

turn Your Excellency our humble thanks for your Speech at the opening of this Session.

It is with no common degree of satisfaction, that we receive from Your Excellency, such unequivocal testimony of the voluntary exertions of all ranks of people, to second Your Excellency in the execution of those precautionary measures which you had in your wisdom adopted, for the defence of the Province, and its preservation from menaced invasion; and we perform a pleasing duty, in expressing our sincere gratitude for the indefatigable zeal, and constant personal attention to those important objects, uniformly displayed by Your Excellency.

We feel it incumbent upon us to state to Your Excellency, that not only that part of His Majesty's Subjects who have been placed in your immediate view, but the entire population of the Country, are devoted to the cause, and will cheerfully make every sacrifice which the safety of their Country and its future happiness may require, at this truly important and critical conjuncture, thereby assuring to themselves a superior claim to the confidence and affection of their beloved Sovereign.

Considering the limited resources placed in the hands of Your Excellency, at the commencement of the almost unexpected, and entirely unprovoked war, declared by the Government of the United-States of America, against His Majesty, and the contemptuous language, and inconsiderate threats, which accompanied and followed that declaration, although we were conscious that such could not fail to arouse the hereditary spirit of the country, we have great reason to rejoice that the campaign has terminated without the effusion of blood, without loss of territory, and without interruption to the most important habits of peace by a recourse to Martial Law. To the energetic yet mild and conciliating measures of Your Excellency, to the devotion of His Majesty's Canadian Subjects, and to the rightful cause of a beloved Sovereign, we ascribe that happy and honorable termination.

We offer to the Supreme Ruler of the Universe, our humble and most fervent acknowledgements for the complete discomfiture of the plans of the enemy for the conquest of *Upper-Canada*, by the capture of
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