

Messrs. Shoolbred & Barclay  
[Merchants, Quebec].

Montreal 9<sup>th</sup> Oct. 33

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Sirs

I have to acknowledge yours of  
2<sup>d</sup> Inst. claiming a further dividend on Mabbitt's estate,  
for my own part I certainly do not wish to make God  
worse by litigation; at some time I think it will  
be necessary before I make any further dividends to  
have the inclosed Advertisement inserted in next week's  
Gazette, which I beg you will get done, and I shall  
answer to you for the expense; I have by some been  
advised to dispute your right of receiving any dividend  
on the sum for which you hold the notes, and by  
others otherwise; at all events you shall have timely  
notice in case it is meant to dispute the right you  
claim, and am  
Gentl<sup>ly</sup> Your most obed<sup>t</sup> hble  
Serv<sup>t</sup> J<sup>ms</sup>. Bell