

We are happy in this occasion of publicly expressing our gratitude to His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, for having committed to Your Excellency the Administration of this Government, and we are justly sensible of your earnest desire to discharge the duties of that trust for the general advantage of the Province. The circumstances noticed by Your Excellency, of your having been born in its Capital, cannot but give additional strength to your attachment to it; and our minds are irresistibly impelled to connect therewith the recollection of your having so recently fought and bled in defence of the Provinces over which you now preside.

We learn with deep affliction, that it is not in Your Excellency's power to communicate any favorable account respecting the indisposition of our venerable Sovereign; at the same time we acknowledge, with Your Excellency, that, under this awful dispensation, it is no inconsiderable consolation to be assured, that his Majesty has no corporeal suffering, and that he continues in a state of undisturbed tranquillity.

The total overthrow and final exile of the usurper, whose insatiable ambition and remorseless thirst of blood, were permitted so long to afflict the world; the restoration once more of the Family of Bourbon to the Throne of their Ancestors; the general peace which has been given back to Europe, by the magnanimous exertion of the Allied Powers; and the high distinction obtained by the British forces, under the conduct of the illustrious Duke of Wellington, consummated and crowned by the glorious victory of Waterloo; while they fill our minds with exultation, and open the prospect of permanent prosperity, ought doubtless to awaken in us a profound and grateful sense of the goodness of Divine Providence, so conspicuously manifested in these great events.

Sensible of the benefit which has arisen from the Militia Act, and from sundry other temporary Acts of the Provincial Parliament, we shall not fail to direct our early attention to the renewal of such of them as it may be necessary or expedient to continue.

We acknowledge Your Excellency's wisdom and foresight, in reminding us that many discontented adventurers and mischievous agitators, from the continent of Europe, have recently thrown themselves into the neighbouring States, and in calling our attention to the Act for establishing regulations respecting Aliens, which we have every disposition