

EXTRACT from Lord Glenelg's Despatch to Sir F. B. Head, dated Downing-street,
5 November 1835.

"12th. The next topic of complaint is, that many of the recommendations contained in Lord Ripon's despatch of the 8th November 1832 have not been carried into effect. Amongst these are especially mentioned, such as relate to the amendment of the election laws; the non-interference of His Majesty's officers at elections; the disclosure to the House of the receipt and expenditure of the Crown revenue, the exclusion of ministers of religion from the Legislative and Executive Councils; the reducing the costs of elections; the judicial independence, and the limitation of the number of public officers who may sit in the Assembly.

"Adhering without reserve or qualification to all the instructions issued under His Majesty's commands by Lord Ripon, the King is pleased to direct that you do adopt that despatch as a rule for the guidance of your conduct, and that you exert your legitimate authority and influence, to the utmost possible extent, to carry into effect all such of his Lordship's suggestions as may still continue unfulfilled."

Appendix to
Report to House
of Assembly.

EXTRACT from the Earl of Ripon's Despatch to Sir John Colborne, dated 8 Nov. 1832.

"On this subject, however, in the absence of any more definite statements, I can only instruct you, that His Majesty expects and requires of you neither to practise nor to allow, on the part of those who are officially subordinate to you, any interference with the rights of his subjects to the free and unbiassed choice of their representatives."

(signed) *John M'Intosh.*

Truly extracted from the Journal of the Assembly of Upper Canada.

James Fitzgibbon, Clerk of Assembly.

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COPY of a DESPATCH from Lord Glenelg to Sir F. B. Head.

Sir,

Downing-street, 17 April 1837.

I HAVE received your despatch dated the 4th February, No. 7; it reached me on the 20th ultimo. It was not until the 7th instant that I received, by a subsequent conveyance, the Appendix, comprising the evidence taken before the Committee of the House of General Assembly of Upper Canada, to which was referred my correspondence with you on the subject of the Petition presented to the House of Commons by Dr. Duncombe in the Parliamentary Session of 1836.

The refutation of Dr. Duncombe's charges is entirely satisfactory. It has been in the highest degree gratifying to me to be able to report to His Majesty, that, after a minute and rigorous inquiry, during which every facility was given to the petitioner to substantiate his accusation, your conduct, in reference to the elections, has been proved to have been governed by a strict adherence to the principles of the constitution.

I have, &c.
(signed)

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