

Know all Men by these Presents, THAT

We James Stoddart, and Jane Stoddart, (formerly Jane Leichman) of Flushing Queens County & State of New York have made, constituted, and appointed, and by these presents do make constitute, and appoint James Dawes, of Lachine Canada East, by Montreal our true and lawful attorney for us and in our name, place, and stead to Grant, bargain, sell, and Convey, all our right Title Interest, claim and demand whatsoever of in and to The Lands ~~and Tenement Children of Andrew Leichman of Canada East aforesaid~~ which the New York and Montreal Rail Road runs through, and belongin to the Children of Andrew Leichman of Canada East aforesaid

giving and granting unto our said attorney full power and authority to do and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully, to all intents and purposes, as we might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution and revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that our said attorney or his substitute shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

In Witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seals the third day of August in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty three

Scaled and delivered in the presence of

The words "and Tenement Children of Andrew Leichman of Canada East aforesaid" crossed out before Execution

James Stoddart

Jane Stoddart

State of New York }
Queens County } SS

On the third day of August one thousand
eight hundred and fifty three before
me personally came James Stoddart and Stoddart
his wife formerly Jane Leichman both known
to me to be the same individuals described in
and who Executed the within Power of Attorney
who severally duly acknowledged that they Ex-
ecuted the same for the uses and purposes
mentioned therein -

Samuel Hittell
Justice of the Peace

Wm. J. Daves Esq. Strattonport Nov^r 2nd 1853

I have written 2 letters
to Lachin and have received no answer to either
of them on what account I ^(do) not know but we will
let them pass. ~~and~~ When you was here last summer you
wished Jane and me to grant you a power of Attorney in our
behalf we being and residing in another State so I could not
get this Power of Attorney untill 7 O'clock in the morn-
ing and had to hurry to get to the boat and was there
the first day you proposed to meet me at my Sisters
I would have given you the power of attorney on the 3rd of
August but on the 4th I would not having read and re-
read it I thought there was some plan laid to keep Jane
out of her money but since then I see that it is for the
Lachin or Montreal & New York Rail Road which was
to pass therefore the reason I did not send this to you
before this was on account of having such false ideas
about me not knowing that it had to be done Jane and
the baby is doing very well I am so that I can just get around
as my feet & legs are swelled so but I am gradually wasting
away if there is any thing coming to Jane I think it is
the time for her to have it now to use as we have to live
very close and on the second quality of provisions and the cold
weather is coming on and no coals to keep ^(from) freezing

no more at present but hope to receive an answer
this as soon as possible Jane and myself join in sending our
love and best wishes to you and all the family.

Direct your letter to me Yours in Friendship
to flushing post office and truth
James & Jane Stoddart

Mr John James Esq^r

Lachine

Canada East

By Montreal