

let their poor brethren occupy their houses. He offered to become personally responsible for those he would recommend. Rainsford will earn the title of crank if he works much longer on the supposition that Christianity is a thing for such vulgarly practical application as this.

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At the next meeting of the Association for the Advancement of Science, Mr. Godson is to read an essay on the "Spontaneous Disappearance of contract-built Culverts on Public Streets."

THE NEW GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

LORD STANLEY OF PRESTON INTERVIEWED.

[SPECIAL TO GRIP.]

IN accordance with the principles of modern journalism, the leading newspapers of Montreal despatched representatives to interview the new Governor-General, Lord Stanley of Preston, on his arrival at Rimouski.

The *Star* publishes the following:—"Your correspondent was the first to interview Lord Stanley, and was received with the greatest courtesy. He is a gentleman of excellent presence and evidently of great ability, though somewhat reticent and non-committal. What will please the ladies of Canada is that he is good-looking and dresses well, which very few Englishmen do. In reply to the query, 'What are your impressions of Canada and the Canadians?' he replied, 'I am delighted with it. The shores of Anticosti and Labrador are magnificent, and I am sure that any nation living in such a country must be a grand people.' 'What do you think of the Atlantic?' 'It is certainly a fine sheet of water.' 'What do you think of the Irish question?' 'I prefer not to express an opinion; you Canadians are better judges of it than we are in England.' After some further conversation, during which the *Star* representative gave Lord Stanley much valuable information on the servant girl question and other important matters, the interview came to a close."

The *Witness* representative wired as follows:—"Your representative was the first to see Lord Stanley on the arrival of the steamship. He had been suffering from seasickness during the passage across, and declined being interviewed. In answer to the question, 'What are your impressions of Canada and Canadians?' he answered that he preferred to say nothing till he had an opportunity of judging. He would say nothing on the prohibition question. All other interviews with Lord Stanley are misleading, as he was not seen by any other reporter except the *Witness* representative."

The *Herald* representative telegraphed:—"Lord Stanley gave your representative a long interview, and invited him to breakfast with him. He asked a great many questions of your correspondent, especially concerning the status of the third party, on which subject your correspondent gave him full information, and left with him a file of the *Herald* for May, containing reprints from Hansard of Hon. Peter Mitchell's speeches. Lord Stanley was very tired at this juncture, and retired to his stateroom. He said before retiring that his impressions of Canada would not as yet prove very interesting to Canadians. He authorized your representative to say that he was very much pleased with Canada, and had no doubt there was excellent fishing on the Saguenay, which he intended to essay before assuming his gubernatorial duties."

The *Gazette* had a special representative board the

steamship at Liverpool and make the trip across with him. Unfortunately the voyage on the sea proved too much for the representative, as he was very sick the whole trip, and never left his berth. However, he sent a long account by mail, which will be published in to-morrow's issue. The *Gazette's* Rimouski correspondent telegraphed:—"I saw Lord Stanley this evening, and was the only reporter on board at the time, as I went out on the tender specially. Lord Stanley was delighted with his trip across, and expressed himself as opposed to the interprovincial resolutions. He also thought the Canadian Pacific should receive more bonuses from the Government. His impressions of Canada were very favorable, and he liked the Canadians. Lord Stanley is a handsome man, and will evidently be a great favorite. He is also a Conservative, and strongly in favor of constitutional government. The Liberal press will not be able to coerce him into unconstitutional measures."

The Montreal correspondents of the *Mail*, *Globe* and *Empire* will probably telegraph their respective papers the gist of the above interviews, to appear in to-morrow's issues.



DESIGN FOR HISTORICAL PICTURE

JOHN BAXTER CURSING THE QUILL WITH WHICH HE WROTE THE EPISTLES TO GODSON.

THEY'VE STRUCK IT!

THE citizens of Whitby are excited over the prospects of a boom in natural gas in that good town. Mr. Abe Logan, of Oil City, Pa., an old Whitby boy, is entering into the project heartily, and feels confident there is natural gas in large quantities in the town. We know there is. Let Abe just bore a little in the council chamber.