

ADDRESSES AND SPEECHES.

FROM THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF THE PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

To His Excellency, the Right Honourable Sir Albert Henry George, Earl Grey, Viscount Howick, Baron Grey of Howick, in the County of Northumberland, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom, and a Baronet, Knight Grand Cross of our Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, &c., &c., Governor General of Canada.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

The members of the Executive Council, in the name of the people of Nova Scotia, embrace the opportunity of your arrival in this province as Governor General of the Dominion of Canada, to extend to Your Excellency a very warm and cordial welcome on your assumption of the high and responsible office to which you have been appointed by our gracious and beloved King.

Your Excellency has the good fortune to assume the duties of your high position as the representative of His Majesty in this Dominion at a time of unexampled prosperity and unequalled progress. This Dominion has now reached a position in respect to population, wealth and resources, which entitles it to recognition among the nations of the world, and we feel sure that it will be your aim to promote a continuance of this great development during the period of your régime.

We are satisfied from your previous career that you will be in full sympathy with the liberal and progressive spirit which now characterizes our people, and will appreciate the instincts of freedom and equality which prevail in this Dominion.

We think it scarcely necessary to say that as component parts of the British Empire we entertain toward its august Sovereign the same feelings of loyalty and devotion, which are felt by all parts of the Empire in common.

We desire to express the warmest wishes for the happiness and success of Your Excellency and of Lady Grey, both indi-