

In the meantime, protesting against your Grace's decision, I owe it to myself distinctly to declare that the instant matters on this continent are brought to a peaceful issue, I shall renew my application to the House of Commons for a Committee of Inquiry into my case, in the hope that no further unfair attempt will be made to prevent my obtaining from a jury of English gentlemen an expression of opinion on the treatment I have experienced.

In concluding this communication, and without in any way wishing to reflect on the conduct of the most unpopular and least regretted Governor we have ever had, who happily for the interests of Great Britain and Canada is no longer here to palsy the loyal hearts of Her Majesty's faithful servants, I take the liberty of calling your Grace's attention to the fact that no action appears to have been taken on your Despatch of May* last, relative to the payment of interest due on the Canadian moiety of money paid under Chief Justice Carter's report, which, calculated at the legal rate of 7 per cent. interest in Canada, would in round numbers amount to about 800*l.*; the period between the date of Mr. Carter's report and date of payment here being two years and eight months.

* April?

Permit me, my Lord Duke, to remark, that, under the peculiar circumstances of the case, it was the duty of the Imperial Government at once to have paid this money, and to have called upon the local Government afterwards to make it good as so much advanced on their account.

The protracted delay in the payment of this money is not only an aggravation of the injury I have sustained, but it demonstrates the truth of the arguments I have advanced, showing that Chief Justice Carter's report cannot be considered as a finality, inasmuch as five years have elapsed without its being fully carried out.

In claiming, then, that I be authorised to draw upon the Paymaster General for the amount in question, I trust that I am but anticipating your own conclusion on the subject.

His Grace the Duke of Newcastle, K. G.
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I have, &c.
(signed) G. H. Ryland.