

stance, as the Supreme Court of the United States at Washington now possesses and exercises, under the constitution of that country.

Your obedient servant,

HENRY SHERWOOD.

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TO THE EDITOR OF THE BRITISH COLONIST.

Toronto, November 4, 1850.

SIR,—Doubts seem to have arisen in the minds of some persons as to my meaning in reference to a portion of the plan for the Federative Union of the British North American Colonies, suggested in my letter to you of last week, which I now take the liberty of explaining. It is thought I intended, in the event of the proposed Federation being formed, that the union between Upper and Lower Canada should nevertheless continue as at present. Such was not my intention. Upon the proposed Federation taking place, the union between the two Canadas should at once be dissolved, and these Provinces should be restored to the same position which they respectively held before that period; except, indeed, it may be thought prudent so to extend the boundaries of Upper Canada as to include in it the eastern townships of Lower Canada, which are almost entirely settled by inhabitants of British origin.

Another great advantage to be derived from the Federation I propose, and which I did not mention in my hastily-written