

Dear Sir William Robinson. For *many reasons* my situation here is *truly uncomfortable*, and I would gladly exchange it (if for the benefit of my family,) for almost *any* other. Obedient to a former command of your Excellency, forbids my entering further on *this* subject. Were I a single man, my habits being frugal, I should not perhaps be so forward in seeking promotion, but I find it nearly impossible to maintain my family and give them the common decencies of life. My wife, born and brought up in the rank of gentlewoman, has suffered the evils of our destiny, with great patience: I see her health declining, and cannot afford her the comforts she stands in need of.\* I trust this appeal to your Excellency's feeling and goodness, may have its effect. Most gratefully shall it be appreciated by me.

I am, my Lord, with dutiful respect,  
Your Excellency's most humble and  
Obedient servant,  
BART. TIERNEY.

To his Excellency the Earl }  
Dalhousie, Governor in }  
Chief, &c. &c. &c. }

Castle of St. Lewis, }  
Quebec, 14th December, 1822. }

Sir—I am directed by his Excellency the Governor in Chief to inform you, in reply to your application for the situation of Writer and Searcher at Montreal, that he cannot give you any hope *at present* of your being removed from the situation you now hold.

I am, Sir,  
Your most obedient humble servant,  
A. W. COCHRAN.

Mr. B. Tierney, St. Johns.

Reddish's Hotel, Jermyn Street, }  
16th March, 1814. - }

Sir—Extreme hurry of business prevented my immediate attention to your note of the 10th instant. The Certificate you require of me, I herewith enclose.

\* This was at the time an absolute fact.