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W. Watts, Jun. Rifles,	Geo. James Maclauchlan,
Hodson C. Peters,	Patrick Kirlin,
George D. Ketchum,	M. F. Gordon,

#### REPLY.

### To the Officers of the First Battalion of York County Militia.

GENTLEMEN,—It is with unfeigned gratitude I receive your very friendly Address on my retirement from the Militia service; and I beg you will accept my sincere thanks for the ready, kind, and deligent manner you have at all times received, and carried out all such orders and instructions as, in the course of what I considered to be my duty, have been given by me; and believe me, your general and undisguised urbanity will ever have a first place in my recollection of the many days and hours we have passed together in the performance of our respective Military duties.

Permit me, Gentlemen, to thank you for the many encomiums you have been pleased to pass on my character as an Officer and a man; and though many of them are such as I could not have had the presumption to assume to myself, yet, coming as they do from Gentlemen who have had an opportunity to form an estimate of my Military career and private conduct, and who can have no interest in using the language of flattery to an old Veteran, I may, perhaps, without vanity, conclude, that you believe you have not misplaced them.

In conclusion, Gentlemen, be pleased to receive my warmest thanks, not only for your kind wishes for my uninterrupted health and happiness in my retirement, but for the whole tenor of your kind Address; which, in that retirement, will be to me a source of pleasure and consolation, and support me in the firm belief that, in the long period of upwards of fifty three years which I have spent in the Militia, I have not served my Country in vain.

I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,

Your very humble servant,

M. BRANNEN, Major.

Captain Minchin, (Adj.) then read a Communication from Lieut. Colonel Minchin to Major Brannen, of which the following is a copy:-

#### Fredericton, 4th October, 1847.

DEAR MAJOR,—I regret much that I cannot consistently sign the Address intended to be presented to you by the other Officers of the Battalion. I however feel much pleasure in embracing the opportunity of acknowledging the zeal and ability with which you discharged your duty for nearly *thirty* years that we have been associated together in the Militia, and for which, and the ready and able assistance which you at all times and upon all occasions afforded me, I pray you to accept my thanks and most warm acknowledgments; and beg to assure you that your happiness and prosperity in the retirement which you have made choice of, will be to me a source of much pleasure and satisfaction.

I have, &c.

GEO. MINCHIN, LT. Col.

Comm'g 1st Batt. Y. C. M.

Major Brannen, &c. &c. &c.

(Signed)

#### REPLY.

Major Brannen begs leave to return his best thanks to Lieutenant Colonel Minchin, for the very kind and friendly manner in which he has conveyed his approbation of his conduct during the time he has had the honor of serving under his command; and presents his sincere acknowledgements for the kindness, mildness, and urbanity with which the Lieutenant Colonel has ever conducted himself towards him during the long period they have been associated together in the Militia, and of which he assures the Lieutenant Colonel he will ever retain a grateful recollection.

Major Brannen thanks the Lieutenant Colonel for his kind wishes for his happiness and prosperity in the retirement he has chosen, and begs the Lieutenant Colonel will accept, in return, the assurance of the Major's warm and unfeigned desire for the future health, happiness and prosperity of himself and his amiable family.

Fredericton, 4th October, 1847.

### Birth,

On this 6th inst., at Government House, the Lady of A. Reade, Esquire, of a Son.

#### Died,

At Queensbury, on the 22nd September, Mr. Samuel Howland, in the 36th year of his age.

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