

issues of war, and the destinies of nations, those arms may be speedily crowned with decisive victory.

We beg most respectfully to tender to your Excellency, the assurance of our high appreciation of the solicitude, which, from the day of your assumption of the Government of this Province, you have displayed, to develop its resources and accelerate its progress in all the departments of public enterprise; and our prayer to Almighty God is that your administration may be made a great blessing to this land.

True to those loyal and Protestant principles by which Wesleyan Methodism—its enemies themselves being judges—has been uniformly characterised from the beginning, we desire to connect with this imperfect expression of our sentiments, as dutiful subjects of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen, our unfeigned desire that on your Excellency personally, on Lady LeMarchant, and on your family, *every blessing of heaven may descend.*

Signed by order and on behalf of the Conference,

JOHN BEECHAM, D.D., *President.*

WILLIAM TEMPLE, *Secretary.*

His Excellency very graciously received the address, and was pleased to make the following gratifying reply:—

REVEREND GENTLEMEN,—

The sentiments of loyalty and attachment to Her Majesty which you have so fervently expressed, are extremely gratifying to my feelings as the Queen's Representative.

That you admire the British Constitution, and that as Christian Ministers you feel it a pleasure and a duty to instil into the hearts of the people, under your charge, devotion to our Sovereign, is alike honourable to you and pleasing to me.

I derive great gratification from the assurance that the warmest sympathies of your Church are with the Queen, in the righteous cause in which she has taken up arms, and I cordially concur with you in the prayer that the existing conflict may speedily terminate in a victory so decisive as to ensure an honourable and permanent peace. Before I take leave of you, permit me to thank you very sincerely for