

and early Christians.

Lastly, it is admitted that the subject of these remarks is one on which Christian people may conscientiously differ; but let none think that it is indifferent or unimportant. It is one of those small things which have large and important issues for good or evil to the souls of men; especially in these days of Rome-ward and ritualistic tendencies. Let every one be fully persuaded in his own mind, and let no one be deterred by unworthy motives or by mere expediency from taking his stand on the side of adherence to the truth, even in the smallest matters, while retaining all charity and consideration for those who may differ. Farther, let no worldly or careless man excuse himself for rejecting Christ because of these little follies on the part of pressed Christians. In no word or deed did the blessed Saviour who died for us countenance any ritualisms or mechanical aids to devotion, or ask from us anything less or more than the devotion of the heart and life to God. Jesus Christ is as little responsible for the praising machines of our churches as for the praying machines of Thibet

your appointment to the Governor-Generalship of this great and important Dominion; and we now beg to tender to you and your royal consort a hearty welcome to our shores. We feel deeply sensible of the high honor conferred upon us—the subjects of our beloved Sovereign throughout these colonies by the appointment, as Her Majesty's representative, of one of so closely connected with the Royal family by marriage, and whose virtues are so universally known; and we are fully convinced that the ties which have so closely bound these colonies to the Mother Country, under the genial sway of your noble predecessor, will, if possible, be still more closely drawn under what, we fondly trust, will prove to be the wise and useful administration of your Excellency.

We, in common with our fellow-subjects also hail with every demonstration of joy and delight the arrival amongst us of your gracious and royal lady, who by her many graces and accomplishments and her unwearied efforts in the cause of philanthropy has endeared herself to all classes in the old country, feeling assured that she will equally endear herself to all with whom she may come in contact in this the land of her temporary sojourn.

After the levee held on Tuesday P. M., several addresses were presented to his Excellency, the new Governor-General. Inter alia, the following was presented in the name of the Presbyterian Church in the Maritime Provinces in connection with the Church of Scotland, by the Rev. Peter Galbraith, who was accompanied by Revds. A. W. Herdman, C. Dunn, and W. McMillan, and R. Doull, M. P. Rod'k. McKenzie, D. A. Fraser Esqrs. After replying to the address his Excellency very cordially shook hands with each member of the deputation.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY.—

We, the Ministers, Elders and Representatives of the Presbyterian Church, in the Maritime Provinces, in connection with the Established Church of Scotland, hailed with delight the announcement of

As representatives of the national church of Scotland, a church to which your illustrious sires have for ages been warmly attached, we beg to assure Your Excellency that, in attachment to the person of our beloved Queen, in fealty to the throne, in loyalty to the British constitution, as well as in affection for our national Zion and in zeal for the promotion of virtue, morality and enlightened Christianity among our people, our sentiments are entirely in accordance with those of our fathers and brethren in the parent church at home. We congratulate Your Excellency on the duties of your exalted position at a time when peace and plenty abound throughout the land while in many other lands scarcity, suffering and commotion prevail. It will ever be our fervent prayer that He, by whom kings reign and princes and nobles rule and decree justice, may bless and preserve you and your loved consort; that he may surround you with wise and faithful counsellors; that he