

appreciation; and that especially the visits to each of the Provinces and Territories of the Dominion by which His Excellency has familiarised himself with the character of the people and the resources of the country, and the eloquent speeches in which His Excellency has enlarged on those topics, have been attended with the most beneficial results in attracting attention to *Canada*, and that we are highly sensible of the great degree in which literature and art and the industrial pursuits have received encouragement from His Excellency's efforts and liberality; and assuring His Excellency and his distinguished Consort that they will bear with them on leaving us our warmest wishes for their future welfare and happiness; that we rejoice in the conviction that though *Canada* may no longer possess the advantage of His Excellency's experience and knowledge of public affairs in so exclusive a degree as she has enjoyed them in the past, she will continue to have in His Excellency a friend and advocate; and that it is our heartfelt wish that for many years the Empire at large may have the benefit of His Excellency's ripe wisdom, experience and eminent abilities.

*Resolved*, That the said Resolution be referred to a Select Committee composed of Messieurs *Blake*, Sir *John A. Macdonald*, *Holton*, *Laflamme*, *Tupper*, *Smith* (*Westmoreland*), *Langevin*, *Masson* and *Mackenzie*, to prepare the draft of an Address in accordance with the said Resolution, and to report the same to this House forthwith.

Mr. *Mackenzie* reported from the Select Committee appointed to draw up an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, That they had drawn up an Address accordingly, and the same was read as followeth:—

To His Excellency the Right Honorable Sir FREDERIC TEMPLE, Earl of *Dufferin*, Viscount and Baron *Clandeboye* of *Clandeboye*, in the County *Down*, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom, Baron *Dufferin* and *Clandeboye*, of *Ballyleidy* and *Killeleagh*, in the County *Down*, in the Peerage of *Ireland*, and a Baronet, Knight of the Most Illustrious Order of *Saint Patrick*, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of *Saint Michael* and *Saint George*, and Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor General of *Canada*, and Vice-Admiral of the same, etc., etc., etc.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of *Canada*, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to approach Your Excellency with the expression of the deep feeling of regret which we experience at your approaching departure from *Canada*.

We feel it to be a duty to assure Your Excellency that the zealous devotion of your great abilities on all occasions to the public interests is held in high appreciation; and that especially the visits to each of the Provinces and Territories of the Dominion by which Your Excellency has familiarised yourself with the character of the people and the resources of the country, and the eloquent speeches in which Your Excellency has enlarged on those topics have been attended with the most beneficial results in attracting attention to *Canada*.

We are highly sensible of the great degree in which literature and art and the industrial pursuits have received encouragement from Your Excellency's efforts and liberality.

We venture to convey the assurance that Your Excellency and your distinguished Consort will bear with you on leaving us our warmest wishes for your future welfare and happiness; that we rejoice in the conviction that, though *Canada* may no longer possess the advantage of Your Excellency's experience and knowledge of public affairs in so exclusive a degree as she has enjoyed them in the past, this country will continue to have in Your Excellency a friend and advocate; and that it is our heartfelt wish that for many years the Empire at large may have the benefit of Your Excellency's ripe wisdom, experience and eminent abilities.

The said Address, being read a second time, was agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.