

that sum of itself was sufficient to make a proper representation of the resources and industry of our colony.

I considered that, as a matter of course, the influence and exertions of the committee, and the co-operation of public bodies and of public spirited individuals, would be superadded to enable us to make a sufficient and effective display; and I was not disappointed. To his Excellency Sir Richard G. MacDonnell the Province is altogether and highly indebted for the inception of the project, and for a hearty and vigorous encouragement in its progress. I may be allowed to record my deep sense of His Excellency's great condescension and kindness shown to me while prosecuting my part in the work of preparation here, and continued while I occupied the responsible position of representative in Dublin; by which my stay in Ireland was rendered very pleasant, and at the same time more useful to the Province than it would otherwise have been. To the character of the Committee our project owes chiefly its distinction and public interest; and to the hearty support of the Government and Legislature, and to the members of the Executive Exhibition Committee, the Province is much indebted; to the Chairman for assiduity and counsel; to Dr. Gilpin and his associates, Messrs. Downs and Willis, for an effective representation of our zoology and animal products; to Dr. Forrester and Mr. Jennings for the representation of our horticulture and agriculture; and to Professor How for his admirable and complete representation of our mineralogy. To the General Mining Association the Province is under peculiar obligations for their readiness in responding to His Excellency's application for a column of coal from the Albion Mines; and also to the Cunard Company for giving a conveyance of our contributions to Liverpool free of charge. We are also under considerable obligations to Messrs. Hyde and Lindsay for free carriage of articles; to Messrs. Coleman and Sons for the use of a beautiful and complete collection of our furs; to the Manager of the Acadian Iron Works for the products of mine and works; and to Lady MacDonnell for the use of a beautiful case of cutlery made from Acadian steel. In order to give some adequate idea of the character of our display, as well as to do justice to the various contributors, I shall proceed to characterize the respective contributions in the order in which we find them classified in the Jury report.

In Class 1 we have noticed by the Jury "a geological collection,