

to serve the general interest, and your active sympathy with what tends to promote the good of the people. All these constitute a guarantee of wise and sympathetic administration, such as will be worthy of the best traditions of the great position which you have been called to adorn.

We beg to be allowed to offer also to the Countess Grey, as well as to Your Excellency and the other members of your family a cordial welcome, along with the expression of much personal esteem, and the earnest wish that you may find every satisfaction in your Canadian life, and that every blessing may attend you.

For the Governors, Principal and Fellows of McGill University.

WILLIAM C. MACDONALD,
Chairman of the Board of Governors.

W. PETERSON,
Principal and Vice-Chancellor.

January 25, 1905.

EARL GREY'S REPLY.

MR. PRINCIPAL, SIR WILLIAM MACDONALD AND
GENTLEMEN:

I greatly appreciate your kindness, and sincerely thank you for conferring upon me an honorary degree of Doctor of Laws.

One of the most responsible privileges attached to my office is the supreme authority in all matters relating to your University. I consequently rejoice that this early opportunity should have been given me of making the acquaintance of your governors and professor, and of learning by means of a personal visit both the character of your university and also the methods on which you rely for the attainment of the high ideals so eloquently described in your address.

I have listened to your remarks with sympathy, admiration and hope, and note with peculiar satisfaction that there is nothing sectional or narrow, nothing parochial or provincial, in the ideals which you have set before me, and which, in your far-sighted wisdom, you are endeavouring to attain.