

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

P R E S E N T,

His Excellency the Right Honorable LORD DORCHESTER;

The Honorable WILLIAM SMITH, Esquire, Chief Justice,	
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,

Esquires.

HIS Lordship intimated to the Council that it remained a Question, upon the late Regulation for the Disposition of the Waste Lands of the Crown, whether the Boards, constituted for that Purpose were authorised to make Locations to the Sons of Loyalists, on their coming to full Age and that it was his wish 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 Lordship it is accordingly ORDERED,

That the several Land Boards take Course for preserving a Registry of the Names of all Persons falling under the Description aforementioned to the End that their Posterity may be discriminated, from future settlers, in the Parish Registers and Rolls of the Militia, of their respective Districts, and other Public Remembrancers of the Province, as proper Objects by their persevering in the the Fidelity and Conduct, so honorable to their Ancestors, for distinguished Benefits and Privileges.

And it is also ordered, that the said Land Boards may in every such Case provide not only for the Sons of those Loyalists, as they arrive to full Age, but for their Daughters also of that Age, or on their Marriage assigning to each a Lot of Two hundred Acres, more or less, provided nevertheless that they respectively comply with the general Regulations, and that it shall satisfactorily appear that there has been no Default in the due Cultivation and Improvement of the Lands already assigned to the Head of the Family of which they are Members.

J. WILLIAMS, C. C.

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

U. E.

and there being no Default in the due Cultivation and Improvement of the Lands,
already assigned to the said U. E.

U. E. Father in the Township of in the District of
Lot N^o . We therefore hereby assign to the said
Concession U. E. the Lot Number
Township of in the Concession of the Township of
in the District of , containing Two Hundred Acres
District of more or less, the same being Vacant, and the Petitioner's Name duly entered on
the Plan and Schedule of Locations of the said Township. And the said

U. E. is hereby authorized to occupy and improve the said Lands, and having improved the same shall receive a Grant thereof to , and Heirs, or Devisees in due Form, on such Terms and Conditions as it shall please His Majesty to ordain. And all Persons are desired to take Notice that this Assignment, and all others of a similar Nature, ARE NOT TRANSFERABLE by Purchase, Donation, or otherwise, on any Pretence whatever, except by an Act under the Signature of the Board for the District, in which the Lands are situated, which is to be endorsed upon this Certificate.

Given at the Land Office Board for the District of
this Day of One
Thousand Seven Hundred and

By Order of the Board,

Acting Surveyor for the District of

EXTRACT from the Rules and Regulations for the Conduct of the Land Office Department, dated Council Chamber, 17th. February, 1789.

- IV. **T**HE 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 of 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.
- VII. The respective Boards shall, on Petitions from Loyalists already settled in the upper District for further allotments of land under the instructions to the Deputy Surveyor-general, of the 2d. of June, 1787, or under prior or other orders for assigning portions to their families, examine into the grounds 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 effectual in the manner beforementioned; 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 herein before, 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 and Commander in Chief for the time being, of all such spots as are herein before 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 reserved.

A. J. L.
born of Certificate
James & Margaret
of England —