

ny be that, being only a descendant of
United Empire Loyalist, my humble
gin does not permit one coming from
long a line of bare-legged ancestors to
ow me when he sees me. I decline to
scuse the question with Mr. Macdonell
Yours, etc.,

W STERLING RYERSON.

Toronto, Dec. 15

To this Mr. Macdonell replied.
to the Editor of the *Empire*.

Sir,—Will you spare me the necessary
ace to remove a misapprehension from
e mind of Dr. Ryerson, who states he
siders that my letter, which appeared
your issue of the 15th, was intended
a personal attack upon him. Nothing
uld have been further from my thought
ish. I simply disapproved of his
ference to "The solid Catholic vote,"
d other allusions to my religion, and
ote to say so. Nor should he object
any chaff as to his age. Each day

all remedies that, and what I let us
pe, discretion to be good ability when
evidences, and the two combined with
eration in all things and respect for
e rights and feelings of others, will
ep well to the first the bearer of a
ame which has deserved well of the
untry, especially if he will keep con-
antly in mind that the heritage of a
od name carries with it great obliga-

ons to society. *Noblesse oblige* is the
st way in which that tradition is re-
dered.

In the meantime a good expressive of
gnance. He will trust permit me
ment, and he will believe, that I
a totally unaware of any reason which

could have for declining to acknow-
ge him when we met, and that I
ver intended to do so. In the course

the practice of that branch of his
ession, which he has made socially his
n, he must know the many and great

advantages, the constant, hourly in-
venience which persons of defective

ght labour under, and he will, I beg,
tribute to that and not to any wilful

tion on my part what I gather from
s letter of the 16th and which causes

much regret, he considers an intem-
at and continuous want of courtesy

wards him.

I do not in the very least object to the
ference he makes to the bare legs of my
costors. If their legs were bare their

arts were stout and true, and enabled
em by God's grace to assist in uphold-

ing the honour of our common country.

ould it be other than a source of pride
any man to reflect that he belongs by

acent to the race of men of whom
rd Chatham addressing the most

just assemblages of the world, declar-
: "I sought for merit wherever it could

be found. It is my boast that I was the
st Minister who looked for it and

and it in the Mountains of the North.

"I called it forth, and drew into your
vice a hardy and intrepid race of

en; men who, left by your jealousy,
came a prey to the artifices of your

emies, and had good right to have
returned the State in the War before

st. These men in the last War were
ought to combat on your side. They

rved with fidelity as they fought with
our, and conquered for you in every
arter of the world."

Why should the Doctor suggest that I
uld look down upon him because of
a U. E. Loyalist descent? Surely I
uld be the last man to do so. I turn
the list prepared by Lord Dorchester,

who stated that his object was "to put a
Marke of Honour upon the families who
had adhered to the Unity of the Empire
* * * to the end that their posterity
might be discriminated from future set-
tlers * * * as proper objects, by their
persevering in the Fidelity and Conduct
so honourable to their ancestors for dis-
tinguished Benefits and Privileges," and
I find that that list contains two gentle-
men of his name and 84 bare legged in-
dividuals of mine, while among the
latter every Commissioned Officer, of
whom the list displays 16, who had
fought through that long War was a good
relation of my own.

If the Doctor will consider of these
matters he will recognize that there is
much in common between us—bar of
course bare legs and religion, in which
respects I confess to the primitive con-
dition and faith of my forefears.

Yours, etc., J. A. MACDONELL.
Glengarry, Dec. 18.

It is understood that it is now in con-
templation by the authorities at the
Hussar Guards to abolish the kilts in the
Highland Regiments, while the tartans
of the Clans will be seen and the music
of the pipes will be heard on their hills
or the battle-field no more—all on ac-
count of Dr. Ryerson's rooted antipathy.

Ergo Caledoniae nomen inane vult.

The deeds of our sires of our birds and of
renewed.
Let a gust or a blow be the mood of their
vers;
Be mute every string and by hand every
tune;
That shall bid us remember the fame that is
flown.

Blaehim, Kamifles, Orleanale, Mal-
plaquet, Louisburg, St. Lucia, Dettingen,
Bladenburg, Wandora, Lincolns, Minden,
Egmont-op Zee, St. Lucia, Quebec,
Tromperoga, Maida, Alexandria, Java,
Martinique, Antidlope, Maogalora,
Hindustan, Seringapatam, Assaye, Cape
of Good Hope, Roben, Vimiera, Corunna,
Bussac, Fuentes D'Don, Ciudad Rodrigo,
Badajoz, Almaraz, Sabonanea, Vittoria,
St. Sebastian, Pyrenees, Nivelle, Nive,
Orthez, Toulouse, Nizazara, Waterloo,
Nagpore, Madras, Ava, South Africa,
Delhi, Lucknow, Central India, Peiwar
Kotal, Charasiah, Alma, Balaklava, In-
kerman, Sevastopol, Pekin, Kabul, Kan-
dahar, Afghanistan, Abyssinia, Egypt,
Ashantee, Tebe-Kabir, Nile.

