

this province; in whose presence, although much might be said, it would ill become them to pay those compliments which his character and conduct in the country so richly merited. The toast, therefore, which he should propose was the health of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, Sir Francis Burton, with three times three.

This toast was received with the most unbounded applause, and was drank with enthusiastic and rapturous satisfaction by every one present.

His Excellency, in returning thanks, expressed his high satisfaction at the kind and generous reception which he had met with on this occasion, from the citizens of Montreal; and in an eloquent speech, of which we are not able even to give an outline, expatiated at great length on the pleasure which he felt at thus meeting so respectable and distinguished a body of His Majesty's subjects.

Several other appropriate toasts were given, and a variety of excellent songs sung during the evening, which added much to its harmony and conviviality. Indeed, nothing could exceed the cordiality and general cheerfulness which reigned throughout the whole entertainment. His Excellency did not retire till towards midnight, when he proceeded to the Government House, highly gratified with the hospitality which he had met with. The dinner on this occasion was not only excellent, but splendid; the wines were good, and every thing was conducted with that taste and order for which the Mansion House is on all occasions so much distinguished.

At Eleven o'Clock, the same evening, His Excellency SIR PEREGRINE MAITLAND, and Suite, arrived at the Mansion House from Upper Canada, but unfortunately too late to join the convivial party. In the morning His Excellency breakfasted with Sir Francis Burton, at the Government House, whom he afterwards accompanied to Quebec, in the *Swiftsure* Steamboat. Sir Peregrine is accompanied by Lord Arthur Lenox, Mr. Maitland, Colonels Forster, Lightfoot, Coffin, and Talbot; with the Honourable E. G. Stanley, grandson of Earl Derby, M. P. for

Stockbridge; John E. Denison, Esq. M. P. for Newcastle upon Tyne; and James S. Wortley, Esq. M. P. for Bossing, in Cornwall. The three latter gentlemen are now upon a tour in this country from England; and we are happy to learn, that they have expressed themselves as being highly gratified with all that they have hitherto seen in Canada.

September 18.

From personal information we are happy to be able to state, that the three honourable and highly respectable Members of the Imperial Parliament, who are now travelling in this country, express themselves highly delighted and gratified with every thing that they have hitherto seen in a quarter of the British Empire which they declare as more susceptible of every species of improvement than any other country which they have visited. We hope that the visit of men of such birth and education will be of lasting benefit to Canada; and that the store of information which they must necessarily carry along with them into the bosom of their country, and the enlightened society in which they mingle, will be the means of rendering Canada still more than it is even at present, the object of research and investigation to the Statesman and the Philosopher.

September 25.

On Thursday last the Montreal September Fair was held on the Plains of St. Anne, and was tolerably well attended, though not so much so as could be wished for institutions that are so much calculated to benefit agriculture, and promote the various rural improvements of the country. A considerable number of black Cattle and Horses were exhibited; and we understand that several were sold at pretty fair prices.

October 2.

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From various considerations connected with the existing circumstances and future prospects of the Canadas, we are of opinion that the Canadian Land