

cannot fail to engage Your Majesty's solicitude. We desire to tender our thanks to Almighty God, who hath appointed civil rule as his own ordinance for good to mankind, that in this important Province of Your Majesty's Dominions, your faithful people enjoy, under the mild rule of Your Majesty's sceptre, the numerous blessings secured to them by the time-honored Constitution of Great Britain—under which so many advantages flow to them as an integral portion of the Great Empire over which Your Majesty so worthily presides.

Whilst the spiritual oversight of the numerous adherents of our own Church in this land, and the maintenance of a healthy piety among them, must ever be our first care, we shall hail with satisfaction every wise and suitable enactment to which the Royal assent may be given, for checking public vice, and for granting facilities for spreading the influence of true religion among the general Community: and we humbly beg to assure Your Majesty that in our own sphere, it shall ever be our endeavour to cherish amongst all over whom our influence extends, that loyalty to their Sovereign and that respect to Religion, the combined influence of which is so conducive to individual and social prosperity.

That it may please "Him by whom Kings reign and Princes decree justice," to establish in righteousness the throne which Your Majesty occupies; that He may enrich Your Majesty with the treasures of His grace, and abundantly bless You and all the members of Your Illustrious House; and that after a long and prosperous reign over an attached people He may finally receive You into His Eternal Kingdom, is our fervent prayer.

Signed in name, and by appointment, of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland, this third day of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven years, by

GEORGE MACDONNELL,
Moderator.

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