

Francis Bradshaw

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- Francis Bradshaw appears to have been a resident of Trepassay from 1790 until the autumn of 1797 when he was in Placentia. While I am not certain of the nature of this position it would appear that he was also employed as Customs Receiver. His various judicial appointments he held at the whim of the various governors, the temper of his neighbours and his own conduct. His primary employment was as a surgeon. Gov. King appointed Bradshaw J.P. at Trepassay on the 7th November 1792 a position he held until Gov. Wallace refused to renew it in 1794. There appears to have been some complaint laid against Bradshaw but the substance of it is not made clear. (Whether it is of any significance or not it is worth noting that his fellow J.P., Follett, also failed to have his commission renewed.) This complaint was to hamper Bradshaw in a later attempt to have his commission renewed. When Chief Justice Routh recommended to Gov. Waldegrave that Bradshaw be appointed Surrogate at Placentia in 1797 the Governor rejected the suggestion on grounds of the previous complaint. However when Gov. Pole arrived in 1800 Bradshaw was appointed J.P. at Placentia on September 18th and soon after was appointed Magistrate. Under Gambier the situation changed and when Bradshaw applied on September 9th, 1802 to be appointed surrogate Gambier refused to appoint him remarking that the naval officers were quite competent to carry out whatever was required. He was however appointed J.P. by Gov. Gosset on July 23rd, 1804.

(The figures in the margin refer to the Government Correspondence to and from the "17: 293" refers to Volume 17, page 293. I went to the original volumes from 1771 to 1804 and found no mention of F. Bradshaw 1792.)

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Documents Consulted

Page		
146	- King appoints F.B. J. Pat Trepassey	Nov. 7 1792
190	- King writes F.B. regarding Trepassey rioters	1792
272	- Wallace writes Follett (J.P. Trepassey) mentioning complaint	Oct 9 1794
279	- Wallace states F.B.'s commission not to be renewed	Oct 19 1794
83	- F.B. writes Waldegrave to complaint being maligned	Oct 17 1797
84	- Testimonial from the inhabitants of Trepassey	Oct 10 1794
	(This was likely used and sent as evidence to Gov. Wallace in 1794)	
340	- Routh recommends apph. of F.B. as surrogate Placentia	Oct 25 1797
341	- Gov. rejects recommendation	Oct 25 1797
387	- Gov. Pole appoints F.B. J.P. at Placentia	Sept 18 1800
423	- Gov. Pole appoints F.B. Magistrate at Placentia	1800
263	- F.B. requests Gov. Gambier appoint him Surrogate	Sept 9 1802
264	- Gov. Gambier rejects suggestion	Sept 10 1802
99	- F.B. is one of memorialists requesting Anglican Clergyman for Placentia	Oct 3 1802
293	- Gov. Gosset appoints F.B. J.P. Placentia	July 23 1804
319	- Gov. Gosset writes F.B. re illegal recruiting	1804