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QUEENS COUNTY

PARISH FORMATIONS

Queens County was one of the original eight counties formed when New Brunswick became a province. Unlike many of the other Counties it had most of it's land assigned right away. In fact it is said to have extended into Westmorland County, but by 1787 it came within the bounds it has today. It had four* original parishes.

Brunswick Parish - Set off in 1816 from the only unassigned land. It included part of Chipman Parish.

Cambridge Parish - Set off in 1852 from Wickham and Waterborough Parish.

Canning Parish - Set off in 1827, from Waterford Parish (Kings County) and a bit of Chipman Parish was included.

Chipman Parish - Set off in 1835, from Brunswick Parish with parts of Canning and Waterborough Parishes.

Gagetown Parish* - Included part of Petersville Parish until 1838

Hampstead Parish* - Included part of Petersville Parish until 1838

Johnston Parish - Set off in 1839 from Wickham Parish

Petersville Parish - Set off in 1838 from Hampstead and Gagetown Parishes

Waterbrough Parish* - Included Canning Parish and part of Chipman Parish until 1827, also part of Cambridge Parish until 1852

Wickham Parish* - Included Johnston Parish until 1839 and part of Cambridge Parish until 1852 It also extended into what is now Westmorland County.

Additional papers re the Col. Spry grant, on the Saint John River, can be found in the University of New Brunswick Law Library, so Andrew Gunter has told me.

COLONEL WILLIAM SPRAY'S GRANT

Account of the Settlers, Improvements and Stock on Colonel Spray's Land on the River St. John - taken in April 1786.

KEY: (for all tables / totals at end)

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| 1: Lot numbers | 2: Settlers names |
| 3: Number of Acres Improved
(17.195 = 17 acres .195 acres) | 4: Dwelling Houses |
| 6: Number of Neat Cattle | 5: Out Houses |
| 8: Sheep | 7: Horses |
| | 9: Hogs |

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.
1	Capt. Thomas Lester (inclu'd improvements on Isld.)	17.195	2	1	2	--	--	--
2	Richard Finnemore (ditto)	18.89	2	--	10	--	5	--
3	George Pitfield	10.14	2	2	2	1	--	--
4	& 5 Joshua Gidney Esq, & Asa Walbridge, (includ'g Island)	30.210	2	2	2	1	--	--
6	Mary Garrison	6.5		1	--	2	--	----
7	Moses Miller	10.0	1	1	5	--	--	--
8	Thos. Hanford [_r] B. Gilbert * * (occupied by John Williams)	3.67	1	1	5	--	--	--
9	Samuel Dickinson, Esq. * * (occupied by Negro Family)	1.		--	--	--	--	----
10	Isaac Foshay	10.		1	--	2	--	2--
11	Josiah Burgess	8.44	1	1	5	--	--	--
12	Jesse Merritt	8.82	--	--	--	--	--	--
13	John Ogden	6.66	1	1	4	--	--	--
14	Nathaniel Merritt Esq (includ'g an out piece) * and his sons	13.78	3	2	11*	--	--	--
15	Bradford Gilbert * * (J. Slawson & William Peck tennants)	12.82	1	2	9	--	12	--
16	Reuben Williams	13.71	1	--	8	--	5	--
17	William Caldwell, William Clark * * & Jonathan Mott	27.2	3	3	8	2	3	--

These settlers below Jemseg Creek

On reserved Ground adjoining Capt. Lester * (On Jemseg Creek written vertically beside first three names / no numbers)

	Thomas Creighton * *(a blacksmith shop)	4.4	--	1*	--	--	--	--
	Anthony Baker ** (Includes Island) >		42.1	1	--	1	1	----
	John Emmons ** (includes Island) > ** and on No.1 above reserved ground							
2	Simon Loorey	1		--	--	2	--	----
3	Henry Sharp	1.5	1	--	1	--	--	1
4	David Wier	.5	--	--	--	--	--	--
5	Emanuel Oysterman	.4	1	--	--	--	--	--
6	Samuel Mason	.75	1	--	5	--	--	--
7	Proprietor unknown to me	2.25	--	--	--	--	--	--
8	Garret Dykeman, * * lately bought of Gunter	7.73	1	--	6	--	--	--
9	& 10 Coonrod Gunter	1.94	1	--	6	--	--	--
12	& 14 Henry Cunningham * * & John Emmons	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
15	Davidson or William Black	1.25	--	--	--	--	--	--

16	Abithar Camp, Junr	4.313	1	--	2	--	--	--	
23	Thomas Jenkins	2.5	--	--	--	--	--	--	
24	Wheeler's as is said	5.	1	--	--	--	--	--	
25	Proprietor unknown to me	.75	1	--	--	--	--	--	
28	Samuel Mason >	1		--	--	--			
29	John & Henry Cunningham >	10.	2	--	--	--	--	--	
	On the Tongue of Interval (> = on same section of land)								
	Nehemiah Beckett *	4.4	1	3	--	--	--	--	
	* on reserved ground								
1	Walter Chase	42.1	1	--	1	1	--	--	
2	Ephraim Tisdale >								
3	Thomas Morrell >								
4	George William Price >	1.	--	--	2	--	--	--	
5	John Lard >								
6, 7, 8, 9	Amasa Coy *	33.95	2	2	18*	1	19	--	
	* (his and his sons)								
10	Marmanduke Hutchinson	8.	1	1	3	--	--	2	
11	Lot Strange *	2.21	1	--	1	--	1	--	
	* (James Smith Tenant)								
12	William Smith	1.86	1	--	1	--	1	--	
13	Nehemiah Becket *	5.69	1	--	2	--	--	--	
	* (Caleb Wood in possession)								
14	Joshua Curry	.92	--	--	--	--	--	--	
15	William Merrill	3.5	1	--	3	--	--	3	
16	Isaac Gilbert	5.79	1	2	2	--	7	3	
17	Lot Strange*	1.6	1	1	2	--	--	--	
	* (occupied by William Smith)								
18	Proprietor unknown >								
19	James McDonald >								
20	Whitehead Skidmore >	6.63	1	--	--	--	--	--	
21	Benjamin Yeomans >								
22	Samuel H. Smith >								
23	Patrick McCall	1.06	--	--	--	--	--	--	
24	Joseph Sheldon	1.59	1	--	--	--	--	--	
25	Morris Haycock	2.	1	--	--	--	--	--	
26	Elias Clark *	.25	--	--	--	--	--	--	
	* (Danl. McNeal, Mr. Street)								
27	Mathew Gallant	5.25	1	1	--	--	--	--	
28	Christopher Cross	1.4	1	--	--	--	--	--	
29	Hazekiah Witmore	3.	1	--	--	--	--	--	
30	EsterBrooks	1.5	1	--	1	--	--	--	
31	John Knox	.5	--	--	--	--	--	--	
32	Elijah Esterbrook	5.39	1	--	1	--	--	2	
	Amount	429.511	52	28	128	5	70	9	

Between Lot 32 and Becket's Point 3 Improvements
made by Persons to us unknown, containing 4.1 - - - - -

From information and Observation I am of Opinion that fifty Acres of Wild Meadow on the aforesaid Tract has been mowed for several Years which being under water could not be Surveyed with the above Improvements.

St. John 7th. June 1786 -
Timothy Wetmore

Timothy Wetmore Account of the Improvements made on Col. Spry's Land on the East side of the River Saint John exhibited with a Petition of James Spray (Wheaton) in behalf of Co. Spray 30th June 1786.

{This is found in the Surveyor General's papers at PANB.}

There are two additional pages relating to these people. One is a list of people who have not taken out leases with Col. Spray, recorded 29th July 1786 and contains four data columns for no. of acres before and after the survey that are cleared, and the number of years and months on the property. The other sheet contains a list of names for persons who have taken out a lease. No date. This sheet only records land that has been cleared pre and after the survey.

MILITIA MUSTER ROLL

Muster Roll of Captain John Secord Company 2nd Battn. Queens County Militia. Commanded by Major Peter Yeamans, September 13th - 1832.

{There are additional records for this company for the years 1828 and 1836.} Ref: MC2, PANB

John Secord, Capt
Amos S. Cory, Ensign

Sargents

John Muttin
Morries S. Corey
John Starkey
Oliver Starkey

Corporal[s]

Charles Vincent
James Starkey
James Vincent

4 Willet Worden
5 Thomas Worden
6 Frederick Jenkins
7 James Thorn
8 Mordicai Starkey
9 Arthur D. Starkey
10 David Philips

45 Olivard Perry
46 William Day
47 John Mullin
48 Isaac Wooden
49 Thomas Worden, Jr.
50 Richard Heatherington
51 Archibald Patterson

11 Thomas Philips	52 Alexander Patterson
12 [George] Cole	53 Samuel Colwell
13 Thomas Lewis	54 Samuel Watts
14 George Lewis	55 Lawrence Watts
15 David Noddin	56 Charles Thorn
16 George Ryne	57 James Thorn
17 Samuel Secord	58 William Lamon
18 William Vincent	59 Jessy Crummel
19 Isaac Vincent	60 Charles P__rrin ?
20 George Carlile	61 David Mason, Jr *
	*(scratched out)
21 William Maskel	62 George Perry
22 Obediah Starkey	63 Joseph Cormec
23 John White	64 William Cory
24 George Thorn	65 Burling Vincent
25 William Thorn	66 John Wilies, Jr.
26 Richard Thorn	67 Thomas Murry
27 Buttler Thorn	68 William Chamberlin
28 John Little	69 William Watson
29 Michael Thorn	70 Joseph Joyans *
30 Jacob Thorn	71 Joseph Brown *
31 Ebebezer Perry	72 Joseph Holton *
32 James Green	73 William Woodstock *
34 Samuel Wilson	74 David Cole
35 David Fowler	75 Thomas Thorn
36 Thomas Curtis	76 Lewis Jones
37 Lifelet Jones	77 Robert McCutcheon
38 Chace Brown	78 James Brown
39 John Coccoran	79 William Perry
40 Thomas Coccoran	80 George Colwell
41 James Coccoran	81 Patrick Lamon
42 John McCutcheon	82 David Mason
43 William Perry, Jr.	83 John Wiles
44 Daniel Perry	

* these names have a large X through them

Gagetown Anglican Church Records are now on the Queens County Gen Web site, at ---

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~nbqueens/Church.html>

and the Loyalist file contain the **OLD REVOLUTIONARY SOLDIERS AND THEIR WIDOWS PENSIONS**