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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
Quebec, December 28th, 1861.

MY LORD DUKE,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Your Grace's despatch No. 12, of the 7th instant, relative to the proper accommodation of Her Majesty's Troops now arriving in this Province, and to refer you to the enclosed copy of a Report from the Honorable John A. Macdonald, expressing the readiness of the Provincial Government to comply with the suggestions made by Your Grace on this subject.

I have, &amp;c.,

(Signed,)

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His Grace the Duke of Newcastle, K. G.,

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On Militia Service.

DEPARTMENT OF ATTORNEY GENERAL  
FOR UPPER CANADA,

Quebec, 28th Dec., 1861.

With reference to the despatch of His Grace the Secretary for the Colonies to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 7th instant, and referred to Council to-day, The undersigned has the honor to report that all the Barracks in Canada transferred to this Province by the Imperial Government in 1854, have already been placed at the disposal of the Lieutenant General Commanding Her Majesty's Forces for the accommodation of the British troops.

The undersigned recommends that all the lands transferred with the Barracks to the Province, not actually in use or sold, should be placed unreservedly at the disposal of the Military Authorities during the present exigency, as requested by His Excellency.

The undersigned further suggests, that His Excellency be requested to convey to His Grace the assurance that the Canadian Government will do everything in their power for the comfort and accommodation of Her Majesty's Forces in this country, and that they do not entertain the slightest doubt that the Canadian Legislature and people will fully sustain them in so doing.

(Signed),

JOHN A. MACDONALD.

