

File 112

Province of Lower Canada
District of Montreal

x to the high
road in the
said Township
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Samuel Knowlton¹ of the city of Montreal in the County and district of Montreal yeoman, being duly sworn deponeth & saith that in the month of June one thousand eight hundred and twenty seven this deponent being and residing then in the Township of Rawdon in the said district and walking on a road leading from the House of the Rev'nd James Edmund Burton (minister of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the said Township) x the said house being situated on lot No sixteen in the first Range of the said Township met one John Jeffries of the said Township then butcher but now farmer pro=
=prietor of Lot number и in the said range of the said Township who told this deponent that he said Jeffries was going to stop up the said road and that he would not allow either the said James Edmund Burton or the gentlemen who were that morning at the said house to pass out therefrom by the said road and the said Jeffries further uttered to this deponent the following words "If "Burton the rebel or rabble (for this deponent "cannot say which) character, or any person "from him comes to prevent me I will blow "their brains out" after which the said Jeffries drew out of his pocket a brace of pocket pistols shewed this deponent that they were loaded and also shewed him powder and ball

observing that he does not depend solely on the charges in the pistols but more ammunition. That in the ensuing au=
=turn the said Jeffries alluding to the facts herein before mentioned told this deponent that he carried the pistols yet and he drew from his pocket a brace of pistols and shewed them to the deponent-

And the deponent further saith that the said gentlemen who were in the said Rev'nd Mr. Burton's house as aforesaid were the Archdeacon of Quebec and the Rev'd Mr.

x well

Bethune rector of Montreal and this Deponent further saith that he was x acquainted with the said Township at the times before specified and knew of no other road by which persons might pass between the high road and the said house save and except the road aforesaid

Sam' Knowlton

Sworn before me this 16th
day of July 1829 at the
City of Montreal

Thos. A Turner J.P.

True Copy

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¹ Samuel and Robert Knowlton (father and son) were given locations at 7 / N & S 14 in 1823 and granted joint Letters Patent in 1834. Robert was still a resident in 1831. From this document it would seem Samuel left Rawdon in 1828