you therefore call on Poulett Scrope and tell him this: The knowledge that an action could be instituted against him as his brother's heir might induce him to lend his assistance at any rate in so far as establishing the exact nature and extent of the powers vested in Lord Sydenham by the Imperial Government. I send you a Gazette with remarks on the new Colonial Cabinet. The times you will perceive are changed since I first encountered you in that memorable pea jacket on the Lower Town hill of Quebec.

Trusting that you will use your friendly offices in setting matters right in Downing Street, believe me,

Yours ever truly,

G. H. RYLAND.

Brighton, 17th September, 1844.

MY DEAR RYLAND,

I received here this morning your letter of the 28th August, I am away from the Office for my annual holidays and do not expect to be back there till the end of next month.

I do sincerely hope that your remonstrance to Lord Stanley may be successful. I have always thought and felt that yours was a case of peculiar hardship, and have never failed where I had the opportunity to say so, and to bear testimony to the correctness of your interpretation of the agreement between yourself and Lord Sydenham, at the same time you know that I have less than no influence with any of the authorities of the Colonial Office, that I am never consulted upon any point or even informed of what is going on, and it has therefore been only accidentally that I have heard what was going on in your case. You may feel quite confident that whenever an opportunity arises, I shall not fail again to urge your claim as far as I possibly can, but I fear that any volunteer advocacy on my part,