

them the propriety of having the land laid off in something like regular lots, or as much so as possibly could be done under the circumstances, but they objected to make the least deviation from their present possessions. All the persons named in the Schedule attached to the plan are those at present in possession, and are the descendants of the original grantees, persons and their descendants, who have married heirs, and a few who have purchased, but they appear to be all perfectly satisfied that the present occupants are the sole and only owners, agreeably to the manner in which it has been surveyed. The possessors are altogether of French descent, with one exception, Henry Peters, who occupies a lot purchased from the original owners, (for the purpose of building a Grist Mill) by Thomas Atkinson his father-in-law, who died last December at the advanced age of ninety five years, and left this property by deed to the said Henry Peters and his wife. A few of the heirs have left Richibucto and gone to Prince Edward Island and other places, but I was informed by all those remaining, that all those persons have sold their respective shares prior to their leaving. The proprietors then stated to me that they would give any price to any of those interested in the grant who was determined to sell, rather than that he would sell it to a stranger, as they were determined not to sell any part of it to any person but to some of those interested, until they got the matter settled, and that then each would be master of his own and could do as he pleased with it. As relates to the Marshes, I found the divisions so small that it was impossible to mark the separate lots on a plan; in many instances the Marsh lots are not sixty links wide; I therefore surveyed the whole of the Marshes, and distinguished them separately from the Upland on the plan. There will be no difficulty about the Marsh, as each party has his lot well marked off, and continues to occupy it without any interference. I was very careful in taking down the names of the respective occupants, to ascertain the proportion belonging to each, as will be seen on reference to the Schedule attached to the plan; and from the best information I could get, I think the present occupants are the only and sole owners, agreeably to the different proportions mentioned in the said Schedule. When I went to Richibucto and ascertained what was to be done, I found that I could not spare so much time as it would require to complete the whole myself, I therefore employed Peter Muserol, the Deputy Surveyor of that district, to assist me, who was with me the whole time, and I found him well qualified for the duties he had to perform.— Agreeably to your instructions, I send herewith my Account for this service, which I trust will be found satisfactory, and I will only add that I spared no pains to obtain the best possible information.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

JAS. DAVIDSON.

Honorable John R. Partelow,
Provincial Secretary, Fredericton."

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"Schedule containing the names of the possessors of the Grant to Pierre Richard and fifteen others at Richibucto, with the number of each Lot as represented on the Plan :—

No. 1. Dominic Richard, Jno. Babineau, Damas Richard, and Jos. Allen ;—
2. Dominic Richard ;—3. John Babineau ;—4. Dominic Richard ;—5. John Babineau ;—6. Damas Richard ;—7. Joseph Allen ;—8. Damas Richard ;—9. Dominic Richard, Jno. Babineau, Damas Richard, and Joseph Allen ;—10. John Babineau ;—11. Damas Richard ;—12. John Babineau ;—13. Joseph Allen ;—
17. John Babineau ;—18. Damas Richard ;—19. John Joseph Richard ;—20. Dominic Richard, Jno. Babino, Damas Richard, and Joseph Allen ;—21. Henry Peters and Roina Peters his Wife ;—22. Henry Peters, 1-3 ; Maxime Daigle, Luke Daigle, Simon Hebert, Fabian Richard, Simon Richard, Oliver Richard, one equal share of the remaining 2-3 ;—23. Eustache Thibideau, 3-4 ; and Laurent Thibideau, 1-4 ;—24. Eustache Thibideau, 1-4 ; Urban Richard, 1-2 ; Simon Bazil Richard, 1-8 ; John Louis Babineau, Susan Richard, Teressa Richard, Julie Richard, Isabella Richard, 1-8 among them ;—25. John Maillet, 1-2 ; John B. M'Kay and Pierre Maillet, 1-4 each ;—26. Urban Richard, Susan Breau, Mary Maillet, 1-3 each ;—27. Oliver Richard, Martin Richard, Francis Richard, Michel Richard, Mary Richard, Isabella Bourke, (formerly Richard), Eulilie Richard, Helen Breau, (formerly Richard), Margaret Richard, 1-10 each ; Bridget and Oriet Richard, 1-20 each ;—28. Raymond Richard ;—29. Little John Richard ;—