

Great Britain to fill the position of Governor General, but when His Royal Highness was appointed Canada was honoured above all the other dominions of the British Empire, in having a distinguished member of the Royal Family placed in this important office.

Since His Royal Highness arrived in Canada to take up the duties of this position he has ingratiated himself in the hearts of the people by the interest he has taken in the welfare of the country and in everything tending to promote its good and future prosperity. The sincere regrets that are now being given expression to in both Houses of Parliament at the approaching early departure of His Royal Highness from the Dominion are I am sure joined in most sincerely by the people throughout the Dominion.

During the trip that His Royal Highness made to the West, nearly two years since, his kindly and gracious manner and the trouble that he took to meet the people and acquire a true knowledge of the resources and the possibilities of development of the country endeared him to all who had the honour of meeting him, and those whom he met who had served under his command in other parts of the empire will cherish to their last moments the kindly greeting with which he received them.

During his time of office His Royal Highness has been indefatigable in promoting the interests of the whole Dominion. He has led a strenuous life, never sparing himself and always placing duty first and pleasure after. May I say that the splendid example he has set will have a far-reaching effect, especially on the younger generation throughout this great Dominion.

In his personal relations His Royal Highness has been distinguished by his genial courtesy and his kindness to all, he has taken a great interest in the literature and art of the country, as well as in all philanthropic and charitable undertakings, in times of trouble he has always shown himself sympathetic and he has ever been forward in helping where help was most needed, as when the cyclone disaster struck the city of Regina. I may also say that the active co-operation of Her Royal Highness the Duchess of Connaught during the time when her health allowed her to fulfil the exacting duties of her position has been deeply appreciated. We fear that at times her conscientiousness in fulfilling these duties may have been imprudent. Her un-

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failing graciousness has won all hearts, her kindly interest in all and her sympathy have been never failing, her influence for good has been far-reaching. The courage and unselfishness Her Royal Highness showed, when after her serious illness, and still far from well she again faced the strenuous duties of her life here stirred a feeling of admiration throughout the Dominion. Her Royal Highness will ever be remembered by the people of Canada with admiration, and, if I may say it, with feelings of affection.

It would be ungracious to close without referring to Her Royal Highness the Princess Patricia. She has won universal admiration. Often, when necessary, she has taken the place of Her Royal Highness the Duchess of Connaught always doing so with grace and charm. She has given pleasure to all who have had the honour of meeting her. It will be a long time before she is forgotten by the people of this country and she carries with her our best wishes for her future welfare.

It is with feelings of unmixed regret that we contemplate the departure of Their Royal Highnesses, and they take with them our strongest wishes for their future happiness.

Some Hon. GENTLEMEN: Hear, hear.

Hon. Mr. LOUGHEED moved, seconded by Hon. Mr. BOSTOCK that this address be signed by the Speaker on behalf of the Senate.

The motion was agreed to.

#### INCREASED REPRESENTATION IN THE SENATE. MOTION.

The SPEAKER—A message has been received from the House of Commons to inform the Senate that the Commons has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, that a humble address be presented to His Majesty praying that he may graciously be pleased to give his consent to submitting a measure to the Parliament of the United Kingdom to amend certain provisions of the British North America Act, 1867, in the manner set forth in the draft Bill hereto attached.

An Act to Amend the British North America Act, 1867.

Be it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal and Commons, in the present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. Notwithstanding anything in the British North America Act, 1867, or in any Act amending the same, or in any Order in Council or