

**Duke of Kent's objection
to Plessis' title.**

" As to the coadjutor
Plessis, I believe it my
duty to inform you that

he is a man in whom you will find perhaps that it is not prudent to repose too much confidence. I knew him while he was secretary to Bishop Hubert, and it was well known during my residence in Canada that he entirely governed the Bishop and the Seminary, and induced them to adopt opinions quite incompatible with our ideas of the supremacy of the King in ecclesiastical affairs ".

" I know that while I resided in Canada, the late Bishop Hubert objected strongly to remit to the government a list of the nominations made to parishes, and as we believed that prelate entirely guided by the present coadjutor, that refusal was regarded by the most zealous subjects of His Majesty in the country as one of the numerous reasons which placed M. Plessis in a doubtful position with respect to his loyalty towards Great Britain ".

DUKE OF KENT to SIR R. PRESCOTT,

16th October, 1797.

Quoted by Ferland, page 26 (English.)

**Mr. Peel (afterwards
Sir Robert Peel) on
Canada in 1810.**

" I yesterday had my first
interview with Mr. Peel, the
U.S.S., who received me with
great attention, and who,

though a very young man, and but a few days in office, appears to be very much *au fait* in matters of public business ".

" When I observed to Mr. Peel that you hold with you all the English inhabitants, and consequently all the commercial interest of the country, he remarked that the