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To His Excellency Major General Sir Peregrine Maitland
K.C.B. Governor of Upper Canada &c &c &c
In Council
The Petition of George Johnston, Emigrant from Ireland

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Most Humbly Sheweth, That your Petitioner
left from Ireland and arrived in this County in the year
1812 - That having no means to purchase Lands, with a
wife and six Children to support, he was advised to go on the
1st in the 11th Concession of Lansdowne, then supposed to be a
clergy Reserve - That though ignorant, he was unable to
make any application, except through Mr Peter Howard,
Representative of the County of Louth, and to which application
he never received any answer -

Your Petitioner about one year ago was informed by the Superintendent of the Perth Settlement that it was a Crown Reserve -

Your Petitioner humbly States that he has a wife and six children
to support - That last July, an aged Mother arrived from Ireland
and joined him, that he has built Buildings and made
about 20 acres of improvement on said lot, consisting of about
80 acres of good lands, and about 120 acres of Lakes and Rocks.
and that unless he obtains through your Excellency a grant of
said lot of Land, he, and his large and poor family must
ultimately suffer all the ills of poverty and want -

Your Petitioner humbly begs to look up to your Excellency, and fully
confiding in that paternal consideration ever extended to His
Majesty's faithful subjects, hopes your Excellency will be graciously
pleased to grant your Petitioner said lot of land, and to be
accorded at Perth as an Emigrant from Ireland, and begs to enclose
a certificate as to character and length of service in Ireland
before

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before he left it, from some respectable Emigrants settled in the Perth Settlement, who stand with him in the same Troops -
Your Petitioners beg, have further to state to your Excellency, that on application to Captain George Fowler, Superintendent of Settlers last June, Captain Fowler on being made acquainted with his hard case, promised that the Lot should be reserved for him, until the proper Authority was obtained - Your Petitioners therefore humbly beg that advice be given to the Superintendent of Settlers at Perth to grant the prayer of your Petitioners - And he as in duty bound will etc pray -

Perth 8th December 1818. George Johnston

We the Emigrant settlers at Perth
certify that we knowe knowes Geo. Johnston
in Ireland upwards of Eighteen Years, Thirteen
Years of which he served with us Captain Hawtry
Whites Troop of Yeomen Cavalry, Honesty of
Mind good, in which Corps he served nine Years
1801 to which year he embarked for Barbadoes
he always conducted himself as a brave Loyal
and faithful Subject, and ever Honest sober
and Industrious Man -

Coloured James Scott
John Greenly
Tobler James
Richard Richards
William Jassess

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Read the 28 Dec
1818.
Entered Land Book
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By petition of Jth
George Schreiber
Praying for the party
of Crown Reserve on which
he is settled in the
Port Settlement.

The Petition of the 11th
Conception of Lansdowne
Is a Crown Reserve,
as reported by the Surveyor
Master General's Depart-
ment in 1815 - but I
do not find by any Return
of Locations made at
the Port Settlement, that
it is occupied - it is
however in the hands of
that Department.

Opposite Midway
23 Dec. 1818.

E. J. O.

Referred to Board
Council
Post Office
December 26. 1818

By order
of the
Postmaster

Read in Council 28th December 1818
Petitioner prays for a Grant of 100 acres
in the 11th Conception of Lansdowne.
It is a Crown Reserve and is in the
hands of the Superintendent of the Port
Settlement.

Must apply to Superintendent of
Port Settlement. Wm

Order to the Surveyor
yours 11 Decr 1818

See a subsequent Petition
read in Council 23rd
Jan 1822. —

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