

at St. John's in the Province of Lower Canada, cannot possibly refrain from addressing your Excellency in consequence of understanding by the public Press that you are about to retire from the Government of Upper Canada.

We beg leave to express our sincere Regret that your Excellency has found it necessary to solicit your Recall, knowing, as we do, that the best Interests of the Sister Province, as well as her Peace, Prosperity, and Happiness, are commingled with those of our own. Your Excellency's straightforward Policy has been our Admiration at the first Commencement of your Excellency's Career in this Hemisphere. Your Excellency's honest, uniform, and constitutional Conduct has been most gratifying to us, who profess a firm and steady Attachment to Her Majesty's Crown and Government. Most particularly we must expatiate on the prompt, manly, and spirited Effort displayed by your Excellency in frustrating and finally quelling a most unnatural Rebellion, which had reared its Head in that improving Country over which His late Majesty, of happy Memory, had placed your Excellency.

Your Excellency had declared, "that the British Constitution should be preserved inviolate;" that Pledge has been redeemed, and the Machinations of evil and designing Men destroyed, and their base Schemes rendered abortive; and no greater Proof can be produced to show the Estimation in which your Excellency was held by the People of Upper Canada, than the spontaneous Muster of local Force to support your Excellency's Command on a late Occasion; and in this Feeling we most truly participate.

We now take leave of your Excellency, expressing our Confidence that you will receive the Approbation of our Gracious Queen, and the loyal and thinking Part of the People of Great Britain, for the conscientious Performance of the arduous Duty for which your Excellency was so eminently calculated, by your Excellency's transcendent Talents, to discharge.

We beg to add our most cordial and sincere Wishes for the Health and Happiness of your Excellency and your amiable Family, and to wish you a propitious Voyage to Old England.

No. 73.  
Sir F. B. Head  
to  
Lord Glenelg,  
20th March 1838.

Enclosures.

Coldwater, 8th February 1838.

Address to His Excellency Sir Francis Bond Head, Baronet, K. C. H.,  
Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Upper Canada, &c. &c. &c.,  
from the Chippawa Chiefs of Lakes Huron and Simcoe.

Father—We speak to you in the Name of our Warriors and of our Women and Children.

Father—We feel lonely to hear you are about to embark in one of the great Wooden Canoes to cross the Salt Lake to your Home.

Father—When you first came to this, once the Land of our Fathers, we rejoiced to take you by the Hand, and you gladdened our Hearts by saying you would take the same Care of us which our gone-away Father had done.

Father—We are aware that you have been deeply engaged, and that you have had great Trouble with your White Children, and for this Reason we believe it has not been in your Power to continue that good Work for us which you intended.

Father—We wish you to tell our new Father of the Arrangements we made when we gave up our Lands at Coldwater and the Narrows, so that he may prevent our White Brethren from taking our Buildings.

Father—We have heard that the Big Knives by their late bad Behaviour are likely to displease our Great Mother the Queen; if this be the Case, and the Red-Coats raise the War Cry, our War Clubs shall be unburied, our Faces painted, and the *pale-faced* Big Knives shall again feel that the Hearts of the Red Men of the Forest are English.

Father—Do not forget to tell our Great Mother that even the little Instruction we have received from the Great Spirit's good Book (the Bible) has taught us not to cut the Hair from off our Enemies Heads, as our heathen Ancestors did, and that when we fight we shall act as the Civilized do.

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