

To the preceding account of the visit of the Governor-General, and the Countess of Dufferin, it is well, to add the following report from the *Brantford Courier* of the 7th October, 1872 :

A Deputation of the Six Nation Chiefs, accompanied by the Superintendent, Mr. Gilkison, waited upon His Excellency the Governor-General, at the City Hall, Hamilton.

Mr. Gilkison having been presented, read an address (fittingly decorated) from the Chiefs in Council, and introduced the several Chiefs present, including the Interpreter. His Excellency was pleased to address the Chiefs in the kindest manner, and informed them that their *Great Mother, The Queen*, had made it a special request that he should take particular interest in her Indian Allies and subjects, and that it would be his pleasing duty to do so. His Excellency shook hands with Chiefs, making personal inquiries, and Lady Dufferin also shook hands. The Governor-General accepted from Chief John Carpenter one of his neatly carved canes.

It was a most gratifying interview, and made a favourable impression upon the Indians.

---

The following is the address and written reply :

*To His Excellency, The Right Honourable, the Earl of Dufferin, K. P., Governor-General of the Dominion of Canada, &c.,*

The Chiefs of the Six Nation Indians, in General Council assembled, desire to approach Your Excellency with their congratulations upon your arrival in this country, and as the Representative of their Great and Good Mother, the Queen, may God bless you.

It has been our privilege, as it is our duty, to offer such congratulations to Her Majesty's Viceroy.

In the name of our people, we beg to assure Your Excellency of their never-failing loyalty to the Crown, of which they are ancient allies, sealed by the blood of their ancestors, and which they never will disgrace.

The Six Nations have always been assured of, and enjoyed, care and protection under Her Majesty's Government, thus maintaining an unbroken alliance, and which continued good faith will perpetuate, as conveyed in their ancient Wampun Treaty, "The Silver Chain, which does not Tarnish."

The Six Nations trust they will be permitted to address Your Excellency at any time, should it be necessary.

The Chiefs pray that the Great Spirit will watch over and protect Your Excellency, Lady Dufferin, and Your Excellency's family.

Signed in General Council, in their Council House, Tuscarora, this 21st day of August, in the Year One Thousand, Eight Hundred and Seventy-Two.