

No. 16.
 Lord Glenelg
 to
 Sir F. B. Head,
 20th August 1836.
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 Enclosures.

Sir,

Downing Street, 17th August 1836.

I am directed by Lord Glenelg to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of the 12th instant, enclosing a Deposition made by the Editor of the Correspondent and Advocate Newspaper of Toronto, with reference to an Article published in that Paper as a Rejoinder to Sir F. Head's Answer to the Address of the Citizens of Toronto. In reply I have to inform you, that until the Receipt of your Letter Lord Glenelg had never been informed that the Authorship of the Article in question had been attributed to you; and that certainly no Assertion of that Nature had been ever made by Sir F. Head.

R. Baldwin, Esquire.

I have, &c.
 (Signed) GEORGE GREY.

No. 17.

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 24th August 1836.

(No. 88.)

COPY of a DESPATCH from Lord GLENELG to Sir F. B. HEAD, K. C. H.

Sir,

Downing Street, 24th August 1836.

I HAVE the Honour to enclose for your Information a Copy of a Return which has been presented to the House of Commons, in pursuance of an Address of that House to His Majesty, adopted on the Motion of Mr. Hume, M.P.

I am aware, from a Comparison of Dates, that at the Time when you received the Address of the House of Assembly of Upper Canada, a Copy of which is contained in the enclosed Parliamentary Paper, you could not have been aware of the Proceedings which had taken place in the Month of February last in the House of Commons relative to Orange Lodges, and that you could not at that Time have received my Despatch of the 27th February, transmitting to you a Copy of the Address to the King from the House of Commons on this Subject, and of His Majesty's Answer to that Address.

On the recent Occasion of some Observations reflecting on your Conduct with reference to this Question being made in the House of Commons, Sir G. Grey felt it his Duty distinctly to state this Fact to the House, as materially affecting any Opinion which might be formed of the Policy or Propriety of the Terms of your Answer to the Address of the Assembly of Upper Canada.

I need scarcely observe, that there is nothing which His Majesty's Government do more deeply regret, than that, while their unremitting Endeavours are directed in this Country, and especially in Ireland, to check the Evils which have been engendered by Religious Differences, and to put a Stop to the Irritation and Violence which Party Processions are calculated to produce, any Semblance of Indifference to the same important Object should be manifested by His Majesty's Representatives in other Parts of His Dominions. I am very far from assuming that you do not cordially enter into the Views of His Majesty's Government on this Subject; and I should be doing you a great Injustice if I could admit a Question as to your zealous Co-operation with them in discountenancing those Passions and Animositities which, especially when connected with Religious Differences, are the fruitful Sources of innumerable Evils, and throw the greatest Obstacles in the Way of the Welfare and Prosperity of any Country.

I have however felt it incumbent on me to call your Attention to this Return, in the full Confidence that it is your Purpose to administer the Government which His Majesty has confided to you with the strictest Impartiality, and with the single Object of advancing the real Interests of every Class of His Majesty's Subjects in the Province.

I have, &c.
 (Signed) GLENELG.

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