

Royal Highness as for your august Father and our beloved Queen; and the consideration and condescension manifested in this visit cannot but increase the fervency of our prayers for all who have so graciously devised and carried it into effect.

NEWFOUNDLAND—*Roman Catholic Clergy of St. John's.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR ROYAL HIGHNESS,

WE, the Roman Catholic Clergy of St. John's, beg to congratulate your Royal Highness on your visit to Newfoundland, the most ancient portion of the British American Empire. Always attached to the Rulers whom God has placed over them, the Catholic Clergy have everywhere been the true friends and firm supporters of law, legitimacy, and order. Even our scanty annals afford a striking proof of this, and the loyalty of the first Catholic Bishop of Newfoundland contributed in a great measure to save this most valuable dependency of the British Crown. Whenever it shall please the Almighty to call your Royal Highness to the Throne of your Ancestors, you will find no more faithful subjects than those directed by the Catholic Clergy, who have ever and always taught their flocks to "fear God and honour the King." The experience which your Royal Highness will acquire by your personal visitation of your American Provinces, and the bright example of Her Majesty your Royal Parent, whose virtues adorn the Throne, augur a happy future for this most important portion of the Empire. We, therefore, Her Majesty's most loyal subjects, and your Royal Highness's most devoted servants, beg to offer to your Royal Highness on this auspicious occasion our most sincere congratulations, and our ardent prayers for your welfare.