

"38 York Place. 26th March, 1819. Dear James: It was my intention to have seen you immediately after I wrote to Captain Tarbet, but I have been prevented by a press of business. On consulting Captain Tarbet, I think nothing better can be done for you at present than to proceed in his ship, and to put yourself under his orders in every way he may direct; and I am certain he will behave towards you as your conduct may deserve. I have written to your mother to that effect, and I should hope you will see the propriety of implicitly attending to your duty on board, so as to merit the patronage of Captain Tarbet. I have every disposition to give you the same assistance to forward you in life as I have given to your brother Robert and to your cousins. But as your behaviour has not hitherto been such as to deserve that countenance from me which I have given them, it would be highly improper in me to make no distinction. If, under Captain Tarbet's commands, you conduct yourself to merit his approbation and recommendation, I shall be most happy on your return to receive you as I have done your cousins, into my house, and to afford you all the assistance in my power to forward your views in life. But I am confident your own good sense must convince you that you have not behaved as you ought to have done, and that it is absolutely necessary you should have a fair trial, which you will have under Captain Tarbet, of shewing your capability, and of proving the inclination to behave well and to deserve attention. Captain Tarbet will order you such clothes, &c., as he may think you require for the voyage; and I shall have an opportunity of seeing you again before you sail. I am your well-wisher and friend, JOSEPH HUME. Mr. James Crow, Ship *York*." The young sailor, we will hope, weighed well these paternal words, and turned them to profitable account.

Sir George Arthur, who followed Sir Francis Head, was the last Governor of the Province of Upper Canada. His name is before me, subscribed by his own hand, to a long letter addressed to Bishop Mountain of Montreal, from Government House, Toronto, 18th December, 1838. This again is ecclesiastical in tone. The whole paper is in the handwriting of Mr. John Kent, who for a time acted as Private Secretary to Sir George. I transcribe the concluding sentence: "The subjects brought under my consideration by your Lordship's letter I am conscious are of the deepest importance. I will give what attention to them I can bestow at present, and I do