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Georgina, 18 Oct, 1842.

My dear Sir,

I congratulate you upon your return for the North Riding. Though the Majority is a respectable one, yet I am not satisfied with it; it ought to have been at least 300: and it would have amounted to that, I believe, had the Committee not been deceived by the Tories, and had it not been too confident in its own strength. An excellent friend Pice was on the ground a week before the election, yet the Committee thought there was no occasion to second him in his instructions to go round and cause the election from their overweening security. It must never happen again, we must be always ready to oppose the tricks of our cunning opponents. I regret that I had not the pleasure of seeing you at Sharnon & sincerely hope that your health is quite restored to enable you to enter upon your official duties. I was so glad that you sent Pice to take your place. Pice was then a more faithful representation. Well has he performed his duty. I wish you could have heard him in his closing speech; he it that brought and sold that ^{the} was actually roasted alive, and the vile old Hag Georgina received her Camp de Geva. I now consider it my duty to

inform you of the conduct of the present postmaster
 of Sharon. He kept an open house for Roe and did
 every thing in his power to secure the latter's return -
 I do protest against such conduct in a public officer -
 Roe's flag was raised at the door of the post office, and
 Beer and spirits were doled out to his supporters from
 the same place. - I do complain to you of such de-
 liction of duty in this public officer and I have to
 request that you will be pleased to see some one
 placed in his situation who will know better
 how to perform his duty. I had occasion to write
 to Mr. M^r: Dwyer to go into Beck to forward the
 Roman Catholic votes; but after writing my letter
 I was told that I need not put it into the office; it
 would be marked "too late" and would never
 reach him ^{in time}. Then gave it to Mr. Reid to forward
 it by the postman as a "my letter"; but as the latter
 popped his house, he refused the letter, stating that
 he was instructed not to receive any. - I have also to
 complain to you of the conduct of the post-master Benjamin
 of Georgia, who, during the election, was constant-
 ly home back to give votes, both in this township and Beck, but
 he support Roe in opposition to the Government Can-
 didate. In Beck also Mr. Bayham the postmaster
 came and recorded his vote against the Government -
 The postmasters of Georgia and Beck

of the press. - What confidence can I have in their post-
masters! I am not certain that this letter will ever reach
you. Every office is filled with a ton, therefore you must
perceive that the reformers have not justice in this bidding.
Were these officials kept in a more rigid discipline
they would be better men and better subjects.
If the ^{deputy} postmaster Genl. do his duty he ought to turn
all these postmasters out of office - Should such good
government fall to our lot, I would recommend
Mr. Wm. Miles, who lives near the post office in Georgia, to
fill Mr. Bonchian's situation. No man could credit
himself more than he did for the Governor an
Candidate. - Your firmness, my dear Mr. Genl., has been
the means of bringing about this great revolution,
and I had hoped a bloodless one; but the Tories are
too fond of the blood of the reformers, not to draw
it whenever an opportunity offers - I sincerely hope
that that friend of the human family, Baldwin
has arrived in Dept. at Kingston. Mind that
he has fair play when he returns to Hastings.
I am truly sorry to hear that the reformers there have
been treated like beasts, but, I trust, that you and
others will turn the bloody affair to good account.
I would strongly recommend Major Thompson's son
John Hall Thompson for the magistracy he has received
Collegiate education, and besides
Archives de la Ville de Montréal.
He resides in Brock and there is one wanted there to head
the reformers. - Mention his name to Mr. Baldwin -

Every Councillor in the Riding came to vote for
you. Mr Way of Brock excepted, and I wish you
to acquaint Mr Baldwin of this, for Way was a comment
to him, I believe, is a Whig in trade. I sent to him, and
two others, went to invite him to go and vote. He
was seen consulting with Mr Bonchion, and he said
he was one of the Whigs who had some objections
to Mr L. or Linn. This is enough, he ought not
to be trusted. - I hope by this time you have secured
the freedom of Election by the passage of Mr
Baldwin's Election bill. It is much wanted.

I had a young Scotchman ^{Colony} who had been a School-
master with us here for three months, to Mr Baldwin
as a Copying Clerk. Should Mr Baldwin not have
been able to employ him, perhaps you may be able to
find him a situation. He is a young man of some
talent and a very quick writer. ^{that good writer also} - I hope that
your aid will be given to the public for the
delay in making the Post Office Commission Report.
It will come on in Jan? next I fancy. -

The Electors of the North Riding are perfectly sensible
of the lofty position they hold and they are
proud of being, in some measure, the humble instruments,
through you and Mr Baldwin, in restoring to the
Canada the franchise of which they had been robbed
by the Union bill. I am, my dear

Mr. M^r & Gen^l L. J. D. Linn
14. of St. Kingston

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Wm. Johnson