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Colonial-Office, Downing-Street, December 3, 1838.

DISPATCHES, of which the following is an extract and a copy, have been received from Lieutenant-General Sir John Colborne, G. C. B. Commander of the Forces in Canada, dated Montreal, the 5th, and La Colle, the 11th November 1838:

Extract of a Dispatch from Lieutenant-General Sir John Colborne, G. C. B. to Lord Glenelg, dated Head-quarters, Montreal, November 5, 1838.

THE information which Lord Durham has communicated to your Lordship will have prepared you for the movement of the rebels, which has now taken place in all the counties of the Richelieu, and in the section of this district from the left bank of that river to Beauharnois, and the south of the St. Lawrence.

The habitans are collecting in large bodies at St. Ours, St. Denis, St. Charles, Acadie, and Chateaugay and Beauharnois.

The general movements of the rebels commenced on the 3d. They made an attack on the Indians of the village of Cochanawaga, on Sunday the 4th instant, who sallied out of the church where they were assembled for divine service, repulsed the rebels from the village, and captured seventy prisoners.

I am preparing to march against the rebels in Acadie. Our troops occupy La Prairie, Chaubly, and St. John's.

(Copy.)

Head Quarters, Odell Town, Seigniory of La Colle, November 11, 1838.

MY LORD,

WITH reference to my dispatch of the 5th instant, I have the honour to acquaint you, that the habitans between the Yamaska and Richelieu rivers, quitted their villages on the night of the 3d, to take up arms against Her Majesty's Government assembled at St. Ours, St. Charles, and St. Michel. Those from the westward of the Richelieu, from Contrecoeur, and Vercheres at Belceil; the greater part of the rebels, however, of the Richelieu, on finding that the depôts of arms and ammunition which had been promised them were not at the points of rendezvous ready to be delivered to them, returned to their homes on the 4th and 5th instant.

The habitans, generally, of Beauharnois, La Prairie, and L'Acadie, also were in arms on the night of the 3d, and attacked all the loyal subjects residing in their neighbourhood, and either drove them from their homes or made them prisoners. At Beauharnois, Chateaugay, and Napierville, the rebels assembled in great numbers; about four thousand of them were concentrated at Napierville, under the command of Dr. Robert Nelson, Dr. Cote, and Gugnbn, between the 3d and 6th instant. Under these circumstances, I ordered the corps under the immediate command of Major General Sir James Macdonnel and Major General Clitherow to march