

shall esteem himself much flattered by his having the pleasure of seeing you."

"I have the honor to remain,

"With great respect,

"Your most obedient humble servant,

"FRED. AUGT. WETHERALL."

This chapter cannot be concluded more appropriately than by an extract from "Lambert's Travels in Canada," published in 1816: "His Royal Highness during his residence in Canada, paid great attention to the inhabitants, particularly to the French, to whom he gave commissions for their sons. His politeness and affability gained him the esteem of the people, many of whom I believe, *really look upon him as their saint and patron*; at least, such is the way in which I have heard him spoken of."

It is anticipating, but in concluding this chapter in the morning of the life of the Duke of Kent, I may remark that many, especially such as from misapprehension have been led to form an erroneous estimate of his conduct and character, may have supposed, that as he was comparatively inexperienced in the ways of the world at the time of his residence in Canada, his utterances were the mere impulses of generous but thoughtless youth. But as age did in no degree diminish the warmth of his affections or the steadfastness of his friendships, neither did his mature intellect, enlightened by experience, lead him in the noon and evening of his days to alter his views of a kind, a conciliatory and a just policy which he had on all occasions advocated and practiced in the morning; and well would it have been for Canada, well would it have been for Great Britain, had he obtained what was at one time a cherished object of his ambition—the Government of Canada.

Let us hope that the dark days of Canada are passed, and that there is before us a bright future, and while on the subject I do not think I can conclude more fitly than by the following lines, which are so closely in accord with the sentiments of His Royal Highness: