

to Mr. Ryland, my Civil Secretary. This gentleman has been in office here, seventeen years, during the greater part of which he has been in the station he now holds under my administration. He possesses my entire confidence, and I am persuaded, is most properly qualified to give every information that your Lordship may desire. My motive, indeed, for sending him, is that your Lordship may have a more perfect and detailed account than it is possible to convey in a letter, however long it may be.

I have the honor to be,

My Lord, &c.

J. H. CRAIG.

To the Right Honourable }  
the Earl of Liverpool.

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LETTER OF INSTRUCTIONS from Sir J. H. Craig to Mr. Ryland, on despatching that gentleman to England with the above despatch.

Quebec, 10th June, 1810.

DEAR SIR,—As you are charged with despatches to His Majesty's Secretary of State, some of them of a very important nature, it may not be inexpedient; that I should address you something in the form of instructions, by which you may be enabled to proceed in the manner best calculated to answer the view I have in sending you.

The principal object of your mission is to be at hand, to afford every explanation, and every information in your power, and that His Majesty's Ministers may require on the several subjects on which I have written, particularly with regard to the actual state of the Province; I have announced you in my despatch, as well qualified to do so, and as possessing my entire confidence.

You will particularly recollect that in what I have said in my despatch, it has not been my intention to represent the leaders of the popular party here,