

The Vice-Regal Visit to Quebec.

Last week we took leave of the Vice-Regal party at the Montreal wharf as they embarked for Quebec. They arrived at the Ancient Capital on the 4th inst., and the numerous pictures which we publish in the present issue are illustrative of their reception and public movements there. It is impossible within our limited space to go into all the details, but we may say that the landing of His Excellency and Her Royal Highness at Queen's Wharf was perhaps the heartiest incident of the visit, and the Marquis' speech in French in reply to the address of welcome from the Mayor is decidedly the best that he has yet pronounced in Canada. Our front page presents a sketch of the landing and reception.

INAUGURATION OF THE DUFFERIN TERRACE.

At about three o'clock on Monday, the 9th inst., His Excellency, Her Royal Highness, Lady MacNamara, Major DeWinton and Hon. Capt. Harbord arrived on the ground, having a cavalry escort. The distinguished party were received by the Mayor and city authorities. After a brief interval His Excellency headed a procession which promenaded the new terrace. On returning to the dais in the centre, the Governor-General said: "I have now much pleasure in declaring this terrace to be open to the public, and that it be named in memory of the last Governor-General of Canada 'The Dufferin Terrace.'" Major DeWinton then called for three cheers to the memory of Lord Dufferin, which were given with enthusiasm. The Vice-Regal party then drove off the grounds. The Dufferin promenade is more than a quarter mile in length, and averaging 200 feet in breadth, with a garden adjoining, stands at a height of 182 feet above the St. Lawrence. It is erected on the crest of the rock forming the south-east face of the promontory upon which the city is built, and extends along the face of the cliff to a point below the King's Bastion of the Citadel, which rises above it at a height of 150 feet. The name of Lord Dufferin is associated with the improvement, the corner-stone of which he laid nine months ago. The Dominion Parliament has made a grant for the purpose of repairing the front fortification wall and of raising it to a level in a series of piers and arches. Along the front of the terrace are five pavilions or kiosks, known as the Victoria, Frontenac, Louise and Lorne, Dufferin and Plessis—one at each extremity of the promenade, one in the centre and two intermediate, thus dividing the walk into four sections of one-sixteenth of a mile each. The arched opening under the terrace are commenced and extended as occasion offers from the Lorne and Louise pavilion to the Victoria, a distance of 350 feet, and even the whole length of the new terrace if required. The range of guns from Wolfe's Battery being now rendered inefficient by the height of the new terrace, it is proposed to erect a new battery under the terrace between the Victoria and Dufferin pavilions, along a portion of the front or fortification wall. This battery will be situated on the very crest of the cliff, and command the shipping lying abreast of the Lower Town wharves and piers. The east portion of Dufferin Terrace rests on the foundations of the old Castle of St. Louis, around which many historical events gather.

LAYING THE FOUNDATION STONE OF KENT GATE.

This ceremony took place at noon in presence of the Mayor and Corporation and many leading citizens. The attendance of the general public was not, however, so large as was expected—a circumstance probably due to two postponements having occurred. At one side of the partly-erected gate a temporary platform was placed for the accommodation of the Vice-Regal party and the principal spectators. Along one side of it a detachment of "B" Battery was stationed, while the city police acted with commendable efficiency in maintaining order at other points. The Vice-Regal party comprised His Excellency and Her Royal Highness, Major DeWinton, Hon. Mr. Moreton and Miss Moreton, and Hon. Capt. Harbord, A.D.C. His Excellency wore the star of the Order of St. Michael and St. George. The Princess was attired in a plain, black dress and silk jacket, trimmed with crape, and wore a silver necklace and bracelet, and black undressed kid gloves. Among those present on the platform were the Lord Bishop of Quebec, Monsignor Cazeau, the Rev. G. V. Houseman, and the Rev. T. E. Hamel, rector of Laval University; Col. Duchesnay, Deputy-Adjutant-General, the Commandant, Col. Strange, R.A., and a number of civic and military dignitaries, including Mayor Chambers, the Aldermen, Councillors, and civic officials. The proceedings commenced by the city engineer reading the inscription plate and enumerating the documents and articles deposited in a leaden box which was placed in the stone. Her Royal Highness contributed some English shillings, having finely-cut profiles of Her Majesty, to the collection of coins. The Princess was then presented with an ebony-handled silver bowl, with the following engraved thereon, beneath a representation of the gate:—

Foundation Stone, Kent Gate, Quebec,
Laid by Her Royal Highness Princess Louise,
11th June, 1879.
R. Chambers, Esq., Mayor.
C. Baillarge, Chevalier, City Engineer.

On the reverse side were the letters "L. L." and an embossed likeness of the Princess Louise, intertwined in a wreath of maple leaves, the

whole of exquisite workmanship. Her Royal Highness then proceeded to perform the ceremony, and covered the stone with mortar in excellent style, concluding that operation by saying in very audible and distinct words, "I declare this stone well and truly laid, and henceforth it will be called the Kent Gate, and the upper gate is to retain its old name, St. Louis Gate," a little speech which seemed to delight the multitude of on-lookers, who spontaneously rent the air with three cheers for "Her Royal Highness." His Worship the Mayor then thanked Her Royal Highness for having performed a ceremony of such interest to the loyal citizens of the Ancient Capital, and so interwoven with pleasant historical recollections of her illustrious ancestor, the Duke of Kent, whose memory was revered by the people of this country. His Excellency concluded the ceremony by congratulating the citizens of Quebec upon the laying of the first stone of the Kent Gate, one of a series of gates which would give worthy entrances to their ancient and beautiful city.

HIS EXCELLENCY AND HER ROYAL HIGHNESS AT THE ART EXHIBITION.

On Friday afternoon their Excellencies, accompanied by Major DeWinton, Captain Harbord, A.D.C., and Miss Montalba, paid a visit to the Art Exhibition, opened in the Skating Rink, Grand Allée, in aid of the funds of the Ladies' Protestant Home.

The articles de vertu on view were all loaned by citizens of Quebec, and almost everything exhibited was worthy of careful inspection. The arrangements were most efficiently carried out under the personal superintendence of Mrs. R. R. Dobell, Mrs. Chas. G. Holt and Mrs. Gibb, who deserve every credit for their perseverance in the cause of charity.

Their Excellencies, on arrival, were received by ladies and gentlemen of the committee and conducted round the building; John L. Gibb, Esq., having the honor of escorting Her Royal Highness, and Mrs. R. R. Dobell accompanying the Marquis of Lorne.

To give even a superficial report on the varied exhibits made would occupy more space than our columns admit of; we can only mention cursorily a few of the paintings, &c., that came more immediately under notice.

Commencing with the pictures, we found on the various easels, among others, a fine painting by E. Carro of the "Death of Don Quixote," worthy of especial study, the old Knight of De la Mancha reclining in bed and surrounded by a sorrowing group. This was from Mr. W. E. Price's very choice exhibit. A very old original of "Pandora and Her Casket," the property of Mr. R. R. Dobell, commanded great attention. The beauty and perfection of each feature of countenance, the natural drooping of the hands and foldings of drapery bespoke the master's hand. A "Habitant," by Kreighoff (Mr. R. R. Dobell), was an exquisite piece of art. Two views of "Dieppe," in water colors (Mr. R. R. Dobell), were very beautiful and truthful, the work of T. B. Dibden. "The Peaceful Hour," by G. W. Morice (Mr. R. R. Dobell), was much admired. The painting represents an old lady looking over articles of wear long since disused, and one can imagine the many happy memories the owner recalls as she takes one article after another from the old trunk, their quiet resting place. Two of Kreighoff's "Caribou Hunting," and "A Wreck of a Raft" (Mr. R. R. Dobell), were painted in living colors, and gave vivid ideas of the excitement inseparable in such scenes. Two views of Quebec, by W. F. Friend (Mr. J. A. Sewell), one taken from Beauport and the other from Point Levis, were much admired. Four *chromos* of Quebec in 1832, lent by the Hon. P. Garneau, were found interesting. Four views, taken in the Alps by Elijah Watton; "Mt. Blanc as seen from Col d'Antern"; "As seen from near Bourg D'Orisans"; "The Matterhorn, from near Zermith"; and "Peaks near La Grave Dauphine," were perfect gems of art, and invited very close scrutiny. Two frames exhibiting heads of celebrated dogs, presented beautiful handiwork, and visions of Sir Edwin Landseer floated vividly before the spectator. Two sketches taken in Wales, illustrating "Sunrise" and "Sunset," by Murcham (Mr. C. F. Smith), were beautiful to contemplate; a cascade being exquisitely drawn. Mr. Jas. Patton, jr., sent a "View of Lake St. Charles," by Kreighoff, and a fine grouping of "Peonies," by G. Gontin. Mr. Harrison exhibited beautiful views of "Cape Trinity" and the "Upper and Lower Falls at Trois Pistoles." A beautiful work of art was the "Morning Star," copied by Mazzolini, loaned by M. Verret. This represented a female figure draped in the gauziest of gauze, the contour being beautifully and delicately lined, and the gossamer drapery admirably disposed. Two excellent views (very old) of Westminster Abbey recalled memories of the mighty ones who lie forever entombed within its massive pile. Two water colors, lent by Mr. W. M. Macpherson, representing "Prosperity" and "Adversity," called for more than passing remark. A piece of sea coast, lent by Mr. E. J. Price, was perfect in its finish. The rugged rocks, towering loftily, washed ceaselessly by the ocean surge and around whose cliffs the seabirds call, brought to mind many a bold headland, where wreckers most did ply their nefarious calling and many a noble ship has been dashed to pieces. A headland near "Tintagal by the Cornish Sea" might have been the chosen spot. Kreighoff's celebrated painting of the "Breaking up in the Morning" could not

fail but draw many admirers. The roistering crowd issuing from the hostelry of *J. Be. Jolifou*, after a night of revelry, was inimitably depicted, the ludicrous being, of course, the main feature of the artist's work. A case of photographs, portraits and landscapes, from the studio of Mr. J. E. Livernois, attracted much attention. They were beautiful exhibits of the photographer's art, defining clearly the outlines of feature and locality, and excellently toned.

Among other exhibits may be mentioned one of singing birds. Among the songsters were two beautiful Bob-o-Links, or Bobs-o-Link, whatever the plural may be, the property of Mr. J. Hawley, the keeper of the rink. Mr. J. M. LeMoine showed an unidentified bird, captured near Lorette and presented to him by the Rev. Mr. Auclair, the parish priest of Quebec.

Mr. J. N. Gregory, of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Mr. J. M. Corkell, Dr. W. E. Russell, Mr. J. M. Lemoine, Mr. T. Beckett and others sent beautiful collections of stuffed birds, and Mr. T. Beckett a good collection of birds' eggs and a large paper-wasp's nest. Messrs. G. R. Renfrew & Co., Quebec's noted furriers, had a very handsome exhibit of furs, which were very much admired, notably some sea-otter and silver fox skins, white and cross foxes on Indian worked cloth, and in fancy muffs, white and silver foxes, Trajapan and Himalayan pheasant and emu. A case of cups won by different clubs of the city was the cynosure of all eyes, many of the trophies being remarkably handsome. Among others were the Quebec Challenge Curling Cup, the Golf Cup, the Rifle Cup, the Yacht Cup, Stadacona Rifle Association Cup, the Montreal and Quebec Golf Cup, &c., &c. A quantity of shell and cannon balls fired against the French at Montmorency in 1759 by General Wolfe's army and Admiral Saunders' fleet, were shown by Mr. H. M. Price, and from their condition did not appear to have done very much havoc. A quantity of loot from the Emperor's Palace at Peking was exhibited by Mr. C. F. Smith, and by Mr. Sheriff Sewell a Holyrod of James VI. of Scotland, given from the choir of Castle, 1625. General Wolfe's chess-board, in excellent preservation, purchased at the sale of his effects by Colonel le Compte Dupres, was exhibited by Mr. Thomas Lloyd. A very fine piece of needlework, date 1795, was loaned by Mrs. Newton. It represents a landscape with human figures, and is most delicate and minute in its execution. Without close inspection it might be taken for a pencil drawing. Reprints of the *London Times*, 1793, and several old books and manuscripts were sent by the Literary and Historical Society. A prayer-book, illuminated, once owned by Mary Queen of Scots, was also exhibited in capital preservation. The collection of china, &c., was very fine, some of it being of very ancient date.

Their Excellencies passed a considerable time in looking over the collection and appeared to take a great interest therein. Her Royal Highness was apparently much pleased with the exhibition of paintings.

THE ILLUMINATIONS.

On Monday night Quebec changed completely its normal sombre appearance; its dimly-lighted and narrow streets were illumined from the surface of the St. Lawrence to the topmost point of the King's Bastion on the Citadel, and the whole population of old Stadacona showed by the handsome apparel it had donned by lighting up its houses, stores and public buildings, how heartily it welcomed within its time-honored walls the daughter of our beloved Queen and the noble scion of the great house of Argyll.

The weather was all that could have been desired, and everything conspired to make the illuminations what they were, an unexampled success. Their Excellencies drove through the principal streets of the city to witness the display, and from end to end of the triumphal route cheers, such as have seldom wakened the echoes of the Laurentides, greeted them on every side.

A slight sketch of a few of the principal displays may be interesting:—

One of the finest views, of course, was that obtained from Dufferin Terrace, where not only the hundred and fifty gasjets all along the front railing of the Terrace, at distances of but ten feet apart, lit up the platform with unusual brilliancy, but whence could be seen the illuminations of the vessels in port and of the Government stores below, besides the reflection of the lights from Levis, St. Joseph, Beauport and the Island of Orleans.

The effect of the 24 large reflector lamps in the windows of the Queen's Store was very apparent on the Terrace. Each lamp had an 18 inch reflector, turned towards the platform, and all were used for the purpose, under Mr. Gregory's superintendence, by Mr. Fitzhenry.

Many persons crossed the river in the ferry boats and were well repaid for their trouble by the splendid view obtained. All along the base of the cliff the lights on the shipping and houses all along from the Commissioners' wharf as far as the eye could reach—say some three or four miles; overhead the line of lights some thousand of torches and gas jets along the Grand Battery, from the University to the summit of the Citadel glaced in front, and on the glacis another row gave a splendid effect. The lights from the foot of the glacis taken in connection with those on Dufferin Terrace to the King's Bastion described as nearly as might the figure of a Harp. In the background, again, were the University, Legislative buildings, Post Office, Normal School and private residences, all

brilliantly lighted—the whole producing an effect only to be appreciated by those who witnessed it.

The Parliament House on Mountain Hill, with its garden and lot surrounding, as illuminated, presented perhaps the prettiest sight of any in the city. All round the building and lot of ground below torches were placed at frequent intervals, and the garden was profusely hung with parti-colored lanterns. The building was most gorgeous in its decorations. At the summit the word "Bienvenus" in greenery stood boldly out and above that in colored glasses, the name "Lorne" and "Louise" shone lustreously. Over this again was a pretty device illuminated in the same manner. Over the doorway an Imperial Crown and the word "Welcome" showed well in gaslight. In the central window transparencies of the Provincial Arms and on either sides in large letters "V. R." In five other windows there were placed beautiful transparencies exhibiting portraits of Her Majesty the Queen, H. R. H. the Prince of Wales, His Excellency the Marquis of Lorne, and H. R. H. the Princess Louise. In each window throughout the entire building candles were lit, while lines of colored lamps around the whole front showed off the contour of the house, facade and wings. The whole effect was universally pronounced as lovely in the extreme, and too much praise cannot be accorded to Doctor LaRoque, the courteous Sergeant-at-Arms, for his indefatigable zeal in preparing and seeing carried out such a magnificent display.

The Archbishop's Palace was beautifully lit up. The letters "L" and "L" were illuminated in the front, also capital portraits of their Excellencies with the Imperial Crown. The windows were one and all hung with balloons and lit with candles, while the carriage drive of the main entrance was like fairy-land, so gorgeous was it with beautifully colored lanterns.

The Laval University made a very pretty show. The dome or tower was lit up with electric light, which shed its rays far and wide, producing a fine effect. All the windows in the tower were lighted with colored lamps and every window in the building was made gay with sperm candles.

Messrs. J. Musson & Co. made a fine display with parti-colored lights round their store and patent medicine and drug rooms. Gas jets, exhibiting the Lorne crest (a boar's head), with the thistle and the word "Welcome," were very lustreous. Considerable pains had been manifested in the preparation of all these gentlemen exhibited. The colored lights were remarkably good.

Captain C. E. Holiwell had a very choice display. The whole front of the house was decorated with flags and floral wreaths, while the Royal Arms in relief stood prominently forward. The letters "V" and "L" were handsomely illuminated, and a transparency of the Royal Arms looked extremely well; Chinese lanterns were lit all over, and the magnesium light was displayed and fireworks and lights were let off at intervals during the evening.

The North Shore Railway station at the Palais was very handsomely illuminated, the decorations having been under the control of Mr. Wasson. Long rows of hand lanterns were suspended from the roof of the building, and two head lights added to the brilliancy of the front of the building. The windows were filled in with representations of the Queen, the Governor-General, the Princess, the Royal Standard and appropriate mottoes, such as "Welcome to our Queen's Daughter."

At about a quarter past eleven their Excellencies returned to the Citadel and immediately a royal salute was fired, six sky rockets being discharged between the firing of each gun. Before twelve had struck the illuminations were all over, and the city sank to rest without mishap of any kind having occurred to mar the pleasure of a night of highly pleasurable enjoyment.

THISTLE LACROSSE SPORTS.

Their Excellencies, accompanied by the Ladies Campbell, Lady MacNamara, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Moreton, Major DeWinton and Capt. Harbord, on Thursday visited the Thistle Lacrosse Club grounds to witness the sports and lacrosse match between the Thistles and Sherbrooke Club, and in which the gubernatorial party appeared to take great interest.

The following is the result of the afternoon programme:

- 100 Yards, in heats—A. D. Hastings (Thistles), 1; Newton (Sherbrooke), 2.
 - Quarter Mile (Boys' Race) Partridge, 1; Shaw, 2.
 - Mile Race—Harcourt Smith, 1; Spiers, 2; Irvine, 3.
 - Three-Legged Race—Adams and Henderson, 1; Partridge and Smith, 2.
 - Hurdle Race, 120 Yards—A. D. Hastings, 1; Putnam, 2.
 - Tug of War—"B" Battery vs. All Comers—Won by "B" Battery after a very hard and interesting struggle.
 - Quarter Mile Race—Hastings, 1; Richardson, 2.
- His Excellency the Governor-General addressed a few words to the lacrosse players at the conclusion of the above events, and, with ringing cheers for the Marquis and the Princess Louise, the Thistles and Sherbrooke men took their stand. After very exciting play the match was concluded, with the result of the Sherbrooke team having taken the first two games and the Thistles the last three; the latter coming off victorious after a very up-hill fight.

Her Royal Highness gracefully distributed the prizes at the close of the lacrosse match, and addressed a few gracious words to each recipient.