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mination of continuing to rely hereafter, as it has at all times heretofore done, upon the voluntary contributions of our congregations for the support of their pastors, feeling that we and our congregations have but one interest and one sentiment on all matters connected with the prosperity of our common country and the promotion of pure Christianity through the instrumentality of our church, and being determined ever to maintain inviolate those holy bonds of unity and oneness which have characterized the rise, progress, and wide extension of our labours as a religious body in Upper Canada.

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COPY of a DESPATCH from the Earl of ELGIN AND KINCARDINE
to Earl GREY.

Government House, Toronto, June 25, 1851.

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(Answered July 18, 1851, No. 624, page 19.)

MY LORD,

I HAVE the honour to transmit herewith, with a view to its being laid at the foot of the Throne, the humble address of the Legislative Council of Canada to Her Majesty the Queen on the subject of the Clergy Reserves, together with the copy of an address to myself, presented by the House in a body, requesting me to forward the same.

The address to Her Majesty was passed on a division, by twelve votes to four.

I have, &c.

(Signed) ELGIN AND KINCARDINE.

The Right Hon. Earl Grey,
&c. &c. &c.

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To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty.

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,

WE Your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Council of Canada, in Provincial Parliament assembled, humbly approach Your Majesty with renewed assurances of attachment and devotion to Your Majesty's sacred person and Government.

We beg to return our humble and sincere thanks for the gracious manner in which Your Majesty has been pleased to receive the address of the Legislative Assembly of last session on the subject of the Clergy Reserves, and to assure Your Majesty of the great satisfaction which it has afforded this House and the province at large, to learn from the despatch of Your Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, that Your Majesty had been pleased to receive the said address graciously; that the object of the said address ought, in the opinion of Your Majesty's imperial advisers, to be acceded to, and that they would accordingly be prepared to advise Your Majesty to recommend to the Imperial Parliament that an Act should be framed giving to the Provincial Legislature full authority to make such alterations as it may think fit in the present arrangements in regard to those Reserves, provided that existing interests are respected.

Legislative Council,
Monday, June 23, 1851.

(Signed) ED. CARON,
Speaker.

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To His Excellency the Right Honourable James Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor-General of British North America, and Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief in and over the Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

WE, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Council of Canada, in Provincial Parliament assembled, approach your Excellency with our respectful request, that your Excellency will be pleased to transmit our humble address to Her most Gracious Majesty on the subject of the Clergy Reserves, in such a way as your Excellency may deem fit, in order that the same may be laid at the foot of the Throne.

Legislative Council,
Monday, June 23, 1851.

(Signed) ED. CARON,
Speaker.