

must follow its establishment in Europe. And we have many causes of joy which we should not have known but for the war. We have gained a name among our fellow subjects, which will be for ever precious. We have shewn, that the same spirit animates the children of the Loyalists, which inspired their fathers to put down treason and rebellion ; and to stand up for the unity of the empire. We have given many proofs of our loyalty and affection for our gracious Sovereign ; reverence for our laws and constitution ; and devotion for our country. The toils and dangers which we have surmounted ; the fortitude and intrepidity which we have exhibited ; will be lasting sources of congratulation. It will rejoice us to have contributed to the safety of the province ; to be able to say, when we behold our neighbours flourishing around us, I have assisted in promoting this happiness. Nor will the recollection of the proofs of our mutual affection be a small source of joy. It is in the day of calamity that the virtues live. We have conferred many benefits upon each other which ought never to be forgotten. How many indications of a feeling heart ; how many labors of love ! how many convincing proofs of honorable principle, would have been lost, had not this war happened ! How glad have we frequently been, during its progress, of each others aid and countenance. How much have we been convinced of our mutual dependence ? Let such recollections stir up our hearts this day, that brotherly kindness, so strongly recommended in the gospel,