

worship, the God of our Fathers, has visited and blessed us with many tokens of his favour, and it is but the part of filial dependence and gratitude to acknowledge our indebtedness, by acquitting ourselves in every way most likely to glorify his name, and promote the well-being of our fellow-citizens. This is the birth-place and home of our children, and for their sakes we should feel the importance of such an exemplary discharge of all life's duties, as they may have pleasure and profit in imitating. In the mingling of nationalities and the diversity of creeds, by which the present state of this country is singularly characterized, there is room for the exercise of a respectful Christian forbearance, but such is the degree of amity that prevails, that there is nothing to shake, but much to warrant, the expectation of speedy and enduring results for the public good, from the maintainance on the part of individuals of all that is best in human character. Whatever be the direction and way in which these varied circumstances open out to us the path of duty, let us follow the course which, with the approval of our consciences, they indicate to be the worthiest; let us do so with a temperate and prudent zeal for all the interests involved, social, moral, civil, and religious; and so, it shall be seen by the generations which are to come, that Scotchmen have not lived in Canada in vain, but that they have wisely co-operated with other nationalities in shaping and forwarding the progress of Provincial prosperity.

Finally, if your love of country especially prompts you to be interested in the welfare of your countrymen, let me remind you that from year to year many of these land upon our shores but poorly qualified for the difficulties and hardships of the settler's life. It is a good and blessed work to direct and assist them in their laudable project of self-improvement, to send them rejoicing on their way to the place of their destination in the vast interior, and thus be the means of causing them to feel that they are not thrown altogether among strangers, but that the sympathy of their countrymen is ready to extend to them an encouraging

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