

No. 19.
Lord Glenelg
to
Sir F. B. Head,
8th Sept. 1836.

whatever Class of Society they may be chosen, are unworthy to be trusted with the Appropriation of the Revenues of the Province, and will be led on by every Concession to new Encroachments and Usurpations. If compelled to reason on this Basis, I should be irresistibly urged to Consequences far exceeding those which you have stated, or perhaps contemplate. But I entertain a very different Opinion. For the Support of the Constitution in Upper Canada I would with Confidence appeal to the good Sense, the Loyalty, and the public Spirit of the Inhabitants at large.

At this Distance it is more easy, perhaps, than on the Scene of Action itself, to look dispassionately at the Triumph of the Moment, and to estimate with a sober and cautious Foresight the ultimate Results of what is now passing. Without digressing into Topics on which I am unwilling without Necessity to enter, I would only express my Belief, that if your present Success be used for the Introduction of what you describe as "Acts of a stern and decisive Nature," we shall throw away the Fruits of the Victory which you have gained, cement again that Alliance which has for the Time been broken up, and provoke a Second Reaction, to which I know not how any effectual Resistance could be presented. On the other hand, by a firm Adherence to the plighted Faith of the Crown, by a frank Redress of every real Grievance, by a cordial Concession of every just Demand, and by a resolute Opposition to Demands of a revolutionary Character, we shall, I trust, secure every Object which is of any real Moment; and even in the event of Failure shall stand absolved before God and our Country from the Reproach of having brought upon ourselves public Disasters by the Dereliction of any Duty, or the Abandonment of any Principle.

In a Word, His Majesty commands me to state, that with regard to Canadian Policy his Course is irrevocably taken by the Instructions which you have received; that he will fulfil every Promise contained in them faithfully and completely; and that a zealous and cordial Co-operation on your Part in Prosecution of the System of Policy thus solemnly announced is the Condition upon which the Administration of the Province can be continued in your Hands.

I have, &c.

(Signed) GLENELG.

No. 20.

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12th Sept. 1836.

(No. 96.)

COPY of a DESPATCH from Lord GLENELG to Sir F. B. HEAD, K.C.H.

Sir,

Downing Street, 12th September 1836.

WITH reference to my Despatch of the 8th Instant, I have the Honour to enclose herewith, for your Information, a Copy of the Correspondence which has passed between Dr. Duncombe and this Department, on the Subject of the Representations relative to the recent Elections in Upper Canada, with which he is said to have been charged. I also enclose a Copy of a Letter from Mr. Hume to Sir G. Grey, introducing Dr. Duncombe, and of Sir G. Grey's Answer.

In his Letter of the 23d Ultimo, Dr. Duncombe, as you will perceive, proposed to delay for a few Days his Communication to me, in order that he might receive some further Intelligence on the Subject, of which he was in expectation. I have not since received his promised Statement, but if it should hereafter reach me I shall not fail to take the earliest Opportunity of furnishing you with a Copy of it.

I have, &c.

(Signed) GLENELG.

Mr. Hume, 19 Aug. 1836.
Sir G. Grey, 20 —
Ditto.
Dr. Duncombe, 23 Aug.
Ditto 3 Sept. —
Mr. Stephen, 5 —
Dr. Duncombe —
Mr. Stephen, 10 —