

freedom which conviviality inspires, besought his majesty to go and be made free of the clothworkers; James assented, and the lord mayor accordingly conducted him to the company's hall, in Mincing Lane. His majesty was received by the master, wardens, and assistants, to whom he addressed himself in the most gracious manner. He asked "who was the master of the company?" The lord mayor presented "Sir William Stone." "Sir William," said the king, "wilt thou make me free of the clothworkers?" "Yes," replied the master, "and think myself a happy man that

I live to see the day." "Give me thy hand, then," said James, "and now I am a clothworker." His majesty then called for bread and wine, which being presented to him by the Earls of Shrewsbury and Cumberland, freemen of the company, he rose up and said, "Now I drink unto all my good brethren, the clothworkers. And I pray God to bless them all, and all good clothworkers. And for proof of our special favour to the fraternity, I do here give unto this company, two brace of bucks yearly, for ever, against the time of the election of the master and wardens."

MONTHLY SUMMARY.

THE beginning of the past month was distinguished by rejoicings in various parts of Canada on account of the birth of the Princess Royal. A public meeting was held in the City Hall, Toronto, on the 8th of January, for the purpose of adopting an Address of congratulation to Her Majesty. His Worship the Mayor presided at the meeting, and Dr. Telfer was Secretary. On motion of H. J. Boulton, Esq., seconded by T. F. Billings, Esq., the following Address was unanimously adopted.

TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN:

We, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the citizens of Toronto, humbly beg leave to approach your Majesty, with sentiments of the most affectionate regard and dutiful attachment to your Royal Person, upon the auspicious event which has filled the hearts of all your subjects with joy and gladness, and to offer our warmest congratulations to your Majesty and your August Consort, that through the blessing of Divine Providence, a Princess Royal has been born to England, to share with your Majesty the love and affection of a devoted and loyal people.

Deeply impressed with the conviction that the peace, tranquillity, and contentment of your subjects, throughout the vast empire over which your Majesty reigns, are closely interwoven with the life and safety of a beloved Sovereign, whose sceptre extends its just and equal sway to the most remote dependency of Her Imperial Crown, we cannot but feel the liveliest gratitude to Him by whom kings

reign and princes decree justice, that in the multitude of His mercies He has preserved your sacred person in the midst of peril, as a continued pledge of those blessings we have hitherto enjoyed, under your beneficent rule.

Your Majesty is the first Queen in the long line of illustrious Princes, whose glory is stamped upon every page of English History, who has given that pledge to Her people which we so joyfully recognize in the person of your illustrious daughter, and we fervently pray, that as we regard with pride the valiant exploits of your illustrious progenitors in deeds of arms, which have excited the admiration of by-gone ages, so may the memory of your Majesty and your beloved daughter in after times live no less in the recollection of those softer graces and milder virtues which shed a lustre around your Royal Presence, than in the glory and prosperity, which the wisdom of your Councils shall have secured to a grateful country.

It was then resolved—that His Worship the Mayor do sign the address on behalf of the Meeting, and wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to transmit the same to Her Majesty's principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, to be by him laid at the foot of the Throne.

A public meeting was also held in the city of Montreal on the 4th of January, the Hon. Peter McGill, Mayor of the city, in the chair. Several resolutions were passed as the basis of the following addresses to Her Majesty, and His Royal Highness Prince Albert, which were unanimously adopted.