

Mr. Harper wrote to Mr. Morris a letter which will be found in the Cashier's statement. Mr. Morris styles this letter a remarkable document, by which he considered himself deeply insulted. Unprejudiced readers may perhaps fail to discover the deeply insulting character thus attributed to it—though even had its tenor been severe, it would have been warranted by Mr. Morris's proceedings. It must be clear to all that the discourteous return of the letter in a blank envelope, was the most effectual mode of putting an end to correspondence between the parties.

Mr. Harper is the Executive Officer of the Board, and is responsible to the Directors, and through them to the Stockholders for the correct and judicious management of Bank affairs. His instructions on all matters of importance should be obtained, and acted upon by the subordinate Officers. A contrary course is clearly subversive of all proper government of a Banking Institution.

Mr. Morris has evidently felt that his position as an Officer of the Institution did not warrant his course of proceeding. He has therefore alleged that he acted only in his social and political capacity, and in consequence of his "influence" with the Government, as a public man, having been requested by Mr. Harper. By reference to that gentleman's letter to Mr. Cameron, it will be seen that such statement is inaccurate. Mr. Harper did not seek Mr. Morris's political or social influence. He merely intimated to Mr. Cameron that as a matter of course he could get Mr. Morris to support him in his application. Now as Mr. Morris was a paid servant of the Bank—then receiving a Salary as such—and only absent from his duties at Brockville, by the sufferance of the Board,—Mr. Harper naturally thought that he had a right to call on Mr.