

"ment." Finally, Col, DeSalaberry, said, "Don't you think McDougall is very unpopular in the settlement?" I answered, "No, that when I left Fort Garry in September, last, his appointment was very popular." Then said he, "Why the change?" I said, "I am not aware of any change in that respect, but if there is any it is occasioned by the continued harping in the ears of the ignorant half-breeds the sentiments expressed in the *Globe* against the Governor personally, by such men as Bannatyne, McKenney, O'Loane, Emerlin, Donaldson, and a few others, who have expressed themselves openly to favour annexation to the United States." "Well," said the Colonel, "The Canadian Government is much to blame; they should have sent *us* before the surveyors went into the country and we could have arranged it. The surveyors have done much harm by some of the employees stating that this farm would belong to one, and that to another, and so on, irritating in every way those men, who no doubt have their rights in the land." I told him that I chanced to be with the surveyors and that Col. Dennis and his employees on every occasion told the half-breeds and others that the rights of every one *would* be respected, and that the survey would not interfere with the lands now held by the half-breeds. He immediately said, "it was not Col. Dennis and his party he meant; it was Snow and his employees." I then said, "Do you think the Governor will get into the country before Spring?" He said, "It was doubtful if McDougall would ever govern the country."

I am, Sir,

Your obed't servant,

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Red River Settlement, Oct. 1st, 1870.

Hon. Wm. Macdougall, C.B., Toronto.

SIR,—In a time of great trial and anxiety, I took the liberty of addressing you from Pembina, where I was driven to seek refuge last winter. I have again the honour to address you and inform you of