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My dear Lord. Since the departure of the last English Mail I have received your Lordships letter of the 7th.

When I sent my Telegram of the 25th. asking for additional troops, the state of affairs here which I endeavoured to describe in my despatch looked very threatening, and more alarming from the condition of feeling within the Province than from the announcements of attacks from without.

Confidence amongst the Canadians seems now restored and I send you today some letters and papers which have reached me from our Consul at New York, and also from the Provincial Secretary of Canada which prove that Mssrs Roberts & Sweeny have abandoned the notion of attacking Canada.

Whether this determination has been produced by the increased vigour of our preparations to meet them I am unable to say but it is certain that the cessation of their threats of attacks synchronised with the announcement of reinforcements from England. I am sorry to say that there is but too much ground for the charges to which you allude against some members of the Canadian pol-

and the worst feature in the case is that the municipal delinquent is not only the ablest man in the Province, but he so completely dominates all the other politicians that his ejection from the Ministry is impossible.

It is neither easy nor agreeable to work with such tools but in the present, unfortunately for me, it is inevitable.

I sent your Lordship on Monday last by telegraph the news that the Canadian delegates have decided to leave this on the 7th Nov.r. I had great difficulty in persuading them to this resolution and I found it impossible to induce them to go sooner.

With respect to myself I will only say that I have no intention of leaving Canada without your Lordships express sanction.

The 13th Hussars have arrived all right with the exception of 18 horses on the voyage.

The 53rd has also come and we are in daily expectation of the 61st.

The papers which I enclose contain an account of a curious negotiation between General Santa Anna and the Fenian leaders Roberts Sweeny. Mr. Archibald's letter reached me on Monday last and Mr. Macdougall arrived this day. Neither was aware that the other had written to me, and I think the information contained in these papers is deserving of credit. Of course I have desired Mr. Macdougall to say that he can have nothing to say to the subject. It certainly gives the impression that the Fenian Commanders despair of making any successful assault on Canada at present. A few weeks more will render the attack impossible for some months to come.

I am sorry to say that the Extraordinary balance of wet weather in the last two months has most seriously damaged the harvest particularly in Lower Canada, and there are apprehensions entertained that there will be a good deal of distress from the deficiency in the crops which at one time promised to be the most abundant that ever was known in this country. The western portion of the Province is much better off than this part of the country as the harvest is much earlier there than here and they have been able to get in their crops in pretty good condition.

Believe me to be
my dear Lord
most faithfully yours
Monck

The Rt Hon
The Earl of Carnarvon

I have written confidentially to Sir J. Hope to notify him that this Mexican scheme is on foot in order that he may be on his guard.

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