

"It was agreed that he would add to the latter sentence the name of the month in which he expected the thing would be settled. The date is marked on the back of this memorandum. It is November 30th. The memorandum was written about the close of our interview of that day, which was my last interview with them. I left *Montreal* on the 2nd of December. The impression made on my mind was so favourable, that on my arrival I told many people that we had every reason to expect that the new Government would carry out the promises of the old Government.

"That it further appears from the said evidence that the following telegrams passed between the Hon. A. A. *Dorion*, Minister of Justice, and others on his behalf, and Archbishop *Taché*.

" 'FORT GARRY, 24th December, 1873.

" 'To the Honorable A. A. *Dorion*, *Ottawa*,

" 'Anxious hearing from you. Is communication received. *Lépine* bailed yesterday.

" ' (Signed,) ARCHBISHOP TACHÉ. "

" ' *Montreal*, December 25th 1873.

" 'To Archbishop *Taché*.

" 'I received the gratifying intelligence contained in your telegram. Matters here are progressing slowly but most satisfactorily. In a few days I will write result, and about some important questions.

" ' (Signed,) A. A. DORION. "

" ' *Ottawa*, 2nd January, 1874.

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" 'General election immediate. Governor *Morris* will communicate with you. Of paramount importance for friends to comply with his request. Answer by telegraph.

" ' (Signed,) J. C. TACHÉ. "

" ' *Ottawa*, January 2nd, 1874.

" 'To *Alex. Morris*, *Fort Garry*, *Manitoba*.

" 'Will you communicate confidentially to Bishop *Taché* that I am particularly desirous, in the interest of his people, in order to avoid excitement, that *Riel* should not be a candidate.

" ' (Signed,) A. A. DORION. "

"That on the 5th January, 1874, Governor *Morris* telegraphed to the Hon. A. *Dorion*, Minister of Justice, that he had seen Archbishop *Taché*, and that he (*Dorion*) could communicate with *Riel* through Father *Lascomb* at *Montreal*, who knew where he was."

"That Bishop *Taché* says: 'I wrote to Father *Lascomb* immediately after the communication with Mr. *Morris*, about the first week in January, that very likely the *Canadian* Government would open negotiations with him about *Riel's* election,' and that Father *Lascomb* informed Bishop *Taché* that Mr. *Dorion* had communicated with him, either directly or through some one else."

And the Question being put on the Amendment:—It passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put; the House divided; and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:—