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Canada West.

4th April 1863

Gentlemen.

We the Officers of this Garrison have the honor of receiving the address which is now presented, after having been signed by yourselves, and numerous other respectable Citizens of this Town, and which you Gentlemen have considered necessary to propose in consequence of the late unprovoked outrage committed on Major Bowles and Captain Lockhart by the Mayor of this City.

It is much to be regretted that this unfortunate circumstance has occurred the more so from our having been under the impression that a most cordial understanding had existed between the Military and all parties, and we can not forget the enthusiastic manner in which we were received a little more than a year ago by the whole Town, at a time when it was probable that or active services might have been required together with your own, in the defense of this Country.

We now accept with pleasure your friendly address and shall have the honor of acquainting

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[continuing the sentence/portion from the obverse] His Excellency Sir F. W. Williams through the Major General (Commanding?) of the compliment you have this day paid us.

(signature, possibly saying "W Hall")
[unknown characters, possibly stating the date of the letter]
Commanding Garrison