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CUSTOM-HOUSE,

QUEBEC, 17th May, 1821.

SIR,

The letter which I have the honor to inclose to you, was transmitted to me by the Civil Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Earl of Dalhousie for my perusal, before handing it over to you. I have not however thought it necessary to avail myself of the permission, and I forward it to you unopened, together with a copy of my letter, to the Governor in Chief, in answer to that with which he honored me upon the subject.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

your most obedt. humble servt.

(Signed,)

M. H. PERCEVAL, Coll.

To

T. A. Young, Esqr.

Actg. Comptr. of H. M. Customs.

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CUSTOM-HOUSE,

QUEBEC, 19th May, 1821.

HONORABLE SIRS,

In answering the several references from your Honors, on the representations of the Acting Comptroller of the 13th, 15th, and 18th November last, the undersigned feels it his duty to state, that under the particular circumstances in which Mr. Young was placed at the Custom-house, as an officer put in by the Provincial Government, until the vacancy should be filled by the King's Government, either by the appointment of Mr. Young, or some other person, to the Comptrollercy, the undersigned felt it incumbent on him to transmit to the Governor in Chief, the Earl of Dalhousie, the accusations preferred against the undersigned, without his knowledge, by the Acting Comptroller, together with the report made by the undersigned on each of Mr. Young's letters, conformably to the orders of your Honors. These documents were submitted to the Governor under a blank cover, and without any communication from the undersigned; and this course appeared to be required by the peculiar difficulty of his position, as, on the one hand, the officer whose province it is to assist the undersigned with his advice, and guard him from error, had not only become his secret accuser to your Honors,