

We were gratified to welcome again your honored representative, the Rev. E. H. Dewart, D.D., whose pulpit ministrations and lucid and able exposition of your aims and work were highly appreciated.

This address will be conveyed to you by our representative, the Rev. Walford Green, one of our ex-Presidents. We commend him to your affectionate regard as a brother greatly beloved, who has long held a front rank position in our ministry, and in the councils of our Church.

Now unto Him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen.

Signed on behalf and by order of the Conference.

MARSHALL HARTLEY, *Secretary.*

HULL, August 1st, 1898.

ADDRESS TO THE EARL OF MINTO, GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

To His Excellency the Right Honorable Sir Gilbert John Elliot-Murray-Kynynmond, Earl of Minto, Governor-General of the Dominion of Canada, etc., etc., etc. :

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—We, the ministers and laymen constituting the General Conference of the Methodist Church, in quadrennial session assembled in the city of Toronto, representing 2,031 ministers, 280,537 members, and 1,000,000 adherents of the Church, in their name and on their behalf, as well as our own, approach your Excellency with assurances of our profound gratification that Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen has laid upon one so honored and worthy the high duties and responsibilities of representative of Her Majesty in the government of this Dominion.

We desire to assure your Excellency of our devoted loyalty to the aged and revered Sovereign of the Empire, and of our enthusiastic attachment to Her Majesty's crown and person. We rejoice in the fact of our British connection, and in the confidence that the links which now unite our young Dominion to the Mother Country shall be brightened and strengthened by the powerful influence of the Viceregal office during your Excellency's administration.

We beg to express also our great satisfaction and entire sympathy with sentiments already made public by your Excellency respecting the maintenance and promotion of the most cordial relations between our own land and neighboring countries.

We gratefully avail ourselves of the opportunity to assure your Excellency that the aim of the Methodist Church is still, as it has always been, to further the ends of good government by teaching and enforcing that righteousness which exalteth a nation, by endeavoring to promote reverence for the Divine name, obedience to the Divine law, the religious

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