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MONTREAL, *October 15th*, 1849.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge your note of this morning. I thank you for the promptitude of your attention to mine, and the enclosing me the opinion of Major MacDougall, of which the original shall be carefully returned to you, as you desire.

I enclose my answer to Major MacDougall, whom you have selected to act as your friend.

I have the honor to be, &c. &c. &c.

(Signed,) FREDK. H. VANE.

J. Baxter, Esq.

Quarter Master, R. C. Rifles.

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SIR,—I shall not condescend to exchange with you terms of abuse. If you consider it lunacy and ruffianism to repel in the language of indignation, an imputation, couched in the grossest terms, upon the honor of the women of England; an imputation disgraceful in any gentleman; doubly disgraceful in any member of a profession bound by all the ties of chivalry to defend the honor of the sex; immeasurably so in one who bears the Commission of an English Queen, foremost and most illustrious of that sex: if so, I have to say that, in such a school as yours I was not educated; and that, in my opinion, the corps of Canadian Rifles is degraded by the presence of such persons as yourself and Mr. Baxter.

I have the honor to be, &c. &c.

(Signed,) FREDK. H. VANE.

Major MacDougall,

&c. &c. &c.

R. C. Rifles.

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