

were they ever concealed, or the defence of them abandoned, when occasions called them forth. His conviction of the excellence of the English Constitution sometimes made him severe in the reproof of measures which he thought injurious to it ; but his politeness and good temper prevented any disagreement, even with those whose sentiments were most opposed to his own. To estimate his character rightly, it was, however, necessary to know him well : his first approaches being cold, amounting almost to dryness. But no person admitted to his intimacy ever failed to conceive for him that esteem which his conduct and conversation always tended to augment. He died in affluent circumstance, the result of laudable prudence, without the smallest taint of avarice, or illiberal parsimony. On the contrary, he lived generously ; and though he never wasted his property, yet he never spared, either to himself or friends, any reasonable indulgence ; nor was he ever backward in act of charity or benevolence. Such was the unbiassed testimony of a friend and correspondent, attached to him for more than fifty years, and who with many others, lamented the loss of his society.

—*Morgan's Celebrated Canadians.*

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#### CANADIAN POSTAL ARRANGEMENTS IN 1810.

The following is a copy of an advertisement cut from a paper of the day :

##### POST OFFICE,

MONTREAL, 22 December, 1810.

**I**N consequence of bad roads, the Courier between this and Kingston, having been prevented from arriving at the usual time, it becomes necessary to advertize the public, that the days of his departure from hence are altered and that the mails will be closed at this office on Monday the 31st inst. at 4 o'clock, P.M. and so continue once a fortnight.