

and Portuguese Forces under the command of the Marquis of Wellington, in the victories of Vittoria and of the Pyrenees, and in the fall of St. Sebastian, we recognize with Your Excellency, actions which have rivalled those of any former period, and just subjects of congratulation.

We acknowledge with Your Excellency, our abundant cause for gratitude to the Supreme Giver of all Good, for the termination of the late Campaign upon our own shores, in a manner so glorious to the British Arms, and so disastrous to those of the Enemy. The memorable defeat sustained by him on the Chateauguay, so highly honorable to the Canadian Name, and the brilliant Victory obtained by the small Corps of Observation, on the Banks of the St. Lawrence, over the formidable Armament under General Wilkinson, while they added unfading lustre to His Majesty's Arms, effectually disconcerted the plans of the Enemy for the Invasion of the Province. The late gallant achievements of His Majesty's Forces, by which the Enemy has been compelled to abandon the principal footing he had gained by the events of last Summer in Upper Canada, with the capture of his strongest Forts, Niagara, by assault, and of the important Posts of Black Rock and Buffalo, which have been wrested from him by British valour and enterprise, and the war thus transferred to his own territory, we view with Your Excellency, as matters of further and sincere congratulation.

We receive with pride and satisfaction your Excellency's approbation of the conduct of the Militia, and of all classes of His Majesty's Subjects in this Province, which cannot fail to animate them more and more in the zealous discharge of that sacred duty which they owe to their beloved Sovereign, the defence of this valuable portion of his Dominions, to the last extremity.

We perfectly concur in opinion with your Excellency, that, notwithstanding the present favourable aspect of our affairs, we must still be prepared to meet with firmness, and repel with vigour, whatever measures the presumption of the Enemy may dictate, for the accomplishment of his avowed object; and your Excellency may be assured of our zealous co-operation in every measure which may tend to the support of His Majesty's Government, and to the vigorous defence of this Province.

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