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These statements presumably rest upon family knowledge and authority. From authentic records, we learn that in 1790-91 Nicholas Seek, tailor, was a discharged loyalist living in New Settlement (on Lake Erie). *Mich. Pio. Colls.*, XXIV, 178. On Feb. 14, 1794, the Land Board of Kent and Essex counties (John Askin, Colonel England, and Louigny Montigny) in session at Askin's home in Detroit, granted Nicholas Seek a lot of land on Thames River, and on April 11, 1794, granted the adjoining lot to Conrad (whom we presume to have been his brother), both grantees taking the oath of allegiance and loyalty. *Ont. Bur. Archives, Report*, 1905, pp. 249, 251. Conrad was a house-holder of Detroit (where he followed his trade of tailor) shortly after the opening of the century. In 1802, he was appointed collector, and in 1804, constable. In the fire of June 11, 1805, he reported losses totaling £260. In October, 1805, he became lieutenant in the First Regiment. He married Mary Morrison and seven children were born to them in the period 1801-16. See *Proc. of Land Board of Detroit*, 203; *Mich. Pio. Colls.*, *passim*; and Dennissen, *op. cit.*

57 The founder of the Detroit Beaubien line was Catherine Trotier *dit* Beaubien, for whom see *B. H. R.*, I, 34. One of her sons, Jean Baptiste Cuillierier *dit* Beaubien, born in Lachine, Jan. 6, 1709, married in Detroit on Jan. 26, 1742, Marie Anne Lootman *dit* Barrois, daughter of François Lootman *dit* Barrois, and Marie Anne Sauvage. They had a family of thirteen children, the second child and oldest son being Jean Baptiste Cuillierier *dit* Beaubien, who was born, April 15, 1745. On March 19, 1770, he married in Sandwich Geneveva Parent, daughter of Laurence Parent and Jane Cardinal for whom see *ibid.*, 418. Apparently the signer of the present document was Jean Baptiste, the eldest son of this couple. He was born in Sandwich, Jan. 28, 1771, and married there, Jan. 9, 1826, Frances Metay daughter of Joseph Metay and Catherine Dufour, who had been twice widowed before her union with Beaubien. He was buried in Mt. Clemens, Nov. 19, 1858. Data derived from Denissen, *op. cit.*

58 Archibald Horner, a cabinet-maker, was living in Detroit prior to the fire of June 11, 1805, by which he suffered losses amounting to \$657.50. Both Horner and his wife, Elizabeth, received donation lots, granted to residents of the town at the time of the fire. They had two daughters, Sarah and Mariah. Horner died in 1812, and his widow subsequently married (second) John Walker, and (third) Rev. Elias Pattee. See *Proc. of Land Board of Detroit*, 173-74.

59 James Dodemead was a son of John Dodemead and Jane Murray, for whom see *B. H. R.*, I, 304. He was born, March 27, 1785, and died in 1818. See *Proc. of Land Board of Detroit*, 187.

60 Antoine Durette (Duret, Durett) married Margaret Renaud and lived in the diocese of Lucon, in France. Their son, Jacques, born in 1658, migrated to Canada, and on Feb. 10, 1687, married in Quebec, Catherine Jomein, who was born in that place on Aug. 21, 1672. Their son Charles, born, Jan. 23, 1702, was thrice married, the third time to Mary Frances Girard, in Lorette, Nov. 8, 1734. The offspring of this union was Jean Baptiste Durette, who was born in Quebec, May 6, 1735. He married there on Jan. 7, 1761, Mary Bibiana Laberge of Baie St. Paul. Their son, Jean Baptiste, born in Quebec on Dec. 25, 1762, was the signer of the present document. On April 18, 1796, he married in Detroit, Mary Ann Renaud, daughter of Louis Renaud and Mary Ann Casse *dit* St. Aubin, who was born in Detroit, Jan. 13, 1774. They had eight children, born in the period 1797-1811. The eldest son, Jean Baptiste Durette, born, Jan. 22, 1797, was recommended to West Point by Governor Lewis Cass in 1820. Durette, our present subject, was a baker. The date of his death has not been learned. Mary Ann Renaud was buried in Grenierville, Aug. 11, 1859. Data derived from *ibid.*, 165, and Denissen, *op. cit.*

61 Pierre Lognon, born in 1631, married in Quebec, Oct. 8, 1652, Frances Roussin, daughter of Jean Roussin. Louis Lognon, signer of the present document, was their great-great-grandson. He was born in Quebec in 1765, and was a resident of Detroit at the time of the fire of June 11, 1805. He became owner of P. C. 27, still known as the Lognon farm, lying west of modern Eleventh Street. On Jan. 30, 1814, he married Louisa Drouillard, daughter of Charles Drouillard and Mary Louisa Quesnel *dit* St. Remy, for whom see