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LETTER ON CANADA.

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SIR,

Your letter arrived at an unlucky time, when I was just entering upon one of our terms, which was immediately followed by a sitting of a court of appeal, and between the two I have not had a leisure hour at my disposal till this day. I should be happy to be of service to you, and the other friends of the late Governor Gore, in carrying out your wish to shew respect to his memory, by such a notice of him as his distinguished public position, his generous character, and his social qualities seem to call for—and there are, perhaps, few, if any, inquiries which it might occur to you to make, in respect to his official career here, to which I could not give or procure for you a satisfactory answer—though his friends here, as you may suppose, are fast passing away. Colonel Talbot, a brother of the late Lord Talbot de Malahide, whom he well knew, has just died, at the age of 81. Another valued old friend of his I have seen within this hour, and I fear he also is rapidly sinking from mere decay of nature, after enjoying more than 80 years of almost uninterrupted health. Captain Macauley, when he spoke to you of me, might have remembered that I was at school in 1806, when