

and that once interested, your own vigorous understanding, and acute perception, will enable you to master the subject. There are other topics, which, at fitting occasions, I may take the liberty to press upon your Lordship's notice ; but in the meantime beg you to believe, that, however crude my views may appear, or homely the style in which they are expressed, I have but two motives : a sincere desire to see your Lordship a successful Minister, and North America indissolubly incorporated with the British Empire.

My father left the old Colonies, at the Revolution, that he might live and die under the British flag. I wish to live and die under it too ; but I desire to see its ample folds waving above a race worthy of the old banner, and of the spirit which has ever upheld it. I know North America well ; and I am assured, that, while a feeling of confiding loyalty is very general, there is as universal a determination to rest satisfied with no inferiority of social or political condition. We must be Britons in every inspiring sense of the word : hence my anxiety to anticipate every generous aspiration—and to prepare the way for that full fruition of Imperial privileges, which I trust will leave to my Countrymen nothing to complain of and nothing to desire. Should your Lordship, to whom, as a Colonist, I feel we are largely indebted, adopt my views, I shall be amply repaid—should you reprove my boldness, or question my sagacity, it will not lessen the sincerity with which I subscribe myself,

With much respect,

Your Lordship's obedient,

And very humble servant,

JOSEPH HOWE.

NOVA-SCOTIA, October, 1846.