

resume political power at Ottawa, there is probably no one better fitted to carry to a successful issue the negotiations with the United States which must be the chief work of the Canadian Administration in the near future. All these are, however, little more than matters of conjecture. After the sad ceremony of to-day, it will rest with the GOVERNOR-GENERAL to exercise his prerogative, and the lifelong labors of SIR JOHN MACDONALD on Canada's behalf will have been far less productive of good than we believe them to have been, if the occasion does not find a Canadian leader capable and willing to carry on the work of building up a great British nation on the North American continent.—*Canadian Gazette*, June 11th.

MONTREAL CLEARING HOUSE.

For week ending	1891.		Corresponding Week 1890.	
	Clearings.	Balances.	Clearings.	Balances.
May 7	\$9,575.952	\$1,512,567	\$9,704,693	\$1,346,386
May 14	10,860,355	1,416,300	9,216,039	1,112,564
May 21	9,181,299	1,337,969	10,992,205	1,340,923
*May 28	7,990,928	1,285,403	7,979,496	1,173,908
June 4	10,617,914	1,696,549	10,305,047	1,260,755
June 11	10,685,239	1,318,105	9,426,317	1,161,496

*Two holidays this week.