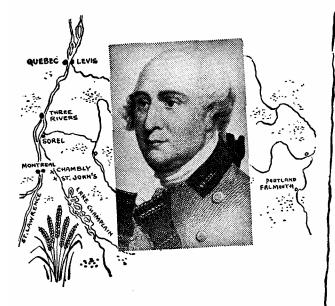
------ FAMOUS LETTERS IN CANADIAN HISTORY ------

Sir



Export Corn

Grain from Canada was going out to feed other nations 100 years before Confederation.

And the protection of this basic industry was proving a major concern of Sir Guy Carleton, first baron of Dorchester, who had been appointed lieutenant-governor of Quebec the year before this letter was written in 1767.

Sir Guy had been a friend of General Wolfe and was wounded on the Plains of Abraham but later was responsible in large measure for the Quebec Act of 1774 which protected the status of the French in Canada. Quebec 8th Vinley ogby.

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The original of this letter to Hon. Benjamin Price is in the collection of the Public Archives of Canada.

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