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forms a part, are well known to have been, all along, characteristics of the Presbyterians in connection with the Church of Scotland, not only in Canada, but in every British Colony in which they have sought and found a home.

The office-bearers of this Church regard it as a very solemn duty, to keep alive and deepen those sentiments and feelings in the bosoms of the people over whom they are appointed to watch; entertaining, as they do, a thorough conviction, that while British institutions make ample provision for those legitimate changes which the well-being of society may demand, they also possess the equally necessary and powerful elements of stability, for the conservation of all that is valuable in civil and religious liberty.

And although it has not been the practice of the Ministers of this Synod, to take any active or prominent share in those party topics, on which good and even loyal men may differ, and which are only of a local and temporary nature, yet it has ever been, and we trust ever will be, a grand object with them to teach those great principles—the fear and love of God—reverence for law—respect for duly constituted authority—and justice, truth and benevolence towards all men—principles which they are well assured, when properly inculcated, cannot fail, with the Divine aid, to make a peaceable, orderly, industrious and loyal people.

We rejoice to think, that under the Divine blessing on your Excellency's administration, the Province has all along enjoyed, and still continues to enjoy, a large measure of tranquility and substantial prosperity. And our prayer to Almighty God is, that He may not only bless your Excellency in the public and high station which you now fill, but that He may also bestow upon you all domestic happiness, and all the precious graces of His Holy Spirit.

Signed at Montreal, this Fifteenth day of July, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-eight Years:—in Name, in Presence, and by Appointment of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, in connection with the Church of Scotland, by

JOHN BARCLAY, A.M.,

MODERATOR:

The Synod appointed a Deputation to wait upon His Excellency the Governor General, and present the Synod's Address. The Synod adjourned for a short time.

The Synod having resumed, the Moderator announced that he and the Deputation appointed by the Synod, had presented the Synod's Address to His Excellency the Governor, who had been pleased to return the following answer:—

Reverend Gentlemen and Gentlemen :-

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