

Dr. Houghton was really one of the gentlemen who got up the expedition against the Canadas, to assist McKenzie the rebel—that it cost him a large sum of money—that he was as much dissatisfied with himself as he was with me, on account of his great loss; and that when I remonstrated with him, as well as with Governor Mason, Dr. Houghton told me that the spirit of the revolution would never leave their hearts—that if he could free the Canadas by placing his musket on his shoulders he would do so—that he even impeached me with the treatment which Napoleon Buonaparte met with at the hands of the British Government, at St. Helena, and even went so far as to make use of insulting language to Her Majesty in my presence, and which caused me to say that I would sooner be governed by Queen Victoria, than by their old *shoemaker-President (Van Buren)*, and which, as a British subject, I could not avoid resenting sharply.

That this was the insult which Dr. Houghton alluded to, and which I submit he entirely brought on himself, in consequence of what he said, in endeavouring to throw a stigma upon the virtue and dignity of Her Majesty—that it would be ingratitude in me to wish or to think of insulting a people who gave myself and family a respectable living.

Sir George stated that they wrote to a gentleman in Chieago (State of Illinois): that Mr. Whiting, in his descriptive and incorrect answer, said that I was from forty-five to fifty years of age. He must have alluded to the person whom Dr. Houghton engaged to take my place and situation, and who was afterwards dismissed for incompetency. He further told me that I had been badly used and dealt with—that the whole matter was a blunder altogether—that he would be glad to assist me, as an old soldier—that I had really rendered valuable services; so much so, that eventually it would surely be made good—that the loss of my situation ought to be considered, but that his hands were then tied, and that he could not say anything to Lord John Russell at that time—that I was a young man, and ought by all means to avail myself of the Earl of Derby's engagement, which then offered—that he would see Sir Augustus D'Este the next morning; which he did, and subscribed the sum of £5, the same as Lord Seaton had given, to enable Sir Augustus to furnish me with an outfit, and £80 sterling to proceed to Texas, to travel that country as naturalist for my Lord Derby, as before stated. Your Memorialist's case, my Lord, has never been properly entered into: if it were so examined, it would be found to be a hard case, a strong case, and one where justice ought to be rendered; and your Lordship may judge of my sufferings when I state that since the year of the Rebellion, in 1838, I could not get employment in my profession throughout the whole of the