

does not at once energetically step in, difficulties will spring up between us and the United States||, and we may lose those magnificent parts just as we lost the richest portion of the Red River valley when the last boundary line was run, which would involve the further disadvantage of having a foreign power occupying the large area between Upper Canada and British Columbia. Divine Providence has committed that extensive country to our trust for the very high-

the districts of North America west of longitude 90 degrees on conditions following ***, and that the North-west Territory shall be divided and organized into Territories of the United States, not less than three in number, with all the rights and privileges of the citizens and Government of Montana Territory, so far as the same can be made applicable”.

Nor-Wester Jan. 19. 1868.

And as showing the further attention of men's minds to this country it may be mentioned that in the same number of the above journal are a series of resolutions which the Hon. W. Mc. Dougall has submitted to the Canadian Legislature to stimulate action in regard to the aforesaid territory.

||The author also brought over with him a specimen of what a native found in great abundance in one part, and submitted it to Professor Miller, King's College, London, and he pronounced it to be Nitrate of Potash. The natives also assured the writer of the existence of many precious, sparkling stones.