13
From Decemr. ..... 1801 To July 1802	.....do.....do.....	14
From July ..... 1802 To July 1803	.....do.....do.....	15
From July ..... 1803 To February 1804	.....do.....do.....	16
From February ..... 1804 To July 1804	.....do.....do.....	17
From July ..... 1804 To October 1804	.....do.....do.....	18
From October ..... 1804 To July 1806	.....do.....do.....	19
From 29 July ..... 1806 To 5 Janry. 1807	.....do.....do.....	20
Provincial Geographer		1
	Reports.	
From Decemr. ..... 1795 To Decemr. 1799	Volume.....No.....	5
From July ..... 1799 To Septemr. 1802	.....do.....do.....	6
From July ..... 1802 To Septemr. 1803	.....do.....do.....	7
From April ..... 1797 To February 1804	.....do.....do.....	8
	and Township Report	
O. C. Book No. 2 & Report Book...	.....do.....do.....	9
do.....do.....		
From May ..... 1806 To Decemr. 1806	.....do.....do.....	10
Book of Assignments	.....do.....do.....	1

Church Lands			
Specification & Appropriation		Volume .....No.....	1
	Letters Received.	Books.	
From October	1792		
To Decemr.	1793	Volume .....No.....	1
From Janry.	1794		
To October	1794	.....do.....do.....	2
From October	1794		
To August	1795	.....do.....do.....	3
From July	1795		
To May	1796	.....do.....do.....	4
with Meteorological observs.			
From April	1796		
To September	1797	.....do.....do.....	5
From August	1797		
To September	1797	.....do.....do.....	6
with Report on Leases.			
From October	1797		
To June	1798	.....do.....do.....	7
From June	1798		
To May	1799	.....do.....do.....	8
From June	1799		
To Septemr.	1800	.....do.....do.....	9
From June	1800		
To July	1801	.....do.....do.....	10
From July	1801		
To Septemr.	1802	.....do.....do.....	11
From Septemr.	1802		
To June	1803	.....do.....do.....	12
From June	1803		
To February	1804	.....do.....do.....	13
From February	1804		
To November	1804	.....do.....do.....	14
From Novemr.	1804		
To October	1806	.....do.....do.....	15
Order in Council Book		.....do.....do.....	No. 1

Warrant Books—Dockets for Original Authorities. *Old* Regulations—			
From Warrant of Survey, No. 1 to 2532	Vol.	No.	1
From Warrant No. 2533 to No. 4584, & from Fiat No. 1 to No. 700	do	do	2
From Fiat No. 701 to Fiat No. 907	do	do	3
Warrant Books, Dockets for Original Authorities—*New* Regulations—			
Subject to Full Fees	Vol.		1
do to ½ Fees UE & M C	do		1
do Full Fees under the Regs., 30 Decemr., 1802, and Regulation 6 July, 1804	do	do	1
INDEX to Printed Descriptions under the Old Regulations & under the Commissioners	do	do	1
Books—Written Descriptions.			
By the Deputies of the Midland Eastern & Western Districts	Vol.	No.	1
Office Numbers from 1000 to 1431	Vol.	No.	5
Do from 1432 to 2075	do	do	6
Do from 2076 to 2599	do	do	7
Do from 2600 to 3000	do	do	8
& from 7001 to 7038	do	do	8
Do from 7039 to 7460	do	do	9
Do from 7461 to 7469	do	do	10
Do Written Descriptions New Regs. & Reports on Leases	do	do	1
Weekly Reports of Locations	Vol.	No.	1
do do or Application Book	do	do	2
Field Notes	do	do	1
do do	do	do	2
do do	do	do	3
do do Soil & Timber &	do	do	marked 4&1
Domesday Schedules.			
The following Doomsday Schedules:			
Of Town & Park Lots	Vol.	No.	1
Of Farm Lots principally Eastern Districts	do	do	2
do principally Midland Circle	do	do	3
do principally between the Bay of Quinte & the Grand River	do	do	4
do principally County of Lincoln	do	do	5
do principally District of London & Circle of Long point	do	do	6
do principally Western District	do	do	7
Reports of the Commissioners.			
Eastern & Midland Districts	Book No. 1 & 2		
District of Johnstown, & the old Home District, (Niagara)	do do		1
Western District, London & Newcastle	do do		1

Settlement Book	Book No.	1
Orders Stayed, &c.	do do	1
Fiats in Fee		
do for Leases	Vol. .....No.	1
Application for Leases	Vol. .....No.	1
Surveyor of Woods & Masting	do ..... do	1
Diaries	do ..... do	1
Instructions to Deputy Surveyors, &c.	do ..... do	6
Detroit Land Board	do ..... do	1
do ..... do	do ..... do	2
do ..... do	do ..... do	3
Niagara Land Board	1 Vol. ..... No.	1
Surveyor Genl's. Office, Quebec	do ..... No.	1
U. E. List	do ..... No.	1
Fiats for Glebe	1 do ..... No.	1
Index to printed Descriptions Under Regs., July 1804	1 do ..... No.	1
Fees of Survey	1 do ..... No.	1
Reserves for the Crown & Clergy for the Home, Newcastle, London & Niagara Districts	1 do ..... No.	1
Relative to Mr. Fry and the District of Nassau..	1 do	1
Rules and Regulations for the conduct of the Land Granting Dept. in the Province of Quebec...	1 do	1
Field Notes in the old district of Nassau	1 do	1
Old Schedules and Old Accounts, Dist. of Nassau.	1 do	1
Col. Mann's report on the Upper Country	1 do	1
The Deed of a Township in Lower Canada	1 do	1
Deeds in the Secretary's Offices	1 do	1
List of persons to whom the Oaths were administered by the late Depy. Surveyor General	1 do	1
Niagara Royal Seigneurie	1 do	1
Certificates granted in the old District of Hesse	1 do	1
Locations do ...	do	1
Heads of enquiry relative to	do	1
Index to printed Descriptions, New Regulations...	do	1
Register for the Villages of Oswegatchie in Augusta	14 do Stitched.	14

PRINTED DESCRIPTIONS—OLD REGULATIONS.

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From No. 6000 to 7000	10 do ..... do	
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Under the Regs. 30th December, 1802.

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From No. 100 to 219	Current.	

Under the Regs. of July, 1804——

From No. 1 to 100	1 Vol.	Stitched
From No. 100 to 280	Current.	

Descriptions for Leases.

From No. 100 to 500	5 Vols.	Stitched
From No. 500 to 584	Current.	

Descriptions for Licenses of Occupation.

From No 1 to 7 ..... Current.

84 Settlement papers, prior to 31st of Decr., 1801., A to H.
84 do do do H to O. } 3 Vols. Stitched
84 do do do O to Z.

2 Bundles Ditto from 25 March, 1802, to 4th Novemr., 1806.....Stitched
Loose Do since 31 Decr., 1801, a few current.

In a Walnut Box.....No. 1.
Certificates relating to the Township of Lancaster.....
Descriptions prepared but stayed for the payment of Fees & other causes.....
Authorities for the Conanaqui Road.
Subject to the Settling Duties.—
Authority's stayed ditto —
Authority's Stayed ditto Yonge Street.
Descriptions in Alnwick stayed.
Two Memorials from the Magis: of Midland Dist: praying that the Boundaries of the Townships of Kingston & Fredericksburgh may be established according to the Act.—
Rogers & his followers, four Authorities stayed.

Walnut Box.....No. 2...
Descriptions prepared but not Entered being stay'd for yrs. payment of Survey A to L.
Ditto .....Ditto ..... M to Z.—

Private Deposit; Orders of Council, &c.
Descriptions in Alnwick .....
Authorities subject to the settling Duties
Orders in Council, New Regulations A to Z.
Descriptions returned for the Authorities &
for other reasons—
Documents relative to the division line between
the Provinces of Upper & Lower Canada.
Descriptions prepared but not Entd. being
stay'd for the paymt. of Survey, &c.——
Ensign Wm. Buell's Descriptions, Stayed by
the Atty. Genl. for want of the Authorities, &c.
Lands in Adolphustown respecting
Descriptions in Matilda, Whitby, Clark, &
Crosby, stayed.
Hambley's Diaries & field Notes of the
Townships of Aldborough & Dunwich.
Hambley's Ditto...Do of East &
North Gwillimbury.——
Hambley's Field Notes, &c., of Dower
Sherwood's Field Notes & Diary of South Crosby.
Wilmot's Diary & Field Notes of Uxbridge.
Wilmot's Ditto ... Ditto ... of the Townships of
Toronto, Trafalgar, & Nelson.—
Ditto ..... Ditto his Do ... of Do ... being
Reserve on the River Credit.
Do ..... Do ..... his Do ... Travers of the Shore
of Lake Ontario.—
Smith's field notes & journal relative to the Township of Gosfield
& Colchester.
Wilmot's Field notes of the Travers on the 16 & 12 Mile Creeks &
Stegman's Diary and Report of the division line between the
Home & Newcastle Districts—
Stegman's Diary & Field Notes of Whitechurch.
Stegman's Field Notes of Finch.
Do ..... Do ..... of Elmsley.
Iredell's field notes of Orford.
Do ..... Do ..... of the S. W. Boundary of
Dover & the purchase line in 1790.
Jones's fielde Notes No. 1 & 2.—
Bien difficiles
d'Expliquez,
Chewetts ... Do ..... Do ..... No. 1, 2, 3, 4.
Fortune's field Notes of Six Townships on
the Rideau....
Miscellaneous Papers.——

Walnut Box No. 3...
Letters from the 1st of Octr. to 31 Decr., 1802.
Letters from Individuals from 1st of July to
31st Decr., 1803.
Governor Hamilton's Certif: to John Caldwell.
Letters from Individuals from 1st Janry. to 30 June, 1805.
Letters from the 1st July to 30th Septemr., 1802.

Letters from Individuals from 1st January to the 31st December, 1804.....
Letters from 1st January to 31 March, 1802.
Letters from 1st April to 30th June, 1802.
Letters & Powers of Atty. from Individuals ..... from 1st July, 1805, to July, 1806...
Letters from Individuals, from 1st Januy., 1803, to 30th June, 1803.
Edwd. Dogherty's Certificate.

Walnut Box No. 4.
Orders in Council, A to L & M to Z.
David McCargin, Col: England's Certificate—
Private Deposit, orders in Council.
1st July, 1796 —— do ——— do
David Morgan's Descript. stayd. for payt. of fees.
Orders in Council stayed.
Town Lots & Park Lots ... Authorities.
Gananoqui Road...
Subject to the Settling duties ... do ...
Yonge Street..... do ...

In the Upper Black Case:
Ten Years letters from 1792 to 1802
In Pidgeon holes & Bundles assorted Alphabetically.—
Letters from 1st January to 31st March, 1802—
Ditto...from 1st April to 30th of June, 1802...

office Shelves:
Letters from 21st July to 31st Decr., 1802.
ditto from 1st Januy. to 30th June, 1802.
ditto from 1st July to 31 Decemr., 1802.
ditto from 1st Januy. to 30th June, 1804.
Do from 1st July to 31 Decemr., 1804.
Do from 1st Januy. to 30 June, 1805.
Do from 1st July to 31 Decemr., 1805.
Do from 1 Januy. to 30 June, 1806.

Letters from Licensed Surveyors, Bonds, &c., from 1805 to 1806:—
Letters from Do..... Bonds, &c., for 1805 & 1806.
Letters from Do..... Do..... 1804, together with Mr. Saml. Wilmot's Bond and Oath.
Surveyors' letters, &c., from 1st Januy. to 30th June, 1805.
Henry Smith's Survey of contested lands in Fredericksburgh.
Certificates of Settling duty lodged in 1804.
Ditto ..... Ditto Lodged between 1st Januy. & 30 June, 1805.
Ditto ..... Ditto between July 1805 & July 1806.
Letters, &ca., from Individuals clearing up difficulties under the Commission.
Orders of Search by the Atty. Genl.
Locations approved between 28 June, 1802, & 31st Decemr., 1803.

Ditto .....Ditto..... between 1st Januy. & 31st Decemr., 1804.
Ditto.....Ditto..... 1st Januay. to 22d May, 1805.
Orders from the Council Office for Issuing Descriptions
upon claims under the Commission, 1804.
Locations between 10th October, 1805, and 27th December, 1806.
Fiats—Filed Alphabetically & lodged
between the 1st of Januy. & 31 Decr., 1804.
Do... M to Z under the Commission lodged between
the 22d July, 1802, & 31 Decemr., 1803.
Do... A to L Do ..... Do ..... between the
23d July, 1802, & 31st Decemr., 1803.
Do... for Leases No. 1 to 500 ... Do ... Do ...
Fiats Do from 1st January to 30 June, 1805.
Fiats for Grants under the Regs. 30th Decr., 1802.
Do..... Do..... under the New Regulations
from No. 98 to 400 Inclusive.
Do..... Do..... Issued under a special Order in
Council, 7 Decemr., 1802.
Do..... Do..... Under the First New Regs.
paid full fees No. 155 to 262 Inclusive.
Fiats for Glebes No. 1 to 5.
Shedules of Cancelled & Impounded Deeds.
Schedules of Search in the Secretary's Office.
Commissioners' Reports.
Sundry Orders on claims
Under the Western Commission, 1802.
Fiat and description, Leonard Soper.
Authorities lodged by the Solicitor General
as per Receipt given.

In the Lower Black Case.

Mr. Aitkin's letters, &c.
In Ditto Several descriptions. Letters, &c., from Mr. Chewett, Mr. Grant, Mr. Jones, Mr. Iredell, Mr. Hugh McDonell, Mr. Fortune, Mr. Hambley, Mr. Stegman, Mr. Welch, Mr. Bouchett, Mr. Wm. Fraser, Mr. Fry, Mr. Greely, Mr. Geo. Law, Mr. Perin Law, Mr. Allan Macdonald, Mr. Root, Mr. Ryder, Mr. B. Sherwood, Mr. Heny. Smith, Mr. Thos. Smith, Mr. Watkins, Mr. Whiting.

Papers relative to Settlers under the Nominees of Townships, &c., From A to H, H to T, T to Z.

Mmdm. relative to some people located near Long Point. Several Oaths of Allegiance. Several Blank Assignments. Several parcels of Blank Descriptions.

A Book of Diagrams for the Reserves. Three Sets of Schedules, District of Lunenburgh. One set of schedules of Mecklenburgh. Another old Schedule of the Eastern District by Mr. Chewitt.

Two old schedules of the Midland District from Mr. Aitkin. An Alphabetical reference of Do... by Do... The Old Schedules of the late Home District now the Dist. of Niagara.

Quebec Plans—Eastern District.
Alfred, Charlottenburgh, Clarence, Cornwall, Cumberland, Gloucester, Hawksbury, with Longueil, Kenyon, Lancaster, Matilda, Osnaburgh, Plantagenet, Roxborough, Williamsburgh.

Fine projections for Townships on the River Rideau.
Scrawl plans or Blotters. —
Cambridge, Gloucester, Hawkesbury, Mountain, Osgoode, Plantagenet, Winchester, Finch.

Old Plans: Alfred, Charlottenburgh, Charlottenburgh & Kenyon, 2, Clarence, Cornwall, Lancaster (North part), Lancaster by McNiff, Lancaster by McDonell, Matilda, 4, (Roxboro'), Cumberland, Gloucester, Hawkesbury, E.D., ditto W.D., Kenyon, Lancaster, South part, 2, Mountain, Osnabruck, 2, Plantaganet, 3, Williamsburgh, Winchester.

Quebec Plans, District of Johnstown: Augusta, Edwardsburgh, Elizabethtown, Landsdown, Leeds, Yonge, (including Escott), Marlborough & Oxford. Scrawl plans or blotters: Bastard, Crosby, North Gower, Kitley, Montague, Landsdown with Escott, Nepean, Wolford.

Plans of New Surveys, Dist. of Johnstown:—Elmsley, South Gower, Crosby North & South.

Old Plans, Dist. of Johnstown: Augusta 2, Edwardsburgh 2, Elizabethtown 2, Escot, now in Yonge, 2, Landsdown 3, Leeds 2, Oxford 4, Yonge Yonge 4.

Quebec Plans. Mid. District: Adolphustown, Ameliasburgh, Camden East, Ernestown, Fredericksburgh, Kingston, Marysburgh, Pittsburgh, Richmond, Sydney, Sophiasburgh, Thurlow, Hollowell, Tonté, Island of
Scrawl plans & Blotters: Ameliasburgh, Halowell, Marysburgh, Sophiasburgh.

Old Plans & Scrawl Plans: Adolphustown 2, Ernestown 2, Fredericksburgh 4, Hungerford 1, Huntingdon 1, Kingston 4, Leeds 1, Loughborough 1, Pittsburgh 2, Portland 1, Rawdon 2, Richmond 2, Sidney 1, Thurlow 1, Ameliasburgh & Sophiasburgh 1, Ameliasburgh 2, Halowell 3, Marysburgh 4, Sophiasburgh 2.

District of Newcastle: Scrawl Plans & Blotters: Alnwick, Clarke, Cramahe, Darlington, Haldimand, Hamilton, Hope, Murray, Percy.

Districts Home & New Castle: Plans received from Quebec: Clarke, Cramahe, Haldimand, Hamilton, Hope, Murray, Pickering, Scarborough, Whitby, Darlington, York.

(Signed) Chr. Willcocks, 9th Janv., 1807.

Home District.

Scrawl Plans or Blotters: Beverly, Etobicoke & its Divisions, Flamborough, East & West, King, Scarborough, Vaughan, Whitby, Markham, East Gwillimbury, West Ditto, North Ditto, Uxbridge, Whitechurch, York, Toronto, Trafalgar, Nelson.

Plan of the Tract purchased from the Missassagas.

Quebec Plans, District of Niagara: Barton, Bertie, Binbrook, Clinton, Crowland, Flamborough (now in the Home Dist.), Grantham, Grimsby, Louth, Niagara, Pelham, Saltfleet, Stamford, Thorold, Willoughby.

District of Niagara: Scrawl plans or Blotters:—Ancaster, Caistor, Gainsborough, Glanford, Humberstone, Wainfleet.

Old Plans from the Land Board: Barton, Bertie, Clinton, Grantham, Louth, Niagara, Saltfleet, Thorold, Willoughby & Crowland, Flamborough, East & West.

District of London: Scrawl plans or Blotters: Aldborough, 2 plans, Burford, Burford Gore, Blenheim, Charlotteville, Delaware, Dorchester, North & South, Dunwich, 2 plans, Houghton, Oxford, North, East & West, Sketch of Orford, Rainham, Southwold & its Divisions, Townsend, Walpole, Ditto Gore, Walsingham, Windham, Woodhouse, Yarmouth, front & Rear.

Western District: Scrawl plans or Blotters:—Camden, West, Chatham, 40 Lots, Chatham & Camden, Colchester, Ditto, by Smith, Ditto, by McNiff, Douer, Dover, by Hambley, Ditto, Gosfield, Ditto by Smith, Ditto by McNiff, Harwich, Ditto, Shawenese.

Western District: Scrawl Plans & Blotters: Howard, Maidstone, Malden, Ditto, Ditto by McNiff, Mersia, Ditto by Smith, Orford, by McNiff, Rawleigh, Ditto, Rochester, Romney, Sandwich, L'Assomption, Ditto by McNiff, Sandwich, petite Côte, 3, Ditto by McNiff, Tilbury.

Towns: Scrawl Plans: Adolphustown, Cornwall, Charlotteville, Cornwall (olim Johnstown), Johnstown, North & South part, Kingston, 4 plans, Newcastle, 2 Do, Niagara, York, 3 Plans, Chatham, Sandwich.

Schedules of Plans in the long blue Box covered with canvas marked Surveyor Genl. Depart., Upper Canada.

Plan of the District of Lunenburgh now comprehending the Eastern District and the District of Johnstown with the Townships laid down thereon—Scale, 2 Miles to an Inch.

Plan of the District of Mecklenburgh, now the Midland District—2 Miles to an Inch.

Plan of the District of Nassau, comprehending the projected District of New Castle, the Home District, the District of Niagara & a small part of the District of London. Scale, one mile to an Inch.

Ditto...Ditto, with Sundry Remarks respecting Communications & carrying places, &c. Scale 2 Miles to an Inch.

Plan of the District of Hesse (in 7 pieces) extending from point Pélé, on the N. Side of Lake Erie, to the Mouth of the River La Tranche, where it emptys itself into Lake St. Clair, & from thence up the River la Tranche to the 2d fork thereof.

The several pieces of this plan are included in the New ATLAS for the Western District.

Plan of the N. Side of Lake Ontario from Cataraqui to Niagara, including the purchase made from the Indians in 1781. Scale, about 9 Miles to 5 Inches.

Map of the Province of Upper Canada according to the organization in the year 1792.

Map of the Province of U. Canada, according to the late Act for the better Division of the same without the writing thereon.

Plan of the Province in Line.

New Atlas for Upper Canada, Conts. plans shewing the old & a new projection for the better Division of the Province.

Plan of the Organized part of the Province according to a Bill which has passed the two Houses and Reserved for the signification of the Royal pleasure.

Sketch of Lake Erie, Detroit River, Lake St. Clair & part of Lakes Huron & Ontario.

Plan of the Midland District. Ditto of the Home Do.

Plan of the Townships comprehended between the Chepewaw and Lake Erie to the Lands of the Six Nations on the Grand River.

Sketch of the Western District.

Plan of the Block of Land between Burlington Bay, & the River Etobicoke, belonging to the Messessaguays.

Sketch of a tract of Land at Niagara purchased from the Missessaguays by Col. Johnson.

Plan from Fort Niagara to the landing above the Falls of Niagara, with reference.

Plan of Lands purchased from the Missessaguays at Toronto & about the Mouth of Matchedash River.

Sketches of Holland River from the landing at Pines-fort, to the Entrance of Lake Simcoe and the tongue of Land at the forks.

Sketches conjectured to be the extent of the Cessions from the Indians to the Crown on the North side of Lake Ontario, not including Matchedash.

Plan of the purchase about York from Etobicoke.

Plan of the Eastern boundary of the Old purchase about Toronto, now York.

Plan of the Communication from York to Matchedash with the Indian purchase by John Collins, Esquire.

Plan of the Communication from York to Matchedash.

Plan of the Township of Malden & the Huron Reserve.

Plan of De Longueieul & Lotbinieres, Seigneuries, shewing the Boundary line between the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, Sent from D. W. Smith, Esq., Surveyor Genl. of U. Canada, to Major Holland, Surveyor General of Lower Canada.

Plan of A Survey from the Western Boundary line of Elizabethtown in the Circle of Oswegatchie to Cataraqui.

Plan from the Point of Boudet to the Western Boundary line of the Township No. 8 or Elizabethtown.

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Plan of the land claimed by the Indians of St. Regis.
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NEW ATLAS, for the Dist. of Johnstown:
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NEW ATLAS for the Midland District:
Townships of Ameliasburgh, Camden, Ernesttown, Hungerford, Huntingdon, Kingston, Loughborough, Marysburgh, Mohawk Tract, Portland, Rawdon, Sophiasburgh, Adolphustown, Fredericksburgh, Hallowell.
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NEW ATLAS for the projected District of Newcastle:
Townships of Alnwick, Clark, Cramahe, Darlington, Haldimand, Hamilton, Hope, Murray, Piercy.

NEW ATLAS for the Home District:
Townships of Beverley, Etobicoke, first Military tract, Etobicoke, Flamboro East, do West, King & the line between Markham & Whitechurch, Markham, Pickering, Scarborough, Vaughan, Whitechurch, York 2 plans, Markham.
Plan of the Ground in the Vicinity of the Reserve for Govt. House in the Town of York.

NEW ATLAS for the District of Niagara:
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Subdivision of Lands in the vicinity of the Town of Niagara, 4 plans;
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NEW ATLAS for the District of London:
Townships of Aldborough, Blandford, Blenheim, Burford, Ditto Gore, Charlotteville, Delaware, Dewham, Dorchester, Dorchester, N.D., Dunwich, Harwich, London, Norwich, Oxford, Oxford N. W. Division, Rainham, Southwold, Townsend, Walpole, do Gore, Walsingham, Westminster, Windham, Woodhouse, Yarmouth, Aldborough, Dunwich.

NEW ATLAS for the Western District: Colchester, 2 plans, Harwich, Howard, Huron Reserve, Maidstone & Rochester, Malden 2 plans, Mersea, Orford, Raleigh, Sandwich 2 plans, 1 on a large scale, Tilbury, Camden, Chatham, Dover, Gosfield, Harwich, Howard, Mersea, Romney.

Spare Plans of Towns: Gwillimbury, Sandwich.

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Spare Plans of the Dist. of Johnstown:—Leeds, Mountain 3 plans, Nepean, Yonge.

Spare Plans of the Midland Dist.:—Ernest Town, Hungerford 2 plans, Huntingdon 3 plans, Loughboro' 2 do, Marysburgh, Portland, Richmond 2 plans, Sidney, Rawdon, Sophiasburgh.

Spare plans of the Dist. of Newcastle:—Cramahe, Haldimand, Hamilton, Murray, Percy.

Spare Plans of the Home Dist.:—Beverly, Whitechurch, of each 2 plans.

Spare Plans of the Dist. of Niagara:—Bertie, pt. of do, Gainsboro', Glanford, Grimsby, Humberstone, Pelham 2 pls., Saltfleet, Wainfleet, Willoughby 2 pls.

Spare Plans of the Dist. of London:—Blenheim, Burford 3 pls., do Gore, Dorchester, Oxford, W. D. 3 pls., Oxford, Windham, Woodhouse.

Spare Plans of the Western District:—Colchester and part of Gosfield, Orford, Raleigh, Huron Reserve, Sandwich.

ARTICLES.

A Theodelite with Vertical Arch & Telescope, legs, &c.; An old do with do do & case; a Levelling Instrument with legs & case; a Pentographer with case; a Drawing Frame; an old Barometer; a large Black walnut Desk with 4 Compartments; Six Black Walnut Boxes; Two Blue painted Book cases; 4 do Boxes; 4 do long plan cases; a Stove; a Paper case painted Black—in two Divisions; Bundles of Keys for the above.

Account current Book from 1 Janvy., 1802, to 31 Decemr., 1806; 27 Descriptions allowed to the Heirs & Devisees of the Nominees of the Crown und. an Act of the Provinl. Parliament passed in March, 1805; 1 Descript. in Trust for the Congregation of Roman Catholicks; Schedule of persons

stayed by the Inspr. Genl. for the payment of Fees, H to L; do, do, L to Z; a Box of Red chalk; a Copying Glass; a Gunters Chain missing.

Stationary contained in the blue painted box; Large drawing paper, 267 Inches by 19½ do, being about 4 Inches in depth; Do, Do, 33 by 26 Inches, about 4 Inches in depth; 17 quire & a half of drawing paper of an other description; 5 Bundles of quills; 40 bottles of India Rubber; 6 packets containing papers of Red Ink powder; 8 do, of black do; 28 paper packets containing Sealing wax; 3 lb. of sand; 45 Dozen of Pencils; 1 black earthen Inkstand; 8 Bundles of Crow quills; paper packet of Pounce; 23 blank books; 33 Sheets of paste-board; 1 pounce Box.

Stationary contained in hair trunk and upon shelf in office.

15 bundles of quills; 13 tin cases containing wafers; 11 paper packets containing papers of black Ink powder; 3 do Red do; 3 doz. & 4 pencils; 2 paper of Sealing wax; 2 pr. Office Ribbon; 2 paper of silk twist; 4 leaden Inkstands (round); 1 Ink Stand; 1 paper of Red tape; 1 paper Knife; 31 bottles of India rubber; 2 penknives; 5 pounce bottles; 2 black leather letter cases; 1 p. Pounce; 7 reams of Foolscap paper; 11 Memorandum books; a few sticks of Indian glue; 2 box rulers; 1 Round Ruler; 1 parallel do; 2 Boxes Colours; 2 Ream Cartridge paper; 2 Ream Blotting paper; 7 Quire folio port & 1 Ream do.

I certify the above to be a true Statement of the Official documents, &c., &c., belonging to the Department of the Surveyor General of this Province.

C. B. Wyatt.

York, Upper Canada,
8th January, 1807.

APPENDIX B.

Scope of the Ontario Bureau of Archives.

[Reproduced from First Report.]

(1) The Bureau is equally related and attached to all the Government Departments, and shall receive papers and documents of historical interest, not in current use, from all branches of the public service. When possible these documents shall be classified and calendared.

The Bureau shall devote attention to:—

(2) The copying and printing of important Ontario records lying in the Canadan Archives at Ottawa, in the State Departments there and elsewhere.

(3) The collection of documents having, in the widest sense, a bearing upon the political or social history of Ontario, and upon its agricultural, industrial, commercial, and financial development.

(4) The collection of municipal, school, and church records.

(5) The collection and preservation of pamphlets, maps, charts, manuscripts, papers, regimental muster rolls, etc., bearing on the past or present history of Ontario.

(6) The collection and preservation of facts illustrative of the early settlements of Ontario pioneer experience—customs, mode of living—prices—wages—boundaries—areas cultivated—homes, etc.

(7) The collection and preservation of correspondence—letters from and to settlers, documents in private hands pertaining to public and social affairs, etc., reports of local events and historic incidents in the family or public life.

(8) The rescuing from oblivion of the memory of the pioneer settlers, to obtain and preserve narratives of their early exploits, and of the part they took in opening up the country for occupation.

(9) Co-operation with the Historical Societies of Ontario and societies kindred to them, to help to consolidate and classify their work, and as far as practicable direct local effort on given lines.

The Plan of Work.

It is proposed to adopt the following plan of work as one on which the various Archives can be easily classified and catalogued, viz.: To divide the history of Ontario until Confederation, 1867, into its political periods, arranging the material secured in chronological order, and giving each period a series of Reports. Thus, the work can be carried on in all the divisions simultaneously, and when sufficient material shall have accumulated in any one of them, it can be utilized either by the publication of documents or calendars in the annual reports without undue delay. From Confederation onward, the larger quantity of material to be dealt with, and

the probable absence of sweeping constitutional changes to mark eras, suggest a chronological rather than a political basis of division. The periods are:—

(1) 1763 To the close of the French Regime, or the period of French Discovery.

(2) 1791 To the organization of the Province of Upper Canada.

(3) 1841 To the Legislative Union of Upper and Lower Canada.

(4) 1867 To Confederation.

(5) 1900 To the end of the Nineteenth Century.

In each of these Divisions there is much work to be done. Each has its own distinctive feature, and there is abundance of minor incident.

(1) The French Regime includes the study of official records, printed and MS. books, pamphlets, correspondence, the reports and maps of early French and British explorers, traders and missionaries, soldiers and surveyors, down to the U.E. Loyalist immigration.

(2) In the period between 1763 to 1791 the feature is the Loyalist immigration, with its accompanying settlement, and the conditions and circumstances influencing the form of government adopted for Upper Canada.

(3) From the organization of the Province to 1841. Here we have the real commencement of our Provincial history, the introduction of constitutional government; the work of the Legislature, some of whose early records are lost; the outbreak of the War of 1812; the progress of settlement, and the development of municipal, educational, and commercial institutions; the restiveness leading to the rising of 1837, and the concessions made to Responsible Government.

(4) The periods of Legislative Union. Immigration, settlement, and migration are prominent events, while the introduction of railways, the improvement of waterways, the settlement of many great political, educational, and ecclesiastical questions, lend to this period unusual importance.

(5) From Confederation onwards the periods suggested are fruitful of documentary history, but at such short range it is unnecessary to indicate the special events of unusual interest.

The extent and character of the documents thus collected would determine the arrangement of material for annual publication.

ALEXANDER FRASER,
PROVINCIAL ARCHIVIST.

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