

glad to be able to say that we are happily enjoying peaceful and prosperous homes, under the guidance of benign Governments—British and British Canadian.

I am proud to be

Your affectionate Husband and Father,

JOHN LOVELL.

MONTREAL, 29th February, 1892.

JOHN LOVELL'S MEMOIRS.

To be published within a year from March, 1892.

Several well-wishers have repeatedly asked me to write a Memoir of my eventful life. Now that I am dragged before my Fellow-Citizens by the Branch Manager of the Bank of Montreal, in a humiliating position, I may, so far as my advanced age (in my 82nd year), daily business calls and the need of rest will allow, try to pass my evenings transcribing, re-writing and writing events in my life. I have had severe trials to contend with, wonderful temptations to resist. Some may interest the general public, such as a graphic account of the 1837 times, especially as an eye-witness and a participator in the battle at St. Charles, of the battle at St. Eustache and as a witness of the burning of St. Benoit. I will give an account of Attorney General Ogden's seizure of my printing office, because I harbored rebels, while I was serving on the Frontier in the Queen's Light Dragoons! An account of frequently meeting, through Sir John Rose's influence, the Publishers Committee, in 1872, in London, and of my reception in the Colonial Office as a literary private, of my going to Rouses Point with five of my sons and a large staff of Canadian workmen to seek shelter and protection—afterwards to import

into this Canada of ours the printed sheets of books at a nominal duty, the printing of which in Canada, at that time, would subject me to six months imprisonment, and a fine of \$20 for each and every copy of said books printed here. The whole matter will be explained in my Memoirs, if published.

It is possible I may be compelled to bring painful transactions affecting some of our great men before the public. If so, they must heap their anathemas on the head of Mr. Meredith, the Branch Manager of the Bank of Montreal. Through him alone am I forced to write a Memoir of myself, and to put a few of our prominent men in the net of scandal. Of course I will not omit Mr. Meredith. I will try *gently* to make him notorious; and I will say that he had not enough of honor left in his carcass to remedy his nabobism or his deputyism.

I shall have much to introduce and much to ventilate of occurrences within my own personal knowledge.

The ground work of my projected Memoirs is being laid out. I will work it into shape, whenever time and opportunity offer.

The details are likely to make a 400 page volume. It will be sold for \$1.50, in April, 1893, or sooner, should I be spared to complete my *REMINISCENCES* of events which have occurred in my time in this glorious Canada of ours. Thank God, my present health is good, I am able to do a fair day's work cheerfully and willingly; therefore I expect, in God's Providence, to complete my MEMOIRS by the time stated.

Subscriptions will be received at 23 and 25 St. Nicholas street.

JOHN LOVELL,

Printer and Publisher.

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