

rienced the most unequivocal marks of their confidence and respect. Subjects of popular declamation have not been wanting to put your principles and conduct upon trial, in which you observed that happy medium, that neither compromised the dignity of your situation, nor militated against the rights of the people. This may happen again to others, because the same uprightness of conduct and the same discretion, will, among a people so well disposed as the inhabitants of this Province, produce a similar result. But Sir, it would be unreasonable to hope for a recurrence of the disinterested zeal, the unwearied anxiety, and the paternal interest you manifested on subjects not connected with the mere official routine of your duties. You have ever considered the welfare of the Province as paramount to your own personal ease and comfort; and the number of public works, promoted and patronised, and in many instances suggested by yourself; the increased punctuality in the collection, and economy in the expenditure of the Revenue; the total change in the state of the great roads, and the activity inspired into all the subordinate officers of Government, bespeak the solicitude with which you regarded the prosperity of the Country committed to your charge. In taking a retrospect of that portion of your life spent in Nova-Scotia, you have the gratification to know that you left it tranquil and prosperous, and, that at the period of your quitting it for a higher station, there was not an individual in it either personally or politically opposed to you. I am aware that dedications are in general mere adulatory addresses, that reflect but little honor either upon the Author or