

despatch fiend;" the result of these correspondents is telling largely in our favour. They are promoters of the general good, and every year their work is becoming more effectual. Perhaps to some, their efforts may not appear of any great value; but where duly considered, they are fully appreciated.

And now in closing, we wish to add a word or two in relation to the dedication of this pamphlet to His Excellency the Governor, and his wife, Lady McCallum. Of late His Excellency has been the subject of unnecessarily extreme criticism. Even his visitation to the outports has been spoken lightly of. Those who have deemed it becoming to do so, have no doubt justified themselves in their own minds as to their action. They disapprove of the step, and have published their disapproval broadcast o'er the land, in their own journal. I approve of the step, and express my approval by the same medium as they have done, i.e., by publishing it in my own pamphlet; and further by getting His Excellency's permission to dedicate this pamphlet to him.

In the past we have enjoyed the rule of some able governors. They have done their duty well; but they did not learn much of the real domestic history or social environments of the people. We are not unmindful that Governor Glover crossed the country, as did a Cormack. We are also mindful that Lady Bannerman associated with the people in the commoner walks of life; and we recall with approval all the good traits of those who have represented Her Majesty in this her oldest colony. Many good examples were shown by them; but we think that our present Governor, Sir Henry McCallum, has outstripped them all, during the short time he has been amongst us.

His Excellency's attitude towards our brave sealers last spring surpasses any act of the kind by his predecessors.

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