

the public would be convinced of the desire of His Majesty's Government to prevent all unreasonable demands upon the King's Subjects in any of his Courts.

I concur with you in opinion that it desirable that the parties feeling themselves aggrieved should not be driven to seek from the House of Assembly any redress which it is in the power of His Majesty to afford, and I trust that the question may be adjusted without any reference to the Provincial Legislature; indeed I can anticipate no contingency in which such a reference would be necessary, except the highly improbable event of the Judge or his Officers refusing to acquiesce in any reductions which, under the advice of the Commission of enquiry, you might find it necessary to recommend.

I need scarcely point out to you the importance of selecting with great care the individuals to whom this enquiry should be entrusted, nor am I forgetful of the difficulty you may probably find in making an unexceptionable choice, that difficulty however must be surmounted as well as the nature of the case will admit.

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c. &c.

(Signed,) G. MURRAY.

His Excellency
Lt. Genl. Sir James Kempt, G. C. B.
&c. &c. &c.

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CASTLE ST. LEWIS,
Quebec, 30th Oct. 1829.

SIR,

With reference to the Memorials addressed to His Excellency Sir James Kempt, by the Merchants of this place, complaining of the practice of the Court of Vice Admiralty, which were communicated to you in December last, and your answers to the same, I am commanded by His Excellency to inform you that having transmitted these several documents for the consideration of His Majesty's Government, he has received by the last mail instructions from the Secretary of State to appoint Commissioners to enquire into the practice of the Court of Vice Admiralty so far as respects the Fees and official emoluments of the Judge and other officers of the Court, as well as the costs and expenses to which the suitors therein are subjected, and to report upon the same to His Excellency for the information of His Majesty's Government.

I am further to acquaint you that His Excellency will proceed to carry these instructions into effect with as little delay as the nature of the case will admit.

I have the honor to be, &c. &c.

(Signed,) C. YORKE,
Secretary.

The Honorable Mr. Justice Kerr.

A true Copy,
H. Craig, Secretary.

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