

which the welfare of this colony, as an integral portion of the British empire, can be firmly established. On such feelings I place my reliance for success in my resolution to devote myself to the service of this province, and in my endeavours to promote the prosperity and happiness of every class of its inhabitants.

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ANSWER

*To the Address from the Magistrates, Freeholders, and other Inhabitants of the County of Prescott, Ottawa District.*

I beg you, gentlemen, to accept my cordial thanks for the loyal, patriotic, and constitutional sentiments conveyed to me in your address.

With such feelings predominant in Canada, the continuance of affectionate connection with the parent state is, humanly speaking, secure; and the reciprocal benefits which attend it may be perpetuated. The prospect of prosperity to this country, under the protection of the British empire, is boundless.

I derive great encouragement from the assurance of our support in my endeavours to administer the government according to the principles of the British constitution, which unite inseparably a due respect for the authority of the crown, and a sincere regard for the voice of the people, whose welfare is the sole legitimate object for which any government exists.—To this object, my efforts will be unceasingly directed.

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ANSWER

*To the Address from the Freeholders and Inhabitants of the District of Brock, in Canada West.*

I beg you, gentlemen, to accept my cordial thanks, for the assurance of concurrence and support conveyed in your address.

I feel most deeply your concluding prayer, that I may succeed in crushing every attempt, however disguised, to separate this noble colony from the parent state. It is by the loyalty and good sense of the people, that such attempts, whenever made, will be crushed, as they heretofore have been, by the same means. The design of separation is not now avowed, and I should be loth to impute it to any one who denies it. The secret intentions of men's hearts are known only to the Almighty Seer of hidden things. The