

the Court House, Montreal, the Synod of the Diocese attended for the purpose of presenting an address to His Royal Highness. It was read by the Lord Bishop.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR ROYAL HIGHNESS,—

We, the Bishop, Clergy and Laity of the United Church of England and Ireland, in the Diocese of Montreal, in Synod assembled, beg respectfully to assure Your Royal Highness of our sincere attachment to the person, respect for the character, and devotion to the Crown and Authority of Your Royal Mother—our beloved Sovereign. As her Majesty's Representative and heir apparent to the throne, we feel it a high privilege to welcome your arrival amongst us. That at the same time we wish to testify our respect for Your Royal Highness' own character and person, and to express our confidence that the anxious care of your Royal Parents in preparing you for that exalted station which you yourself hereafter—we trust at some very distant day—may expect to be called on to fill, has not been without the most satisfactory results. And in that course of preparation, to have seen with your own eyes these magnificent trans-atlantic possessions of the Crown of England, and to have become personally acquainted in their own countries with many of their inhabitants, will have been no unimportant events. For ourselves, as a Church, we neither occupy the same position as our brethren at home, in relation to the State, nor can we be named in comparison with them, for our numbers or our wealth; but we still feel we are members of the same body; we teach the same truths; we offer up the same petitions in behalf of the Queen and all that are in authority under her; and ever pray for Your Royal Highness, that Almighty God will be pleased to endue you with His Holy Spirit, enrich you with His Heavenly Grace, prosper you with all happiness, and bring you to His everlasting Kingdom, for Jesus Christ's sake.

The following is the reply of His Royal Highness:—

GENTLEMEN,—I thank you from my heart for this address presented by your Bishop on behalf of the Synod of the Diocese of Montreal, which has been so lately constituted the Metropolitan See of the Province of Canada.

It is most agreeable to my feelings to receive such proofs of welcome to myself, and of loyalty to the Queen, from members of a Church to which it is my happiness to belong; but it would be most unjust if I were to forget, that, since my arrival in this country, the professors of every creed have given ample assurance that all join in one common sentiment of devotion to the Crown of England, and that all co-operate in the one great duty of enforcing obedience, not only to heavenly laws, but to those of earthly origin.

I shall never cease to rejoice that I have been enabled to visit this distant portion of the Empire, and to have become acquainted with a people of which I shall carry back with me the most pleasing recollections.

I trust that, on your part, the prayers of which you remind me, will