

sea and land to have the opportunity of witnessing such loyal enthusiasm.

Directly after we left the hall I hurried on board the *Sunbeam*, to receive a couple of hundred guests, and had only just time to get back to Government House to dine and dress for the State Concert at the Exhibition building, which was densely crowded. The combined musical societies opened the proceedings by singing the "Old Hundredth," in which the audience joined with great heartiness. This was followed by a grand Jubilee Ode, composed by Dr. Mackenzie, and by several excellently rendered solos.



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*Friday, June 24th.*—To-day a demonstration of school-children, said to be the largest gathering of the kind ever held in the colony, took place in the Exhibition building. Twenty thousand children must have been there; and as they each wore a rosette and carried a little flag, the scene looked gay as a summer garden. Of course, there were the usual loyal anthems; and beside the cheers in the programme the children did a good deal of happy shouting on their own account. The Bishop of Melbourne gave them an excellent address, and all the arrangements were admirably and carefully carried out.

*Saturday, June 25th.*—Awoke early, after a fairly good night, and set to work at once on my correspondence, which accumulates terribly in spite of my efforts to answer every letter as it