

people liberal, intelligent, and inquiring, it would be difficult to propagate error in any shape without detection. But my time is short ; draw near and receive my parting message to the Neutral French. Say unto them,

“ Behold ! the Lord worketh a wonder in your day ; ye thought it evil to be driven from your native land, but the Lord meant it for good ; he was preparing one of the nations of the earth for the blessings of civil freedom ; and to this end, he transplanted you from a soil endeared to you by fond associations, but given up to arbitrary power, to one destined to be free, happy, and independent. In ages to come, the exceeding riches of his goodness shall be made manifest, and men shall tell of his righteousness. To those who gave themselves up to despair and despondence, who refused all comfort, and went mourning to their graves, it can avail nothing ; but you that remain, behold the reward of patience to you who took joyfully the spoiling of your goods, who at the divine command left all, and followed the leadings of Providence, with full trust that he who decreed this thing could not err, the reward is great. A few years from this, and there is not an Acadian that would voluntarily return to the flesh-pots of Egypt. No ! they would say, ‘ Where Liberty dwells, *there is my country.*’ Farewell ! forget not him who with a strong hand and a mighty arm brought you forth out of the house of bondage. Farewell ! beloved people, fare—”

The quivering lip refused to utter more. Madam laid her hand upon the heart ; its pulsations had stopped forever. She raised and bore from the room her almost fainting daughter, whose gentle spirit had on this morning sustained so much.

After dinner, a note was despatched to General Howe, saying, “ that a stranger man, who had