

Accept my thanks for your kind wishes for myself and family.

*To His Excellency SIR JOHN COLBORNE, Knight,  
Commander of the Most Honorable Military  
Order of the Bath, Lieutenant Governor of  
the Province of Upper Canada, Major General  
Commanding His Majesty's Forces therein,  
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MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

We, the undersigned inhabitants of Cobourg and its vicinity, beg leave to offer to your Excellency, on an occasion which, we regret, may be the last on which we shall have the gratification of addressing you in your public capacity, the most unfeigned assurances of our esteem and attachment. The arduous administration of the Government of this Province, which your Excellency has now held for nearly eight years, and which you have regarded in the highest degree paternal, we are aware is about to close. Your Excellency came amongst us with the most flattering testimonies from the subjects of your previous Government ; and you cannot but feel the consolation of bearing away with you the kindest feelings of regard and affection from those who have experienced your anxious and unwearied care in this.

For the solicitude your Excellency has evinced in devising every means and forwarding every undertaking for the improvement of this Province, in which solicitude the District of Newcastle has particularly