

## Provincial.

SAINT JOHN, MARCH, 21.

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor and Suite, arrived in this City from Head Quarters, on Thursday last, and took up their abode at the residence of Collector WRIGHT.

The several Addresses which had been previously prepared, and which appear in this days paper, were presented to His Excellency, this day, at two o'clock, in the New Court-House, which had been fitted up for the occasion.—After which a Public Levee was held, which we are happy to say was very numerously attended. On His Excellency's arrival at the Court-House, he was received by a Guard of Honor from the 81st Regiment.

Immediately on the presentation of the first address, a Salute was fired on King's Square by the Sea Fencible Company, attached to the 2d Bat. City Militia.

The following are the Addresses alluded to above:—

To His Excellency Major-General Sir HOWARD DOUGLAS, Baronet, Lieutenant-Governor, and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Province of New Brunswick, &c. &c. &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

WE, the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen and Commonality, of the City of Saint John, beg most respectfully to present to Your Excellency a Certificate of the Freedom of this Corporation; and to offer our most grateful acknowledgements for the honor you have conferred on the City of Saint John, in allowing us to enrol Your Excellency's name in the list of its citizens.

We also gladly avail ourselves of the present opportunity to express the very high sense we entertain of the benefits which have been derived to this Province from Your Excellency's wise, impartial, and active administration.

The determination, early evinced and happily carried into effect, by your Excellency, of becoming personally acquainted with all Sections of the Province, has in an especial manner marked the lively interest taken by Your Excellency in the welfare of all its inhabitants.

Deeply engaged as the Citizens of Saint John must necessarily be in commercial pursuits, on the proper management of which the general advancement of the Province so much depends, it is with peculiar pleasure and satisfaction we have observed your Excellency's zealous and unceasing exertions, to encourage and improve the trade of the Country, particularly as regards the safety of its navigation, the manufacture of its staple commodities, and the adoption of measures which have fully ascertained the practicability of opening a more direct and secure water communication between the several ports of this, and also of our Sister Provinces.

In common with the rest of the Province, we have viewed with gratitude and admiration, your Excellency's wise, strenuous and successful efforts, in the cause of Education; the blessings of which, it has been Your Excellency's constant aim to extend to all persons, of whatever rank or religious denomination.

In bidding Your Excellency farewell, we beg to offer the best wishes of ourselves and fellow citizens for your future health and happiness; and a happy meeting with LADY DOUGLAS, and the other branches of Your Excellency's Family, whose amiable manners and exemplary discharge of all the duties belonging to their high station, have justly endeared them to the People of this Province.

To the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, and Commonality of the City of Saint John.

GENTLEMEN, I RECEIVE with much pleasure the presentation with which you have honoured me of the Freedom of this City; and in enrolling my name in the List of its Citizens, you will accept these my assurances, that I shall always feel, and ever take, sincere interest in the Commercial prosperity of this Port, the well-being of the City, and the happiness of its Citizens.

In the severe depression under which the City of Saint John has suffered in her commercial pursuits, I have endeavoured, by all means and measures that depended upon me, to assuage those distresses, and to promote such an exertion of industry and internal economy as might cheer and carry the Country through her present difficulties, and prevent a recurrence of like embarrassments, at least from similar causes.

As in my first views, I discerned, though in apparently prosperous times, indications of coming difficulties, so do I now discover, through the passing clouds, the prospects of a more cheering future; and I leave you with the pleasing

conviction that I have seen the Country through the worst of her difficulties, and that she is now in a condition substantially more prosperous and flourishing, in all respects, than that in which she appeared to be, when I came amongst you.

Fully sensible that the prosperity of this City essentially depends upon a proper management of the commercial pursuits of the Country, I earnestly trust that all those measures I have recommended, for encouraging, improving, and extending Trade, will be steadily pursued.

I am particularly gratified by the terms in which you express your gratitude, for the efforts I have used in the cause of Education; and sincerely trust that the Benefits and Blessings which it has been my constant aim to extend to all Persons, of whatever rank or religious denomination, may thus be realized in the fullest and most beneficial manner.

To His Excellency Major-General Sir HOWARD DOUGLAS, Baronet, Lieutenant-Governor, and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Province of New Brunswick, &c. &c. &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

THE time of your expected departure from this Province having arrived, We, a Committee, representing the Clergy, Magistrates, and Inhabitants of the City and County of Saint John, avail ourselves of your permission to express the unfeigned respect which we feel towards you on account of those qualities which adorn your private life, and those principles of integrity and honor, which have guided your public conduct.

We, in common with all Bodies of Men, in this happy Colony, would deeply deplore the present interruption of Your Excellency's Administration, if we were not induced to consider it as only temporary; in order that your talents may be employed in determining a great national question,—a question in which the inhabitants of New Brunswick, have a near, momentous, and peculiar interest:—And, in expressing the fervent hope that its termination may be speedy, and your absence short, we are sure that we are not chargeable with uttering the language of empty compliment or servile adulation;—We only proclaim the general feeling and conviction, that your Administration has been marked by a steady and unequivocal progress in the improvement and comfort of the people, over whom you have presided.

Could any doubt exist, as to the value of your Excellency's public services, an appeal might be made to the industry and talent which you have devoted to the development of the resources of the Province—the wisdom with which you have ever directed the sinews of its strength;—so the most sure and permanent means of its advancement;—the indefatigable zeal with which you have laboured to inspire and to cherish a taste for Agricultural Science, and to promote those Public Works,—internal improvements, with which the prosperity of the Country is closely linked;—the constant solicitude with which you have watched over the interests of Institutions, sacred to true Religion and sound Learning;—the prompt and active benevolence which you have displayed on occasions of public calamity, and when distressed Emigrants have been cast upon our shores, and the Patriotism which you have uniformly evinced in endeavouring to cement most closely our Colonial Interests with those of the Mother Country.

Entertaining these views of your Excellency's Administration, and cherishing the pleasing recollection of that urbanity of manners by which your private and social intercourse has been distinguished, we cannot contemplate, without emotion, the approaching separation between a Governor worthy of affection, and a people so sincerely attached.

We have now, Sir, only to add our sincere prayers, that the Great Disposer of Events, may give you success in the important undertaking before you,—a happy restoration to the bosom of your family, and that soon the inhabitants of this Province may have the pleasure to hail your return with the same sincerity and respectful affection with which they now bid you farewell.

BENJAMIN G. GRAY,  
GEORGE BURNS, D. D.  
JOHN CARROLL, P. P.  
JAMES WHITE,  
JOHN WARD,  
BENJAMIN L. PETERS.  
JAMES ROBERTSON, Jun.

To the Clergy, Magistrates, and Inhabitants of the City and County of Saint John.

GENTLEMEN,

I THANK you for the sentiments and good wishes expressed in this Address.

It affords me great pleasure to receive from the Committee representing the Clergy, Magistrates, and Inhabitants of this Commercial City, and this important County, these gratifying assurances that I have not been unsuccessful in my endeavours to advance the solid prosperity of this rising Colony, to promote the moral improvement, instructions, learning, and comfort of all classes of its people; and to cement most closely, their interests with those of the Mother Country.

My residence amongst you has opened to me abundant sources of information as to your commercial interests, and has likewise afforded me, and my family, the pleasure of becoming personally acquainted with the Society of this Colony. In this agreeable manner I have gratified myself, I trust, to advocate your interests; and my intercourse with you has inspired me with a sincere desire to be useful to the community which you represent.

I obey with alacrity the commands of my Sovereign to repair to England on duties connected with an important national question. I have undertaken those duties with zeal and ardour; and I look to the issue with a degree of confidence which is rather inspired by dependance on the persons with whom I am associated, than my own exertions. It is natural, too, that I should feel rejoiced at the near prospect of revisiting my native land, and of rejoining my family. But not all these can render me insensible to pain on parting from Societies, in intercourse with which I have passed some happy years, and on leaving a Country in which, as the King's Representatives I have been received, treated, supported and respected, in a manner that reflects great credit on the Loyalty and Public feeling of all classes and bodies of the People of New Brunswick.

To His Excellency Major-General Sir HOWARD DOUGLAS, Baronet, Lieutenant-Governor, and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Province of New Brunswick, &c. &c. &c.

The ADDRESS of the Clergy of the Established Church in the Province of New Brunswick.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

WHILE all classes of men are pressing forward to testify their regret, at the prospect of your absence from the Province, it would ill become the Clergy to remain silent.

Upon this occasion, they are unfortunate in being deprived of the advice and assistance of their Venerable Archdeacon, who, without doubt, would have rendered officially, their assurances of attachment and respect. They, however, trust that Your Excellency will consent to receive them as circumstances permit their being offered. They may not bear so much the aspect of formal duty, but they are not less the spontaneous tribute of their best judgment and feelings towards personal merit, which they have been taught to love, and official talent, which they are constrained to admire.

Although separated professionally from all secular concerns and pursuits, the Clergy are neither unable to estimate correctly the value of that excellent Constitution in State under which they live, nor are they devoid of the most lively interest in its welfare and stability. They know that in addition to advantages of a still higher order, it guarantees to all within its pale, the enjoyment of political liberty, civil rights, and social blessings, which no other Constitution upon earth secures in an equal degree to its Members. It ought not therefore to be deemed presumption in them to say, that they have not been inattentive to Your Excellency's Administration in its course, and that amidst many subordinate marks of a comprehensive and benevolent policy, it has displayed one pre-eminent feature. They allude, Sir, to that uniform adherence to pure Constitutional principles, which has given a character to your public measures. Your success in the execution of the arduous office assigned you, has been unalloyed by any commutation of duty, as charged with Your Sovereign's dignity and authority; and has given occasion to no jealousies and estrangements in the minds of a loyal and devout people. This effect, which is not always the fruit of even zeal, ability, and disinterestedness, in the conduct of Colonial Affairs, affords an ample pledge, that under your renewed connexion with the inhabitants of New Brunswick, the intimate relations now so happily subsisting will be perfected in the fullest bond of peace and unity of spirit, between the Parent and the offspring States.

The Clergy, however, acknowledge that there are still more exalted grounds of felicitation, when they consider your Excellency in that part of your delegated trust, which respects the Church Establishment. You, Sir, represent our revered Monarch, not only as the Supreme Civil Magistrate, but as He is invested with the Laws of the Realm.