

LIEUT.-GENERAL SCOTT BOMBARDS A FALSEHOOD. Hon. William S. Darnell, member of Congress from Massachusetts, having asserted, in his lectures in Cheshire County, that the Catholic vote was offered to Gen. Scott at the late Presidential election, several persons who heard him determined to get at the truth of the matter, and therefore addressed a letter to the distinguished veteran, who returned the following reply:

New York, March 1, 1855.

Gentlemen: I have just received, through Hon. Mr. Hibbard, M.C., at Washington, your joint letter dated 24th ult., in which you say to me that, in some recent political address, delivered in your neighborhood and in your presence, the speaker declared substantially, that in the last Presidential canvass.

"Bishop Hughes, of New York, proposed to Gen. Scott to sell the Catholic vote, who hesitated to reply; when the proposition was made to General Pierce, and accepted, and a Jesuit was placed at the head of the Post-Office Department.

"That Bishop Hughes' demands were assented to by the party to whom he first proposed, except that it demanded a Catholic officer, upon which you hesitated; and the proposition was made to Gen. Pierce, and he assented."

And your letter to me is thus concluded: "Believe the statement to be false and basely calumnious of the fair fame of yourself and the other distinguished gentlemen implicated thereby, we would respectfully request of you to inform us at your earliest convenience whether the statement of Mr. —, so far as it relates to you is true."

I hasten to say that the statement of statements I have quoted from your letter, as above, are, in respect to myself, ABSOLUTELY FALSE, and I have no doubt they are equally so in respect to my political friends and opponents in the canvass alluded to.—I remain, gentlemen, with great respect, your obedient servant, WINFIELD SCOTT.

THE FRANKLIN EXPEDITION.—An additional gleam of light has been cast over the probable fate of the Franklin expedition by an Esquimaux, named Mastukwin, who accompanied Dr Rae's party, and who has been for many years a member of the Wesleyan congregation at Rossville, in Hudson's Bay. Dr Rae has always considered this native highly efficient and trustworthy. On his return to Rosville, the Esquimaux stated that "he wintered with his party in a snow house, where they had six weeks' constant nights. In March last (1854) they started on the ice to the north, and were thirty-seven days on their northern journey. They were 100 miles beyond the region inhabited by the Esquimaux, but they still found the tracks of the musk ox. Sir John Franklin and his party are dead; but, perhaps, one or two of the men may still be alive, and amongst the Esquimaux. Sir John's watch, all in pieces, with his silver spoons, knives and forks, were found. The ship was a great gaud to these people; and they now all have good sledges, spears, canoes, &c., of oak wood. Dr Rae and his party did not see any of the remains of Sir John and his party; but the Esquimaux informed him that Sir John was found dead, with his blanket over him, and his gun by his side. The probability is that it is not more than two or three years since the party perished by hunger." Such are the words of Mastukwin's narrative, as detailed to the Rev. T. Hurlbert of Rosville Mission, Hudson's Bay. They are entitled to credence because the narrator is a native of the country, acquainted with the language, and could have had no object in making a false statement. The various implements made of oak which were seen in the Esquimaux encampment, prove that they must have had access to at least one of the ships of the missing expedition.—Athens.

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