Macomb** Purchase.

20th, 1817,* directed L., 6., & M. to convey to Joseph Russell and John La Farge. Le Roy and Bayard deeded to John, Henry, and Edmund Wilkes, 16,000 acres September 23d, 1818,* and the latter to John La Farge, April 14th, 1823,f having received May 9th, 1818, from the Marquis de Cubieres, and wife, a power of attorney! for the purpose. Le Roy and Bayard conveyed 12,000 acres Nov. 23d, 1818, and§ to Russell and La Farge 8,000 acres Sep. 23d, 1818.§ John Wilkes to Charles Wilkes Jan. 1st, 1818,|| sold 8,000 acres, and the latter the same to La Farge June 3d, 1825,|| By these conveyances Mr. La Farge became the owner of the greater part of Penet Square; but he allowed the lands to be sold for taxes, and his claims were subsequently confirmed by a comptroller's deed, from Wm. L. Marcy, May 13th, 1828.

On the 23d of Nov., 1819, Francis Depau bought fifteen lots (21 to 25, 41 to 45, 56 to 60), for $12,000,IT excepting parts sold to Samuel Ruggles. In our account of Orleans, will be given a detail of the irregularities growing out of occupation without title, and the conflicting claims which continued many years, and produced much difficulty.

The whole of Macomb's contract was estimated to contain, after deducting five per cent., 3,670,715 acres, and was divided into five tracts. Tract No. I contained 821,819 acres, and is wholly in Franklin County. No. II embraced 553,020 acres, or the present towns of Parishville, Colton, Hopkinton, Lawrence, Brasher, and a small part of Massena, in St. Lawrence County. No. III, the remainder of St. Lawrence County south and west of the ten towns, or 458,222 acres. No. IV contained 450,950 acres in Jefferson County, it being, with the exception of Penet's Square and Tibbet's Point, all of that county north of a line drawn from the southwest corner of St. Lawrence County, north 87° west, to Lake Ontario. No. V (26,250 acres) and No. VI, (74,400 acres) formed the rest of the purchase; the division line between which numbers was never surveyed. Soon after perfecting his title to a portion of his tract, Macomb employed William Constable (who is said to have been with Daniel McCormick the principal proprietor) as his agent to sell lands in Europe; and, on the 6th of June, 1792, he released, and October 3d, 1792, conveyed to him the whole of tracts IV, V, and VI, for £60,000.** Macomb had become involved in specu-