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# Ontario's Jfarewell to Che Earl Of Dufferin 

# Lord Dufferin's Farewell . Address 

 to the Canadian CitizensFrom tbe "Ottawa free press" of tbe $218 t$ October, 1878


THI: EARRI, OF DUFFERIN


Fiom the "rllumel liter lioess"


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On Wednesday, the Comnty Comeil of the Chited Counties of Stormont, Dundas and (ilengary, passed a resolution expressing its apposal of the tribute paid to IIis Excelleney, ly the Manicipal Corporation of Ontario.

The resolution also embodied a well merited recognition of the encrgy and perseverance of Mr. J. I'. Macmillan, who originated and orgmized the deputation and carried out the programme in a manner eminently creditable to himself and acceptable to Earl Dufferin and to the various Corporations. No act in the history of Camada has ever been performed, which confers greater honor on the recepient, or affords a more convincing proof of the genuine affection of the people for their Vice Roy, than the Embassy sent from C .rio in September last, to phace in the hands of the Governon its valatictory address. It was an atet full of significance and was not the spasmodic effort of any particular class, or sect, or party, but was simply the spontaneous expression of the popular will. No potentate, however great or pow-
effal, conlil treat with indifiorence such ant unprece lented ex:muple of the love of his subjects, and lated Dufferin is mot the man to areeph withont gratiturle so splendid an ovation. He retarns to Britain loaded with honors, regretted, behoed hy all Camadians. No more plasing reminiscence of his sojourn in Camada will form the suhjeet of his reflections, or ald more lustre to his distinguished eareer than the seence at the Citadel, on the 5 oth of Keptember, 1 sis. A scene which the art of the photographer and the pen of the historian will reproduce, in the, as yot, maritten memories of l'arl Dufferin's Administration in C'anama.

Resulution passed on the 15th October, 1sos, hy the Council of Stormont, Dundas and (ilengatry.

[^0]"It is mosed by Mathew sweetnam, lieeve of the Pownship oi dindph, serombed by dames MeMallen, Reere of the Town ai Monat limest, That the Connty Comedil of the Cimmty of Wrallingtom, at this its first oppertunity, do otherially andorse tho anctinn of .J. I. MacMillan, Pisq., Darrister of (inelph, in drating, illmanating and presenting the joint Mmicipal ad-
 his departure from Canadi, and da fully coneme in all the sontiments expressed therein, and eonsider it a gracemin and appropriate tribute to the worth of that distinguished mobleman, and that this Comeid do further consider that the thanks
 tario, aredue to Mr. Mace Villan for the ability, amergy and persererance exercised by him in carrying to a successinl issume streln a gigantic matertaking; That this Commeil do express its gratitiontion that so lamdable a movement originated in the Gomity of Wrellingtom, amd that the Clerk be instrmeted to forwad a cope of this resolution to that gentleman. - "arried."


Wucecb in reply to the joint zooress of tice SDunticipal Cotpotations of the $\mathbb{F}$ oville of Ontario, $\approx$ eptember 5 tb, 1878. at the Citadel, Quebec.

Larel Dulforinsaid:-1 hardy kow in what torms I ath to reply to the aldress which has just been radd, so signal is thr honor whieh yon have confered upon me. 'That a wholr lowince as latre, as important, as fomme ishing as many a buropean Kingram should ereet into all ambese the Mayors of its Cities the delegates of its urhin and rumal monicipalities, and despateh them On a jommer of several hundred miles to conver for a homble imlivilual like mescelf an expression of the personal gool will of the eonstituents they represent, is a diremmstance maparalled in the history of Camada, or ol' any other colony. (Applanse.)
'Tostand, as I now do, in the presener of so many distinguishod persons, who must have put themselves to so great personal inconvenience on my aceome, adds (0) my embarassment.

And, yet, Centlemen, I camot pretend not to be drlighted with so genuine a demonstration of regard on the part of the large hearted imhahitants of the graat Province in whose name you have addressed me for quite apart from the persomal gratification I experionce, you are teaching all future administrators of your aflairs
a lesson which they will ghadly lay to heart, sinee it will show them how rich a reward you are realy to repay whatever slight exertions it may be within their power to make on your behalf. (Applase.)

And when in the history of your Dominion could such a proof of your gemeresity be more opportumely shown? A few weeks ago the heart of every man and woman in Camada was profomdly meved by the intelligener that not only was the Government of Great Britain about to semb out as England's representative to this country one of the most promising among the younger genemation of our pulbic men, bat that the Quecol herself was about to cutrust to the keoping of the people of Camada her own daughter. (Great applause.)

If you desire an illustration of the respect, the affeetion, the contidence with which you are regarded by your fellow-subjects at home, and by your Sovereign, what greater proof could you have than this ; or what more gratifying, more delicate, more touching recognition could heve rewarled your never-failing love and derotion for the Mother country and its liuler? (Checrs.) But, though the citizens of Camada may well be proud of the contidence thens reposed in them, believe me when I tell you that; quite anart from these speeial considerations, you may well he congratulated upon the happy choice which has been made in the person of Lord Lorne for the future Governor-General of Canada. It has been my good fortune to be connected all my life long with his family by ties of the closest personal friendship. Himself I have known, I
may say, almost from his boyhood; a more eonsedentions, high minded, or hetter pualitied Vice lioy conld not have bean solerted. ( (ireat applatuse.) brought 11p under axceptiomally fortmate conditions, it is needless to say he has protited to the utmost by the advantages placed within his reach, many of which will havo fitted him in an especial degree for his present post. IIis Problic sehool and Collegiate education, his experience of the House of Commons, his large pereonal aequaintance with the representatives of all that are most distinguished in the intelleetual worle, his literary and artistie tastes, his foreign travel, will all combine to render him intelligently sympathetio with every phase and aspect of your natiomal life. Above all, he comes from a good Whige stock; that is to say, of a family whose prominence in history is founded upon the semidiees they have made in the catuse of constitutional liberty. When two of a man's ancestors havo perished on the seaffold as mantris to the canse of political and religions freedom, you may be sure there is little likelihood of their deecondants seeking to coneroach, when aeting as representatives of the Crown, upon the privileges of Parliament or the independance of the people. (Ioud cheers.)

As for your future prineas, it would not become me to enlarge upon her merits. She will soon be amongst you, taking all hearts her storm by the grace, the stavity, the sweet simplicity of her mamers, life and conversation. (Great cheering.)

Gentlemen, if ever there was a laty who in her carliest youth had formed a high inleal of what a noble
life should be ; if ever there was a homan being who tried to make the most of the opportmities within her reach, and to crate for herself, in spite of every tramel and impediment, a useful career and occasion of benefitting her fellow creatures, it is the Princess Lonise, whose mpretending exertions to be of service to her country and generation have ahready won for her an extraordinary amome of populaaity at home. ( $\Lambda_{1}$ phatse.)

When to this you add an artistic genius of a high order, and innmerable other personal gifts and accomplishments, combined with manners so gentle, so unpretending, as to put every one who comes within reach of her influence at perfect case, you cannot fail to understand that Eugland is not merely sending you a Royal Princess of Majestic leniage, but a good and noble woman, in whom the humblest settler or mechanic in Canada will find an intelligent and sympathic friend. (Cheers.) Indeed, gentlemen, I hardly know which pleases me most, the thought that the superintendence of your destinies is to be confined to persons so worthy of the trust, or that a dear friend of mine own, like Lord Lorne, and a personage for whom I entertain such respectful admiation as I do for the Princess Louise, should commence their future labors in the midst of a eommunity so indulgent, so friendly, so ready to take the will for the deed, so generous in their recognition of any effort to serve them, as you have proved yourselves to be. And yet, alas, gentlemen, we must acknowledge there is one drawback to the pieture. Lord Lorne has, as I have said, a multi-
tude of merits, but spots have even been diseovered on the sun, and unfortmately an irreparable, and as 1 may eall it a congenital defeet attaches to this aporintment, Lord Lorne is not an Irishman ; (loud laughter.) It is not his fault, he marle the best use he could for himself, he came as near the right tiang as possible hy heing born a Coltic Highlander. There is no doubt the world is best :dministered be Irishmen. (Hear, Hear.)

Things never went better with us, either at home or abroad, than when Lord Pabuerston ruled (ireat Britain, (Cheers.) Lord Mayo governed lndia (Cheers;) and Lord Monk directed the destinics of Camala, (Cheers, and the Robins, the Kenncllys, the Laffilns, the Calaghans, the Gores, the Hennewers, administered the affairs of our Australian colonies and West Indian possersions. (Loud laughter.)

Have not even the French at last made the same diseovery in the person of Martial MacMahon? (Laughter) But we must be generous, and it is right that Scotland should have a turn. (Laughter.) After all, Scotland got her name becanse she was conduered by the Irish. (Latughter.) Aud if the real truth were known, it is probable the Ionse of Inverary owes most of its glony to an Irish origin. (Applatuse.) Nay, I would go a step further; I would even let the poor Englishman take an occasional tarn at the helm. (Laughter.) If for no other reason than to make him aware how much better we manage the business. (Renewed laughter.) But you have not come to that yet; and though you have been a little spoiled by having
bern wiven three Irish (iovernor- (imemats in succession I am sure you will lind your new Viare hoy's personal and acopured pralifations will more than comnter balaner his ethomological disadvantages. And now, suntlemen, I must bil you farewell.

Never shall Iforget the weleome extencled to mo in every town, village and hamlet of Ontario when 1 first (ame amongst you.

It was in travelling through your beantiful lrovince that I first learned to appreciate and understand the nature and character of your destinies. (Applanse.) It was there I learned to be aeve in Canada and from that day to this my fath has never wavered. Nay, the further 1 extended my travels through the other Provinces, the more deeply my initial impressions were ronfimed ; but it was amongst you they were first engendered, and it is with your smiling, happy hamlets that my brightest reminiscences are entwined. (Great applause.)

And what transaction could better illustrate the mighty changes your energeries have wrought than the one in which we are at this moment engaged? Standing, as we do, upon this lofty platform, surrounded by those antigue and historic fortifications, so closely connected witl the infant fortunes of the Colony, one eannot help contrasting the present scene with others of an analogus character which have been frequently enacted upon this very spot. The early Governors of Canada have often received in Quebee deputations from the very districts from which each of you have come, but in those days the sites now occupied by your pro-
sperons towns, the fiedels you till, the rose-clal howers and trim lawns where your children sport in peater were then dense wildernesses of primeval forest, and those who eame hence on an errant here were moreiless satiges, seeking the presence of the Vice Roy dither to threaten war or vengence, or at best to profier a treatherous or uncertain peace. Little eould Montmagny or Tracy, or Vambreail, or Frontemac, have ever inaminad on such oceasions that for the lank dusky forms of the Irocpuis or Ottawa emissaries, would one day besubstituted the beaming countenanees and burly proportions of English speaking Wardens, Mayors, Mdermen and Reeves. (Applause.)

And now, gentlemen, again good-by, I eammot tell you how much I regret that Lady Dufferin could not be present to shate the gratification I have experienced by your visit. Tell your friends at home how derply I have been moved by this last and signal proof of their good-will, that their kindness shall nevor be forgotten, and that as long as I live it will be one of the chief ambitions of my life to render them faithful and effectual services. ( (ireat applanse.)

## NAMES OF THE DELEGATES SHGNNG THE: ADDRESS ANI AT TUE PRESENTATION.

R. Lewis, Mayor City of Lomdon, Ont. ; Alex. Rol)ertsom, Mayor City of Belleville; Robert Henry, Mayor Brantford ; T. M. Daly, Mayor of Strathord ; . Whon Crotty, Mayor of Bothwell ; A. Trerice, Warden Courty Kent ; Jno. Rac, Warden Wellington ; Arthur Boyle, Warden Gomty Ladlimand; William (iray, Mayor of Chatham; Wm. Mark, Warden Cthited Counties of Stormont, Dundas and (ilengarry ; T. II. Parker, Mayor of Woodstock ; S. S. Burgess, Warden County Oxford ; J. W. Scott, Mayor of Listowell ; David Dumn, Warden County Simeoe ; R. T. Banting, County Clerk Comnty Simeoe ; C. J. Mattice, Mayor of Commall ; John (i. Hagerman, Warden of Northumberland and Durham; Joshua Legg, jr., War in Cnited Counties Leeds and (irenville ; C. Livingston, Mayor of Dresden; W. Chadwick, Mayor of Ingersoll ; Paul Ross, Mayor of Walkerton ; W. R. Aylesworth, Warden of Hastings ; (ieo. Howard, Mayor of (inelph; J. P. MacMillam, Alderman Guelph ; C. Francis, Reeve of Trenton ; W. A. Wehster, Reeve of Front, Leeds and Lansdowne; W. D. MeNaughton, Warden County Lambton ; Rohert Rac, Ex-W:arden of Lambton ; Robert Campbell, Reeve of Watford ; W. Ireland, Ex-Warden of Lambton ; W. Peers, Ex-Warden of Oxford and Reeve of East Oxford ; (i. H. Coole, Ex-W'arden of Oxford and Reeve of West Oxford ; Thomas Brown, Ex-Warden of Oxford and Reeve of Ingersoll ; F. Cody, Deputy Reeve of Wert Oxforl ; Senecal I'itcher, Reeve of Norwich ; D. W. Miller, Councillor Norwich; W. Naithsmith,
 ton ; R. J. Carson, W. I. Scott, E. C. Palmer, Comeillor Norwich; John N. Tuttle, Reove of froquois; F. S. Stevonsom, Clerk Comity of Haddemamd: Christopher Edmondson, Warden of Brant; C. R. Heyd, Alderman Brantford; R. Seott, Deputy Reeve of Galt ; I. Tambly, H. Colding, Comeillor North Oxford; T. Kilmer, Councillor C. A. Wallertom, T. Whitehead, Comeillor: D. Moore, Councillor akso of Walkerton ; J. Barkley, Comeillor of Oakville; Demnis Coffee, Alderman Guelph; Andrew IV. Robl, Deputy Reeve Stratford ; D. (i. Stephenson, Reve Scarboro ; George Morgan, Comeillor Scarboro; W. Roshury, Comacilor Bothwell; I. T. Fredway, Deputy Recve Scarboro; Jacob Curier, Clerk Sandwich West; Fred. Biscoe, Councillor Guclph; (i. J. Colquhoune, Comncillor Waterloo; W. W. White, Town Clerk :und Treasure of Arthur ; Fred. O. Procotor, Clerk Drayton ; George Taylor, Reeve Giananoque ; Charles E. Brittom, Deputy Recre (iamanoue ; J. A. Riansden, Deputy Reeve Humberstone ; W. Buckner, Warden of Welland ; Francis Race, Reeve, Oshawa; Mex. MrKeller, Warden Middlesex ; H. Grant, Inspector of Publie Schools, Stratford ; A. (i. Mackay, Councillor Stratford; John Landerkin, Reeve Drayton ; Hugo Krantz, Mayor Berlin.



[^0]:    " Maved by I). C. Meliar, Rene of the Township of Lamdcaster, and seenoded by T. (. C'hamberlan, that the thanks of this Comeil are duc, and hereby tendered to Willian Jinck, Fisq., Warden, and to John N. Tutle, lisq., Reve of lompois, for having represented the United Comaties of Stormont, Bundas amb (ilengary on the acension of the Mmidepal deputation from Ontaris, to present a farewell aldress to the Earl of Inffirrin at (emebec.
    " Aso, that this Comeil do express its apprectiation of the services rendered to Ontario, by J. I'. MacMillan, lisg., of finclph, in originating, organizing and carrying to a snceessinl termination a project so befittingly expressive of the sentiments of the people towards the retiting fovermor ; and do record its satisfaction in knowing that Mr. Mac.Millan is a mative of on Conited Comaties, and that a copy of this resolntion be forwarded to Mr. MacMillan.
    " Passed in Comeil, United Comities of Stomont, Dundas and Cilengarry, 1 ith Oetober, 1878. "

    Resolution passed by the County Council of the County of Wellington, on the 5th Deeember, 187 s.

