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I hope you have not inserted my name,  
as furnishing the letter, or, if you have, that they  
will be true enough to prevent its ~~from~~ (the name's)  
publication; I send you, in proof how the Liberty  
of the Press may be used for sinister purposes  
2 copies of documents printed at Moscow  
and reprinted here. These spontaneous effusions of gratitude for some  
services, <sup>which</sup> my duty and situation enabled me to render  
the colony, will show you how much I have  
been calumniated on the different papers of Jamaica

J. Scott Esquire  
Edwin M. Champion



The Editors of some of which have shewn that  
although they had spirit to influence the public  
mind against an individual five thousand  
miles off, by the insertion of a nameless tissue  
of absurdity, and falsehood, have never had courage  
to acknowledge their error by the most prominent  
of these testimonies of an Administration  
marked by Lenity, Moderation, & forbearance  
at least it appears from the almost unanimous  
voice of all clergies, and conditions of the  
Government. It is from no wish that you  
should give publicity to any of these documents  
that I address you, for conscious of the rectitude  
of my conduct and satisfied on placing my  
head on the pillow that instead of lazily  
spilling human blood, I have saved the lives.

of hundreds, the put aside misery from thousands  
the utmost malice of my enemies excite only  
feelings of (perhaps indignant) contempt, but  
from a desire to remove any unfavorable impressions  
which the "tirades" of certain journals may  
have effected.

I am Sir

Yours obedient Servant

Genl. B. Smith

Governor of Dominica

St. John's



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Edw. M. Reynolds  
Custodian of the Thompson  
Catherine Street  
a St. Paul  
Michigan

George Andrew  
1778-1833  
George  
son of Dominicus  
numerical