

strength of his communication lay in its absolute truth and strict adherence to facts. He is trenchant in style and there is no mistaking his meaning; and it can always be depended upon he means what he says.

You will consider as to when it is advisable to show it. The First Minister will, of course, see it, and I think Sir Oliver, and Attorney-General Hardy should know the Archbishop's views, for between ourselves, the Catholics have received little or no consideration from the Ontario Government, although they have kept the Reformers in power since 1871—twenty-six years.

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Attorney-General Hardy will be leaving the Capital to-morrow night or Thursday, and I shall be glad if you will write me fully as to the probabilities in the matter in which I am interested.

The Honourable
CHARLES FITZPATRICK,
Solicitor-General.

Yours sincerely,
HUGH MACMAHON,

Ottawa, 21st May, 1897.

My dear Judge,—

Your letter came to me two days ago.

I saw Mr. Attorney-General Hardy yesterday and had some conversation with him on the subject of the Supreme Court appointment and he will no doubt give you the substance of what was said.

Sir Oliver also discussed the matter with me to-day, and in the result asked me to send him the Archbishop's letter which I have agreed to do. He will write me, and if possible I will send you his reply.

Rely on my best efforts.

Yours truly,
C. FITZPATRICK.

Toronto, Sunday, May —, 1897.

My dear Judge,—

I am simply overwhelmed with chagrin and mortification. When I telephoned you, a week or more ago, re Jubilee honours, I had just received a letter stating, as I thought, with reasonable plainness that the