



mortgaged the house he intended  
to give you £100 but that you  
wrote Charles you would wait another  
year. The removal of the family  
to Hurro he says was with a view  
to enable him to sell the house  
to pay you off and that there  
will be no charge on Charles at  
all at Hurro. He has given  
me a Confession of Judgement  
for you for £200 with Interest  
which will bind all his property.  
He says, and with some reason  
that you cannot expect Charles  
to be able to pay off his book-  
-seller in the old country and  
at same time to pay you un-  
-less he sells off his stock and  
stops his business. He asks over  
£400 for the property here and  
we think it would certainly  
bring over £300 at auction.  
We agreed on his giving £m.

- Jesson that Execution should  
be staid for 6 mo and we do  
not see that he had it in his  
power to do more to secure you  
than he has done. He has some  
land at Merionisthe which will  
be bound by the Confession but  
we do not think it is of much  
value and his household fur-  
-niture - Carriages &c would be  
all bound by it as soon as levied  
on. We think him very poor but  
in every way inclined to secure  
and satisfy your debt and you  
will either have to be patient  
with the book store /<sup>st</sup> from all  
we hear they say is industrious  
& well behaved / or come down  
upon him at once which we  
think would be worse than if  
you had not lent him the  
Money.

Your house occupied  
by the aforementioned tenants  
requires shingling - it leaks

very badly & will drive them  
out soon - if not shingled. We  
have insured it in an American  
office Mr Dickson having declined  
on acct of so many contiguous risks.  
Young Johnston is in Mr Phersons  
bookstore & as he is not prosecuting  
his studies we have discontinued  
paying your allowance to his  
mother.

Mr Matheson left to you  
to each of his children besides the  
bequests which you have seen and  
the residue half to the Bible  
Society & half to the Miss In-  
stitution under Mr Ross - the  
latter bequests will - (we estimate)  
be over £5000 Stg each. We sent  
a check to Mr Forman the other  
day for £40 to be reinvested in  
Canada Exchange and remitted  
you. This is for Mr Matheson's  
bequest in the following language  
"I give and bequeath to my trustees

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forty pounds currency to be paid  
to the President Treasurer or other  
office bearers for the time being of  
the French Canadian Missionary  
Society for the uses of the said  
Society."

Please send a receipt  
for the Amount to the Executors  
- they are Rev James Ross Jas.  
Pumrose and John I Loe

We were unable to get back  
the small trifle of taxes paid  
for property alleged to be your son's  
They have taxed it again this  
year but we told them to take all  
the property they could find belong-  
ing to him.

Pottmeyer paid his interest  
and Ale McDonald has paid  
the amount standing against  
him. Mr Fogo is the most  
dilatary payer we ever met and  
unless you instruct us to see him

we do not think it will be got soon. We find we have omitted to collect Williams dividend on his Gas Stock for last year—

We have just enquired and have found no dividend was declared in consequence of the freezing up of the street Gas pipes last winter but the Company expect to pay 4½ % at next annual meeting

Would you please to pay one years subscription for our firm to the "Montreal Witness" and have it sent to our address & Mail

We want it for its Commercial information and would prefer the Semi-weekly if its information of that character be as good as that of the "Weekly Witness"

What could we procure one thousand bushels of clean, good Type wheat for seed for, \$ bushel  
Put up in American cotton two bushel bags, and is it likely

there will be any steamed con-  
veyance from Quebec to Pictou  
in the spring.

Yours Very Truly  
James Purvise Junr

Letter  
J. Minnow & Son  
8 Jan'y 1861

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