

TO

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DEAR SIR,

INDEPENDENT of any consideration of the assistance you have afforded me in the present compilation, and of the feelings of private friendship, it is proper that a work of this kind should be inscribed to you, from the services you are known to have rendered to Canadian Colonization. Of the extent and value of those services—services which will hereafter connect your name with the history of this interesting colony,—it is to be hoped, for your own sake, that the public at home may yet become as fully aware, as the settlers are in those parts of the province where the effects of them are more particularly felt.

Colonization, as a means of relief to an overpopulated mother country, has of late assumed an importance which every year seems to augment. To have formed associate bodies for the efficient pro-