

public expression of your wants and wishes"—they cannot speak out in these Colonies, but they will speak through their friends *at home*—and their testimony is most valuable aid, for all will be done to oppose our prayer which absolutism and selfishness can devise.

Although my remarks are addressed more particularly to my Fellow Countrymen and British Subjects, yet many of them are equally applicable to all others amongst us, whether home-born or stranger.

The Reforms I would ask, and the legislation we demand, will benefit you, as much as the subjects of Great Britain.

This assertion hardly requires proof. Less oppressive taxes would benefit you as much as it would us, for we are equally misruled; and rapid public improvements would add to your wealth and comfort; objects for which you have come to this country as well as ourselves.

In the event of a "Responsible Government" being elected, you would know how to act with commercial foresight, and on the ordinary principles of taxation: which you cannot do at present.

Under a truer example of British rule and British Institutions, many of you, we hope, would take up here your permanent abode, and be counted in British Columbia as you are in other Colonies of our Empire, upholders of law and order, mutual improvers of a great country—united once more in our sympathies and in our allegiance, to our adopted country and our Fatherland.

That "one and all" of those whom I address, will weigh what I have said carefully, and if they think fit adopt my suggestion speedily and determinately, is the earnest request and hope of

ONE OF THEMSELVES.