

tion of his ode to the Prince, we think we have said sufficient to justify the opinion that he ranks high among our sons of song. In connection with this subject, we may observe, that it is generally understood that we are shortly to have a volume of poems from his gifted pen; and we sincerely trust that the publication may prove as successful, as those that have preceded from the same source.

In connection with music, Mr. McCarroll figures as one of the very best flutists on the continent. This will be more readily understood, when we state that he can simultaneously bring out two distinct notes with one fingering, forming a perfect major third. In addition to this feat he can play the most ornate melodies with one hand. His second eldest daughter, Miss McCarroll, is also well known as a splendid pianist.

Mr. McCarroll resides at Toronto, and occupies the post of outdoor surveyor to the port of Toronto. He is very popular with the people of the city, and has lived with them in constant and close intercourse for many years.

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THIS gentleman is the head of the Upper Canada surveyors' branch of the crown lands department, and may be considered at the summit of his profession. His sterling worth, his excellent abilities, and his services in developing the resources of Canada, are highly appreciated.

Mr. Devine is a native of the county of Westmeath, Ireland; he received his education at Fox's celebrated Engineers' Academy, where he early acquired a profound knowledge of the profession in which he at present shines. He subsequently studied under the corps of the Royal Engineers, and passed very creditable examinations, both while he was at the academy and among the engineers. His first employment was in the ordnance survey of Ireland, in which he continued until its completion. After this he migrated to Canada, to a larger and more important field for his labors;—and, in 1846, was appointed to the crown lands department, in which he has continued ever since, rising by his talents and industry from a subordinate occupation, to the important post which he now holds as head of the Upper Canada surveyors, in which he succeeded Mr. Andrew Russell, now assistant-commissioner of crown lands.