

statute passed by that Legislature ; at the same time that would not be done without a request by the Legislature of the Dominion of Canada. Upon the introduction of a Bill asking that to be done by the British Parliament, the "Balance of Power" would turn the scale against Protestant freedom, and such request would not be made.

Some will be led to think, reasoning from a point of honor, that we cannot consistently

#### ABOLISH THE LOCAL LEGISLATURES.

Let us ask who are the people benefitted by the Legislature of Quebec? Who are the people who will oppose the abolition of the Legislature of that Province? The Jesuits and other Romish Ecclesiastics are the people benefitted by that Legislature ; by it they have such laws as they wish enacted ; by which laws they keep the Habitants in ignorance. They are the people who will oppose the abolition of that Legislature, and they will no doubt be backed and aided by the Irish Romanists. Why should we hesitate to do away with a system which is sinking our fellow men, although they are aliens to us, deeper every year into a slavery of the most degrading description? Yes ; Romish Ecclesiastics are the people, and the only people, benefitted by the keeping in existence the Quebec Legislature. If we abolish the Quebec, we must also abolish the Ontario and all other Local Legislatures ; in fact, we will be much better off without any of them : they are immensely costly and we can ill afford the expense of them. The French Canadians and their Irish Romish allies are all aliens to us, and daily becoming more alienated, both the clergy and laity—*enemies in fact, as yet comparatively powerless*. We cannot forget the bitter hate evinced by the French Canadians and their Irish confederates in the Province of Quebec during the Riel embroglio, which they did not attempt to conceal.

#### A CASE IN POINT,

A mob of semi-savage Habitants parading in procession, from the polling place in a village about ten miles from the City of Quebec, during the election in December, 1886, carried a portrait of our beloved and matchless Queen to a public place in the village, then after a harangue in Habitant French, one of the habitants tore the portrait into pieces, threw the fragments down and trampled and spat upon them. At the same time another of them, decked out in habitant finery, red liberty cap, *Bonnet-Rouge*, red sash and pale gray cloth coat and pants, mounted upon a Canadian pony, trailing our time-honoured Union Jack behind him, and calling upon all whom he approached to spit upon the

#### "BRITISH RAG!!"

at the same time the French tri-color was carried in the wind by another