

cupied by the most active men of business, enjoying the confidence of the majority of the Representatives; instead of the old practice of the most lucrative situations being continued as heir looms in certain families. Upon this plan the internal affairs of the Province would be carried on by an Executive Council, composed of the Heads of Departments, a majority of whom, should have seats in the Assembly, all bound to resign office, when they failed to command public approbation for their measures. I am aware that this doctrine may be distasteful to a class of persons who have brought up their children in the belief that they had the exclusive right to all the offices of value in the Province; but it is a part of the British Constitution, of which their united influence cannot much longer deprive the great body of the people. This system will place the Representative of the Sovereign in his true position. Instead of being ruled by a little knot of individuals, responsible only to themselves, and compelled to incur all the odium of advice he supposed to be good, sustaining the Vice Regal character, and charged by the Sovereign to administer the government of her faithful subjects, according to their well understood wishes, he will rise above the petty jealousies that may from time to time distract the Province; and acting under the advice of a really responsible Executive Council, force them at all times, in their own office and character, to endure the consequences of such advice. In anticipation of the introduction of this system, and to place the officers of the government under an efficient popular controul, I introduced a Bill to vacate the seat of any number of the Assembly, who should accept office until he ascertained the opinion of his constituents, upon the propriety of the measure; this, though rejected in the first instance, on the third reading, by the united votes of the Executive members and Supervisors in the House, finally passed, and is now part of the law of the land.

GENTLEMEN,

I have briefly reviewed some of the leading incidents in my parliamentary career, which the published Debates and the records of the Legislature will verify. Conscious that I have most diligently discharged the duties of your Representative, and that I can give a faithful account of every act of my Legislative stewardship, I shall take no other method except this public avowal, to correct the many misrepresentations, which the mistaken zeal of over heated partizans circulate on the eve of an election, till I meet you on the Hustings.

If you think you can select a Representative, who will attend with greater fidelity to your Legislative affairs, one who will study more closely your local interests, and urge them with greater zeal, I will most cheerfully retire to the peaceful quiet of private life; ever willing to promote your interests to the extent of my humble abilities. Should you again honour me with your confidence, I shall adopt the same course that I have hitherto pursued; and if in the faithful and fearless discharge of the duties of a Representative, in addition to the approbation of my own mind, I obtain the good opinion of my fellow countrymen, I shall have secured the richest legacy which I desire to bequeath to my children.

Yours, &c.

CHARLES FISHER.

Fredericton, December 12, 1842.

### *To the Freeholders of the County of York.*

GENTLEMEN,

**H**IS Excellency having carried into effect the principle of the Quadrennial Bill, by dissolving the Assembly, I shall have the honor of appearing before you, for a fifth time, as a Candidate for the Representation of the County.

The increasing duties of Legislation, have rendered the Office of Representative one of great labour and responsibility; and as the coming Session will doubtless be one of the most important ever held in the Province, the Representative Branch will require all the wisdom, prudence and discretion which the Provincial Constituency can select; for their proceedings will determine whether the Country at large must continue to bear for an indefinite time, the depression which is now weighing it down in every quarter—or whether fresh energy and activity shall be infused through every branch of industry and trade.

Gentlemen, I am entirely at your service; and if you should favour me with your confidence, I shall serve you to the best of my ability. But if it is your pleasure that I should no longer act as your Representative, I shall cheerfully submit to your wishes, and hope we may part friends; for you have the assurance from me, that whether in the Assembly or not, you may always command my services in any way that can advance the general welfare and prosperity of the County, either in an Educational, Agricultural or Commercial point of view.

I have the honor to subscribe myself

Your obedient servant,

L. A. WILMOT.

Fredericton, December 7, 1842.

### *To the Freeholders of the County of York.*

GENTLEMEN,

**I**NFLUENCED by the flattering request of many persons, whose good opinion I indeed value, I am induced to offer myself as a Candidate for your suffrages at the approaching Election. The shortness of the time, together with the difficulties of travelling, will, I fear, prevent me from personally enlarging an acquaintance, which I regret at present is so limited; but being as unable as I am unwilling to enter into contest or expense, I must only leave the result to the unbiassed deliberation of an independent Constituency.

Gentlemen, permit me to add, that should you honor me with the high trust which your confidence would impose, no exertion shall be spared on my part to forward the best interests of my native Province.

I have the honor to be

Your obedient servant,

G. BOTSFORD.

Fredericton, December 7, 1842.

### *To the Independent Freeholders of the County of York.*

GENTLEMEN,

**H**AVING been long since solicited by many friends to come forward at the first Election that should take place for this County, as a Candidate to represent you in General Assembly, and from the kind and flattering assurances of support which I have received from time to time from all persons residing in every section of this County, and solely relying on their kindness, I beg leave with much diffidence now to offer myself as a Candidate for the honor of representing you in the General Assembly of this Province.

Owing to the notice of the dissolution of the late House being kept back to the (I may say) last hour, contrary to the expectations of the public, and the Writs being made returnable on the fourteenth day of next month, I regret that the shortness of the time, and the bad state of the roads at the present season, will not admit of my seeing you personally previous to the opening of the Poll.

Should you therefore be pleased to confide in me your invaluable trust, I shall endeavour to return it to you unsullied, by discharging my duty with fidelity, zeal and attention.

I have the honor to remain, Gentlemen,

Your faithful and humble servant,

GEORGE F. H. MINCHIN.

Fredericton, December 9, 1842.

### *To the Freeholders of the County of York.*

GENTLEMEN,

**H**AVING for many years been honored with the confidence of the constituency of this County, as one of the Representatives in the General Assembly, I beg to inform you that it is my intention to offer myself as a Candidate for your suffrages at the approaching Election, and to assure you that should I have the honor of being again returned, my continued exertions shall be employed in advancing the true interests of the Province, in doing which, the prosperity of the County of York will be best consulted.

I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,

Your most obedient servant,

JAMES TAYLOR.

Fredericton, December 9, 1842.

### *To the Freeholders of the County of York.*

GENTLEMEN,

**I** purpose to appear as a Candidate for your suffrages at the approaching Election, and I beg to assure you, that in coming to this determination, I have been influenced by the urgent entreaties of many esteemed and influential Individuals of your number, residing both in Town and Country.

Should you honor me with your confidence by returning me to represent you in the General Assembly, I can only say that my best exertions shall ever be given to the promotion of your interests.

I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,

Your most obedient servant,

Fredericton, 9th Dec. 1842.

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### NOTICE.

**T**O be sold by Public Auction to the highest bidder, on the 10th day of March next, between the hours of 12 and 2 o'clock, p. m. in front of the premises—All that valuable and eligibly situated Dwelling House and Lot, with all other buildings and improvements thereon, situate in the Town plot of Fredericton, and known and distinguished as the lot number Twenty five, Block number Two, containing by estimation one quarter of an acre of ground, more or less, and bounded as follows:—On the front or north east side thereof by Queen street, on the lower or south east side by a lot owned and occupied by Justin Spahn, and on the upper or north west side by a lot formerly owned by Ezekiel Sloat, which said premises are at present in the occupation of John A. Beckwick, Esq.

Possession will be given on the first day of May next.

Terms of payment will be made known at the time of sale.

By order of the Trustees of the said property.

MARK NEEDHAM, Auctioneer.

Fredericton, 10th November, 1842.