BRIEF REFERENCES TO SOME INCIDENTS IN THE PUBLIC LIFE OF HON. R. W. SCOTT

AND A

FEW PRESS EDITORIALS ON HIS RETIREMENT.

Extract from a despatch received by His Excellency The Governor General, from The Right Honourable, The Secretary of State for the Colonies:—

Downing Street, 10 November, 1908.

I take this opportunity of requesting that you will convey to Mr. Scott an expression of His Majesty's appreciation of his long and valuable services to The Government of The Dominion and to The Empire.

I have the honour to be,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient servant,

(Signed) CREWE.

Governor General, His Excellency, The Right Honourable Earl Grey, G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O.

From the True Witness, Montreal, December 5th, 1903.

SOME LESSONS.

To our young co-religionists and fellow-countrymen who have the ambition to enter public life we would suggest a careful perusal of the brief sketch of the life of the venerable and distinguished figure in the administration of Canada to-day—Hon, R. W. Scott—which will be found in another column.

Leaving aside the question of political partisanship with which the "True Witness" is not concerned, there are lessons in the career of the leader of the Senate, which leave no room for doubt that he is a man of culture, and has always displayed the courage of his convictions.

At no period in Catholic ranks in this country was there more pressing need for men of culture, executive ability and courage than now; men who will leave the impress of those characteristics not only upon the statute books but also upon the minds and hearts of their own people.