

nation on so important a subject? Might not a national convention be legally called for this great purpose? The answer to this question I hereby leave to those superior intelligent minds I have above alluded to. If they believe as I do in the load of misery which the effecting the purpose of this work would remove, if they believe in the vast manufacturing and commercial advantages it would produce, and further if they believe, as I do, in the energy and patriotism it would excite in all ranks of the people, I have no doubt of the sanction of those great intelligent and powerful minds, nor of their conviction that the glory of England would be raised by this national movement to a higher pitch than even she has yet attained.

I have now only to present the work to the world, as possibly the last I shall produce. I have freely given my thoughts on what measures I conceive were best to promote the welfare of the colonies and that of the parent state, and I leave it to a candid public to decide on its merits. Respecting this country of my birth, British North America, I believe that if the national debt of Great Britain were paid off it would produce a great rise in the value of their lands and the rapid advancement of these colonies. And feeling, as I do, a deep and earnest wish for their true happiness and welfare, I now conclude with imploring their legislatures to uphold and encourage by effective laws and