

*To His Excellency the Right Honourable Sir John Douglas  
Sutherland Campbell, K.T., G.C.M.G., P.C., Marquis  
of Lorne, Governor General of Canada.*

MY LORD,—The reason why I desired the honour of dedicating this small pamphlet to Your Excellency, will be found in the simplicity and manliness of your character in which, as well as in the stainless example of your private life, and the fruitful blending of literary culture with political activity, there are points of resemblance to the late President of the United States.

The reason I republish a fugitive magazine article is this : the subject not only gave me an opportunity of stating the grounds on which, in a free country, a man should act with a party and why he should regard fidelity to his party as rendered imperative by honour and patriotism, but—such was the breath of interest attaching to the President's demise—also of rebuking those English literary men who in depreciating Canada are disloyal to England, and who humiliate every man in the Empire by their constant scribbling of peddling treason. And in this connexion, my Lord, I cannot forbear to express for my part the delight with which the people of Canada have watched Your Excellency develope into a thorough Canadian. The rapid