

PROCLAMATION.

To the deluded supporters of British Tyranny in Upper Canada.

You are required to lay down your arms, and return quietly to your homes. The patriot army of Upper Canada desire not bloodshed. We fight only for liberty, and personal and public safety.

Your persons and property shall be protected, all your private rights preserved to you, your homes secured, your possessions untouched, on condition that you yield up your accustomed occupations.

You are now enjoying a moiety of liberty vouchsafed to you from motives of caprice or interest on the part of your Rulers. We will secure to you all the blessings of freedom by a permanent and honorable tenure.

Avoid then the horrors of war. Enrage not soldiers already exasperated by oppression. Save yourselves from confiscation. Cease resistance and all will be well with you.

THO'S. J. SUTHERLAND,
Brigadier General,

Commanding 2nd Division, Patriot Army, U. C.

Head Quarters, 2nd Division,
Bois Blanc, U. C. January 10th, 1833. }

(Copy.)

Sandwich, U. C.
6th January, 1833.

To His Excellency, STEVENS T. MASON,
Governor of the State of Michigan.

DEAR SIR,

As the organ of the Magistrates here, and by their desire, I lose not a moment to inform you, that from clear and unquestionable authority, who were eye witnesses to the fact last night, we learn that a schooner laden with arms, ammunition, provisions, and from eighty to one hundred men, left Detroit this morning on her way down the river, with the intention of either attacking this frontier, or taking possession of the Islands belonging to our Sovereign called Bois Blanc, and Fighting Island, or one of them. The schooner, I am informed, is called the "Anne,"—she is at this moment slowly proceeding down the river, and close upon your side below Spring-well, and is towed by a boat with several men in it; she has also two cannon on board. I am also credibly informed, that a large body of men are met at Fort Gratiot, for the express purpose of joining the rebels and fugitives from this country; and that the steam boat "Macomb," has proceeded from Detroit to afford them succour; and we are also correctly informed, that our enemies possessed themselves last night, from the Gaol in Detroit, a large quantity of arms, and also a wagon-load of gun-powder, from the Powder-house in your city. We are further correctly informed, that they are raising Volunteers, arms and ammunition, at Monroe, to support the rebels and their adherents.

We rely on the sincerity of your declaration, that you as Chief Magistrate of the opposite State, will do all in your power to preserve the peace, to prevent your people from committing a breach of their laws, and to maintain the amity which at present subsists between Great Britain and the United States. We beg leave to repeat our former assertion, that we are prepared for any attack; but we again earnestly call upon you to take such immediate and energetic steps as will prevent bloodshed, and secure the peace of your countrymen and our own from being broken and destroyed. We at the same time beg to assure you, that no exertion on our part shall be wanting to attain that very desirable object; but unless prompt and immediate steps are taken, we will not conceal from you our firm conviction, that hostilities will have commenced, and blood be shed within the next few hours.

I have the honor to be,

Dear Sir,

Your very obedient Servant,

(Signed) JOHN PRINCE.

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