

Canada Corn and Flour.

No. 1.

COPIES of all Memorials, Petitions, or Remonstrances from the Legislature of Upper and Lower Canada, in the Years 1824 or 1825, on the Subject of the existing Corn Laws.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY,

WE, Your Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Legislative Council of Lower Canada in Provincial Parliament assembled, again most humbly approach Your Majesty upon the Subject of the Operation of the Corn Laws, as they respect the Provinces of Canada, to entreat Your Majesty's gracious Consideration of the peculiar Circumstances which make them inapplicable to these Provinces.

Being excluded from Intercourse by Sea for Half the Year, and considering that during the Season of Navigation the Time lost before the Opening of the Ports to Importation can be known in Canada, with that expended in preparation for Shipments of Grain afterwards, the Benefit thereby intended to the Colonies is rendered quite inefficacious as to its Object.

The unjustifiable Practices which have been used respecting the Averages that regulate the Importation of Corn, in order to establish a fictitious Value, sometimes upon one Side and sometimes on the other, we humbly trust will point out the Necessity of an Alteration of System to prevent fraudulent Fluctuations, and to remedy the Extremes consequent upon locking up imported Grain in Bond, until it attains a high Price.

When the Corn Laws shall come under Parliamentary Consideration, we humbly but confidently hope, that Grain and Flour, the Production of Your Majesty's North American Colonies, may at all Times be made admissible for British Consumption, Duty-free, or under a very moderate Rate thereof.

The Claims of Your Majesty's North American Subjects to Favor rest upon their experienced Loyalty and Attachment to Your Majesty's Person and Government, the Peculiarity of their local Situation, the Fact that all their Productions, sold or used in the United Kingdom are paid for in British Manufactures, and the Certainty that the Quantity of Grain and Flour, the Production of the Provinces of Canada, exported therefrom, could not influence the Prices in the Mother Country, to any injurious Extent.

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