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*On the call of Their Excellencies the Governor-General and
Countess of Minto.*

ADDRESS

BY

HIS EXCELLENCY, THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL, THE EARL OF MINTO.

Ladies and Gentlemen,—When I first invited the leading members of the medical profession to meet me here to-day, I did not dare to anticipate anything approaching the influential gathering of distinguished men I now see before me. I am well aware that many of you have travelled great distances at much personal inconvenience, and I can only assure you of my deep appreciation of your support, and of my hope that the expert knowledge you can bring to bear on the subject you have come to discuss, may not only assist to place before the public the immense national importance of the objects we have in view, but will encourage that public to unite in one common effort to defeat the evil which is so surely undermining the health of the people.

It was in September last that during the meeting of the Canadian Medical Association at Ottawa, an Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis was provisionally organized, and the purpose for which I have asked you to assemble to-day, is to establish that association on a permanent basis, and to discuss the measures best calculated to promote the objects of the association.

The pith of those objects is, I think, expressed in the first resolution on the programme for to-day's meeting: "That it is the duty of every government, municipality and individual citizen to adopt organized