

humble Address be presented to His Excellency, praying that he will be pleased to cause the recommendation therein contained to be carried into effect."

And whereas in pursuance of such Address the Governor in Council, on the sixth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty three, appointed the Honorable James Davidson to investigate the matters set forth in the said Report of the said Select Committee, the situation of the lands, and to report the names of the said respective parties living thereon, with their respective localities: And whereas in pursuance of such appointment, the said James Davidson has attended to the duties thereby in him reposed; and has made a report of his doings to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, which has been laid before the House of Assembly, together with the Schedule, and the plan therein referred to; of which Report and Schedule the following are copies:—

"Miramichi, January 26th, 1855.

"SIR,—Agreeably to instructions which I received from your predecessor, the Honorable Robert D. Wilmot, dated the 6th July 1853, I proceeded to Richibucto on the 12th of October following, for the purpose of surveying the grant to Jean Baptiste Richard and others, north of Richibucto; on my arrival there I called a meeting of all those persons who were interested in the grant, and ascertained from them that they wanted the land surveyed in the way it had been laid out originally by their ancestors, and subsequently subdivided by themselves; I accordingly began the survey and proceeded therewith until the cold weather set in, when I was obliged to defer it until the 3rd of October last, at which time I again returned to Richibucto, and completed the survey. It appears that two tracts of land were granted to these people in the year 1793, and the first tract in the said grant, which is the land in question, containing eight thousand eight hundred acres, was granted to Jean Baptiste Richard, Thomas Babin, Louis Richard, Francis Richard son of John Baptiste Richard, Francis Richard living on the river Aldoune, Paul Richard, Jean Richard living on the river Aldoune, Jean Daigle, Fabain Daigle, Pierre Robichaux, Pierre Robichaux, Junior, Joseph Robichaux, Casimir Daigle, Pierre Daigle, Charles Robichaux, and Charlemagne Arsinau, jointly, it was divided by the first proprietors, and subsequently subdivided by their descendants, and they would not allow me to make the slightest deviation from such division. I accordingly made a survey of the whole grant as it had been divided, and send herewith a plan of the survey together with a Schedule containing the names of all the parties interested therein, and the quantity or proportion of land owned by each. All the persons named in the Schedule attached to the plan are those at present in possession, who are the descendants of the original grantees, persons and their descendants who have married heirs, and a few who have purchased, and they appear to be all perfectly satisfied that the persons named in the said Schedule are the sole and only owners agreeably to the manner in which it has been surveyed and represented on the plan herewith sent. As relates to the marsh, I found the divisions so small that it was impossible to mark the separate lots on a plan, unless on a very large scale, as many of the marsh lots are not more than fifty links wide. I therefore surveyed the whole of the marshes in one block, and have distinguished them separate from the upland on the plan. There will be no difficulty about the marsh, as each proprietor has his lot well marked off, and

continues to occupy it without interruption. I was very careful in taking down the names of the respective owners, and 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 persons whose names are contained in the said Schedule are the only and sole owners, agreeably to the different proportions mentioned therein.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

JAS. DAVIDSON,

Dy. Surveyor."

Hon. James Brown, Surveyor General,
&c. &c. &c., Fredericton.

SCHEDULE containing the names of the possessors of the Grant to Jean Baptiste Richard and sixteen others at Richibucto, with the number of each lot as represented on the plan.

No. 1. William M'Leod;—2. William M'Leod;—3. John S. Wilson;—4. John Davids;—5. John Leishman;—6. William Chandler;—7. John Harnet;—8. Raphail Bobain;—9. Samuel Cormier;—10. Peter Merzeral;—11. Joseph Robichaux, John Baptiste Robichaux, Benjamin Robichaux, Nicholas Robichaux, Gregorie Robichaux, Anastasia Robichaux, Julie Richard, Rebecca Bobain, Modeste Cheverie, Isabella Robichaux, and Mary Richard, one share each; John Baptiste Gray, Joseph Gray, Placide Gray, Peter Gray, Luke Gray, Alexander Gray, Tarquille Gray, Margaret Gray, Isabella Gray, Mary Gray, and Victoire Gray, one share among them;—12. James M'Dermot;—13. James M'Dermot;—14. Peter Bobain;—15. Susan Richard;—16. John S. Wilson;—17. Mary Richard;—18. Louis Richard, John Baptiste Richard, Lazare Richard, Julien Richard, Ephraim Richard, and Ursule Richard;—19. Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation for the Diocese of New Brunswick;—20. Samuel B. Hatherington;—21. Susan Richard;—22. Peter Barrio;—23. John Davids;—24. Cyprien Robichaux;—25. Jaques Robichaux;—26. Joseph John Daigle, Michael Wallet, Francoise Robichaux, Venaraute Robichaux, Luke Daigle, Sophia Robichaux, Mary Daigle, Lazare Robichaux, Jeremiah Doucette, one share each;—27. Jaques Robichaux;—28. Maxim Robichaux;—29. William M'Leod;—30. Gregoire Robichaux;—31. Gregoire Robichaux;—32. Maxim Robichaux;—33. Gregoire Robichaux;—34. Maxim Robichaux;—35. Mary Robichaux;—36. Oliver Cheverie, and Mary Gallant, one half each;—37. Angelique Robichaux, Natalie Robichaux, Phelomone Robichaux, Vital Robichaux, and Olive Robichaux, one share each;—38. Dorsitte Daigle, Domitille Daigle, Dennis Daigle, Mary Rose Daigle, Urbain Daigle, Julie Daigle, Gertrude Daigle, one share each;—39. David Blanchard;—40. Oliver Richard;—41. Peter Luke Richard, Frederick Richard, one share each; Dorsite Richard, Octave Richard, Magdalane Richard, Susan Richard, Flave Richard, Peter Richard, Ephraim Richard, Aguste Richard, and Ragine Richard, one share among them;—42. Gregoire Robichaux;—43. Joseph Daigle, Louis Daigle, Charles Daigle, one share each;—44. Charles Arseneau, Jaques Daigle, one half each;—45. Richard, John B. Richard, Lazare Richard, Julie Richard, Ephraim Richard, and Ursule Richard, one share each;—46. John Louis Doucette;—47. Jaques Robichaux;—48. Cyprien Robichaux, northerly half, and John Davids, southerly half;—49. John Davids;—50. John Davids;—51. Maxim Robichaux and William M'Leod, all that part west of the road; Peter