

Setting up their Hierarchy on Turtle Island
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Here's an excerpt from a most interesting article we came across online. Do you really think that Haldimand was doing a good thing? Do you really think his word is worth anything???

The settler society the colonialist elite set up here was based on militarism and military rank. It always has been but they hid it for awhile. Everything, they hide in plain sight where you may not look.

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Land Grants

In 1783 Governor Haldimand had set up a scale of grants for the loyalist refugees which allowed heads of families to receive 100 acres plus an additional 50 acres for every member of their families. Similarly men who had served under arms were to receive grants which scaled upward from privates who received 50 acres to senior officers who received up to 1,000 acres depending on rank. All these "official" grants, however, were soon increased. In 1787 Lord Dorchester ordered that an additional 200 acres be given to heads of families who had already improved their lands. The local land boards apparently took this to mean that all who had borne arms would be entitled to receive grants of 300 acres or more, according to their rank, and that other Loyalists should receive an initial grant of 200 acres. Finally, in 1788, grants of lands to officers had been raised to a maximum of 5,000 acres depending on rank.

Cited in L.A. Johnson, "Land Policy, Population Growth and Social Structure in the Home District" in Johnson, *supra*, note 76, 32 at 49. See also, B.E Gates, *Land Policies of Upper Canada* (1968).

95 For Robinson's "plan" (written together with John Sewell) see J.B. Robinson & J. Sewell, *General Union of All the British Provinces of North America* (1824).