

has been shown to the ministers, who think it the ablest *exposé* on those heads that has been transmitted to them." Lord Howick tells us he hopes this clever letter would be shown to Lord Glenelg, to Lord Melbourne and to the king. Mr. Elliott disposes of the opinion prevalent in some quarters to this day; that the insurrection in Lower Canada in 1837 was a mere question of race, French *versus* English; whereas, far from being a mere rising confined to the French element, it had had for its most strenuous leaders and organizers, men of quite another race than the French; such as Drs. Wolfred Nelson, Robert Nelson; Scott, Tracy, T. S. Brown, O'Callaghan, Girard, Hindelang, Samuel Newcome, ¹ B. Mott. The intolerable abuses of the period, the oppressive colonial misrule of the oligarchy, so unsparingly criticised by Lord Durham, such are the primary causes of discontent.

MR. ELLIOTT'S LETTER.

"Quebec, 24th Oct., 1835.

"MY DEAR TAYLOR,—People have been accustomed in England to hear of only two parties in Canada, the English and the French, but there are in fact three parties, the official,

(1) Samuel Newcome and Bery Mott formed part of the fifty-eight prisoners transported in 1839 to New South Wales, and who returned after spending five years and four months in exile.