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observance of the holy Sabbath, the diffusion of sound Christian education among all classes of the people, and by the inculcation, by both precept and example, of such sentiments concerning loyalty, sobriety, honesty and industry as shall contribute to a true, happy and useful citizenship; and we gladly tender to your Excellency, on assuming the burdens of government, sincere pledges of cordial and faithful support from the Methodist people throughout the Dominion in all measures designed to advance the moral and material welfare of our favored land.

We beg leave to convey to the Countess of Minto expressions of our highest esteem and of our unfeigned solicitude that her residence in this country may be memorable for uninterrupted happiness and satisfaction.

In your Excellency's high rank, character, abilities and experience we see ground for strong confidence that the government of this part of Her Majesty's dominions shall be wisely and impartially administered; and we shall devoutly pray the Most High God that the life and health of your Excellency and noble family may be graciously preserved, and that all your Excellency's official relations to our Dominion may be alike gratifying to your Excellency and to a happy and prosperous people.

Signed by order and on behalf of the General Conference.

A. CARMAN, D.D., *General Superintendent.*

J. S. ROSS, D.D., *Secretary.*

TORONTO, Sept. 21st, 1898.

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