

DEDICATED

TO HIS EXCELLENCY, LORD MINTO,

Governor General of Canada.

Your Excellency :

WHEN I took the liberty of requesting Your Excellency's permission to dedicate to you my book, I was already aware of the deep interest Your Excellency felt towards Canadians.

In fact, on the occasion of Your Excellency's return to this country, while referring to one of your charming daughters, born in this Dominion, you remarked : « She is a Canadian that I am happy to bring back to you. »

Hence it is, Your Excellency, that I desired to place this work — entitled « *Le livre d'or des Contingents Canadiens en Afrique,* » under your distinguished auspices, convinced, as I am, that the Canadians will be proud and happy to conserve one of the brightest pages of their history under Your Excellency's high and distinguished patronage.

May Your Excellency accept the humble expression of the sincere gratitude

Of Your Excellency's

Obedient and respectful servant,

GASTON P. LABAT.