Gov. McLelan's Contribution to The Indian Famine.

While the Bank of Montreal has contributed \$5,000, the Montreal Star \$500, Premier Laurier \$100, and many more greater or lesser amounts to the sufferers by famine and plague in India; our worthy Lieut. Governor, who is reputed to be wealthy, sends the following as his contribution. (We have not yet learned whether it was prepaid or marked "collect.")

Lieut. Gov. McLellan, of New Brunswick, wires as follows:

Government House, 22nd Jan., 1897—I quite approve of the efforts to aid famine stricken sufferers. Hope they may adaquetely show Canadian sympathy for the Queen's Indian subjects. (Signed) A. R. McClelan, Lieutenant Governor.

As he could not find it in his heart to contribute anything to "the Queen's Indian subjects," it would have sounded much better had he kept silent in the matter, for according to an old Irish saying:—"Smooth words butter no parsnips."

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[From the Boston Commercial.]

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