

(Obverse)

5th September 1838

(Complete text above underlined with a handwritten line)

W. C. Keele Esq (word **Esq** is written in the center of the round mark left by the wax seal, maybe stamped in the back of the paper)

W. K. [Sweater ?] business

(Underlined in handwriting in the second word only)

Inverse side of the envelop

To the left of the envelop a stamped circular

postmark in black ink with a smaller inner circle in

the center. In the circumference formed by the two circles the word: (CITY is probably what is missing)

Of TORONTO, at the top and the words UC at the bottom. In the center of the smaller circle: SE 5 1838

(In handwriting)

Lewis [Burwell?], Esq. (the first 3 letter of the name Lewis are written on of the middle to the right of the postmark)

Branford

U. C.

(Reverse)

Toronto, 5th Sept. 1838

My dear Sir,

I have been repeatedly urging [Mrs Hepburn?] to report on Mr. Smith's last petition which I am sorry to say he has not yet done but he promised me yesterday that he would do so now without [illegible?] . This is all the information that I can at present give you. How long will [afterward?] remain [before?] the council it is [impossible?] for me to say. I understand however that at the [last?] [three?] Councils they disposed of [110?] cases!!! Is it not a shame that [business?] [showed?] [be?] so neglected [(sign & meaning and?) then dispatched in a lump like this!

I have hitherto done my best for Mr Smith [(sign & meaning and?) will continue to do so [(sign & meaning and?) I hope he will lay the blame at the right door.

Yours very true
W.C. Keele

L. Burwell, Esq.