Port Credit March 22nd 1847

Sir,

We beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th inst. in reference to contributions towards the relief of the perishing for want of food in Ireland and Scotland.

We are exceedingly sorry to hear that our fellow subjects in those parts of the world are visited with such an awful calamity.

Feeling the necessity of rendering aid to such as are in real distress we gladly subscribe the sum of twelve pounds ten shillings cy. out of our land payments, and beg you will have the goodness to pay that amount into the hands of our Great Father the Governor General, that he may forward the same over the great waters.

It would have afforded us great pleasure to have given a larger amount but we regret to inform you that our people here are in a very destitute state arising from their not having raised any

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any quantity of produce during the last summer owing to the suspense concerning their removal, and the few potatoes they planted having also proved a failure.

We beg also to state that if our people are kept much longer at our village we from their sufferings for want of food will be very great and we shall be obliged to devote larger sums of our annuity to keep them from starvation.

We have the honour to be Sir, Your obt. Servants Joseph his x mark Sawyer Peter Jones Chiefs