

undertake,—I cannot help entertaining a personal feeling of gratitude to those, by whose self-sacrifice and self-devotion those safeguards and advantages are secured. Again, I am well aware, that within the walls of this establishment, are large numbers of my own immediate countrymen—a great quantity of Irish students yearly receiving their education (loud applause); and, although of course, my sympathies are equally shared by every section and by every class among the people of Canada, I may be very well excused if I take an especial interest in those who come from the same country as myself (renewed applause.) And, ladies and gentlemen, I am proud to think that in all probability the fathers themselves will bear me out in saying that the youths who come from Ireland, or who have the honor of claiming an Irish descent, will not be found the least intelligent of their pupils. (Applause). In conclusion, ladies and gentlemen, I would say to the young students, and in now addressing them I am addressing the united body, no matter what their birthplace or descent, that the path of distinction lies free and fair before them without reference either to their nationality or their religion, that within the ample and liberal bounds of our imperial constitution all the prizes of life are within their reach, that each and every one of them has an equal chance of distinction, of enrolling himself amongst the benefactors of his country, and of attaining these various prizes in life, whether in the law, profession of medicine or other civil lines of life, or in the schools of politics, which are won by those who only bring to their pursuit that industry, application, and single-minded desire to excel which commands success. I shall end these few observations by thanking you gentlemen of the professoriate, by thanking you students for the kindly welcome with which you have received me, and by assuring you that, inasmuch as there are few things which I so highly appreciate as a theatrical representation, it will give me the very greatest pleasure if, on some future opportunity, I can find occasion to be present at one of those scenic representations in which, I understand, the students of this establishment so much excel. (Loud applause.)

A couple of pieces of music were admirably rendered by the choir and band, and brought from His Excellency warm plaudits.

The proceedings then terminated and the party proceeded to the

Christian Brothers' School, Cote Street.

Here His Excellency was received by a large number of the Reverend Clergy and several prominent laymen, among whom we noticed Mr. M. P. Ryan, M. P., Mr. L. A. Jette, M. P., and Mr. B. Devlin. Escorted by these, he was conducted to a splendidly decorated platform in the large exhibition hall, while the brass band saluted his passage with triumphant strains. When His Excellency had taken his seat, the following address was read to him

IN FRENCH.

To the Right Honorable Sir Frederick Temple, Earl of Dufferin, K. P., K. C. B., Governor-General of the Dominion of Canada:—

May it Please Your Excellency,—

After the eloquent speeches which have greeted your passage through several of the cities of our dear Canada, honored by your presence, can a pupil of the Christian Brothers' Schools enter—I shall not say into competition, to celebrate your welcome to this institution—but even open his lips to express, along with his happy fellow-students, the pleasure which we experience in seeing you amongst us?

If the city of Montreal has a right to congratulate itself on the honor of having your Excellency in its midst, the pupils of the different schools have much more reason to do so, since the signal favor of the memorable visits which you pay us is a mark of your kind attention and a striking proof of the interest which you take, not only in the present generation, but in the rising one.

Yes, the future generation will be able to say with pride that the representative of Her Most Gracious Majesty came into these model precincts to encourage our efforts and give this institution a token of his high consideration.

While expressing to your Excellency our deep gratitude, we pledge ourselves to retain a precious remembrance of your visit.

His Lordship made this reply in the same language:

My Young Friends,—I thank you for the address which you have just presented me and for all the kind wishes which it contains. Although I have visited many houses of education, I never tire of seeing faces as happy as yours, and proving to you that not only I wish to encourage you, but our good Queen has the same desire. You cannot yet appreciate, as thoroughly as you will later in life, the value of the care and attention of which you are the object, and for this reason I exhort you to exert your utmost endeavor to carry out the wishes of your professors, and to be always attentive to your studies. These studies have been prepared for you by wise and enlightened friends, and the best way to show your gratitude is to redouble your efforts to profit by them.

After a fine chorus from the school vocalists, a second address was read

IN ENGLISH.

To His Excellency the Right Honorable Sir Frederic Temple, Earl of Dufferin, K. P., K. C. B., Governor-General of the Dominion of Canada, and Commander-in-Chief of Her Majesty's Forces in Prince Edward Island, etc., etc., etc.

May it Please Your Excellency,—

To accept the hearty welcome of some thousands of boys whom the small number here present represents.

Your Excellency's goodness and condescension, of which we have heard much since your advent to our country, has emboldened us for this occasion, and makes us feel happy in your presence.

Beneath the ægis of your Excellency's administration, we are persuaded our parents will experience the same happiness and, like us, have a blessing to impart on the good Governor who has come to rule over us.

We are also aware of your Excellency's high patronage of education, by the number of establishments you have already visited, and notably of the neighboring visit to one of our kindred schools. The sociability displayed in this circumstance has been noised throughout the country, and found an echo in the heart of every Catholic father and mother.

That Her Majesty may leave your Excellency a long time over us, as her representative in the Dominion, is the desire we combine with that for your happiness, assuring your Excellency that we shall make it our duty to beseech Munificent Providence to favor you with the wisdom and fortitude, so necessary to him in whose hands the reins of government are placed, and to pour forth His blessing on your noble spouse, Lady Dufferin.

His Excellency addressed the following extemporaneous remarks in reply to this address:—My young friends, although I have already in one language expressed the pleasure which I have received from this visit, yet, inasmuch as you have honored me with an address in English, it is but reasonable that I should endeavour to reply