

Ecosse à la fin du siècle dernier et qui a été en rapport avec un grand nombre des auteurs et des victimes de la proscription. De toutes ces recherches, M. Casgrain a rapporté une masse de documents qui vont jeter un nouveau jour sur cette fameuse question Acadienne que certains écrivains ne semblent avoir traitée que pour travestir la vérité et tromper le public.

Mr. WINSOR added that the Headquarters papers of Montcalm found among these manuscripts supplemented the letters of Montcalm which Mr. Parkman procured from the family of that general and from that of Bourlamaque, some years since, and of which there are copies among the Parkman manuscripts. The manuscript which is mentioned in Mr. Parkman's letter as being already in duplicate in Montreal, in the collection of the Abbé Verreau, corresponds to what is called Vol. I. of the preceding catalogue; but that manuscript is said by the Abbé Casgrain, in a letter to Mr. Winsor, to be less complete than the copy now produced. A series of abstracts of official campaign-papers, 1755-1760, was first brought to light in Henry Stevens's "Bibliotheca Geographica" in 1872, as coming from the family of the Chevalier de Lévis. This manuscript eventually found its way into the cabinet of the Abbé Verreau in Montreal, where Parkman read it, and quotes it in his printed books as "Livre d'Ordres." It is not unlikely that some, if not many, of the letters sent to the commanders in Canada by the French Government, which are contained in one of these manuscript volumes, are already known to us in the Brodhead Collection of Documents, published by the State of New York, and in some of the Collections which have been edited in Canada, as well as among the six thousand pages of documents relating to the Seven Years' War which Parkman caused to be copied in the various archives of Paris; but there seems to be a great deal among these newly discovered papers which, so far as can be learned from their titles and descriptions, is new and of great importance. Any fresh light thrown upon the battle of Ste. Foye will be of great interest.