The gracious answer to this memorial is contained in the following despatches:

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OTTAWA, 16TH JULY, 1880.

SIR,—I am desired by His Excellency the Governor-General to forward to you the accompanying copy of a despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, from which you will learn that Her Majesty has been pleased to confer upon the Canadian Academy the name and title of "ROYAL CANADIAN ACADEMY OF ARTS."

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient humble servant

JOHN KIDD,

For the Governor-General, Secretary.

L. R. O'BRIEN, Esq., 27 Grenville Street, Toronto,

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DOWNING STREET, 22ND JUNE, 1880.

My Lord,—I have the honor to inform you that I duly received your despatch No. 133, of the 11th May, and that I have laid before the Queen the memorial address to you by the President of the Canadian Academy of Arts, praying that Her Majesty would be pleased to confer upon the Academy the name and title of "ROYAL CANADIAN ACADEMY OF ARTS." I have now to acquaint you that the Queen has graciously approved that the prayer of the memorial be acceded to, and I request that you will communicate to the President of the Academy this notification of Her Majesty's pleasure.

I have, &c.,

KIMBERLEY.

GOV.-GEN'L THE RIGHT HON. THE MARQUIS OF LORNE, K.T., K.C.M.G.