

to exist as an independent nation, and have, therefore, no other alternative before them but to become members of the American confederacy, or to continue what they are—the favoured colonies of Great Britain, protected by her fleets and armies, participating freely in her trade, aided by her capital, and confirmed, by her example and her power, in the possession of a constitution and laws better calculated than those of any other country to secure the best interests and promote the happiness of the human race.

“They have shown constantly and unequivocally (not speaking at this moment of the peculiar case of the French population of Lower Canada) that they infinitely prefer the latter alternative. It remains for the mother-country to consider whether she desires as earnestly, on her part, that the connexion shall continue, and whether and by what means she can ensure its duration.”

The mother-country, after duly considering these important questions, has decided to desert Chief Justice Robinson and all who have made known facts such as he has above expounded; and, on the other hand, to select, for all offices of emolument and honour in our colonies, whoever has most prominently recommended rebellion.

THE END.