To W. Carson, Esq. M. D. St. John's; Henry P. Thomas, Esq. St. John's; Mr. James Pitts, Bell Isle, Conception Bay, Newfoundland.

Somerset Hotel, London, April 26, 1828.

Dear Sirs,

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I have taken the liberty of sending, by this opportunity, 500 copies of a small pamphlet I have published, on the State of Newfoundland, which you will be pleased to hand over to Mr. Winton, for sale. The proceeds you will please dispose of in small premiums to such persons as you may think have made the greatest improvement in agriculture throughout the island. I am induced to give you this trouble, with the hope that it may tend to the establishment of an Agricultural Society, which is much wanted in Newfoundland.

It is said by an eminent writer, that the man who makes two blades of grass grow where only one grew before, is a benefactor to mankind. Then how strong your claims are on the gratitude of the people of Newfoundland; you have the merit, more than any other individuals I could mention, of breaking down the prejudices which existed against the soil and climate of the country; you have made frightful inroads on barbarism; under your auspices corn fields and meadows have, as if by magic, superseded woods and forests.

I have the honour to be, Gentlemen,
Your faithful Servaut,
PATRICK MORRIS.