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The following Address was presented to the Mayor, which was read by Mr. B. Hal Brown, Secretary of the Banquet Committee. The Address was brilliant-by illuminated, and enclosed in a handsome album.

To His Worship, R. Wilson-Smith, Esq.,

Mayor of Montreal.

Sir,

"We, the undersigned citizens of Montreal, desire upon the completion of your two years' term of office as Chief Magistrate of the Metropolitan City of Canada, to express our appreciation of the services you have rendered to the City with great credit to yourself and with great advantage to the community.

Five years ago, you were invited to enter Public Life as an alderman, to which office you were twice elected by acclamation. In the discharge of the duties of that office you displayed a thorough grasp of the principles of municipal finance and it was chiefly, owing to your persistent and vigorous efforts that restrictive legislation, regulating the borrowing power of the City was enacted, the growth of the civic debt checked, and the civic finances placed upon a much improved basis.

Public appreciation of your services as alderman was shown by your election by acclamation to the

mayorality.

You have presided over the City Council with signity and impartiality and while exercising a potent and beneficial influence upon the legislation of that body, you have by your tact, courtesy, and good feeling, done much to promote cordiality between the representatives of the various sections of the City.

The citizens are also indebted to you for your efforts to elevate the tone of the civic government and in particular for the graceful idea of initiating a Mayor's Annual Banquet at which Her Majesty's Representative, His Excellency's Ministers, and other public dignitaries may meet the City Council of Montreal.

Your term of office has been a time of historic interest to the City and to the Empire. Upon you fell the onerous but pleasant duty of welcoming the officers and crews of several of Her Majesty's men of

war; the Menbers of the British Medical Association at its first meeting, held outside the British Isles; and also illustrious members of the British Association for the Advancement of Science.

An important event with which your name is associated is the inauguration in this City of the Par

Association of Canada.

The most important event of your Mayorality was the celebration, in Montreal, of Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee, which was a demonstration of loyalty and end-usiasm worthy of our City and a remarkable tribute to our honored and beloved Sovereign.

We feel that we are expressing the sentiment, of the people of Montreal generally, when we record our hearty appreciation of your services, and the hope that you may long be spared to enjoy the confidence and the esteem of your fellow-citizens."

Montreal, January 12th, 1898.

Here followed the signatures of over three hundred of Montreal's leading citizens as well as that of His Excellency the Earl of Aberdeen, Rt. Hon. Sir Wlifrid Laurier, Sir Adolphe Chapleau, the Archbishop of Montreal, the Bishop of Montreal and other prominent gentlemen.

The Governor-General said in his speech: "We wish to declare our recognition of the importance of promoting by every means in our power, efficiency and high tone in municipal affairs." The Lt.-Governor of Onebec, with his accustomed eloquence, alluded to the changes occurring in the chief officials of the Dominion, the Province, and the City. paid a graceful compliment to the Mayor, and made a personal allusion which excited much interest. The President of the Board of Trade in proposing the toast of the evening, "Our guest," followed the lines of the Address, in expressing his conviction that the Mayor had filled the office with eminent satisfaction to the citizens. He condemned the proposal to enlarge civic expenditures at the dictate of members of the Legislature, who had no Montreal interests, and concluded by wishing the Mayor every prosperity and happiness. The toast vas cordially supported by the Archbishop, who exhorted the citizens to cultivate peace and harmony, as well as by Archdeacon Evans. on behalf of His Lordship Bishop Bond. The Mayor said in response:

It was commonly said that the services rendered by public men were not recognized, but he thought that if a man who was entrusted with any public office would conscientiously endeavor to the best of his ability to fulfil his duty, the public would appreciate his efforts. He spoke of the cordial relations that had existed between himself and the aldermen during the past two years, and remarked that he should sever his connection with them with very great regret. The citizens generally had been very kind to him; and he had a good word to say for the civic employes and about the press. He was glad to see so many representative citizens present at that gathering because he thought that it indicated that they were determined in the future to the connection with the same of the civic end of the citizens present at that gathering because he thought that it indicated that they were determined in the future to the citizens present at the citizens citizens present at the citizens present at the citizens ci