

nity of acquiring the necessary information. This tract is intended to supply, in some degree, this deficiency, and it is hoped that it will enable them, in future, to judge more correctly of our sovereign, because it presents his true likeness.

I am also flattered with the hope that my pamphlet, if carefully read, will assist in quieting the minds of my fellow subjects, and dissipate murmurs and discontent by proving them totally unfounded. Our aged sovereign stands at the head of a constitution which requires only to be known to be beloved; its different parts are so harmoniously combined and incorporated as to produce the greatest possible good; for it not only insures the most extensive civil liberty to every individual, but preserves all the other properties of a good government, dispatch, secrecy, energy, wisdom and union.

If any suppose that I have spoken too harshly of the American Government, I have no apology to offer. It is obvious that I have chiefly in view the dominant faction, among the people in general, there are many individuals of high respectability and moral worth; religious, humane, hospitable and friendly, men who are an honor to human nature. I know several of this exalted character, but the reputation of the nation is sinking.

I have added a number of notes, some of which will be found interesting.

Cornwall, Upper Canada, 17 May, 1810.

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