

Tuesday, 8th July, 1794.

At the Council Chamber.

Present: His Excellency J. G. Simcoe, Lieutenant Governor; The Honourables William Osgoode, Chief Justice; Alexander Grant, James Baby, Peter Russell and Aeneas Shaw.

Ben. Pawling, late Captain in Col. Butler's Corps of Rangers: Petitioner having located one thousand acres in part of three thousand acres of land he is entitled to as a reduced captain, prays Your Excellency would be pleased to grant him the remaining two thousand acres in such part of the Province where they may be found vacant. Ordered that the same be granted.

John Beamer: Petitioner has been in the Province upwards of seven years, settled and improved on lot 19, first concession, Township of Flamborough, which he bought of Elias Long, prays that he may be confirmed in the same,

and having a wife and five children, prays Your Excellency and the Council will give such further grant as shall seem meet. Ordered that a lot be granted to petitioner and that ye Surveyor General do locate the same.

Christian Warner, a Sergeant of Col. Butler's late Rangers, and John Stacey, late of the Naval Department: Memorialists have both been in the service of His Majesty, and about four years ago went to Long Point and located C.W. 400 acres and J.S. 200 acres; pray to be confirmed in the same as they understand part of the said lands are claimed by Nathan Barnum. Ordered that the same be rejected.

John Mordant and family: Petitioners have resided in this Province upwards of six years and being desirous of having the lands they have located and improved insured to them, humbly pray Your Excellency in consideration of the true loyalty and fidelity to the King of their family during last war (the circumstances of which Your Excellency is not unacquainted with) will please to grant to his mother 400 acres in the first concession, Township of Flamborough lots Nos. 16 and 17; Betsy and Nancy Mordant (daughters) a lot each, Nos. 12 and 13, second concession of the said township; to Ralph Mordant lot No. 15, first concession same township, and to James Mordant lot No. 54, first concession, Township of Ancaster; and John Mordant for lot No. 18; first concession. Ordered that the quantity be granted and referred to the Surveyor General to locate the same.

Francis Costa: Petition praying for land. Ordered that the petitioner shall have a grant of twelve hundred acres and that the Surveyor General do locate same.

John Purbus and Peter Van Every: Your petitioners both served His Majesty during the late war in the Ranging Service and have not received any land,—John Purbus prays for lot No. 2 in the first concession, Township of Flamborough, and Peter Van Every for lot No. 9 in the first concession and No. 9 in the second concession in the said Township of Flamborough. Ordered that the petitioners shall have a single lot each.

Irish John Wilson: Petitioner removed into this Province with his family six years since. That he has been indulged with a grant of 250 acres only for himself and family and, having a wife and eleven children, prays for a further grant. Ordered to be referred to the Land Board.

Andrew Van Every: Petitioner's father and brothers, five, served last war in Col. Butler's Rangers, that the care of his mother and the rest of the family devolved in great measure on himself. Prays for lot No. 1 in the first concession, and lot No. 1 in the second concession, Township of Flamborough. Ordered one lot if none has been granted to him.

Charles Field: Petitioner served His Majesty in the Marine Department three years on Lake Ontario, part of which time he was considered as an artificer, and has been since honourably discharged and, having married the daughter of a loyalist, prays that he may have a grant of land agreeably to His Majesty's bounty and that he may also locate in right of his wife. Ordered that one lot be granted.

Haz'n Spencer: Petitioner has not located all the lands he is entitled to. Prays for 600 acres, Township of Marysburg, Midland District, adjoining the lands of Owen Richards in the second concession east of the east lake in the said township. Ordered petition granted. Referred to Surveyor General to locate the same.

Hill Carney and Edward Carney: Petitioners during the American War were severely persecuted by the revolvers. They were frequently imprisoned and

fined in a sum equal to the amount of their property and are now removed into the Province with their families and pray for an allotment of land to improve upon. Ordered petition be granted. Place to be specified.

Wm. James and Ben. Richards: Memorialists pray to be confirmed in lands that they have long since taken possession without an order. Rejected.

Jonathan Miller: Petitioner is desirous of settling in the Province and prays Your Excellency will grant him four hundred acres of land adjoining the lands granted Mr. Ebenezer Allen and associates. Ordered that 200 acres be granted petitioner.

Timothy Skinner: Petitioner prays for a further location. Ordered that an additional lot be granted and referred to the Surveyor General to locate the same.

Wm. Gage: Petitioner about five years ago came into this Province with property to a considerable amount and was promised lands by Colonel Hunter but as the lines were not run out in such parts as petitioner wished, he bought an improvement in the Township of Saltfleet. Petitioner is now returned with his wife and family and prays for 1200 acres of land in said township. Ordered that petitioner shall have a grant of six hundred acres, Surveyor General to locate the same.

John Pettit: Petitioner served during last war in the New Jersey Volunteers six years and a half, and was honourably discharged from the said Corps at the conclusion of the war. Petitioner has received 250 acres but hopes that his loyalty, exertions and very great sufferings, will entitle him to a further claim on Your Excellency. Ordered that he shall have a grant of two hundred acres more.

Negroes (nineteen): Petitioners pray for a tract of land to settle on separate from the white settlers. Rejected.

Lewis Vail: Petitioner removed with his father out of New Jersey into the British lines on Staten Island, at the commencement of the war. Prays for an allotment of land contiguous as may be convenient to York and he will improve thereon. Ordered that the petition be granted.

John Aikman: Petitioner has received a grant for lot No. 39 in the first concession, Township of Ancaster, on condition that he should build on the same, but finds the lands so much broken that without a further indulgence he cannot get a livelihood for himself and family. Prays for lot No. 38 in the same concession and township. Inadmissible; only one lot upon the road can be granted.

Isaac Swayze: Petitioner most humbly prays for a location of land agreeably to His Majesty's most gracious bounty to his loyal subjects. Ordered that petitioner have a grant of twelve hundred acres and referred to the Surveyor General to locate the same.

John Mordant: Petitioner prays in consideration of the loss of his father in the late rebellion, their family are entitled to 1200 acres exclusive of their individual grants. Ordered petitioner have 200 acres in addition.

John Secord, late Sergeant in the New York Volunteers: Petitioner under the sanction of the Land Board took up lot No. 9, being 200 acres of land on the River Welland, erected a small house and improved the same, since which Isaac Vrooman has begun to clear land on the premises and claims the lot as his property. Prays to be confirmed in the same. Ordered to be referred to Surveyor General to report on the pretensions of the claimants.

Jesse Pawling: Petitioner having received one thousand acres of land in part of two thousand acres he supposes himself entitled to, prays for the remaining one thousand to be located to him. Ordered that the same be granted.

John Cain: Petitioner served His Majesty five years in Sir John Johnson's

Corps of Rangers and has been in the Province ever since. He has never had any lands assigned to him. Has a wife and two children and prays for lot No. 5, Township of Flamborough, first concession, and that he may have a further quantity of land for himself and family. Ordered to be referred to the Land Board.

William and John Shaver: Petitioners have been in the Province some time and William Shaver has been upon lot No. 54, second concession, Township of Ancaster, and prays for a grant of the same. Ordered referred to the Surveyor General, and one lot granted to John Shaver. Referred to the Surveyor General to locate them.

Peter Cain: Petitioner desirous of settling in the Province, prays for a location of one thousand acres. Ordered that he shall have a grant of 400 acres.

Robert Wilkins (Kingston): Petitioner prays for a grant of land on the back of the seminary land of New Johnstown of about 500 acres more or less. The Council admit the quantity and to be referred to the Land Board to report.

William Chewett, formerly an officer of the staff in the Province of Lower Canada, previous to the reduction in the year 1783: Petitioner prays Your Excellency will take his case into consideration and allow whatever proportion of land Your Excellency may think fit, he having received only 200 acres of land on the east side of the River Cataraqui. Ordered that petitioner shall have a grant of one thousand acres to make together 1200 acres.

Rebecca Field and Gilbert Field: Petitioner is the widow of George Field who served His Majesty last war in Col. Butler's Corps of Rangers, that her late husband never obtained more than one hundred acres of land, she humbly prays that she may have lands assigned to her in her husband's right, and also in her own. Her son Gilbert has also served in Col. Butler's Corps of Rangers and never taken up any lands. Requests that he may have a grant of lots Nos. 35 and 36 in the third concession, Township of Ancaster; and if Your Excellency think him deserving of a further indulgence, that lots Nos. 33 and 34 in the fourth concession of the said township may be granted him. Ordered that two lots be granted Gilbert Field, one additional lot to Rebecca Field, and referred to the Surveyor General.

John Davis: Petitioner encouraged by Your Excellency's most gracious Proclamation has removed together with eleven families into this Province from the State of North Carolina. Prays for a tract of land sufficient to accommodate him and the families he has brought with him. Ordered that it be granted, and place to be specified.

Neil McLean, Hector McLean, Richard Porter, Richard Cartwright Senior, William Atkinson: Memorialists set forth to Your Excellency that they have been resident in this Province since the settlement of it in 1784, and were members of the first Land Board that was ever instituted in this country, in which capacity they have uniformly continued to act, and are now doing business under the sanction and authority of Your Excellency in the same capacity. From the above mentioned, and many other circumstances, they pray that Your Excellency in Council will condescend to consider their claims in this particular instance and order them a grant of such portion or portions of the waste lands of the Crown wherever they may be unlocated. Ordered that a letter be written to know what lands the petitioners have received.

Abraham Beams: Petitioner has purchased an improvement of 250 acres of land and obtained a right to the soil, which is all the encouragement he has ever received from Government: Therefore prays for a location of land for himself and family as much as Your Excellency in Council shall seem meet.

Ordered that petitioner shall have a grant of four hundred acres, and referred to Surveyor General to locate the same.

James Durham, Edward Durham and Isaac Durham: Petitioners are the sons of the late James Durham, deceased. That their father suffered imprisonment and loss of property in the Colonies on account of his loyalty. Six years since he came into this Province and obtained a location of 200 acres of land but never located for his sons. Pray for a location of land and that lot No. 3 and No. 4 may be assigned them in the Township of Flamborough, first concession. Ordered that the petitioners shall have a grant of a lot each.

Wednesday, 9th July, 1794.

At the Council Chamber.

Present: His Excellency J. G. Simcoe, Lieutenant Governor; The Honourables William Osgoode, Chief Justice; Alexander Grant, Peter Russell and Aeneas Shaw.

Ordered that His Excellency John Graves Simcoe, Esquire, Lieutenant Governor, have a grant of five thousand acres of land, being entitled to the same as Colonel of the late Queen's Rangers last war.

Resolved that the Town of York be built conformably to the plan now laid before the Council and marked with the letter (---), which plan has been considered and approved of by them; and that every person taking a town lot shall be under an obligation of building a house within the period of three years from the date of their certificate of location, and in case of non-compliance, shall forfeit the same.

James Lee: Petitioner served during the late war in the 23rd Regt. seven years, has drawn 200 acres; humbly conceives himself entitled as a soldier to some additional claim, and has also a wife and four children. Prays Your Excellency will authorize your petitioner to receive such additional land as Your Excellency's wisdom shall seem meet. Ordered not to be granted until His Excellency sees him himself.

Abnor Landon and others, of the Town of New Johnstown: Petitioners set forth that the inhabitants of said town are greatly hindered in their building for want of a saw mill and are under the necessity of carrying their grain a great distance for want of a grist mill. Pray to erect mill or mills upon the stream running through the town. Ordered to be referred to the Surveyor General to report how far the granting of this petition will interfere with the mill already erected.

Henry Weishuhn: Petitioner served as Sergt-Major in the 60th Royal American Regt. of Foot last rebellion and prays for a grant of land for himself, wife and five children. Ordered that it be referred to the Land Board.

Richard Loucks and Jacob Mercle, church wardens for the Presbyterian congregation in the Township of Osnabruck: Petitioners set forth that the congregation wishing to build themselves a place of divine service, and that they are in daily expectation of a minister to whom they have agreed to give a salary, pray that Your Excellency will grant the west half of the center common of the Township of Osnabruck, or such part of it as Your Excellency may think proper. Ordered to be referred to the Surveyor General.

John Backhouse: Petitioner is arrived with his family into this Province, that he is from Yorkshire in England, has a wife and eight children, and prays that an assignment of land may be made to himself and family. Ordered a grant of six hundred acres, and to be referred to the Surveyor General.

At the Council Chamber.

Present: His Excellency J. G. Simcoe, Lieutenant Governor; The Honourables Peter Russell and AENEAS Shaw.

Wm. Walker: Petitioner came from North Carolina with his family, eleven in number, four of which are able to bear arms. Prays for an allotment of land adequate to his family. Ordered that the petitioner and family have a grant of twelve hundred acres.

Jacob Ball, Sen: Petitioner sets forth that he served as a Captain of militia in the Province of New York from the year 1768 till the commencement of the rebellion and prays Your Excellency in Council will grant him (with what he has received) the same quantity allowed to Captains who served during the rebellion. The petition not admissible.

Peter Secord: Petitioner joined His Majesty's standard in the year 1777, and employed in the service and received pay, from which he was discharged on account of his age. Prays for lots Nos. 93, 94, and 95 in township No. 1, having resided on said lands ever since the year 1781. Ordered that the same be granted.¹

Daniel Servos: Petitioner located and settled on lands on this side the Four Mile Creek in the year 1785, which lands fall within the reserve. Prays that he may be granted one lot fronting the house in which he now lives. Referred to the Surveyor General to show where the lands said to be reserved are laid out.

Adam McColgan: Petitioner served during the whole of the late rebellion in Your Excellency's Regt. and received only one hundred acres for his services. Prays that if the request does not appear unreasonable, Your Excellency will grant him a lot of land in the Township of York. Ordered that the same be granted.

Staats Springsteen: Petitioner served the last war in Col. Butler's Rangers and resided in this Province ever since they were disbanded, and last summer went to Murphy's Creek in the vicinity of Long Point and improved on land at that place. Prays that the same may be confirmed to him. Ordered that the same be rejected.

John Furga: Petitioner served last war in Col. Butler's Rangers. Prays that he may have leave to remain on his place at Long Point. Ordered to be referred to the Surveyor General.

John Wrong: Petitioner prays for lot No. 36, 3rd concession on the 20 Mile Creek. Ordered to stand over.

George Keefer: Petitioner removed into this Province last fall and has been indulged with a location of land of 200 acres by the Land Board; that his father had great losses, &c., and served with the British troops last war until his death. Petitioner prays for a location of land in right of his father. Ordered that the same be referred for further consideration.

James Chambers: Petitioner is desirous of settling in this Province and prays for an allotment of land. Ordered that he shall have a grant of 200 acres.

Parker Mills: Petitions for land at York. Ordered to be considered with the York petitions.

Jacob Baum: Petitioner came into this Province in the year 1788 and improved in township No. 5 near Lake Ontario. Erected mills on the Thirty Mile Creek in the gore between townships Nos. 5 and 6. At certain seasons there is not water sufficient to drive the said mill, therefore your petitioner prays for

¹Rescinded 11th July, 1795 and 400 acres granted in lieu.

three hundred and fifty acres contiguous to the said mills in the gore, this quantity being the amount of his family lands granted by the Land Board. Ordered that the same be granted.

James O'Hara: Petitioner served and joined His Majesty's troops at New York. Prays for an allotment of land to accommodate himself and family. Ordered that he shall have a grant of 200 acres.

William Spurgin: Petitioner left his property and joined Lord Cornwallis last war. He came to this Province near twelve months since with his family. Prays Your Excellency will grant him an allotment of land to improve upon. Ordered that he shall have a grant of 200 acres for the present. Referred to the Surveyor General.

Joshua Booth, in behalf of Robert Clerk, Esquire: Petition praying for a mill seat &c. Resolved to be inadmissible as the mill seat belongs to the Crown.

Colin McNabb: Petitioner has not received any land which he presumes he is entitled to as a reduced officer, therefore humbly prays Your Excellency will be pleased to grant him his proportion. Your petitioner respectfully represents that he has a wife and five children, and prays that an additional grant be allowed him in behalf of his family. Ordered that the petition be granted.

Margaret McCool: Petitioner is just arrived with her family consisting of three sons and two daughters. Her husband and eldest son bore arms in support of His Majesty's Government, and both lost their lives at Charlestown. Prays Your Excellency will grant her and family such lands as Your Excellency's wisdom shall seem meet. Ordered that she shall have a grant of eight hundred acres (including those already allotted) for herself and family.

Miles Hitchcock: Petitioner has a wife and three children living with him, and has been upwards of eight years in the Province. Prays for lots Nos. 14 and 15 on the 20 Mile Creek. Ordered that the same be referred to the Surveyor General.

Petition of the settlers of the Township of Osnaburg: Petitioners humbly beg that Your Excellency will be pleased to grant a surveyor to run over the third concession in the right place, as there is a sufficient quantity of land for two concessions, and to prevent further mistakes. Ordered to be referred to the Surveyor General.

Abraham Neafe: Petitioner has received lot No. 30, second concession in the Township of Sugar Loaf East, and previous to the survey of the said township had erected a valuable improvement on said lot and also on lot No. 29 in the same concession. Prays for a grant of the same to cover an improvement which he has made at great expense and labour. Ordered that the same be granted if vacant.

Petition of the inhabitants of the north branch in the seventh and eighth concession of the lands given to the petitioners in the County of Stormont:

Represents that the Indians are giving out the said land to settlers and have made some encroachment on your petitioners. Pray that the lines run by McNiff may be established, or that Your Excellency will order a surveyor to survey the eighth concession and establish John Chisholm on lot No. 1, seventh concession, and Alexander Munro on lot No. 2 in the eighth concession, and the widow McLeod do on lot No. 4, agreeable to the plan, and the said lots to extend from concession line to concession line in order that every man shall occupy his own lot. Ordered that the above petition be referred to the Surveyor General.

Jonathan Walton: Memorialist having served the last American war as Lieut. of the provincial armed boats, as will appear by certificate, finding that

persons of his description have drawn lands, is induced to hope that Your Excellency, from your knowledge of your memorialist's services, will grant him the quota of land common to a Subaltern. Ordered that Mr. Walton have a grant of eight hundred acres in addition to the 1200 he possesses in the Township of Hope.

Petition of the Grand Jury for the January Sessions, Eastern District: That your petitioners having long experienced the inconvenience of the want of a public market in the Town of Cornwall, pray that Your Excellency will grant the same and that it may be held every Saturday. Ordered that it be granted.

John Morehouse: Petitioner is desirous of becoming an inhabitant of this Province and can bring on a number of settlers, worthy inhabitants; therefore prays Your Excellency will grant him a quantity of land to accommodate himself and associates. Ordered that he shall have a grant and to look out for lands.

Thos. Kinnear: Petitioner has served as seaman on Lake Erie under Commodore Grant. Prays that he may be allowed the usual proportion of land. Ordered that he shall have a grant of two hundred acres.

John Lyon: Petitioner prays for an allotment of land to improve upon. Ordered that the petitioner shall have 200 acres.

Benjamin Canby and John McGill: Petitioners have been at a great expense in erecting mills on the military communication between Chippawa and the falls about one mile above the mills of John Burch, Esq. Pray for a location of land of half a quarter of a mile below the place designed for said mills, and a quarter and half-quarter of a mile of said military tract above the place first mentioned. Your petitioners further pray to locate twelve hundred acres of timber land on the Chippawa Creek. Ordered to specify the vacant lots which the Surveyor General will report upon, the other part to be granted if there be a vacancy.

Thos. Dickson: Petitioner prays for a town lot at Fort Erie, as contiguous to the present fort and stores as may be allowed under such regulations. Ordered that it be granted and referred to the Engineer.

Thos. Bradford: That he is just arrived with his family, twelve in number, prays your Excellency will grant him lands adequate to his family to improve upon. Ordered that petitioner and his family have a grant of six hundred acres.

Jane Davis, widow; John Davis, Robert Davis, James Davis and James Darickson: Petitioners are arrived from North Carolina in order to live near her son, Thomas Davis, who has been settled in the seventh township of the County of Lincoln for four years past. Prays for lands near to her son's. Ordered that they shall have two hundred acres each.

David Bradford: Petitioner is arrived from North Carolina with his wife and six children with intent to settle in this Province. Prays for lands in the Township of Ancaster. Ordered that he shall have a grant of six hundred acres.

Examined the Proceedings of the Land Board for the Counties of Addington, Lenox and Prince Edward, held at Adolphustown the 14th of May, 1793, to the 20th of May, 1794.

P. M. Fortier, Lieut. in His Majesty's service on the lakes: Prays for two thousand acres of land and that he may be permitted to locate as much thereof in the marsh lying between the Townships of Ancaster and Flamborough, commencing at the western extremity to the said marsh on each side of the creek running through the same. Ordered that the petitioner having received eight hundred acres, the quantity he is entitled to will be made up to Mr. Fortier.

Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson: Petitioner states her great services last war, and prays for such lands in the Township of York, or other unlocated part of the Province, as His Excellency's wisdom shall seem meet. Ordered a grant of 600 acres.

JOHN SMALL.

6th September, 1794.

At the Council Chamber, Navy Hall.

Present: The Honourables Peter Russell and AENEAS Shaw.

The Council were pleased to examine the Public Accounts of the Province of Upper Canada between the 1st of January and the 30th of June, 1794, as under:

No. I. His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor's office, an account of ordinary and incidental expenses incurred to the 30th June inclusive, amounting to £132.1.4½.

Balance remains in the office to be accounted for, £298.13.1¼.

No. II. The Receiver General's General Account Current for the half year ending 30th June, 1794, £2,410.13.7¾.

Balance remaining in the Receiver General's hands and carried to credit of Government in next account, £422.6.4¼.

No. III. The Surveyor General's Account Current from the 10th October, 1793, to 10th April, 1794, Halifax Currency, including a balance due to him on the 10th of April last of £976.12.8 Halifax Currency, £2,212.15.6½.

No. IV. William Jarvis Esquire, for fees due to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor from 1st January to 30th June, 1794, £70.10.0.

No. V. William Jarvis, Esquire, Secretary and Register, for fees due to him from 1st January to 30th June, 1794, £25.9.0.

No. VI. William Jarvis, 1st January to 30th June, 1794, £48.15.4.

No. VII. The Attorney General, travelling expenses on the Eastern and Midland Circuits, £45.0.0.

No. VIII. The Attorney General's travelling expenses on the Western and Home Circuits, August 11th, 1794, £45.0.0.

No. IX. The Attorney General, an account of fees due to him between 1st January and 30th June, 1794, £25.4.0.

No. X. John Small, Esquire, Clerk of the Council, General Account in the office, £143.15.0.

No. XI. D. Burns Esquire, Clerk of the Crown and Common Pleas, account of fees and office rent, etc., to 30th June, £38.19.6.

The Council finds the expenditure of the above accounts properly authorized and vouched, certify the same to be regular, orderly and to the best of their belief, just and true.

4th November, 1794.

At the Council Chamber, Navy Hall.

Present: His Excellency J. G. Simcoe, Lieutenant Governor; The Honourables Peter Russell and AENEAS Shaw.

The Attorney General attended with a proclamation for the prevention of the carrying over land of rum and other spirituous liquors to be sold amongst the Indians, which was approved and ordered to pass the Seal of the Province.

Richard Barnes Pickell took the oaths and was sworn Confidential Clerk to the Executive Council.¹

¹The minutes sent home to this date.

Benjamin Springer: Petitioner sets forth that he has ever been attached to the British Government and requests that he may have such a proportion of land for his family, consisting of a wife and three children, as Your Excellency shall think meet. Ordered that petitioner shall have 200 acres.

Nathaniel Pettit Esq.: Petitioner by reason of his steady attachment to His Most Gracious Majesty and the British constitution, has suffered great losses, humbly prays a further allotment such as Your Excellency may judge him worthy of. Ordered to be referred to the Acting Surveyor General and that he shall have a grant altogether of two thousand acres.

John Hill Junior: Petitioner served upwards of three years as a volunteer in Captain Oliver Templeton's Company last war, prays for a grant of land. Ordered to stand over till he appears.

Mary Ridout (late Mary Campbell) a loyalist (U.E.): Petitioner prays for lot No. 12, with the broken front, in the front concession, Township of York, or other vacant lot in said township. Prior claimant for the lot.

Arent Bradt: Petitioner during the whole of last war was a Captain in the militia commanded by Sir John Johnson, that your petitioner expected a lot of one hundred acres adjoining where he now lives but understands that by the late regulation of the Council the greatest part of those lands is otherwise disposed of; therefore humbly prays Your Excellency will grant him such a quantity of land as in your wisdom shall think proper. Ordered that his improvements be granted eastward of a line run from the Mile Tree to the Town Tree, at No. 412, near 100 acres.

Edward McLaughlin: Petitioner sets forth that he served His Majesty King George several campaigns during the last war in America under the command of General Amherst and General Wolfe, in reducing the French garrisons in Canada; and prays for land on the west side of the road leading from York to Lake Simcoe, being informed there is from Nos. 40 to 48 not located. Petitioner has a family of five persons grown to the years of maturity and prays for such proportion of land as they may severally be entitled to. Ordered that the petition be granted and referred to the Acting Surveyor General for location.

James Robins: Memorialist wishing to be possessed of a convenient situation in order to build a wharf and store house at Kingston, therefore begs leave to solicit Your Excellency for a grant of a lot fronting No. 2, being nearest the property he now possesses. Ordered to be referred to the Surveyor General.

Jacob Servos: Petitioner prays for a grant of a township. Ordered that a proportion of land will be granted to all good settlers the petitioner shall bring into the Province.

George Neill: Petitioner embodied a number of loyal militia in South Carolina in behalf of His Majesty's Crown and dignity and received a Major's commission. Prays for an allotment of land such as Your Excellency shall seem meet. Ordered to stand over for consideration and personal appearance.

Alexander Markle: Petitioner has been a resident in the Province since the close of last war. The want of years prevented him from bearing arms with his four brothers who all served in Col. Butler's last Rangers. Petitioner married the daughter of a loyalist by whom he has five children, that your petitioner has received one hundred acres, and prays for a further tract for himself and family. Ordered that the petition be granted and to point out his tract.

Joseph Jessup: Petitioner served in the late American war, a Captain, conceives himself entitled to 3000 acres of land and made application to the Land Board some time before the division of the Province and had by their order a location marked on the plan of the Township of Young for lots Nos. 1, 2,

3, 4, in the seventh concession, and lots Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, in the eighth concession, and lots Nos. 1, 2, and half of lot No. 3, in the ninth concession, the whole making two thousand one hundred acres of land. Prays to be confirmed in said location. Ordered to be referred to the Surveyor General.

John Devine: Petitioner prays for a location of land about the head of the Bay of Quinté, or between the Town of York and Lake Simcoe. Ordered that the petition be granted if not located at York.

George Brayton and Wait Rathbun, for themselves and associates: Petitioners can bring fifty settlers in the course of two years and a considerable part of this number the ensuing spring and summer will enter upon their lands; that a settlement on the River La Tranche, alias Thames, would be their choice; therefore humbly pray that a tract of twenty-five thousand acres, adjoining William Reynolds', or in some other unappropriated lands, may be granted them and their petitioners. Ordered that the prayer of the petition be granted and to look out for land at the Surveyor General's office.

Mathew Gilmar: Petitioner is a married man, has six children, and prays for a grant of land between Patterson's Creek and Grand River. Ordered two hundred acres for the present.

Richard Ruth: Petitioner entered into His Majesty's service in the year 1758, has never received any land, and humbly prays Your Excellency will grant him three hundred acres of land or such other quantity in the 10th township on the Chippawa Creek. Ordered to be referred to the Surveyor General for a 200 acre lot.

Jacob Servos: Petitioner has improved on land near the Four Mile Creek supposed to contain 200 acres, prays Your Excellency will grant him an addition of 1800 acres having served as Lieutenant in the Six Nation Indian Department. Ordered to look out for a location and that the same be granted.

John Hill: Petition praying for one thousand acres of land in the 10th township. Ordered to lie over till he appears.

John Jones: Petition sets forth that he served His Majesty as a Sergeant in the 60th Regt. Prays for a grant of 500 acres for himself and the customary allowance for his wife, her mother, and one child. Ordered to lie over for consideration.

James Macklin: Petitioner wishes to settle himself at the mouth of the Chippawa Creek, and on that central spot to erect pot-ash works. Prays for a portion of the public ground for the above useful purposes, for which he will make such annual compensation as Your Excellency shall think proper. Ordered to be referred to the Engineer, Lieut. Pilkington, for the proper place of location.

Wheeler Douglass, for himself and associates: Petitioners pray for twenty thousand acres of land in a body on the River La Tranche, or some other vacancy. No lands vacant on the Thames. To specify other situation for location.

Samuel Gardner: Petitioner desirous of settling himself and family in this Province, and being encouraged thereto as a subject of His Majesty's and a native of Ireland, prays for such quantity of land as Your Excellency shall think proper to allow. Ordered to stand over for want of specification.

John Dun: Petition praying for 1200 acres of land. Ordered that the same be granted.

John Young, in behalf of a number of inhabitants of the Presbyterian persuasion, Town of Newark. Petitioners are desirous of erecting a church and school house &c., and pray that a square of four lots may be granted them for that purpose. Ordered that the same be granted.

John Smith Cooper: Petitioner has improved lots Nos. 24 and 25 in the second concession, Township of Flamborough. He has a wife and five children and prays for a grant of the same. Ordered to be referred for a lot to the Surveyor General.

David McCrea: Memorialist served last war from the year 1779 to the peace in this country without fee or reward, and now intends to settle in this Province with a large family. Prays Your Excellency will grant him such a proportion of land as may appear reasonable. Ordered to be referred for consideration.

Abel Stevens: Petitioner has settled on lands on the Gannonaque River, County of Leeds, and has made considerable progress in cultivating the same. Prays for a grant of the rapids between the second and third lakes, and likewise for the falls between the third and fourth lakes on said river to erect mills upon to accommodate the new settlement, with a proportionable tract of land at the two scites. Ordered to be referred to Surveyor General.

Abel Stevens, in behalf of himself and associates: Prays for a gore of land between the ninth township and their improvements. Ordered also to be referred to Surveyor General.

Wm. Patterson, and others: Petitioners having settled on Gannonaque River, County of Leeds, in further exploring that country discovered a bed of iron ore, and being desirous of erecting a bloomery, pray for a grant of one thousand acres of land at the falls on a creek which empties itself into the largest lake below the new settlement, and leave to open the said vein of ore for the purpose of manufacturing iron. Ordered to be reserved for consideration, and that a copy of the petition be sent to His Excellency.

John Ellis, late soldier in His Majesty's 84th Regt: Petitioner prays for land for himself, his wife and three children. Ordered if he has not already received any that he shall have the usual allowance.

Thos. Serjant: Petitioner has a wife and four children and prays for such a proportion of land as Your Excellency shall think proper. Ordered that he shall have two hundred acres.

Abraham Devaynes, Isaac Devaynes and Levi Devaynes: Petitioners having observed a firm and loyal attachment to His Majesty's Crown and interest during the late war with America, pray for such a proportion of land as Your Excellency may think proper, and humbly beg leave to remind Your Excellency of a promise of a tract of land running from the stake No. 5 up to Toronto Creek. Ordered that the petition be granted.

Eliphalet Hale: Petitioner has a wife and six children and prays for a grant of land to accommodate them. Ordered that he shall have a grant of two hundred acres.

Jonathan A. Pell: Petitioner was a Captain in the militia and will remove with his family into this Province. Prays for a grant of three thousand acres of land in either of the towns joining Chippawa, Fort Erie or Sugar Loaf, and also family lands for his wife, one daughter and five sons. Ordered to stand over till he come in.

Hugh Earl, Lieutenant on board the Onondoga: Petition praying for land. Inadmissible.

Ebenezar Guernseys: Petitioner desirous of settling in this Province, prays for 1200 acres of land. Inadmissible.

Thos. Hind: Petitioner is come into this Province to settle with his family and prays for such a quantity of land as have in like cases been granted to others. Ordered that he shall have 200 acres.

Frederick Mickell: Petitioner is desirous of becoming a settler. Prays for such a quantity of land as Your Excellency may think proper, and also for several families that may come in with him this fall. Ordered two hundred acres for each family.

George Forsyth: Petition praying for land. Ordered to stand over for consideration.

Elizabeth Van Every: Petitioner's former husband was Frederick Doxsteeder, a Lieut. in Col. Butler's Rangers last war. Petitioner has never taken up any lands for herself or husband. Prays Your Excellency for such portion of lands as your goodness may think proper. Ordered to be brought on next Council.

JOHN SMALL.

5th November, 1794.

At the Council Chamber, Navy Hall.

Present: His Excellency J. G. Simcoe, Lieutenant Governor; The Honourables Peter Russell and Aeneas Shaw.

His Excellency and the Council took into consideration that the different Land Boards shall cease and determine from the sixth of November.

6th November, 1794.

At the Council Chamber, Navy Hall.

Present: His Excellency J. G. Simcoe, Lieutenant Governor; The Honourables Peter Russell and Aeneas Shaw.

His Excellency and the Council met pursuant to their adjournment and proceeded on the further consideration of the business before them yesterday, and entered into the following resolves:—

Whereas, the existing state of the Province renders the continuation of the Boards established expressly for the purposes of facilitating the settling of such lands as His Majesty, in his royal beneficence, has been pleased to grant to the loyalist and reduced troops inexpedient and unnecessary, it is hereby resolved that the authority heretofore granted to such Boards shall from and after the sixth day of November, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-four, cease and determine,

And Whereas it is expedient, agreeably to the proclamation of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor bearing date February 7th, 1792, that adequate provision should be made for the compliance therewith in the most effectual manner, it is hereby resolved that all petitions whatsoever for grants of the waste lands of the Crown be made to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or person administering the Government in Council through the Clerk of the Council, except for the immediate location and encouragement of all such as it may be proper to admit as settlers within His Majesty's Province, and more especially for the due care and observance that none such be admitted but those whose loyalty, industry and morals shall appear to entitle them to the benefits of His Majesty's bounty and render them useful inhabitants of this Province, it is hereby resolved that all persons professing the christian religion and being capable of manual labour who can adduce satisfactory vouchers of their having paid obedience to the laws and led a life of inoffensive manners in the country where they last resided, shall in future be considered as qualified to be admitted to the possession of lands within this Province after having taken and subscribed the Oaths of Allegiance and Settlement prescribed by Act of Parliament.