

"To His Excellency Major General Sir Archibald Campbell, Baronet, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honorable Military Order of the Bath, Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief of the Province of New Brunswick, &c. &c. &c."

"THE HUMBLE ADDRESS OF HIS MAJESTY'S COUNCIL IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

"**W**E beg leave to return our thanks to Your Excellency for your Speech at the opening of the present Session.

"We are duly sensible of Your Excellency's regard to the general convenience and the interests of the public service, in the time at which you have now convened the General Assembly.

"We sincerely participate in Your Excellency's congratulations upon the prosperous and improving state of the agriculture of the Province; and we are deeply impressed with the importance of encouraging this great and permanent branch of industry, which, in a young country especially, is peculiarly entitled to the constant attention of a wise and watchful Legislature.

"We have also much satisfaction in reflecting that the Trade and Fisheries of the Province are, upon the whole, in a thriving condition. We are well aware of the many natural advantages which this Province presents for the prosecution of mercantile pursuits; we therefore consider that the promotion of commerce should be one of the leading objects of our Provincial policy, and we shall gladly hail the time, when all the resources of the country shall be brought into full and active operation.

"We offer to Your Excellency our best thanks for the prompt and judicious measures which Your Excellency pursued, in relation to the late disturbance in the Madawaska Settlement. The attempt to set up a Foreign Government within the jurisdiction of the Province, was frustrated by calling into operation the ordinary process of the law; and the subsequent exercise of the Royal Prerogative in favor of the convicted offenders, while it can admit of no misconstruction under the circumstances which induced it, afforded an opportunity for shewing to the people of the United States the cordial disposition which exists in the King's authorities here, to cultivate those feelings of amity and good neighbourhood which it is equally the interest of both nations, and the obvious desire of their governments, to maintain.

"We have ever been sensible of the vital importance of good lines of communication between the several parts of the country, to its growth and progress in wealth and population. We feel, therefore, great satisfaction in perceiving the zealous concern which Your Excellency appears to entertain for the improvement of the roads. We think that there is no object more worthy of the anxious and unwearied attention of the Legislature, than the establishment of a wise and well organized system for the expenditure of the large sums which are annually devoted from the Province Treasury to this most interesting object.

"The construction of a good towing path along the banks of the Saint John, in order to facilitate the growing intercourse between Fredericton and the upper Country, we also deem to be an object well deserving immediate consideration.

"It cannot be doubted that an increase of population is, above all things, wanted
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