

Your head;—and that at length You may inherit immortal glory, are, and shall be, our earnest prayers.

Signed at Toronto, this Fifteenth Day of September, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-seven Years;—in Name, in Presence, and by Appointment of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, in connection with the Church of Scotland, by

WALTER ROACH, *Moderator*.

The Address to His Excellency the Governor General was signed by the Moderator, in presence of the Synod; and it was ordered to be presented by the Ministers of Montreal, and such other Members of the Church as they can conveniently associate with them. The Address is as follows:—

*To His Excellency the Right Honourable, JAMES, EARL OF ELGIN AND KINCARDINE, Governor General of British North America, &c. &c. &c.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:—

We, the Ministers and Elders of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, in connection with the Church of Scotland, in Synod assembled, embrace this first opportunity of conveying to Your Excellency our congratulations on Your assuming the Government of the British North American Provinces, and our wishes for Your welfare and prosperity.

We rejoice that a Nobleman, who, we have reason to believe, is deeply convinced of the incalculable benefits secured to Scotland by education and religion, has been selected by our Gracious Sovereign to represent Her in this part of Her dominions. From the situation in which we are placed, we have ample opportunities of judging of the intellectual and moral condition of the inhabitants of this Province, and have frequent reason to regret that a country so highly favoured in regard to natural resources should be so greatly deficient in the means of mental and religious cultivation. We confidently hope, that to supply this want will be one great object of Your Excellency's Administration, since nothing is more evident than that the best laws prove ineffectual, unless sustained by the moral feeling and intelligence of the people.

That Almighty God may long spare Your Excellency's life, and direct you by His counsel, and give success to all Your efforts to promote the welfare of the country, is our fervent and constant prayer.

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The Synod called for the Report of the Committee to enquire into the manner in which Church Property is held; but in consequence of the illness of the Convener, no Report was given in. The Synod re-appointed the Committee, with the same instructions as were given to them last year.