

communication from me, of the 15th ultimo, referring to another communication from the Magistrates of Three Rivers, with respect to the filling up of the then vacant office of Clerk of the Peace for the District, and which, I understand, also remains unacknowledged.

The official acknowledgement of these communications, is essential to the prosecution of my claims upon the Government.

Permit me at the same time to inquire, whether it be compatible with your official duties to favour me with a copy of Lord Sydenham's Despatch to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, in reply to the reference made to his Lordship by Lord John Russell, with respect to my case.

I cannot conceal from you that I was not a little surprised at one of the views which I understand Lord Sydenham had taken of the case in question ; and that the reason assigned for not restoring me to official employment under Government, was the part I had taken against the popular branch of the late Legislature of Lower Canada. I freely admit, that, in my humble efforts to maintain sound Constitutional principles, and the general views of the Imperial Government, with respect to this country, I did every thing in my power to oppose the machinations of a factious and treasonable party in the late House of Assembly, and I glory in having done so, and of having pointed out, years before they were attempted to be carried into effect, the treasonable designs of that party. By doing so, I have been deeply injured and oppressed by the Government whom it was my sole object to serve. But this was never made a formal or open charge against me, nor did it constitute any of the ostensible grounds on which I was so unjustly removed from office. You will, therefore, the more readily conceive my surprise at the new charge brought