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to the Honorable THOMAS PYC
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and therefore I certainly did not make any allusion to such a position, when formerly addressing you. I have however since learnt that Mr. Miller the present Acting Solicitor is not willing to undertake the slight additional duties detailed in my letters noted above, until an arrangement has been completed for some increase being made to the salary at present paid to the Government Solicitor; and I further learnt that Government were unable to make any such arrangement, consequent on such addition not having been provided for in the Budget. Immediately on hearing this I determined, as expressed to you personally, on placing my salary at the disposal of the Honorable the Governor in Council, which will enable His Excellency in Council to make any arrangement with the Acting Government Solicitor, for immediately paying such additional sum to the present salary of that office as His Excellency in Council may deem it fitting to make. I trust I may be allowed to assure His Excellency in Council, that until Government is in a position to make some arrangement, my best energies will be employed in advocating the interests of Government, and advising them in cases where my opinion may be required, and I entertain no doubt the Supreme Government will not permit me to be a loser.

3. I avail myself of this opportunity of reminding you, I have not read the letters addressed to Government by Mr. Advocate General and Mr. Miller; you allowed me to peruse only a portion of each. From what has transpired, I am led to believe that my letters noted above have been misunderstood by both those gentlemen, for instance they have both treated my proposition as though I had sought that Mr. Miller should "lend me his name;" and Mr. Miller has gone so far as to inform me, as *his* opinion, that I had thereby endeavored to transgress the rule of etiquette which should be pursued by Members of the Bar, and I gather from the portion of his letter which I have seen, that he has gone further to Government, and stated as *his* opinion that if he were to comply with my suggestion it would be illegal; I submit for the consideration of Government that I should be allowed to reply to such observations. Those letters will be sent to England, and if unanswered may leave an erroneous and prejudicial impression on the mind of the Home Government. I am at a loss to understand what Mr. Advocate General means by the term "lending Mr. Miller's name;" I am not aware there would be any lending of names; as it appears to me Mr. Miller would be merely performing for Government a slight duty rendered necessary and emergent by the sudden amalgamation of the two Courts. Then as to Mr. Miller's letter, I am aware it contains a mere expression of that gentleman's opinion, but if not replied to, an impression may arise that those views are concurred in, and cannot be refuted; whereas I could explain my reasons for the suggestion most satisfactorily. When I was told Mr. Miller's opinion, I told him he was in error, and on my opinion was founded, he admitted the course proposed by me was not only proper but necessary, and to say he would strike out that portion of his letter to Government, then being transcribed; I may also add that since I saw your letter, he has corrected it, and I am glad to find he does not consider the course I proposed as unpar-

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No. 211. ORDER THEREON, 22nd September 1862. 553.

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(Signed)

Adv. Genl.

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