

LYNHAM, *March 23rd*, 1840.

My dear Sir Duncan MacDougall—I regret to find, from your letter of the 19th instant, that Mr. Smith has been disappointed in obtaining the assistance which he expected to receive in this country. Having understood from Dr. Skey that Smith had been usefully employed in Michigan—that he had lost his situation at Detroit in consequence of the active part he took in opposing the Patriots at the public meetings to encourage the refugees and rebels, and having heard from the authorities of Upper Canada that he had forwarded to the officers in command on the frontier information respecting the intentions of the Patriots, I considered it right to state these facts in a testimonial as to his character, which I gave to him in support of his application to the Colonial Office; but I have no influence whatever to assist him in obtaining a further remuneration from Government for his services.

I should be glad to be of use to him, but I see no probability of my being able to render him any assistance in procuring employment for him.

Believe me, very faithfully yours,
(Signed) SEATON.

To Sir Duncan MacDougall.

DOWNING STREET, *5th Sept.*, 1855.

Sir—I am directed by Secretary Sir W. Molesworth to acknowledge your letters dated the 29th and 30th of August, and to acquaint you that your case has been fully considered, and that Sir William Molesworth is satisfied that you have no further claim on the British Government, and that any additional correspondence on the subject must be useless.

I am further desired to inform you that no original papers belonging to you are retained in this office.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(Signed) T. FREDK. ELLIOT.

SEPTEMBER 21, 1855.—I now beg leave to introduce the subject of my pamphlet, which I published in the year 1840, and which will give, I trust, a clear idea of the sufferings and loss of income that followed, all of which were produced from my staunch loyalty to my Queen and country, momentarily produced by the circumstances that were altogether unexpected and unforeseen by me.