

TO THE SIX NATION INDIANS :

It is about forty years since you had a visit from the Representative of the Crown, in the person of General Sir John Colborne (afterwards Field-Marshal, Lord Seaton). Previously, at different periods, Colonel Simcoe (first Governor of Upper Canada), generals Sir Isaac Brock, Sir George Murray, and Sir Perigrine Maitland, visited you—Sir Isaac Brock's visit, in 1812, being memorable by his appeal to you to go on the *war-path*, and co-operate with the King's Troops, to which you nobly responded, and did good and valiant service in defence of our King and Country.

The recent visit, on the 25th of August, by the Governor-General and the Countess of Dufferin, I regarded of so much importance to you, as to suggest, that a record of the event, together with his Excellency's speech, should be published for your information. His Excellency having been pleased to sanction a reprint of such speech, and your Council of Chiefs also concurring, I have compiled the following narrative from the report in the *Globe* and *Mail* newspapers, and from other sources.

The honor conferred upon you, by his Excellency and the Countess, should rouse in you, increased self-respect, and pride in your nationality; and I beg your particular attention, to his Excellency's admirable remarks and advice, and that they may prove a guide to you is the earnest desire of

Your friend,

J. T. GILKISON,

Superintendent.

INDIAN OFFICE, BRANTFORD, }
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