

LETTER.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR GRACE,

WE, the the members of St. Mary's Parish, in the City of Halifax, Nova Scotia, cannot permit the untoward event of the Reverend Mr. Dease's departure to pass, without using the occasion it affords us to address your Grace. We earnestly beg your Grace to be assured that the zeal and promptitude with which our application for relief in our spiritual deficiencies was received and complied with in 1838, still remains engraven on our minds in characters too deep to be easily effaced. On this behalf we tender unfeignedly this feeble tribute of our feelings, and offer, in the earnestness of our hearts; this deeply felt assurance of our gratitude. We are compelled by the dictates of that Faith whose influences must govern us into forbearance and silence amidst hardships and the sense of injustice, to submit to the event which now dooms us to a separation from one of those gentlemen who were induced through your agency, undertaken at our instance, to participate in the responsibilities of this mission. The alleged grounds of dissatisfaction and complaint, with the various matters since the arrival of that Reverend Gentleman which have produced his present determination, will, we are assured, be fully explained; and as your Grace will not fail to perceive that in many cases there be much not immediately proper for laical comment, any reference to them would be here out of place. To the statement of our Parochial condition, which by the earliest opportunity we shall transmit,