

hesitate to propose to my Special Council the renewal of such of the ordinances having this object in view, as may be near their expiration.

I have had repeated conversations with Sir George Arthur on the state of Upper Canada, and I learn from him that in that province there is no prospect of any serious disturbance. It is my intention to proceed to Toronto about the 18th of next month, and I have directed Sir George Arthur to summon the Legislature of that province to meet me on the 3rd December.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

C. POULETT THOMSON.

The Right Hon. Lord John Russell,
&c. &c. &c.

Enclosure 1 in No. 30.

COPY of an ADDRESS from the MAGISTRATES of the DISTRICT of MONTREAL,
Province of Lower Canada, District of Montreal.

Encl. 1 in No. 30.

To His Excellency the Right Hon. CHARLES POULETT THOMSON, Governor-General of
British North America, &c. &c. &c.

May it please your Excellency,

WE, Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the district of Montreal, resident in this city, respectfully approach your Excellency to solicit permission to offer to your Excellency our felicitation on your assumption of the exalted office of Governor-General of British North America, to which you have been advanced by our Gracious Sovereign, and to welcome your Excellency on your arrival in this city, the municipal affairs of which are placed under our direction.

It is highly satisfactory to us to be enabled to assure your Excellency that, as far as our knowledge extends, this district is in a state of undisturbed tranquillity.

Our reliance on your Excellency's wisdom, in the exercise of the high powers with which you have been invested, leads us fondly to anticipate the enjoyment at no distant day of the blessings of peace and prosperity, the fruits of a well-ordered constitutional Government.

We beg humbly to assure your Excellency that we shall always be found ready to lend our firm support to your Excellency in the administration of the Government, by the zealous discharge of the public duties assigned to us by law.

Montreal, 26th October, 1839. c

Enclosure 2 in No. 30.

COPY of an ANSWER to the ADDRESS from the MAGISTRATES of MONTREAL.

Enclosure No. 2.

Gentlemen,

I THANK you sincerely for your address.

I received with great satisfaction your assurance of the present undisturbed tranquillity of this district. It is my determination, by a firm and impartial exercise of the powers intrusted to me, to maintain that tranquillity. You may rely with confidence upon receiving my cordial support in the discharge of your duties.

It is the earnest desire of our Gracious Sovereign that those blessings which you truly describe as the fruits of a well-ordered and constitutional Government should be enjoyed by this portion of her dominions.

It is to promote the re-establishment of such institutions, securing alike the rights of the crown and the liberties of the people, that I appear amongst you; and I shall look with confidence for the co-operation of all Her Majesty's loyal subjects to assist me in my endeavours.

No. 31.

COPY of a DESPATCH from the Right Hon. C. POULETT THOMSON to
Lord JOHN RUSSELL.

MY LORD, Government House, Montreal, 1st Nov., 1839.

I HAVE the honour to inform your Lordship, that after several communications with Sir George Arthur, I have determined on proceeding to the Upper Province about the middle of this month, and I have requested Sir George Arthur, who left this city for Toronto yesterday, to summon the Provincial Legislature for Tuesday the 3rd of December, when it is my intention to meet them and open the Assembly in person.

I have been led to this determination, after the best consideration which I have been enabled to give to the circumstances, both of this and the other province, as well as to the object of my mission.

No. 31.
Right Hon.
C. P. Thomson.
to Lord John Russell.
1st November, 1839.