

**DOCUMENT 27 – PREEMPTION CLAIM OF ALPHONSO MONTUORY FOR THE CATHOLIC
CONGREGATION AT LA SALLE**

May 25, 1848

TRANSCRIPTION

The Rev. Alphonso Montuory
claims for the Catholic Congregation Lots No. 1 & 2 in
of Lasalle. Block 99. Lasalle.

Rev^d. Alphonso Montuory, having been duly sworn
says, That in the spring of the year 1838, the
congregation erected upon lot N^o. 1 a church
60 feet by 24, and erected a dwelling house for
the Parson upon the same lot. That in 1839 or
1840 an addition to the dwelling house was built;
That in 1839 Lots 1 & 2 were enclosed, into one
enclosure, and a garden was made, covering
a part of each lot & the same year a stable
was built upon lot N^o. 2. It is 15 by 12 feet,
shingle roof. Some fruit trees & flowers were
put out in 1839.

This Church has been used ever since its erection,
as a place of religious worship, by the congregation,
and the dwelling, stable & garden have been
used and occupied by the different successive
Priests of said Congregation up to this time, and
are still so occupied. There are no other improvements
than those owned by the said Catholic Congregation on
the said lots. Witness learns all the facts stated, up
to 1842, from the Books of the congregation; since
that time he has officiated as Priest to the
congregation.

Alphonso Montuory