

Montreal, Canada

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My dear friend,

Your kind and most welcome letter was delivered by Col. Johnston. It brings back in all their force the memories so many and so tender which are associated with you. The days you gave to me when I was a prisoner are to me precious and I trust not unprofitable.

I have not yet seen Blasco's indication to which you refer and will inquire for the last number of his review. The Revd. Dr. McCabe has written to me to prevent the supposition that the "Historian" is his son, and

further says that the said  
writer was neither in the  
congratulate service nor true  
to its cause.

My thoughts are ever turned  
to our oppressed countrymen  
and my prayers are daily  
offered ~~for~~ their restoration  
to freedom and prosperity &  
that realizing the mercy of  
God they may patiently  
abide His will. My trust  
is in Him. It is of his goodness  
that our people have so well  
borne their trials. May He  
give <sup>them</sup> strength to be true to  
themselves, and to wait for  
His coming, to whom the  
permitter of truth, the denier  
of justice, the tyrant and the  
dispoiler are hateful.

It is true as you say that  
our consolation is that we  
have to the best of our ability  
done our duty; but I would  
that all whose position ena-  
bles them to do so should in  
some enduring form correct  
the misrepresentations which  
have enabled our enemies  
and their instruments to  
impose upon the world the  
belief that we had committed  
the atrocities of which our  
enemies themselves were guilty  
and to rob us of the credit due  
to a chivalric, praying army  
and a civil administration  
which showed an appreciation  
of the sanctity and brightness  
of the cause it represented.

Please present me in the

most affectionate terms  
to your Wife and Daughters  
and believe as ever very  
gratefully & cordially  
your friend  
Joseph Davis

Genl. W. V. Pundleton