

inheritance bequeathed to us by our fathers. The English-speaking race stands out on the face of the world to-day as a proud monument of the vigour and the virtues which have resulted from the fusion of Norman and Saxon blood.

Those who look back to the historical origin of the greatness which has distinguished the record of near 1,000 years, cannot fail to be filled with feelings of sanguine hopefulness, when they see the same causes at work on the banks of your majestic river. The experience of the past justifies the expectation that history will repeat itself, and that from the happy blend combining the grace and courage of New France with the organizing energy and industrial ability of New England, a new race of Canadians will arise, which will ensure another thousand years of noble life and great achievement.

Gentlemen,—I congratulate you, the citizens of Montreal, on having adopted as the motto of your imperial city the inspiring words, "*Concordia Salus*."

FROM THE MONTREAL BOARD OF TRADE.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

On behalf of the members of the Montreal Board of Trade, we have the honour to extend to you a most cordial greeting on the occasion of your assuming the high office of Governor General of this Dominion, to which you have been appointed by His Majesty the King, and we also thank Your Excellency and the Countess Grey for honouring us with your presence at this reception, to which we most heartily welcome Your Excellencies and the members of your family.

The charter of this Board, granted in 1842 by Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, of revered and beloved memory, declares that the object of its organization is the promotion of such measures as are calculated to advance and render prosperous the lawful trade and commerce of the Province of Quebec, and of the City of Montreal more particularly, and the records of the Board show how well and earnestly it has laboured to that end.