

courageous, are fully appreciated in the highest quarters. We believe, therefore, that we may prepare the public mind for something like a royal progress in Canada in the good year 1859.

ROYAL VISIT TO CANADA.

(From the Morning Post.)

The mail which sails to Canada to-day will convey to the people of the Province the disagreeable intelligence that Her Majesty "is under the necessity of declining the request that his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, or some other member of the royal family, should proceed to Canada with the view of opening the Crystal Palace at Toronto." Her Majesty, however, is understood to have expressed her high appreciation of the loyalty which dictated the wishes of the petitioners, and a hope that the proposed exhibition "will produce important results to Canada." Sir Bulwer Lytton, in the performance of his duty as Colonial Secretary, has managed with the pen of a graceful and accomplished writer, to embody Her Majesty's refusal in terms which, it may be hoped, will sensibly mitigate the disappointment which the receipt of such a communication is sure to create among a people whose devotion to their sovereign is as intense as it is universal. We now dismiss this subject, merely adding that the gentleman who was the bearer of the petition to this country, Mr. Norris, discharged his delicate mission with great good taste and judgment; and also our hope that on some future and perhaps more convenient occasion, not only the Prince of Wales, but Her Majesty "the Queen of Canada," may herself condescend to pay a visit to the most magnificent dependency of her vast colonial empire.

A QUEEN; IF NOT,—A PRINCE!

(From the South London Journal.)

Within these few weeks the Americans—both Canadians and Statesmen—have been hankering after the sight of a crowned head. The New York journals are decidedly of opinion that the time is favorable for this novel flight of Royalty. The Queen should go to Canada, they think. "Let her come by all means," says the *Herald*, "and visit her Republican cousins too; she would get such a reception in New York just now as never greeted monarch in the world before." We have not a doubt of our contemporary's sincerity, or of the accuracy of his estimate of American feeling. Canada, however, as is but natural, has outstripped