

MR. MAYOR AND GENTLEMEN,

I THANK you warmly for this Address, for the expressions of your Loyalty and Devotion to The Queen, and for the kind sentiments to myself, which characterize this farewell from your important Town, on the eve of my departure for a short time from my Native Land.

You may well look back with pride to the fact that so many eminent Colonists have embarked on their great Mission from your shores. It shall not be my fault if I fail to convey to our Brethren across the Atlantic the feelings entertained by The Queen and People of England for the Descendants of those Men and for the Countries which they founded.

I go to the great Possessions of The Queen in North America with a lively anticipation of the pleasure which the sight of a Noble Land, great works of Nature and of human skill, and a generous and active People must produce, and I shall endeavour to bring home with me such information as may, in the future, be of use to me in all my associations with my countrymen.

Again I thank you for your good wishes for my safe voyage and happy return.