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His Excellency The Right Honorable JAMES, EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE,  
Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief, in  
and over the Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince  
Edward, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.

To Duncan McNeill Esquire

GREETING:

Reposing especial confidence in your Loyalty, Courage and Good Conduct, I do hereby constitute and appoint  
you, during pleasure to be Captain in the Battalion of Artillery Militia, taking rank and precedence from the fourteenth day  
of April one thousand eight hundred and forty seven. You are therefore carefully and diligently  
to discharge the duty of Captain by exercising and well disciplining  
the Inferior Officers and Men of the said Militia. And I do hereby command them to obey you as their  
Captain. And you are to observe and follow all such orders and directions as  
you shall from time to time receive from me, or any other of your Superior Officers, according to Law.

Given under my Hand and Office Seal, at Montreal, this 14th  
day of January, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred  
and forty seven, and in the 15th year of Her Majesty's Reign.

By Command,

D. Macdougall, Colonel  
Adj. Genl. Militia

James Macdougall