Crown Land Grant Papers & Petitions With Personal Signatures of Petitioners

Prince Edward County, Upper Canada

Ameliasburgh & Sophiasburgh Townships

Assorted documents from the years 1792, 1794, 1829, 1833, 1836, 1839, 1850
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Preface

Amongst the many volumes of land petition records for individuals that may be found in the *Canadian Land Grant Books*, one may also find group lists of inhabitants who were petitioning the government (usually for redress of faulty surveying of their properties). While one cannot always find a specific individual's land grant in this material, one can often find an individual in these oftentimes mass petitions. The problem has been that these inhabitant petitions are scattered amongst the individual petitions.

Fortunately, this information can be found alphabetically in the midst of the individual land grants. For instance, the inhabitant petitions for Ameliasburgh are found amongst the "A" surnames for Land Grants; those for Sophiasburgh are found amongst the "S" surnames for Land Grants. All of the other townships for Prince Edward County are also arranged in this way. This survey focuses only on the inhabitant petitions for the townships of Ameliasburgh and Sophiasburgh. The further problem with these lists is that they have never, as far as I know, been extracted and indexed. This survey has done just that. All of the names in the lists for Ameliasburgh and Sophiasburgh have been extracted, alphabetized, and printed out in an easy to follow format in both the Index and the survey. I extracted 673 names from these lists, some referring to the same persons in different years. These lists are submitted with the caveat that one should check them with the original lists, which are provided in the Appendix of this survey. I have tried to decipher these signatures from some very poor handwriting, smudged ink, and unclear pages. I assume names I could not decipher may be read by others who are familiar with the family names. Any mistakes in the names as transcribed are mine. A question mark (?) appears where there is a question of interpretation or illegibility of handwriting.

I hope this survey will assist you in locating some of your ancestors in Prince Edward County.

This survey is dedicated to my pioneer families who were early settlers in Ameliasburgh and Sophiasburgh Townships ~
The Parliaments, McTaggarts, and Pearsalls

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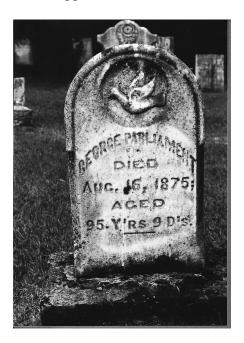


How To Use This Survey

This survey presents the extracted material from the oldest petitions to the newest (1792 to 1850) in pages 5 through 25. Each of the eleven petitions is prefaced with a transcription (sometimes an abstract) and then the names of those who signed that petition. The extracted material presents the names in the order in which they appeared on the lists. The lists in the Index present the names in strict alphabetical listing by surname, regardless of year or place. In the Index the names will be displayed as follows:

Surname First Name Twp Location Concession Lot# Year FHL# Placement Doc#

The concession and lot numbers will only appear if they were mentioned in the petition. The year is the identified year of the petition; the FHL# is the Mormon Family History Library microfilm number; Placement refers to the place of the person in the list, from one to X (Number one would be the first person signing on the list,15 would be the fifteenth person signing and so on); Doc# is the document number in which a name appears in the survey and the Appendix. Finding the surname in the Index will give all the information found in the petition. If one wishes to read the petition, one then only needs to look in the survey by document number for the typed transcript, or to read from the original written petition in the Appendix where one will find the actual signatures.



Gravestone of George Parliament, Mt. View Cemetery, Ameliasburgh Twp., my fourth great-grandfather who lived in Prince Edward County for almost 90 years. His signature, 1836, from the *Land Grant Petitions* found in this survey:

Vrorge Parliament

1. Crown Land Grants & Petitions, 1792-1796 ("S" Bundle 1, R.G. 1, L3, Vol. 448 (a)), #187, FHL# 1,630,742. Upper Canada, Prince Edward District.

To his Excellency John Graves Simcoe, Esq., Lt. Governor and Commander in Chief of the Province of Upper Canada, the Memorial of us the subscribers humble shoeth that being desirous of removing with our families into his Majesty's Province of Upper Canada and availing ourselves of your Excellency's proclamation of the 7th of February last, therefore humbly requests that your Excellency will be pleased to grant to each of us a proportion of the vacant crown land agreeable to the Royal instructions in Upper Canada and your memorialists shall on their part strictly conform them elves to your Excellency's proclamation and govern themselves accordingly.

Placement	First Name	Surname
1	Charles	Riley
2	Catarine	Riley
3	Mary	Riley
4	James	Stafford Senior
5	Andress	Riley
6	Philip	Riley
7	William	Read
8	Asa	Lane
9	Oliver	Lane
10	Horis?	Lane
11	Lyman	Lane
12	John	Ford
13	Jane	Ford
14	Margaret	Black
15	Elizabeth	Black
16	Samuel	McCrea
17	Genet	McCrea
18	Pearson?	Loveless
19	Thomas	Minick
20	?	Minick
21	?	Starr
22	Elizabeth	Minick
23	William	Haggerty
24	Mary	Haggerty
25	William	Haggerty Junior
26	Thomas	Haggerty
27	James	Haggerty
28	Bartimis	Haggerty
29	Joshua	Cunningham
30	Sarah	Jackson
31	Andrew	Jackson
32	William	Jackson

33	Mary	Jackson
34	Robart	Jackson
35	Ebenizer	Cunningham
36	Thankful	Fish
37	Patience	Fish
38	David	Mosher
39	Mary	Mosher
40	Amos	Stafford Senior
41	George	Mosher
42	Sary [for Sarah?]	Stafford
43		Mosher
43	George	Stafford Senior
45	Henry Samuel	Stafford Junr
45	Daniel B.	Hull/Huls?
47	Efram	Hull/Huls?
48	?	Hull/Huls?
49	? Daniel	Hull/Huls? Juner
50		
51	James	Armstrong Wesscot
	James	
52 53	Samuel	Stafford Senior Stafford
54	Stukeley	177
55	Amos Elizabeth	Stafford Juner
		Stafford
56 57	Martha Phebe	Stafford Stafford
58		Stafford
59	Mary Rosanna	Stafford
60	Levi	Fish
61	David	Fish
62	Richard	Fish
63	Mary	Fish
64	Betty	Fish
65	Robert	Brown
66	John	Brown
67	David	Sweet
68	Deborah	Sweet
69	Theophlus	Sweet
70	Thankfull	Sweet
71	Griffen	Sweet
72	Eunice	Sweet
73	Hobart	Jackson
74	Ebenezer	Cunninigham
75	Edward	Grannis
76	Hannah	Grannis
77	Nathaniel	Pearsall
78	Michael	Pearsall
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79	George	Pearsall
80	Henry	Pearsall
81	Ira	Persall
82	Henry	Pearsall Juner
83	Elisabeth	Pearsall
84	John	French
85	William	Schook
86	Adam	Schook
87	Philip	Schook
88	Henry	Schook
89	Andrew	Schook
90	Peter	Schook
91	Martha	Watts
92	Elisabeth	Sweet
93	David	Sweet Junr
93	John	Sweet
95	Mary	Sweet
95		Sweet Juner
97	Mary Thomas	Sweet
98	Deborah	Sweet
98		
100	Joseph	Sweet
	Lydia Deborah	Sweet Mosher
101		Stafford
102 103	Mary Peter	Storm
103	David	Storm
104	John	Storm
105	Peter	Storm Juner
107		Storm
107	Henry Gilbert	Storm
		Ireland
109 110	James John	Ireland
110	Jacob	Ireland
112	Charlotte	Smith
113		Smith
113	Thomas Thomas	Borrat (His X Mark)
114	Benjamin	Mosher
116 117	Elizabeth David	Mosher Mosher Juner
117	Matew	McCrea
118		Brians
	Isaac	
120	Obscured	Gilchrist
121	Danel	Gilchrist
122	Robt	Scea
123	John	Gilchrist Juner
124	Duncan	Gilchrist

125	Alexander	Gilchrist
126	Archibald	Gilchrist
127	Lilley	Gilchrist
128	William	Scea
129	Robert	Scea Juner
130	Elias	Greenfield
131	James	Hayward
132	Barnabas	Hayward
133	Rebeckah	Hayward
134	Rebecca	Hayward
135	Thomas	Conclin Senr
136	Abraham J.	Lansingh Jun
137	Jotham	Haugh
138	Jacob A.	Lansingh
139	William	Lansingh Junr
140	Catherine?	Lansingh (daughter to Jacob)
141	Mary	Lane
142	Alada	Lansingh
143	Alada	Lansinghe Junr
144	Matthew	Choate (his X mark)
145	Simon	Cuff (his X mark)
146	John	Follet
147	William	Follet Jnr
148	Thomas	Follet
149	Derick	Lane
150	Elizabeth	Lane
151	Aaron	Lane
152	Lewis	Lansing
153	Cornelius	Lansing Jr.
154	Abraham	Lansinge
155	Derick L.	Lansinge
156	Jacob L.	Lansingh
157	John	Gaston
158	Elizabeth	Lansing
159	Obscured	Lansing
160	Benjamin	Darlin
161	Valentine	Campbell
162	Henry	Campbell
163	Thomas	Campbell
164	Elisabeth	Campbell
165	James	Campbell
166	Eleanor	Campbell
167	Jane	Campbell
168	Mary	Campbell
169	Asa?	Tiffany?
170	Benjm	Franklin

171	0.1.	E 11'
171	Catharine	Franklin
172	Mary	McCrea
173	Isach	McCrea
174	Ribeckah	McCrea
175	Stephen	Edwards (X his mark)
176	Benjamin	Rogers
177	Jeremiah	Rogers
178	Caleb	Rogers
179	Zebulan	Rogers
180	William	Rogers
181	Alexander	Rogers
182	Benjamin	Meyers
183	Sarah	Meyers
184	Elibath	Meyers
185	Debbora	Meyers
186	David	Abell
187	Eve	Abell
188	Joseph	Dickenson
189	Mary	Dickenson
190	John	Whitford
191	Catereane	Whitford
192	James	Barhigt
193	Christena	Barhigt
194	Phebe	Dickenson
195	David	Dickenson
196	Zebulon	Dickenson
197	John	Barhigt
198	Mary	Whitford
199	Jacob	Abell
200	Richard	Abell
201	Peter	Abell
202	Elizabeth	Abell
203	David	Abell Juner
204	Peter	Harf/Hars?
205	John	Harf/Hars?
206	Catereane	Harf/Hars?
207	James	Harf/Hars?
208	David	Harf/Hars?
209	John	Meyers
210	Mary	Meyers
211	Charles	Meyers
213	John	Grannis
214	Edward	Grannis Juner
215	Timothy?	Grannis
216	Obscured	Lansing
217	Obscured	Lansing
217	Ousculed	Lansing

218	Derick	Lansing
219	Jaocb	Lansing
220	Elizabeth	Lansing
221	Obscured	Obscured
222	Easter?	Lansing
223	Caty?	Lansing
224	Christopher	Sayer?
225	Aladah?	Lansing
226	Hallanah?	Lansingh
227	Elishabet?	McRae?
228	John	Hamilton
229	Mathis	Finlson
230	Caleb	Pursell
231	Daniel	Murray
232	Joseph	Barns
233	Simon	Sturgis
234	Samuel	Bell
235	Wouter? N.	Groesbeck
236	John	Groesbeck Jr.
237	Jacob	Groesbeck
238	David	Groesbeck
239	Minord?	Groesbeck
240	?	Groesbeck
241	David	Beard
242	Russell	Beard
243	Lott?	Frost
244	Benjamin	Frost
245	William	David?
246	Abraham	Hoag
247	David	Frost Juner
248	?	Bishop
250	?	Bishop
251	Zadock	Grover?
252	John	Grover?
253	Jacob	Holmes
254	John	Demorest?
255	Samuel	White

2. Crown Land Grants & Petitions, 1794 (R.G. I, series C-I-1) 1792-1876, FHL# 1,317,391. Sophiasburgh Twp., Prince Edward County.

Whereas it is the desire of the inhabitants of this settlement that a surveyor should be appointed for the purpose of running the necessary lines on the lands already settled upon in order that the same may be done with justice and exactness, we do therefore recommend Mr. David Conger as a person worthy of such appointment. He is a person from whose conduct (since his arrival in this settlement) we have reason to believe to be of undoubted probity and the several surveys he has made as a surveyor do justly corresponding with the original surveys and giving such satisfaction to those who employed him, give us reason to suppose he has acquired a considerable proficiency in that art. We have the honor to be with respect Your Excellency. Most obt and faithful servants. Sophiasburgh, 20 May 1794.

Placement	First Name	Surname
1	Richd	Ferguson
2	Henry	Young
3	W.	Peters
4	Hugh	Spencer



Thomas Proctor Pearsall & Cynthia Priscilla Parliament wedding picture ca. 1857, Ameliasburgh Township, Prince Edward County

3. Crown Land Grants & Petitions, 1821/1822, #1935 (R.G. I, series C-I-1) 1792-1876, FHL# 1,317,391. Sophiasburgh Twp., Prince Edward County.

The petition of the undersigned Inhabitants in the Township of Sophiasburgh in the County of Prince Edward Humbly Sheweth that the survey of the Township of Sophiasburgh was left unfinished by Mr. Atkins late Deputy Surveyor for the Midland District there being several of the Concession lines which were not finished by Mr. Atkins but have since been very erroneously finished by other surveyors and in certain instances owing to the partial attraction of the needle Mr. Atkins survey does not agree with the plan of the said Township returned to the Surveyor General's Office by Mr. Atkins upon which plan the lands in the Township have been described for a confirmation of which we wish to refer Your Excellency to a plan of part of the Township accompanying this petition with the Survey General's remarks thereon. It is likewise ascertained that Mr. Atkins Plan of the Township returned to the Surveyor General's Office is a true and correct representation of the land therein but there have been surveys made by other surveyors which does not correspond with Mr. Atkins plan nor will the principle part of Mr. Atkins survey which if allowed to remain permanent will be much to the damage of many of the proprietors of land in the said Township and will occasion much litigation and lawsuits, we therefore for the settling peace and amity in the said Township do most humbly pray that Your Excellency will see fit to grant an order for the survey of the Township to be regulated and finished agreeable to Mr. Atkins plan of the Township. At the same time the undersigned are sorry to state to Your Excellency that there are some few individuals who in that case will in some measure suffer in consequence of some part of their improvements being made agreeable to those erroneous surveys but will retain the compliment of land described in their Patents from Government but we do not consider the damage to the Township in that case to [be] but trifling to what it will be if Mr. Atkins plan of the Township which is returned to the Surveyor General's Office and upon which the lands in the Township have been described is departed from and you Petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray. Sophiasburgh, 1st of January 1821.

In response, the following was read: The line between the 1st and 2nd Concessions South West of Green Point in Sophiasburgh mentioned in the Petition and represented to be in its true place as at Y. O. M. on the accompanying Plan of Jonathan Grealey, not a licensed Surveyor, corresponds with the same line (by which the descriptions have (?) on the plan returned to this Office by the late Deputy Surveyor Alexander Aitken, but who, it appears surveyed the said line at H. F. & erroneously on the ground instead of at Y. O. M. the true position returned on his Plan. About eight of the Grantees in the 2nd Concession, appear to have settled by the erroneous line many years ago, and would no doubt be intentionally injured, were it removed to its proper place as at Y. O. M. unless the grantees in the 1st Concession, by accepting an equal quantity of land in rear of the 2nd Concession, would surrender the lands improved upon by the erroneous line to the Grantees in the 2nd Concession. Without some agreement or consent of the parties interested in this behalf I cannot suggest to Your Excellency the expediency of any alteration being made in the said line. 9 Jan 1822. Thos Ridout, Surveyor General.

Response to which: Read 6th February 1822. Let the parties interested suggest some plan agreeable to all of them for settling the difficulty mentioned in the petition. (**Signatures**

on this document are all in one hand, being a copy of the original, which is now apparently lost).

Placement	First Name	Surname
1	Tobias	Ryckman
2	Philip	Roblin
3	Adam	Short
4	Peter	Van Blancom
5	Richard	Osborn
6	John	Allison
7	Owen	Wessels
8	Hezekiah	Clark
9	James	Noxen
10	John	Benson
11	Nicholas	Wessels
12	Jesse	Cole
13	Peter	Valleau
14	Norman L.	Harvey
15	William	Huff
16	John	Carley
17	James	McTaggart
18	Andrew K.	Norton
19	Richard	Morden
20	Richard	Benson
21	Peter	Van Horn
22	John	Wood
23	Nathaniel	Osborn



4. Crown Land Grants & Petitions, 22 Aug 1829 (R.G. I, series C-I-1) 1792-1876, Sophiasburgh Twp., Prince Edward County, FHL# 1,317,391; A second copy of this petition may be found (R.G. L3, Vol. 465) 1829-1831, FHL# 1,630,752.

The petition of the undersigned inhabitants and freeholders living in the second concession West of Green Point in the Township of Sophiasburgh. Humbly showeth that your petitioners are now improving and building on their lands agreeable to a survey by John Ryder, Deputy Surveyor in 1817 which although made previous to the act of 59 of George 3rd for the regulation of land surveyors by certain documents accompanying this petition to have been made agreeable to the sprit and intention of the said act the survey corresponding with and being parallel to the boundary of the Township on that side from which the lots begins to number likewise agreeable to certain deeds of lands granted by the executive government of this Province for lands in the said concession which deeds are governed does agree with and correspond to the stakes planted in front of the said concession by which other deeds for land in the said concession is governed which stakes as well appear to your Excellency were planted by the late Alexander Atkins Deputy Surveyor who surveyed the Township but your petitioners have recently as they consider have just cause for alarm for the safety of their improvements and buildings by a survey made of one or two lines between lots in said concession by Publius V. Elmore deputy surveyor which survey appears to be made by the instigation of one or two individuals and from sinister motives which survey if adhered to will create the utmost confusion and distress in the whole concession by depriving every one of a considerable portion of their buildings. Your petitioners bring comprised of nearly 70 individuals in the concession most humbly pray that in your wisdom will see fit to order the survey made by John Ryder Deputy surveyor as the unalterable survey for the said concession and order Publius V. Elmore to govern himself accordingly and thereby restore peace and harmony to your petitioners and your petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray. Sophiasburgh 22nd of August 1829.

Placement	First Name	Surname
1	Nehemiah	Osborn
2	James	Noxon
3	Rueben	Way
4	John R.	Way
5	Levi	Roblin
6	John P.	Roblin
7	George	Drewry Junr.
8	Daniel B.	Taylor
9	Matthew	Snider
10	John	Way
11	John	Van Skiver
12	William	Dempsey
13	Louis?	Mowerson
14	?	Tripp
15	John	Gorsline
16	Joseph	Foster
17	William	Foster

18	Asa	Foster
19	Joseph	Foster Sr.
20	Richd	Morden
21	Joseph	Morden
22	Abraham	Gorsline
23	Henry	Fox
24	Fleet	Brown
25	John H.	Brown
26	George	Davis
27	Jonathan	Gruben/er?
28	John	Allison
29	William	Rightmyer
30	Isaac	Eaton
31	Andrew K.	Norton
32	James	Osbourne
33	William	Wood
34	Isaac	Sanders
35	John P.	Demill
36	Peter	Demill
37	Henry	Rightmyer
38	Sylvenus	Doxsee
39	Jacob	Roblin
40	Elias	Pine
41	Benjamin J.	Pine
42	Peter	Sanders
43	David	Darling
44	Uriah	Pearsall
45	John	Pearsall
46	John	Black
47	Thomas	Dorland Jr.
48	William	Machion?
49	William	
	willialli	Bedale
50	Richard	Hellan
50 51	Richard Joseph	
50	Richard	Hellan
50 51 52 53	Richard Joseph	Hellan Hicks
50 51 52	Richard Joseph Townsend	Hellan Hicks Walden/Walten?
50 51 52 53	Richard Joseph Townsend Samuel	Hellan Hicks Walden/Walten? Blakley
50 51 52 53 54 55 56	Richard Joseph Townsend Samuel John	Hellan Hicks Walden/Walten? Blakley Courtney Harvy? Patterson
50 51 52 53 54 55	Richard Joseph Townsend Samuel John Norman	Hellan Hicks Walden/Walten? Blakley Courtney Harvy?
50 51 52 53 54 55 56	Richard Joseph Townsend Samuel John Norman Andrew	Hellan Hicks Walden/Walten? Blakley Courtney Harvy? Patterson
50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57	Richard Joseph Townsend Samuel John Norman Andrew Roswell	Hellan Hicks Walden/Walten? Blakley Courtney Harvy? Patterson Van Duren
50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58	Richard Joseph Townsend Samuel John Norman Andrew Roswell Peter	Hellan Hicks Walden/Walten? Blakley Courtney Harvy? Patterson Van Duren Rutter
50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59	Richard Joseph Townsend Samuel John Norman Andrew Roswell Peter William Samuel Erastus?	Hellan Hicks Walden/Walten? Blakley Courtney Harvy? Patterson Van Duren Rutter Corwin
50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60	Richard Joseph Townsend Samuel John Norman Andrew Roswell Peter William Samuel	Hellan Hicks Walden/Walten? Blakley Courtney Harvy? Patterson Van Duren Rutter Corwin Wood
50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61	Richard Joseph Townsend Samuel John Norman Andrew Roswell Peter William Samuel Erastus?	Hellan Hicks Walden/Walten? Blakley Courtney Harvy? Patterson Van Duren Rutter Corwin Wood Howard

5. Crown Land Grants & Petitions, 15 January 1833, #1464 (R.G. I, series C-IV) 1792-1876, FHL# 1,403,569. Sophiasburgh Twp., Prince Edward County.

The undersigned hereby certify that Mr. John Thompson, an emigrant from England has resided in our neighbourhood where he now lives about four years during which time he has supported the character of an honest and industrious man, a good inhabitant and a loyal subject that we believe in 1831 fairly purchased the right of land on the Gore Black D A Clergy Reserve in the township of Sophiasburgh for which he appears to be about petitioning his majesties executive government for in which right there appears we believe to be 160 acres of land agreeable to a survey of it made by William Conger deputy surveyor a plan which to have been returned to the Surveyor General's Office which survey we believe to have been fair by and judiciously made without favor or affection to any of the parties concerned and perfectly agreeable to Mr. Congers instructions from headquarters for surveying it, given under our hand at Sophiasburgh this 15th day of January 1833.

Placement	First Name	Surname
1	Jonathan	?
2	Rev. Thomas	Demorest
3	Samuel	Porter
4	John	Wilson
5	James H.	Porter
6	James	Marker
7	Henry	Clarke
8	Uriah	Pearsall
9	Cyrenius	Park
10	Gideon	Gardner
11	A. Cooper	Smith
12	Samuel	Barton
13	Henry	Simonds
14	John	Howell
15	Robert	Vaughan
16	Charles	Launiere
17	John	Black
18	John H.	Sikes
19	Joseph	Clarke
20	David	Gardner
21	?	Sprague
22	Richard	Johnson
23	William	Way
24	Daniel B.	Way
25	Gilliam	Demorest C.P.
26	Doct James	Frisfeld/Frisfield?
27	James	Haggerty
28	William L.	Burnham
29	Griffith	Howell

30	Henry L.	David	
31	Lemuel	Muno	
32	J. B.	Holter	
33	S. W.	Randall	
34	David	Bandett	
35	Aaron	Rumpt	
36	Oliver	Bandett	
37	John	Lusk	
38	Patrick	McGinnis	
39	William	Emmons	
40	Miles	Fenigan	
41	Hugh	McGuire	
42	Peter	Valleau	



Four Generation picture, (L-R) Hannah Tice Parliament, Lenora Pearsall Jaques, Cynthia Parliament Pearsall Jaques, Myrtle Jaques (kneeling), ca. 1895, Ameliasburgh Township, Prince Edward County.

6. Crown Land Grants & Petitions, 1835 (R.G. I, series C-I-1) 1792-1876, FHL# 1,317,391. Sophiasburgh Twp., Prince Edward County.

To Lieutenant Governor his Excellency Sir John Colborne Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Military Order of the Bath ... the petition of the land holders of the Township of Sophiasburgh from Lot No. 64 to 79 first concession your humble petitioners have understood that there is a petition now completed and to be studied by Jonathen Grely, Jonathen Noxen, Dorland Noxen that Samuel Willmot lines and Alexander Akens lines agree which is a mistake there is not a (?) or post in the survey that agrees with Akens line or plan or work on the ground and furthermore we here that (?) have made a bid of those betterments on the Gore of Ameliasburgh stating eight fram[e] barns and houses and three sawmills this is a mistake if it be their statement we will give true statement of the betterments on the part of the Gore John Whit has cleared on lot no. 65 and bilt on 66 a barnyard shed and waggen hous and loghous, Hugh J. Borker has bilt a barn and loghous and cleared on lot no 67, Richard R. Morden bilt a barn on 64 and a waggen hous and small fram[e] house on 67, Dorland Noxen cleared and bilt a barn and small fram[e] hous on lot no. 70. John Ridner cleared and bilt a saw mill and log hous on lot no. 74. This one they would that have made betterments on under title on the Gore and the five were all warned and forbid by those that held titles in the [first] con[cession] before they made their improvements on their land but they would not but (?) that would keep provisions that government would have to pay them or let them keep their land and Dorland Noxen (?) a (pessel?) of squatters by the name of Killen to keep the [the people of the] concession off their land and burn and destroy the bildings of the people of the concession and Dorland Noxen, John J. Peter, Daniel Fradres Killen And William (?) were tried and found gilty of a riot and burning and destroying the shanty of Joseph Bowerman over his father's head on Lot no. 72 [first] con[cession], Thomas P. Culper on 71 a fram[e] hous, Joseph J. Bowerman on 72, Siman Frayr and John J. Frayr on 73, Siman Frayr on 76, two sawmill[s], one turning pottery and loghaus and fifty apple tree[s], John J. Frayr on 77, John Blakely and (Timothy Frindel?) on 78. This we can prove at any Court (?) in our District as the con[cession] claims the betterments on 8 lots and people that justice will now take place and ... (???). Sophiasburgh 24 May 1835.

Placement	First Name	Surname	Concession	Lot#
1	Simon	Frayr	Con. 1	64-79
2	Joseph	Burley	Con. 1	64-79
3	Cornelus	Burley	Con. 1	64-79
4	Joseph	Blakley	Con. 1	64-79
5	William	Blakley	Con. 1	64-79
6	Tobias	Snider	Con. 1	64-79
7	John P.	Frayr	Con. 1	64-79
8	Henry	Davis	Con. 1	64-79

7. Crown Land Grant Papers, 18 Aug1836 (R.G. I, series C-I-1) 1827-1860, FHL# 1,317,391. Ameliasburgh Twp., and Sophiasburgh Twp., Prince Edward County.

To his Excellency Sir Francis Bond (?) Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Upper Canada. The petition of the unanimous proprietors (and tenants) and inhabitants of the Gore of Sophiasburgh and Fifth Concession produced of said Sophiasburgh and fifth concession of Hillier humbly sheweth that by the (?) of the said First Concession produced the Township of Sophiasburgh and the Gore of Ameliasburgh your petitioners are continually disturbed in their possessions and improvements, and that under the survey begun by Mr. Atkins, surveyor, and completed by Mr. John Emmon surveyor of the First Concession produced Sophiasburgh aforesaid from Lot No. 54 to 79 be confirmed, your petitioners will never know where their properties are and will be continually hampered? with vexatious laws unto, by the proprietors of the said Gore of Ameliasburgh, by humbly to request that acting surveyor general be compelled to furnish your Excellency with a report of the said survey of the said John Emmon of the said First concession produced of Sophiasburgh that the persons entitled to grants and leases of the said First concession produced of the said Township of Sophiasburgh may without further delay be furnished therewith and your petitioners will ever pray.

Sophiasburgh 18 Aug 1836 (Tenant [and] Concession)

First Concession Produced

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Placement	First Name	Surname	Lot#
1	Henry	Bowerman	77/79
2	Thomas P.	Cooper	71
3	Simon	Frayr	76
4	John J.	Bowerman	72
5	Joseph	Burley	75
6	Cornelius	Burley	75
7	Tobin?	Snider	67
8	Henry	Davis	65
9	John G.	Frayr	77
10	Henry	Davis	65
11	James	Bishop	64
12	Thomas P.?	Wright	62
13	William	Pearsall	61
14	Wm	Giberson	58
15	Andrew R.	Norton	57
16	Thomas D.	Davis	E 1/2 56
17	Daniel	Gilbert	58 & 60, part of 59
18	Gideon	Mosher	62
19	Elisha	Huff	62
20	John	Blakey?	74
21	Andrew R.	Norton	W 1/2 58 & 59
22	James?	Cole	60
23	Ruben	Barns	61

8. Crown Land Grants & Petitions, ca 1836, (R.G. I, series C-I-1) 1827-1860, FHL# 1,316,142. Ameliasburgh Twp., 3rd Concession, Prince Edward County.

To his Excellency Sir Charles Bagot Governor General of British North America in Council — the petition of the undersigned, being inhabitants of the third concession of the township of Ameliasburgh in the District of Prince Edward, humbly and respectfully sheweth that town petitioners were made respondents in a certain cause or proceeding instituted before the Boundary Commissioners of the said district with regard to the boundary lines between the second and third and the third and fourth concessions of said Ameliasburgh, that the said commissioners decided against your petitioners who contended for a line (?) by one Atkins a deputy provincial surveyor, that your petitioners did therefore appeal to the court of Queens Bench, which Court reversed the said decree of the said commissioners, for the reason that the lines altered by the commissioners were by a prior statute of this province made unalterable — that for the avoiding of contentions, mistakes, confusion and litigation, your petitioners are anxious that the said lines run by Atkins, which were the original lines between the second and third and the third and fourth concessions, should be clearly marked out and defined by new and durable monuments, therefore your petitioners pray that Wilson Conger a licensed surveyor who is acquainted with the lines aforesaid run by the said Atkins, may be authorized by the government specially to plant the said monuments and otherwise clearly define and mark out the said line, so that all litigation therefore may be avoided and your petitioners as in duty bound may ever pray —

Placement	First Name	Surname
1	Simon	Delong
2	William	Anderson
3	Samuel	Walbridge
4	John	Loveless
5	Samuel	Potter
6	Griffith	Worrell
7	John	Anderson
8	Jas R.	Howell
9	John B.	Way
10	Henry	Way
11	George	Parliament
12	Francis	Rutherford
13	John	Wood
14	Wm H.	Wannamaker
15	Patrick	Gibson
16	Robert	Coalman
17	James	Carnrike
18	John	Coalman
19	James	Pake
20	David	Coalman

21	Allan	Consaul
22	Smith	Dempsey?
23	Richard	O Shaun?
24	James	Coalman
25	Henry	Scriver
26	William	Arthur
27	Allen	Darling
28	Richard	Calnan
29	Thomas	Benten?
30	Henry R.	Cole
31	Daniel	Cole
32	Luther R.	Snider
33	John J.	Osborn
34	John C.	Osborn
35	Henry	Tice
36	Richard	Latour



Gary Alan Dickey at gravesite of George and Mary Parliament Mt. View Cemetery, Ameliasburgh Township, Prince Edward County

9. Crown Land Grants & Petitions, 25 March 1839 (R.G. I, series C-I-1) 1827-1860, FHL# 1,317,391, Sophiasburgh Twp., Prince Edward County.

To an order in Council dated 11 January 1839 made on the application of the Magistrates of the Prince Edward district to (?) monuments under the act of 38 Geo. 3rd, instructions having issued to Mr. Van Elsmore, Deputy Surveyor in obedience thereto. Surveyor Genls Office, 25 March 1839.

To his Excellency Sir George Atkins, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Upper Canada, Major General Commanding her Majesty's Forces therein ... the petition of the land holders in [the] first concession produced west of Green Point in the Township of Sophiasburgh and in [the] first concession tenant broken front humble showeth that line the survey of John Emerson deputy (?) survey and completed the first concession produced from lots numbers 55 to (79?) by order of his Excellency Sir John Colborne in petition of 1827 and by order of the Council in year 1830 and on petition [of] Siman Frayr for a survey not liable to a re-survey in year 1835 ... [follows a long discussion of township lines and problems regarding Alexander Atkins' survey for which one can read from the original copy in the Appendix] ... and to part the lotes between the two boundary and to complete this work before the cost of kings bench held in Picton April next and also to complete tenant broken front the expense of this survey will be at cost if your humble petitioners who will with joy pay the bill if his Excellency will be pleased to grant our humble request, this we pray and in duty bound thus we ever pray, February (?) 1839.

(Tenant broken front, First Con[cession] produced)

Placement	First	Surname	Concession	Lot#
1	Joseph	Terwilliger	1	56
2	Amos	Pearsall	1	61
3	Ghesum?	Clarke	1	57
4	Benjamin	Pearsall	1	61
5	James	Hunt	1	57
6	Thomas	Pearsall	1	61
7	Derick	Tylar	1	58
8	John	Frayr	1	55
9	Simon	Frayr	1	76
10	Joseph	Burley	1	72
11	Cornelius	Burley	1	75
12	Isral	Bowerman	1	70
13	Obscured	Obscured	1	67?
14	John P.	Frayr	1	77

10. Crown Land Grants & Petitions, 25 Aug1843 (R.G. I, series C-I-1) 1792-1876, FHL# 1,317,391. Sophiasburgh Twp., Prince Edward County.

To his Excellency Sir Charles Bagot, GCB, Governor General of British America, humbly sheweth the petition of the undersigned inhabitants of the Township of Sophiasburgh in the Prince Edward District that your petitioners have carefully watched the working of certain boundary monuments being placed by P. V. Elmore one of the surveyors of this District according to Wimots and Elmores plan and their plan being inconsistent with Mr. Atkins plan the original your petitioners appeal to your Excellency that your Excellency will be pleased to take the earliest notice of this affair as your petitioners will satisfactorily proove [sic] to your Excellency by certain good and respectable affidavits attached to this petition as the monuments now stand they are not correct with the original survey or land titles of this part of the Township and your petitioners hope your Excellency will make no delay in enjoining a order from the surveyor General's Office directed to Wilson Conger or John Emerson as these two surveyors were present with Joseph Hill one of Mr. Atkins chain bearers and seen the post that were originally planted by Atkins. To take up the monuments planted by R. V. Elmore and to have two of them planted between lots no 54 & 55 and to have four more of them planted between lots no 64 & 65 all in the 1st concession of Township of Sophiasburgh and to have four more planted between lot no 79 & no 1 Township line being the North West limits of Township of Sophiasburgh in the South East limits of Ameliasburgh or the East boundary of the Township of Hillier. Your Excellencys petitioners hope that your Excellency will be pleased to investigate this matter according to the aforesaid statements and make permanent the boundary of this part of Sophiasburgh according to Mr. Atkins original survey and plan and your petitioners in this part of the Township of Sophiasburgh do mutually agree to defray and pay all sutch [sic] expenses as may be necessarily required for the removal establishing and completing of the aforesaid monuments and where in your petitioners in duty bound ever pray. Dated at Sophiasburgh August the 25th AD 1843.

Placement	First Name	Surname
1	Simon	Frayr
2	Robert	Blaknr?
3	William	Blaknr?
4	Lancelot	Carelton
5	John J.	Frayr
6	Wm	Moran
7	Isral	Bowerman
8	Joseph J.	Bowerman
9	Charles	Blackney

11. Crown Land Grants & Petitions, 12 Jun 1850, #1935 (R.G. I, series C-I-1) 1792-1876, FHL# 1,316,142. Ameliasburgh Twp., 3^{4th} Concession, Prince Edward County.

Inhabitants of the Township of Ameliasburgh. For the appointment of a special commission to examine the surveys of the township and establish one or other of the conflicting surveys. Recd. 12th June '50.

The petition of the undersigned inhabitants of the Township of Ameliasburgh humbly showeth that the late Alexander Atkins a part only of the Township was surveyed by him. That in an early day when the people began to settle upon their lands, being made in many of the concessions, to find neither lines or posts for their lots they applied to the government to have a survey of the Township made that on the 4th day of April 1816 an order in council was passed directing such survey that in the year of our Lord 1817 Colonial Samuel Wilmot a provincial surveyor came down on the aforesaid or in council [and] made a survey of examination of the whole Township and reported back to the government that in 1818 Wilmot came a second time corrected a part of Mr. Atkins survey and finished out the remaining part of the Township planting posts at the corners of nearly all the concession lines therein which posts for by the greater part of the Township have served as guides for settlements and for the survey of the side lines of the farmers [sic: farms] of your Petitioners. That in 1818 a surveyor was employed to erect monuments in our Township under the act of 1798 but at a recent trial of the Court of Queens Bench held in other Districts. Mr. Wilmots survey as well as the one (?) of (?) on the Easterly end of our Township were both declared by the Court to be illegal. The former (?) the government had no right to make it the latter because the monuments having been erected as near as practicable to the ends of the concession lines where they run into the Bay of Quinte and when not erected on a Township boundary line as the Court contended they should have been. Thus unsettling the public mind among us and making illegal what was long supposed to be legal, and throwing doubt on certainty and confusion upon our survey, Under These circumstances we do most respectfully and earnestly pray the government that a bill may be passed during the ensuing session of the Legislature appointing a special commission to come to our Township and examine our survey and establish either the one or the other of these conflicting surveys upon a permanent and immovable principle. Ameliasburgh April 22, 1850.

Placement	First Name	Surname	Concession	Lot#
1	Robert C.	Wilkins Esq.	Con. 1	104
2	John	Rowe	Con. 1	105
3	Peter	Rowe	Con. 1	105
4	Smith	Whittier?	Con. 1	104
5	?	Smith	Con. 1	104
6	John	Shear Jnr	Con. 1	101
7	John	Shear Snr	Con. 1	100
8	Daniel	Bryant	Con. 1	99
9	John R.	Buntin	Con. 1	
10	Peter	Buntin	Con. 1	119?

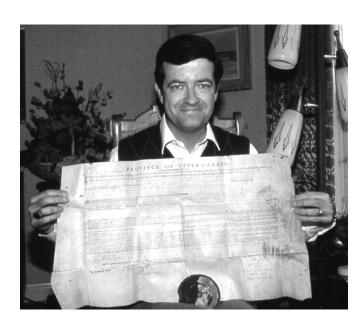
11	John	Buntin	Con. 1	97
12	Richard		Con. 1	1
13	Wm	Hayes		1
13	Chas		Con. 1	CP
15	Wm H.	Bigger	Con. 1	96
		Jones?	Con. 1	
16	John	Wunderdunk	Con. 1	95 W04
17	William J.	Dempsey	Con. 1	W94
18	Peter	Dempsey	Con. 1	E94
19	John	Pake	Con. 1	W93
20	Henry	Sagen	Con. 1	91
21	David	Person	Con. 1	92
22	Peter P.	Dempsey	Con. 1	90
23	Thomas	Dempsey	Con. 1	87
24	William	Dempsey	Con. 1	90
25	James J.	Wese	Con. 1	
26	Henry	Wese	Con. 1	
27	James	Elison	Con. 1	
28	Georget	Wese	Con. 1	E89
29	Wm J.?	Wese	Con. 1	N? part 89
30	B.	Wese	Con. 1	S 89
31	Jane C.	Wese	Con. 1	N 88
32	William	Wese	Con. 1	S 88
33	Henry	Redner	Con. 1	78
34	Henry	Wannamaker	Con. 1	Rear 82
35	John	Bush	Con. 1	Rear 81
36	Norman	Nix?	Con. 1	Rear 82
37	Samuel	Brickman	Con. 1	82
38	Rynard	Fox	Con. 1	Rear 88
39	Edward	Demorest	Con. 1	79
40	Wm	Watlley?	Con. 1	87
41	James M.	Babcock	Con. 1	86
42	James H.	Weese	Con. 1	88
43	Martin	Bush	Con. 1	81
44	J. C.	Bush	Con. 1	E81
45	William	Hackerson	Con. 1	E82
46	James	Brickman	Con. 1	W82
47	John	Russell	Con. 1	79
48	William	Alley	Con. 1	86
49	William R.	Bush Jr.	Con. 1	78
50	Philip	Roblin	Con. 1	73
51	James	Johnston	Con. 1	75
52	Richard R.	Clute?	Con. 1	75
53	Peter	Brickman	Con. 1	72
54	James P.	Morden	Con. 1	E 1/2 67
55	John	Gerow	Con. 1	W 1/2 68
56	Thomas	Redick	Con. 1	63
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57	Jacob	Tice	Con. 1	W 63/70
58	Thomas	Cunningham	Con. 1	70.2
59	John	Post	Con. 1	W 1/2 66
60	Henry R.	Cole	Con. 1	E 1/2 66
61	John	?	Con. 1	68
62	George W.	Wright	Con. 1	75
63	William A.	Johnston	Con. 1	75
64	William	Herman?	Con. 1	75
65	Daniel B.	Stevens	Con. 1	75
66	R. N.	Sherriff	Con. 1	
67	Wm	?	Con. 1	
68	John B.	Morden	Con. 1	69
69	Isaac	Wole?	Con. 1	Part 75
70	James	Delman	Con. 1	Part 75
71	George	Rose?	Con. 1	Part 75
72	John J.	Rose?	Con. 1	Part 75
73	John	Pulver	Con. 1	S 76
74	Joseph J.	Morden	Con. 1	W 75
75	Allen	Darling	Con. 1	N 76
76				83
77	C. Wm.	Cunningham	Con. 1	83 Part 76
		Stafford	Con. 1	
78	Peter	Redner	Con. 1	Part 76
79	Lewis	Redner	Con. 1	Part 76
80	David	Roblin	Con. 1	74
81	Samuel	Peterson	Con. 2	83
82	Tho R.	Howard	Con. 2	82
83	L.	Cruckshank	Con. 2	W 83
84	James	Choates?	Con. 2	85
85	John	Nelson	Con. 2	
86	?	Nelson	Con. 2	W85
87	James	Covert?	Con. 2	86
88	?	?	Con. 2	87
89	William	Bush	Con. 2	87
90	Jacob	Sagen	Con. 2	84
91	Joseph	Sagen	Con. 2	
92	David	?	Con. 2	84
93	Pete	Shuler	Con. 2	90
94	David	DeLong	Con. 2	91
95	David	Brook	Con. 2	92
96	Joseph	Masters	Con. 2	W 93
97	William	Sagen	Con. 2	W 93
98	Peter	Benson	Con. 2	94
99	James	Jackson	Con. 2	95
100	James	Briont?	Con. 2	94
101	George	Jackson	Con. 2	96
102	John B.	Osborn	Con. 2	97

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103	Jacob	Bonten?	Con. 2	97
104	Elijah	Babcock	Con. 2	98
105	Peter	Elya	Con. 2	98
106	John	Eyla	Con. 2	99
107	Henry	Maurey	Con. 2	101
108	Alfred	Brown	Con. 2	
109	William	Wilson	Con. 2	102
110	William	Gardener	Con. 2	103
111	Henry	Hunt	Con. 2	104
112	Peter	Hunt	Con. 2	104
113	Chas	Chase	Con. 2	105
114	Peter C.	Dempsey	Con. 2	100
115	James	Peterson	Con. 2	81
116	William	Gilles	Con. 2	80
117	John P.	Rolin	Con. 2	78
118	William	Brickman	Con. 2	77
119	Benjamin	Brickman	Con. 2	71
120	Marshall B.	Roblin	Con. 2	79
121	Manly C.	Roblin	Con. 2	79
122	John	Benson	Con. 2	70
123	Joseph	Locklin	Con. 2	68
124	William	Herrington	Con. 2	74
125	John	Platt	Con. 2	75
126	Andrew P.	?	Con. 2	66
127	William	Snider	Con. 2	S 67
128	John	Snider	Con. 2	S 67
129	George	Snider	Con. 2	64
130	Martin	Frederick	Con. 2	62
131	Thomas	J?	Con. 2	E 61
132	Ryan	Roblin	Con. 2	60
133	George	McGinnis	Con. 2	61
134	George	Roblin	Con. 2	76
135	William	Redner	Con. 2	75
136	John B.	Way	Con. 3	72
137	Randall	?	Con. 3	
138	Wm C.	Way	Con. 3	72
139	Silvanius	Springer?	Con. 3	71
140	?	Roblin	Con. 3	77/81
141	?	Way	Con. 3	83
142	Isaac	Way	Con. 3	80
143	Eziekiel	?	Con. 3	100
144	Townsand	Weeks?	Con. 3	102
145	John	McKinny	Con. 3	98
146	John	Vincent	Con. 3	114
147	Robt	Adams	Con. 3	95
148	Samuel	Adams	Con. 3	94
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149	Edward	?	Con. 3	96
150	?	Kellogg	Con. 3	81
151	Philip	Choat	Con. 3	79
152	David	?	Con. 3	81
153	John W.	Terwilliger	Con. 3	81
154	John	Coalman	Con. 3	82
155	James	Coalman	Con. 3	82
156	Jacob	Carnrike	Con. 3	
157	John	Carnrike	Con. 3	86
158	Abel	Watt/Walt?	Con. 3	103
159	Jacob	Wannamaker	Con. 3	103?
160	John	?	Con. 3	N 100
161	Daniel	Spencer	Con. 3	88
162	Bernard	Masters	Con. 3	W 100
163	George	Carnrike	Con. 3	91
164	John	Carter	Con. 3	68
165	R. C. H.	Cotter	Con. 4	84
166	Asa	Spencer	Con. 4	85
167	George	Parliament	Con. 4	83
168	Henry	Parliament	Con. 4	93
169	Jacob B.	Parliament	Con. 4	E part 93
170	Jacob	Parliament Junr	Con. 4	W94
171	Jacob	Parliament Sen	Con. 4	E94
172	Joseph	Hopkins	Con. 4	W91
173	James	Morrow	Con. 4	E91
174	John	Enfelt	Con. 4	E90
175	Henry	Huycke	Con. 4	W96
176	Jacob	Huycke	Con. 4	E96
177	Peter	Van Ferhyden?	Con. 4	E97
178	John J.	Kemp	Con. 4	97
179	D	Beech	Con. 4	98
180	John	Kemp Juner	Con. 4	W99
181	James W.	Clark	Con. 4	W99
182	Amos	Walt/Watt?	Con. 4	101
183	Neal	McDonald	Con. 4	103
184	Wm	Johnson	Con. 4	106
185	A.	Frank?	Con. 4	108
186	Thomas G.	McGrath	Con. 4	106
187	David	Snider	Con. 4	88
188	Elisha	Post	Con. 4	EH74
189	John H.	Snider	Con. 4	74
190	Nicholas	Carter	Con. 4	Obsured on copy
191	Silvanus	Springer	Con. 4	Obsured on copy
192	Michel	Wannamaker	Con. 4	Obsured on copy
193	Calvin	Parliament	Con. 4	ЕН
194	Oliver	Young	Con. 4	WH
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195	Henry W.	Fox	Con. 4	EH
196	Joseph	Ryelan?	Con. 4	EH
197	James	Parliament	Con. 4	W



Gary Alan Dickey with original Land Grant to Henry Tice, 1803 Ameliasburgh Township, Prince Edward County (seal of King George III still attached) Picture taken in the home of cousin Mildred Wanamaker, Rossmore, 1987.