

To His Excellency the Right Honorable
James Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, Governor
General of British North America
&c &c &c

The Petition of Agnes Peffer now of the
Town of Catharines in the County of
Lincoln, Widow, Humbly sheweth:

That your Petitioner is the Widow of the
late Thomas Peffer formerly of Port
Dalhousie in said County of Lincoln, who
about three years ¹⁸⁴⁹ ago made an agreement
with John Carroll Esquire, Agent for the
Sale of Crown Lands in the County of Oxford
for the purchase of the North Half of Lot
number One in the Third Concession of
the Township of Blandford:

That your Petitioner has now in her
possession a Release bearing date the
19 May 1849 from one William Roberson
conveying to the said Thomas Peffer for
the consideration of £25 all his (the said
William Robersons) right title and interest
in and to the said Lot and that she also
holds three receipts for money paid on
account of the purchase of said Lot - two
copies of which are as follows;

£7.0.0 by Bank District Agency
Torra 26th May 1849

Rec^d from Tho^s Peffer the sum of Seven pounds
in full of the second instalment and interest
on the North 1/2 of Lot No 1 in the 3rd Con. of Blandford
a School Reserve - No of Sale 510.

(Signed) John Carroll
C. & Agent

100 p 12/5 x 62 10
6 hrs 1/2 x 6-5x
William Roberson
July 8 1847
100 p 12/5 x 62 10
6 hrs 1/2 x 6-5x

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*Am John Rulph
Comr Comrs Lands
Quebec*

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Mr Pfeffer
per
Richard Miller
Fatherines $\frac{9}{13}$ July 1852

Acknowledging
letter of 30th ult,
resp^g Pet. & claim

N^o 2 No 1 in 3 con
Stonitford

Schedule No 510.

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Crown Land Department,
Quebec 30th June 1853

Sir

The Petition of Mrs Peffer forwarded
by you having been transferred to this
Department, I have to inform you that
a patent for the lot in question can only
issue (upon payment of the arrears due
thereon) through an allowance of claim
by the Commissioners under the Steer and
devize Statute

(Signed) J R

No. No 1 in 3 con
Blumford
school sale 570

Richard Miller Esq
St Catharines
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Crown Lands Agency for the
County of Brandon Nov 1852

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 23^d of August
last respecting the top of Lot No. 1 in the 3rd
Con. of Brandon

I have to inform you that the Lot is at
present occupied by William Shannon who is
in verry poor Circumstances

There is a small piece of Land partly cleared
with a small ~~Log~~ House on said half Lot

I have the honor to be
Sir, your obt. servant
John Canoll

Humble
Com. of Crown Lands
to to to
Dunbee

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John Carroll
Zona 1/9 Nov 1852

Replies to
letter of the
23rd August
last recd by
N^o 2 in 3 from
Blandford

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£14.8.9 Cy Oxford County Agency
Lorra 9th February 1850
Received from Thomas Peffer the sum of fourteen
Pounds eight shillings and nine Pence Cy in
full of the third and fourth instalments and
interest on the North Half of Lot No 1 in the
3^d Con of Blandford a School Reserve. No of
Sale 510. (Signed) John Carroll
due to the Lot 1/3. b L Agent
Crown Lands Agency for the County of Oxford
Lorra 13th day of Nov 1850

£15:1:3
Received from Thomas Peffer the sum
of fifteen Pounds one shilling and three pence
in full of the fifth and sixth instalment and
interest on the N² of Lot Number One
in the third Concession of the Township of
Blandford a School Reserve - No of Sale 510
(Signed) John Carroll
County Land Agent

That in the month of September 1851
your Petitioner late husband the said Thomas
Peffer took possession of said Lot, built
a house thereon, cleared eight acres of land
and on the 15th March 1852 died, leaving
your Petitioner with three children of the
respective ages of 5. 3 & one without any
means to support them. That being so
left in destitute circumstances, your
petitioner is anxious to dispose of the
Lot for the purpose of raising money to
provide for the actual wants of herself and
family and having had an offer for the
purchase of the same, she devoutly prays
that Your Excellency will be graciously
pleased

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pleased to direct that the patent for the
said Lot may issue in her name
And You Petitioners as in duty bound will
ever pray Agnes^{her} Peffer
mark.

Satharines

26th May 1852.

Witness to signature of Agnes Peffer
M. H. Jones

County of Lincoln } Adam Peffer of the Township of
To Wit } Niagara, Yeoman, maketh oath
and saith that he is Brother of the
said Thomas Peffer and that the said
Thomas Peffer departed this life about
the time mentioned in the above Petition -
that he attended the funeral of the said
Thomas Peffer and that he verily
believes that all the statements made
in said Petition are true and correct

Sworn before me at Satharines
in said County of Lincoln this 26th
day of May A.D. 1852 } Adam Peffer
M. H. Jones J.P.
Justice of the Peace for said County

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In Committee 14th Jan^y 1853 -

Under the peculiar
circumstances of this case, the
Committee recommend the
prayer of the Petition.

Approv^d in Council 19th Jan^y 1853
Com^o to C. C. D. 21st Jan^y 1853

Crown Land Depart^{mt}
Quebec Jan^y 13. 52
Referred to the Committee
of the Hon^{ble} Executive
Council for consideration
and report

John A. Macpherson

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Petition
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James Jeffrey (son)
John Jeffrey (son)
North West
Plains
School No. 516
Red. James

John A. Macpherson

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Count and Report
made Jan^y 13. 52
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of the Hon^{ble} Executive
Council for consideration
and report

[Signature]

B/S / N. 742 / II 7
Petition

No 1
Agnes Peppers (Widow)
That Patent issue in her
name for
North's Lot No. 1 in 3rd Con^o
Blandford
School Sale 510
Rec^d. June 52

See letter to R. Miller Esq.
30 June 1852 K
" " 25 July
" J. barlow 23 Aug 52
S^{er}tant Office
31 March 1853

Transferred to the
Commissioner of Crown
Lands. By Parliament
J. Hendrich
Secretary

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The Petitioner applied for the
issue of Patent in her own name
as the Widow of Thomas Peppers (who
is represented to be the assignee
of William Robertson the original
purchaser of the North half of
Lot N^o 1 in the 3rd Concession of the
Township of Mandford in which
name the land appears upon
the official books with six in-
statements of the purchase
money paid thereon

School Sale N^o 510.
July 8th 1847.

copy herewith

To this application an an-
swer was sent on the 30th of
last month addressed to Rich^d
Miller Esq, informing him
that a Patent could not issue
until a claim had been estab-
lished under the provisions of
the Act and Statute,
and upon payment of the pur-
chase money in full.

Against

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Hathorn
9th July 1852.

Against this view of the case
Mr Miller appeals (by letter here-
with) and requests that it
may be brought under the
consideration of the Governor
General in Council

Mr^s Pepper does not reside
on the land which has been but
very partially improved, as
shown by the resident Agent's
report herewith
1st Nov. 1852
John Royle

Crown Land Department
Quebec 13th Jan'y 1853

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Osgood
Edinburgh 20570
M. Mathames
July 9th 1852
Mr. John Ralph
Clerk Crown Lands
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 30th ult. in the subject of the Upper Petition in reference to the petition of Mrs. Mathames
I will see that Mr. Mathames does not seek to have a verdict for the lot in question issued to her as the heir & assignee of the mortgage of the farm but as the widow of the mortgagee who after paying nearly the agreed price for the land died without a will leaving her two infant children to support the claim against the land as the heirs of the mortgagee under the New and Deceased Act. Before the law of the mortgage law claim about fifteen or sixteen years must elapse as the children if I recollect the contents of the petition correctly are now only five or six years old and before they arrive at full age the claims now due on the land with interest and taxes will amount to a large sum and as the mother is in delicate circumstances she cannot make payment of the balance so as to enable her children to claim

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the benefit of the property hereafter
The Brother in Law has
agreed to pay the balance of the purchase money
and the decision of obtaining the Patent
in the own name so that the Law Office of
it could apply the proceeds in the support and
education of the Children

As I receive the pleasure in granting the
petition of Mr Peppers petition if it can be consistently
done with the Law Constitution the then with
George's Commission does not require any other
Statement than the law does with the
honour of the Law. May I request that you will
send the petition referred to Mr Lallan for further
consideration

Quebec

I have the honor to be
Yours most
Respectfully
Richd Miller

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