

Dedication.



To the Leaders of the forthcoming Party of Order

I dedicate these pages,

Because I feel that the Province is at the winning or the losing,

And that we shall hereafter have to hail you

As the honoured instruments of

Our Political and Industrial salvation.

IN MR. BUCHANAN'S LETTER TO THE EDITOR OF THE *Globe*, ASSURING HIM PUBLICLY (OF WHAT HE ALREADY, NO DOUBT, WELL KNEW,) THAT MR. BUCHANAN AND ALL HIS FRIENDS, AS IN THE PAST, SO IN THE FUTURE, WOULD BE FOUND OPPONENTS TO THE DEATH OF ANNEXATION, AND NOT ITS FRIENDS, AS THAT JOURNAL BASELY INSINUATED, HE STATES THAT HE IS OF NO PARTY, THOUGH RELUCTANTLY COMPELLED TO BE IN OPPOSITION TO THE PRESENT MINISTRY IN CONSEQUENCE OF THEIR ACTS, EXECUTIVE AS WELL AS LEGISLATIVE; BUT THAT HE IS OF A CLASS FAR MORE NUMEROUS THAN THE "THICK AND THIN" ADHERENTS OF EITHER OF THE PRESENT *soi-disant* PARTIES. THOSE ALLUDED TO BY MR. BUCHANAN WILL COMPOSE A NEW PARTY—THE PARTY OF ORDER, WHICH WILL PROBABLY BE CALLED THE "CONSTITUTIONAL PARTY"—ITS PLATFORM BEING BROAD ENOUGH TO HOLD ALL WHO VALUE AND RESPECT THE TIME-HONORED CONSTITUTION, WHETHER THEY BE ORIGINALLY REFORMERS OR CONSERVATIVES IN NAME. THE NEW PARTY OF ORDER WILL COMPRISE THREE ELEMENTS:—

First, Conservative Liberals, or old Reformers, who have been taught by experience, and are willing now to adopt the word "Conservative," at least in its adjective sense.

Secondly, Liberal Conservatives, or old Tories, or their descendants, who have also been taught by experience, and are now willing to adopt the word "Liberal," at least in its adjective sense.

Thirdly, Conservatives, and Conservative Liberals, who have unwittingly been mingled up with the intending party, composed of Clear Gills and Ponges.

AND THAT IN YOUR DISCUSSIONS ON THE GREAT QUESTION OF THE RECIPROCITY LAW, NOW ABOUT TO AGITATE BOTH CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES, THESE PAGES MAY BE OF SOME SERVICE, IS THE FOND HOPE OF

YOUR OBEDIENT HUMBLE SERVANT,

THE EDITOR.

MONTREAL, 13TH FEBRUARY, 1864.