that GoD may long continue your Lordship's presidency over this extensive Diocese, and bless it with increasing happiness to yourself and the flock over which the HoLy GHOST has made you the Overseer.

On behalf of the Clergy of the Diocese,

(Signed.) GEORGE COSTER, Archdeacon. Fredericton, September 2d, 1853.

His Lordship's remarks in reply were most impressive.

We have thus brought our account of the Services and Exercises connected with the Consecration of the Cathedral at Fredericton to a close, with the exception of a very interesting assembly of a number of the Laity of the Diocese at the residence of the Bishop on Thursday, after his Lordship's Visitation. There were present His Excellency Sir EDMUND HEAD, the Lieutenant Governor of the Provizce the Attorney General, the Master of the Rolls, the Mayor of the City, with a large number of gentlemen of high standing, military and civil. The visiting Bishops and several of the American Clergy were also present. After lunch a number of speeches were made in unison with the occasion. The Bishop of QUEDEC and Bishop SOUTH-OATE replied to the very handsome terms in which the Bishop of FREDERICTON alluded to the presence of his Rt. Rev. Brethren and the other Clergy from abroad, and which drew from all present, the heartiest signs of concurrence and approbation. The Lieutenant Governor, the Master of the Rolls, and other Laymen also spoke. And most gratifying it was to witness the great good feeling which pervaded the company, and the hearty manifestations which were exhibited of high respect for their Diocesan, and to listen to the strong testimony which was borne to his arduous, self-denying, and successful labors, and to his

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