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OUR NEW GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

The announcement of the official appointment of the Duke of Connaught as Governor-General of Canada, appears as follows in *The Times*:—"His Majesty. The King has been graciously pleased to approve of the appointment of Field-Marshal His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught and Strathern, K.G., K.T., K.P., G.M.B., G.C.S.I., G.C.M.G., G.C.I.E., G.C.V.O., P.C., to be Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief of the Dominion of Canada, in succession to the Right Honourable Earl Grey, G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O. His Royal Highness, who will be accompanied by the Duchess of Connaught, will assume office in September, and will hold the appointment for a period of two years, which may be subject to further extension."

The Duke of Connaught was born at Buckingham Palace, in 1850 and, after he had completed his military education at Woolwich Academy, entered the army in 1868, his first commission being in the Royal Engineers. He was afterwards transferred to the Royal Regiment of the artillery, and afterwards to the Rifle Brigade of which he is still Colonel-in-Chief. Whilst still a subaltern, Prince Arthur, as he was then, served in 1870 during the Fenian Raid into Canada in that year, and he wears the medal and clasp for this service. The Duke is no carpet knight. He commanded the Brigade of Guards during the Egyptian war, and was present at the battle of Tel-el-Kebir, and was three times mentioned in despatches, and was thanked by Parliament for his services on that occasion. After having served in other high positions in the army in various parts of the Empire, he recently visited South Africa as the King's representative and opened the first Union Parliament there.

We entirely agree with *The Times*, which says that this appointment will be received with the warmest appreciation both