

To satisfy every one is indeed an impossibility, and to attempt it is the part of a weak or of a dishonest man. But to receive from a free and intelligent people the recognition of having been actuated, during seven years, by a single-hearted desire to promote their welfare, must be, to any one, an object of high ambition, and, when attained, it is a great reward.

I have endeavoured, anxiously and earnestly, to merit this reward, and I thank you for the assurance that I have obtained it.

The destinies of New Brunswick are, under Providence, in the hands of the people. I have shown it, throughout my administration of the Government of the Province, I know it, and I rejoice at it.

I know also that the progress which the people of this City, and of the Province in general, have made during the last seven years, is their work, not mine. But I have not, on this account, felt the less sincere gratification at their increasing prosperity, nor have I sympathized the less warmly with them, in their temporary reverses.

That you and the people of New Brunswick may prosper, is my heartfelt wish. And you may be sure that no resident in the Province will feel a deeper interest in your welfare than that which will be felt by me and mine, when absent.

For Mrs. Manners-Sutton, as well as on my own behalf, I am grateful to you for your good wishes. From myself, to the youngest member of my family, there is not one who has not regarded this Province as a happy home, and we shall always retain New Brunswick in affectionate remembrance.

ADDRESS

To His Excellency The Honorable ARTHUR HAMILTON GORDON, C.M.G.
Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief of the Province of
New Brunswick, &c. &c. &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

We, the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of Saint John, beg Your Excellency, on behalf of ourselves and our fellow-citizens, to accept our sincere congratulations on your safe arrival in this Province, to assume the Government which it has pleased our beloved Queen to confer upon you.

We do not fail to recognize in the selection of Your Excellency as Her Majesty's representative, a further proof of the deep interest on all occasions evinced by our Gracious Sovereign, in the welfare and happiness of the loyal and affectionate people over whom you are called upon to rule.

We have every reason to anticipate the happiest results from the administration of our public affairs by Your Excellency; and with our warmest wishes for your personal happiness while among us, we heartily welcome you to the Commercial Metropolis of New Brunswick.

THOS. McAVITY, *Mayor*.

REPLY.

Mr. Mayor, Aldermen, and Gentlemen, Members of the Common Council of the City of Saint John.

I receive with much gratification the congratulations with which you have welcomed my assumption of the Government of this Province.

It will be my anxious desire so to discharge the duties entrusted to me by the Queen, our Sovereign, as to merit the confidence and approval of the people of New Brunswick, and of this flourishing community, and I rest assured that such confidence and approval, if merited, will not be withheld.

It is a source of great satisfaction to me to feel that the inhabitants of this Province are, as you justly term them, "a loyal and affectionate people," and I shall consider myself fortunate if I should be able in any manner to promote their prosperity and welfare.

I thank you for your welcome to this great and important City, and trust that by God's blessing it may, through succeeding years, continually grow and prosper, increasing in population and in wealth, and finally taking that rank among the cities of the New World which its geographical position and the natural resources of this noble Province entitle it to claim.

ADDRESS

To His Excellency The Honorable ARTHUR HAMILTON GORDON, Knight
Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and
Saint George, Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief of
the Province of New Brunswick, &c. &c. &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

We, the Mayor and City Council, in Council convened, on behalf of ourselves and the Citizens of Fredericton, beg to tender to Your Excellency our sincere and hearty congratulations on your arrival at the Metropolitan City of Fredericton, and your assumption of the Government of this Province.

We hail Your Excellency's advent as a continued proof of the ever mindful care over us of our beloved and honored Queen, and we beg to assure Your Excellency that in no part of Her Majesty's wide spread Dominions breathes there truer hearts, or dwell there subjects more firmly devoted to Her Majesty's Person and Government, than in our noble Province.

We beg Your Excellency to accept our warmest welcome; and our firm conviction is, that your Administration will advance the interests of our Land, and add laurels to those which already bedeck Your Excellency's public career.

We have the honor to be, Sir,

Your Excellency's obedient servants,

JAS. S. BEEK, *Mayor*.

GEO. N. SEGEE, *City Clerk*.

REPLY.

Mr. Mayor, and Gentlemen of the City Council.

I thank you heartily for your Address, and for the kind feeling expressed towards me by the Citizens of the Capital of New Brunswick.

I stand here to day a stranger, relying, and not I trust relying in vain, on that welcome which the people of this loyal Province are ever ready to accord to the Representative of their Queen; but, should life and health be spared me, I trust ere long to make myself personally acquainted with every corner of the Province, and convey to the inhabitants of every district the assurance of the deep solicitude felt by our Sovereign for the prosperity and welfare of all her American subjects, without distinction as to creed, race, or class.

The people of New Brunswick enjoy an independence in the management of their local affairs as complete as is consistent with their allegiance to the Mother Country, and their retention of the powerful protection of the British Crown, their safeguard from Foreign invasion and domestic discord. To the wisdom of its own sons, and to the prudence of their counsels, the future destinies of the Province have been committed. To co-operate in all endeavours to develop the abundant resources of this country will be my constant aim, and should I succeed in doing so, I shall obtain the highest reward that I can here receive.

I will not fail to transmit to Her Majesty the assurances of your loyalty and devotion.

MILITIA GENERAL ORDERS.

FREDERICTON, Oct. 25, 1861.

HIS Excellency the Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief desires publicly to convey his thanks to Lieutenant Colonel Thurgar, and the Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers, and Men of the Militia Volunteers of Saint John, who spontaneously assembled to welcome him on the occasion of His Excellency's first visit to that City.

His Excellency takes this opportunity of recording his admiration of the soldier-like appearance and bearing of the Militia Volunteers yesterday paraded before him, of their steadiness under arms, and especially of the accuracy and precision with which the Salute was fired by the Artillery, upon His Excellency's arrival and departure.

His Excellency requests Lieutenant Colonel Thurgar to communicate this Order to the several Officers under his command, on the occasion here referred to.

By Command.

R. HAYNE, *Lt. Col., Adj. Gen. Militia*.

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FREDERICTON, October 26, 1861.

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief has been pleased to appoint Lieut. Colonel Richard