

**Who Were the Seigneurs?**

- The seigneurs were nobles, merchants of religious congregations.
- They had granted land by the Governor and Intendant.
- They could rent the land to anyone.

**What is the Seignorial System?**

- The seigneur would rent parts of the land to settlers and inhabitants.
- They helped develop a system in which people could get land in New France without the government being directly involved.
- The seigneurs would have almost no responsibility to the habitants.
- The Seigneurs could claim ownership of any goods gained from farming, hunting, or fishing.
- The habitants would have to abide by any conditions that the seigneurs decided. Crops,
- This system lasted in New France from 1627 to 1854.

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