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TORNADO PROJECT SUMMARY SHEET

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1. DATE AND TIME THUR SEPT 14, 1865 1600 LOCAL

2. LOCATION OR PATH (attach map)
5 MILES BELOW PRESCOTT

3. PATH LENGTH ☑ NOT KNOWN ☐ <1 mi; ☐ 1-4mi; ☐ 5-10mi; ☐ 11-50mi; ☐ LENGTH IF>50m

4. PATH WIDTH [V] 5. TORNADO PART OF SQUALL LINE? ☐ YES; ☐ NO; ☑ UNKNOWN:

6. ANY UNUSUAL COLORATION? ☐ YES; ☐ NO; ☐ UNKNOWN

7. ANY UNUSUAL SOUND? ☑ YES; ☐ NO; ☐ UNKNOWN

8. IF ANSWER TO 6 OR 7 YES, ELABORATE; 7: a loud hissing noise

9. LIST ANY ASSOCIATED PHENOMENA
(Such as hail, vivid lightning heavy rain, no rain, etc.)

10. TOTAL DAMAGE ESTIMATE $ 11. TOTAL DEATHS

12. TOTAL INJURED 13. TOTAL HOMELESS

14. LIST ALL REFERENCES
PRESCOTT TELEGRAPH quoted in THE DAILY GLOBE, TORONTO SAT SEPT 30, 1865

15. SUMMARIZE REMARKS PERTAINING TO (a) FUNNEL; (b) INTERESTING OR CAPRICIOUS EVENTS.

(a) Two clouds were observed to join from NE and SW and an immense inverted cone descended towards the earth, until the apex reached a point about 200 ft above the centre of the channel (St Lawrence R) where it was met by a similar shaped body of water from the river. It moved towards the other side of the river crossing Buttonut Island where it demolished everything in its way. When it reached the American shore, trees and rail fences were seen flying and whirling through the air.

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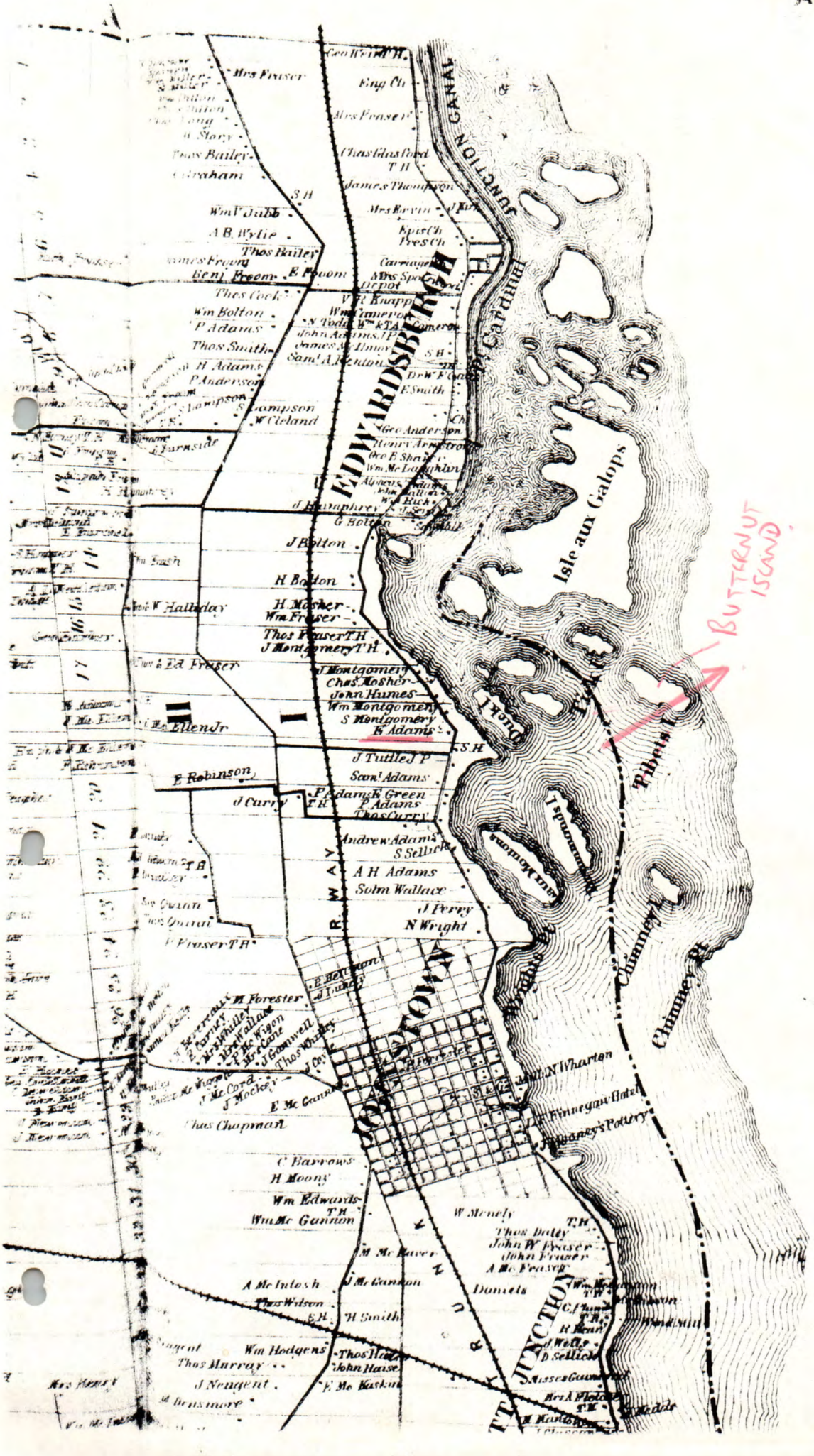

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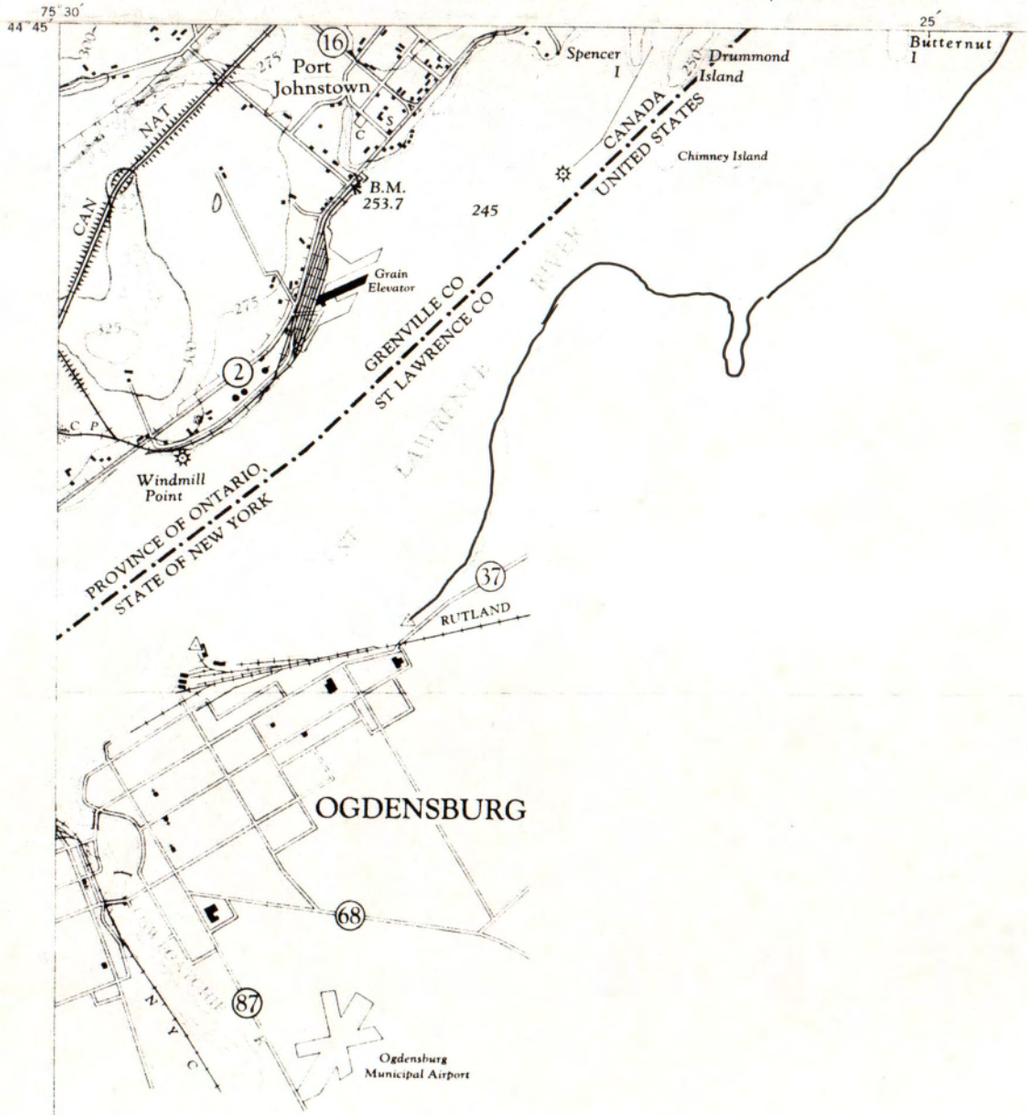

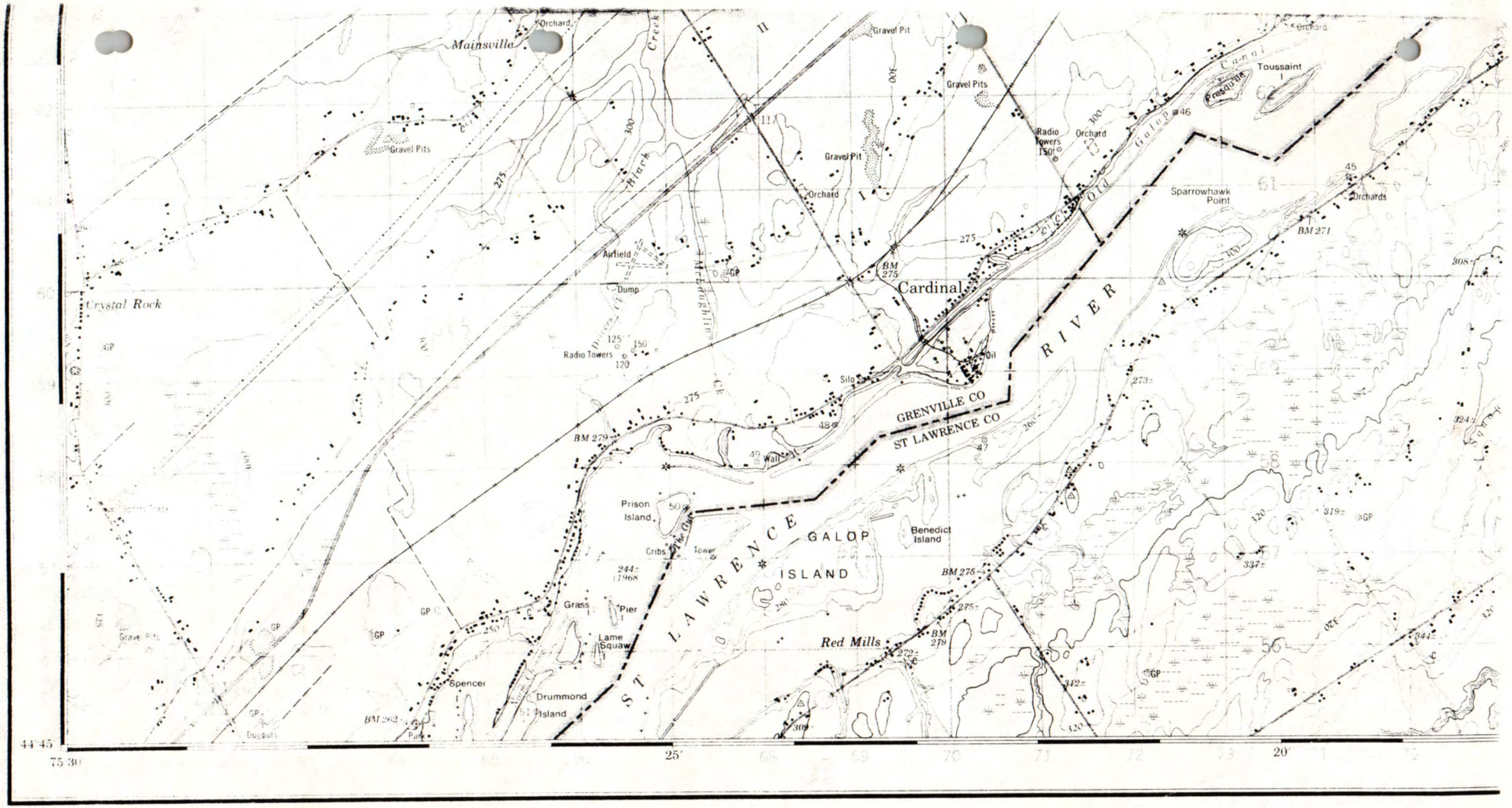

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Roads:	Routes:	dual highway: 2 chaussées séparées	more than 2 lanes: plus de 2 voies
hard surface, all weather	pavée, toute saison	2 lanes: 2 voies	less than 2 lanes: moins de 2 voies
hard surface, all weather	pavée, toute saison	2 lanes or more: 2 voies ou plus	less than 2 lanes: moins de 2 voies
loose or stabilized surface, all weather	gravier aggloméré, toute saison		
loose surface, dry weather and unclassified streets	de gravier, temps sec et rues hors classe		
cart track	de terre		
trail or portage	sentier ou portage		

FOR COMPLETE REFERENCE SEE REVERSE SIDE POUR UNE LISTE COMPLÈTE DES SIGNES, VOIR AU VERSO

THE DAILY GLOBE, TORONTO. SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 30TH. 1865.

(FROM THE PRESCOTT TELEGRAPH.)

STORM DATE. ABOUT 4P.M., THURS. SEPT. 14TH. 1865.

A WATER SPOUT.

A most magnificent instance of the above species of natural phenomena occurred on the ST. LAWRENCE RIVER about five miles below PRESCOTT, on Thursday last, the 14th. inst. It was seen by MR. ELIAS ADAMS, a respectable and intelligent farmer in EDWARDSBURG, to whom we are indebted for the following facts regarding it. About four o'clock, in the afternoon, just after a fall of rain and during a dead calm, MR. ADAMS was coming out of his barn when his attention was attracted by the appearance of two angry looking masses of clouds which were rapidly approaching each other, from the southwest and northeast. As soon as they met they became jumbled together in the wildest commotion, and assuming the shape of an immense inverted cone, descended towards the earth with fearful velocity, until the apex reached a point about two hundred feet above the centre of the channel. Here it was met by a similar shaped body of water from the river, which rushed to the cloud with tremendous violence and with a loud hissing noise, which resembled at the point where it was heard that caused by a stream hissing from a powerful fire engine. The water spout now represented a truly grand but most alarming spectacle. MR. ADAMS was fearful that it might come in his direction, and his family would have to run with all speed out of its course. To his great relief, however, he saw that it was moving towards the other side of the river. In crossing BUTTERNUT ISLAND, it appeared to demolish everything in its way. At length it reached the AMERICAN SHORE, when trees and fence rails were immediately seen flying and whirling through the air at a great height from the ground, in a manner showing but too plainly what would be the fate of human beings or dwellings if any should unhappily be encountered by the meteorological monster. The whole time from the formation of the water spout til it became lost to MR. ADAMS was about five minutes. As to the extent of the damage done by it on the AMERICAN SIDE, or when and where it exhausted its force and broke up, we have not been informed. So far as we are aware, this is the first water spout has ever been seen in this neighbourhood, and it is fortunate that its destructive energies were spent where they could cause comparitively little loss. PRESCOTT TELEGRAPH.