

ST. PATRICK'S DAY IN HALIFAX—GREAT SPEECH OF HIS GRACE THE ARCHBISHOP.

In acknowledging the toast of the "Clergy" at the St. Patrick's Day Celebration in Halifax, the Right Rev. Dr. Connolly spoke as follows: Your Excellency, Mr. President and Gentlemen...

Her Gracious Majesty the Queen, Her noble and heroic representative at this side of the Atlantic, Sir Fenwick Williams of Kars, Major General Doyle, than whom a more true-hearted Irishman never lived...

Believe us with great respect, your affectionate and grateful little friends, THE BOYS OF THE SANCTUARY. REPLY: My Dear Young Friends,—You have taken me so much by surprise that I know not well how to reply to your neat and flattering address...

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PRESENTATION AND ADDRESS.

The Rev. Mr. Chisholm, who for several months has been attached to the St. Patrick's Church, assisting the regular clergy in their laborious work, being about to return to Nova Scotia, was presented by the boys of the Sanctuary with a Missal, and an Address, which, together with the Rev gentleman's reply, we publish:—

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, MONTREAL, April 9th, 1866.

Revd. Father,—The boys of the sanctuary of St. Patrick's Church have learned with sincere regret that you are about to leave for your native home—They would wish to thank you, as their hearts feel, for the great attention you have so kindly bestowed in instructing and training them in the practice of the sacred ceremonies of the Church—but they are unable. All they can do is to thank you very sincerely, and to beg that you will accept of the accompanying Missal as a small memento of their affectionate and respectful gratitude.

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MASSACHUSETTS—MORALITY.—Divorce in this godly land have averaged for the last five years over five per week, or about two hundred and sixty-six per annum. Sixteen hundred divorces in six years is the total number recorded. Surely when Brigham Young and the Mormons learn this, they will feel called upon to do something to reform the morals of the people of Massachusetts.

ST. PATRICK'S SOCIETY, MONTREAL.

The following gentlemen have been elected officers for the ensuing year:— President—E. Devlin, re-elected. 1st Vice-President—Richard M'Shane, re-elected. 2nd do do Daniel Shannon. Treasurer—W. P. McGuire, re-elected. Corresponding Secretary—Felix M. Cassidy. Recording do do —P. O'Meara. Ass't Rec'g do do —J. M'Elroy, re-elected. Chaplains—The Rev. P. Dowd, and Irish Clergy of St. Patrick's Church.

Thomas McKenna, H. J. Clarke, P. Jordan, John Oatler, W. O'Brien, H. Daley, F. H. McKenna, Thos Sexton, J. J. Curran, James McShane, John McElroy, B. Tansey, Patrick Donnelly, E. Woods, Thos. J. Walsh, M. Harrington, M. Oudiddy, Jr., and H. Wall. Marshals—Joseph Cloran, Grand Marshal, re-elected; Wm. Gooley, Wm. Fannell, M. Stewart, Denis Ready, assistant marshals, re-elected.

GLENGARRY TO THE RESCUE.

To His Excellency the Right Honorable Charles Stanley Viscount Monck, Baron Monck of Ballytramon, in the County of Wexford, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor-in-Chief in and over the Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. May it please Your Excellency: The threatening attitude assumed on the part of certain misguided citizens of the United States of America, having for their object the dismemberment of Ireland from the Empire; and also the daily threats which are made by the same party, of their determination to invade Canada, induce the undersigned, Commanding Officers of the four Battalions of the Glengarry Militia, to offer their services, with their respective Battalions, to Your Excellency; and to assure Your Excellency, that they shall be ready to respond to Your Excellency's command whenever made upon them.

We have the honor to be, Your Excellency's most humble and ob't serv'ts Signed, D. A. MACDONALD, Lieut. Col. Commanding 4th Batt. ANGUJ CATTENACH, Lieut. Col. Commanding 3rd Batt DONALD McDONALD, Major Commanding 2nd Batt. ANCHBALD FRASER, Major Commanding 1st Batt. Alexandria, 24th March, 1866.

GOVERNOR'S SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Montreal, March 27, 1866.

Sir,—I am directed by the Governor General to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 26th inst. enclosing a communication from the Commanding Officers of the four Battalions of Militia for the County of Glengarry. In reply I am to state to you that His Excellency has received with much satisfaction the offer of service contained in the letter from the Commanding Officers, but that at present it is not considered necessary to call out more troops. I have the honor to be, Sir, Your most ob't humble servant, DENIS GODLEY.

Lieut. Col. D. A. MACDONALD, Commanding 4th Batt. Glengarry Militia Alexandria.

BODY FOUND.—On Thursday Mr. Biset discovered at the Cote St. Paul Locks of the Lachine Canal the body of a man floating. Word was immediately sent to town and Constable Michael Burns of the Water Police was sent to bring it in. The body was in a very decomposed state, so much so as to be quite unrecognisable. The watch and chain found on the body, however, were identified by the wife of Andrew A. Hearn, of Lachine, as being his property. He has been missing since last fall. An inquest was held and a verdict returned of accidental death.

TORONTO, April 10.—Patrick Sheedy, shoemaker's Secretary-Treasurer to the Finian Circle here, was arrested to-day. A brutal and unexplained murder was committed on the 24th ult., at Olmstead Falls, Ohio. A woman named Mrs. Colvin was found with her head broken and her body literally cut to pieces. One Alex. McConnell, formerly of Fitzroy, O.W., having last been seen with deceased, was suspected of having robbed and murdered her, and he was pursued and arrested on Monday last with the assistance of the Ottawa detectives.

The news from New Brunswick goes to show that the Governor has at last taken a decided step. He has at length received an address from the Legislative Council in favour of confederation, and in the answer, published elsewhere, makes a very strong declaration in support of that policy and of the Council's action. For this declaration Ministers apparently consider themselves responsible, and it is said they are about to resign.

FREDERICTON, April 8th, 1866.—The Governor having, in his reply to an address from the Legislative Council, endorsed their views advocating Confederation on the Quebec scheme without the advice of his Executive Council, and other issues existing between them and him, they will resign to-morrow. They have a good majority in the House and the other side will have a hard time in carrying on the Government.

A special despatch steamer from St. John's, Newfoundland, to Halifax, reports great military activity in that colony.

The Volunteers were suddenly called out, inspected, and furnished with 20 rounds of ball cartridge each. The regular troops have also been employed incessantly in placing guns in position in all the forts. Earthworks have been thrown up on Signal Hill at the entrance of the harbor, in which guns are to be mounted as if in anticipation of attack.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.—Late Charlottetown papers state that considerable excitement prevailed in that city on St. Patrick's Day. The authorities thought proper to think there would be a Fenian outbreak. Accordingly some one hundred and fifty special constables were sworn in, the soldiers confined to barracks, and each man served with sixty rounds of ball cartridge. Ross's Weekly says that the Orange Lodge sat in secret session during the night. But the anniversary passed off quietly, the Irish Society marching in procession to church, and with various amusements in the evening.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MONTREAL CITY AND DISTRICT SAVINGS' BANK.

The Annual Meeting of the Montreal City and District Savings' Bank was held at its office on Tuesday, the 3rd inst.

The Hon. G. E. Cartier being called to the Chair, and Mr. Barbeau, the Actuary, acting as Secretary, Mr. Mulholland, the President, read the following:— ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MONTREAL CITY AND DISTRICT SAVINGS' BANK.

To the Honorary Directors of the Montreal City and District Savings' Bank: Gentlemen,—The Managing Directors have again the satisfaction of meeting the Honorary Directors of this Institution on this, its Twentieth Anniversary, for the purpose of submitting a statement of its affairs.

The business of the Bank continues prosperous, and your Directors have again been able to appropriate and give to charitable institutions of this city, out of the net profits of the current year, the sum of \$8,760, making in all \$41,789 thus given during the last nine years.

In the early part of the past month it was very generally rumored that large numbers of persons in the neighbouring Republic styling themselves Fenians, were banding themselves together, for the purpose of invading and plundering this peacefully disposed and prosperous country.

A considerable number of the Depositors were so influenced by these rumours as to believe that their money was in danger, and very naturally, though the Board thought very unwisely, withdrew it. Your Directors as a precaution against such contingencies have for several years past kept a large amount of money on call in six of the chartered Banks in this city; the consequence has been that heavy withdrawals which were continued for several days were met without inconvenience; and when the run ceased the Bank had still a large amount of cash remaining on call, and had all its investments, consisting principally of Provincial Government, and City of Montreal Corporation Bonds, and the loans which are secured chiefly by similar collaterals, remaining intact.

It may not be amiss to observe that these investments and loans in case of invasion, would prove better security for the depositors, than even gold in the vaults, as they would be made valueless in the hands of plunderers by a special endorsement.

The provisions of the act of Incorporation require you to-day to elect five Honorary Directors to fill the vacancies occasioned by the lamented deaths, during the past year, of the Hon. A. N. Morin and Benjamin Holmes, Olivier Frechette, Peter Davison and E. O. Tuttle, Esq., who from the earliest organization of the Bank took a deep interest in its management of its affairs.

Your Managing Directors now submit the accompanying Balance Sheet and the Auditor's Report of the examination of the accounts and assets of the Bank, both of which will, they trust be found satisfactory.

This year the term of office of three of the Managing Directors expired, namely, Messrs. Workman, LaRoque and Delisle, also that of the Auditors, and it becomes necessary to fill these vacancies. The retiring Directors and Mr. Bristow the Surviving Auditor are eligible for re-election.

HENRY MULHOLLAND, President. Montreal, April 3 1866.

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF THE MONTREAL CITY AND DISTRICT SAVINGS BANK, THE 31st Dec., 1865:—

To amount due Depositors.....\$1,125,079 70 " " To minors and others on the Property of the Bank, 8,814 34 " " To sundry persons not depositors..... 13,504 04 " " Of Reserve Fund after paying all expenses and making the annual donations to Charitable Institutions..... 127,970 48 \$1,275,368 66

By City of Montreal Provincial, Montreal Harbour and Champ & St. Law. R.R. first Mortgage Bonds.....\$502,107 67 By Bank Stocks, viz.: La Banque du Peuple, Bank of Montreal, City Bank, Ontario Bank, Commercial Bank and Union Bank, Quebec..... 88,480 84

By loans at short dates on indorsed promissory notes, with the Collateral Security of Bank Stock and Bonds, such as required by law, 406,067 54 By Property occupied by the Bank.. 24,037 84 By amount due on sale of portion of the above..... 4,893 33 By Office Furniture..... 1,000 By Deposits on call at four and five per cent interest with six different Banks of the City \$248,781 43

The total number of accounts open on the 31st December, 1865, was..... 4,132 Classified as follows:— Of \$50 and under..... 1,415 From \$50 to \$100 ..... 681 " 100 to 200 ..... 712 " 200 to 400 ..... 621 " 400 to 800 ..... 377 " 800 to 1200 ..... 138 " 1200 to 1600 ..... 76 " 1600 and upwards..... 112—4,132

Moved by Edward Quinn, Esq., and seconded by Theo. Hart, Esq.—That the Report and Statement of the affairs of the Montreal City and District Savings Bank, just now read and submitted, are very satisfactory, and that they be received and published.

Moved by O. Barthelet, Esq., and seconded by G. Dorwin, Esq.—That the thanks of the meeting be due and hereby tendered to the Board of Managing Directors and Actuary for their services and attention in conducting the affairs of the Institution during the past year.

Messrs. W. Bristow and Francis Clarke, having consented to act as Scrutineers, the elections were then proceeded with, when the following gentlemen were declared unanimously elected, as follows:— As Managing Directors for the term of office required by law: Messrs. W. Workman, A. M. Delisle and A. LaRoque. As Auditors for the coming year: Messrs. W. Bristow and O. T. Paisgrave. And as Honorary Directors: Messrs. T. Doucet Wm. Darling, John Pratt, Richard McShane and N. B. Corso.

The meeting terminated after voting, on motion of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Hon. Mr. Holton, the usual thanks to the Chairman.

THE CANADIAN VOLUNTEERS.—The Ogdensburg Journal pays the following compliment to our Volunteers.

The Fenian excitement has demonstrated that Canada is abundantly supplied with good fighting material and the response to the recent call for volunteers, shows that it comes forward with the most creditable alacrity to the public defence. The great uprising in the North to put down rebellion, was not more hearty and enthusiastic than the rush to arms in the Provinces. To say these volunteers would not give a good account of themselves, if occasion presented or required, would be to deny the bravery of the Anglo-Saxon race.—During our own troubles, the Canadians crossed the border to join our army, and they fought the foe as well as the best. During all the alarms and excitement which have recently occurred on the frontier, we have not heard of a single instance of cowardice among the volunteers. To all intents and purposes, the alarm at Prescott, on Friday, 16th, was as much a test of courage as could have been instituted by the actual presence of the enemy: yet the men in an incredible short space of time were assembled at the rendezvous, formed in a line and ready to meet and repel the foe. The consternation among the populace, and the shrieks of women and children, had no effect upon them.

REMITTANCES RECEIVED.

St. Andrews, J. Fitzgerald, \$1; St. Anastase, W. McNulty, \$4.50; Dartmouth, J. O'Donoghue, \$2; Mrs. Thos. Elliott, \$2; Mrs. Marshall, Porto Bello, \$2; Centreville, Rev. Mr. Fitzsimmons, \$2; Inkeram, T. J. Binop, \$2; Stratford, Rev. Dean Orinan, \$2; Ottawa, Sisters of St. Joseph, \$2; Alexandria, G. O'Brien, \$2; Leinster, M. Jordan, \$2; Sarria, T. Hawitt, \$1. Per W. M. Hartly, Laclede—Self, \$1; E. Dowling, \$2.50; Lavallee & Blanchard, \$2.50. Per J. O'Rielly, Hastings—D. Ryan, \$1; T. Healy, Norwood, \$2. Par T. Griffith, Sherbrooke—H. Mulvena, \$3; G. M'Carthy, Eaton, \$2.

MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS

Montreal, April 16, 1866. Flour—Pollards, \$3.00 to \$3.25; Middlings, \$3.50 to \$3.75; Fine, \$4.25 to \$4.45; Super., No. 2, \$5.20 to \$5.50; Superior \$5.70 to \$5.80; Fancy \$6.50 to \$7.00 Extra, \$7.50 to \$8.00; Superior Extra \$8.00 to \$8.50; Bug Flour, \$3.15 to \$3.20 per 112 lbs. Eggs per doz, 20c to 25c. Tallow per lb, 90c to 100c. Pork—Quiet; New Mess, \$23.00 to \$24.00; Prime Mess, \$20 to \$20.00; Prime, \$20.00 to \$20.00. Outmeal per brl of 200 lbs, \$4.40 to \$4.60; Wheat—U. C. Spring ex cars \$1.18. Ashes per 100 lbs, First Pots, at \$5.05 to \$5.70 Seconds, \$5.90 to \$6.00; First Pearls, \$7.80 to \$8.00 Dressed Hogs, per 100 lbs. 7.00 to \$8.50 Beef, live, per 100 lbs. 7.00 to 9.00 Sheep, each, \$3.00 to \$4.00 Lamb, 2.50 to 5.00 Calves, each, \$2.00 to \$3.00

MONTREAL RETAIL MARKET PRICES.

April 10, 1866. Flour, country, per quintal, 17 0 to 17 6 Oatmeal, do 11 0 to 11 6 Indian Meal, do 8 0 to 9 0 Wheat, per min., 0 0 to 0 0 Barley, do, per 50 lbs 3 4 to 3 6 Peas, do, 4 0 to 4 8 Oats, do, 1 10 to 2 0 Butter, fresh, per lb. 1 3 to 1 6 Do, salt do 1 1 to 1 2 Beans, small white, per min 0 8 to 0 0 Potatoes, per bag 3 0 to 3 6 Onions, per minot, 4 0 to 0 0 Beef, per lb 0 4 to 0 0 Pork, do 0 7 to 0 8 Mutton do 0 5 to 0 6 Lamb, per quarter 5 0 to 6 3 Lard, per lb 10 0 to 1 0 Eggs, fresh, per dozen 1 0 to 1 3 Apples, per brl \$3.00 to \$5.00 Hay, per 100 bundles, \$5.00 to \$6.50 Straw \$2.00 to \$3.35 Flax Seed 8 6 to 9 0 Timothy Seed, 10 0 to 12 0 Turkeys, per couple 12 6 to 15 0

INFORMATION WANTED,

OF ELIZABETH COLMAN, wife of JOHN MORRISON, when last heard of they lived in Buffalo, where her husband died on the 3rd of July, 1861. Also of her brothers THOMAS and WILLIAM COLMAN, from the Parish of Madelga, County Wicklow, who will be thankfully received by their sister Bridget Colman, now Mrs. Gallagher, at No. 15, Wye / see Montreal, Lower Canada.

COLLEGE OF REGIOPOLIS KINGSTON, O.W.,

Under the Immediate Supervision of the Right Rev. E. J. Horan, Bishop of Kingston.

THE above Institution, situated in one of the most agreeable and healthful parts of Kingston, is now completely organized. Able Teachers have been provided for the various departments. The object of the Institution is to impart a good and solid education in the fullest sense of the word. The health, morals, and manners of the pupils will be an object of constant attention. The Course of instruction will include a complete Classical and Commercial Education. Particular attention will be given to the French and English languages. A large and well selected Library will be OPEN to the Pupils.

TERMS:

Board and Tuition, \$100 per Annum (payable half yearly in Advance.) Use of Library during stay, \$2. The Annual Session commences on the 1st September, and ends on the First Thursday of July, July 21st 1866.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

DALTON'S NEWS DEPOT, Corner Craig and St. Lawrence Streets.—W. Dalton respectfully informs his friends and the public, that he keeps constantly for sale the following Publications:— Frank Leslie's Newspaper, Harper's Weekly, Boston Pilot, Irish American, Irish Canadian, Comic Monthly, Yankee Notions, Nick-Nax, N.Y. Tablet, Staats Zeitung, Criminal Zeitung, Courrier des Etats Unis, Franco-Americain, N. Y. Herald, Times, Tribune, News, World, and all the popular Story, Comic and Illustrated Papers. Le Bon Ton, Mad. Demorest's Fashion Book, Leslie's Magazine, Godey's Lady's Book, and Harper's Magazine.—Montreal Herald, Gazette, Transcript, Telegraph, Witness, True Witness, La Minerve, Le Pays, L'Ordre, L'Union Nationale, Le Perroquet, La Sole and Le Defricheur.—The Novels, Dime Novels, Dime Song Books, Joke Books, Almanack, Diaries, Maps, Guide Books, Music Paper, Drawing Books, and every description of Writing Paper, Envelopes, and School Materials, at the very lowest prices.—Albums, Photographs, and Prints. Subscriptions received for Newspapers and Magazines.