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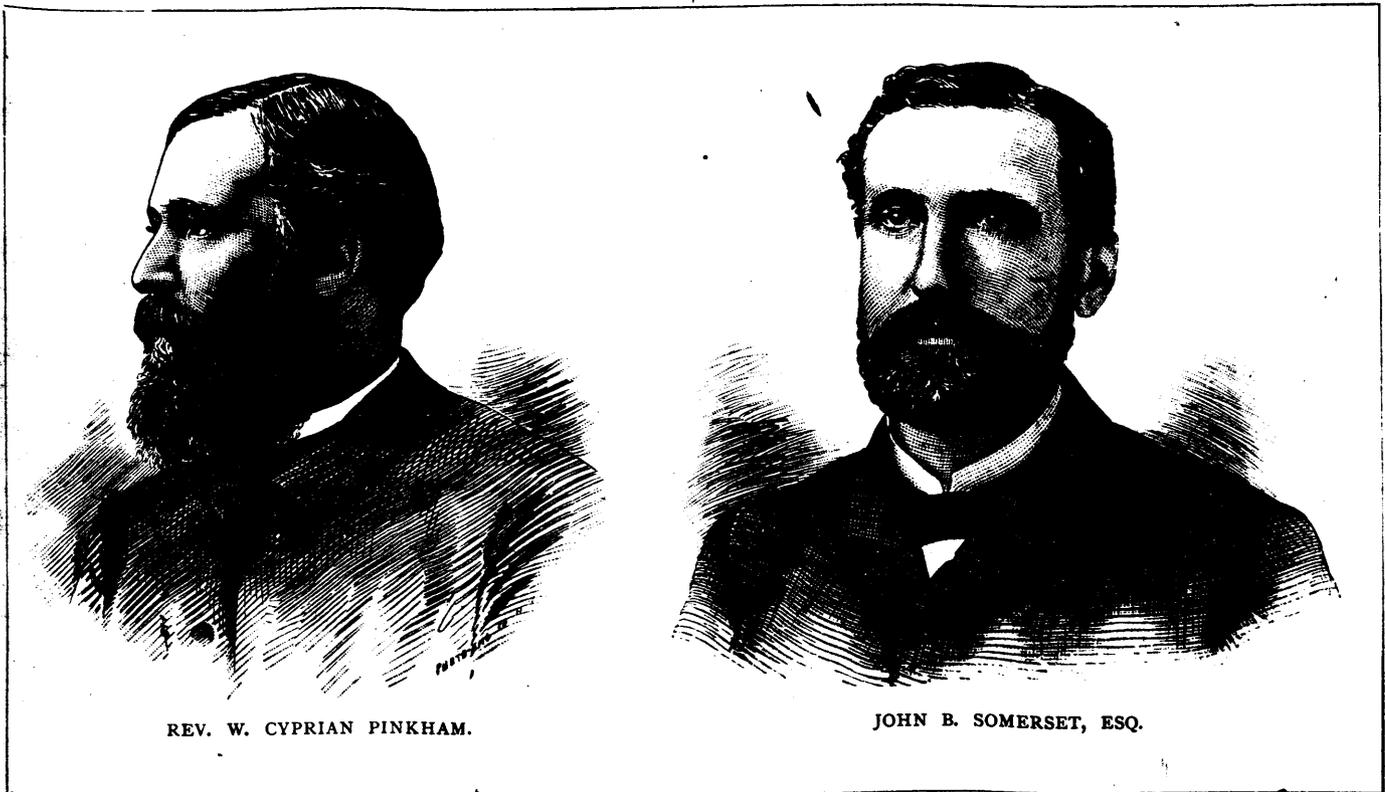
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## EDUCATIONAL CHANGES IN NORTH WEST.—THE PAST AND THE PRESENT.

REV. W. CYPRIAN PINKHAM.

The Rev. W. Cyprian Pinkham was born at St. John's, Newfoundland, and received his education at the Church of England Academy there. After teaching for some time in one of the public schools of the island, he proceeded to Canterbury, completed his education at St. Augustine's, and took his diploma in 1868. Immediately afterward, he left for the Red River settlement to take the incumbency of St. James. At

but he, leaving soon afterwards for Ontario on a visit, Mr. Pinkham performed his duties in his absence and ultimately succeeded him on his retirement. Since that time he has held the office, and, in conjunction with His Grace the Archbishop of St. Boniface, has done more than any other man in bringing education in Manitoba to its present high standard of efficiency. By prudence and tact, the jars and contentions so prevalent in older communities between Catholic and Protestant interests in educational administration have been happily avoided, mutual concessions, without sacrifice of principle, having been brought to bear to accomplish this desirable end.



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that time the only other Protestant Missions in the settlement were the present Bishop of Saskatchewan, then rector of St. John's Cathedral, Rev. Geo. Young, Methodist Minister, Rev. John Black (Presb.), of Kildonan, Rev. S. Pritchard, assistant master in the college school, and the present Bishop of Rupert's Land. Beside his work at St. James, Mr. Pinkham travelled on ministerial duty to various parts of the province on mission work, principally to Headingly, Victoria, and Morris.

In 1871, after the passing of the first school law, the Board of Education was constituted, consisting of the Bishop of Rupert's Land, Rev. John Black, Rev. Geo. Young, Rev. W. C. Pinkham, Hon. John Norquay, Dr. Bird, and Mr. St. John; the last of these was the first Protestant Superintendent,

In addition to his guidance of the interests common to school education, those of secondary and higher education have also engaged Mr. Pinkham's attention. He is the author of the present system of high school education in the province, where by which preparation for the University and for the higher teachers' examinations is provided for; he has also initiated the system of normal training for teachers at present in use. In 1878 he was elected the first representative of the Board of Education on the Council of the University, a position which he still holds; he is also a member of the University Board of Studies. In 1879 he was invested with the degree of B.D. by the Archbishop of Canterbury, in recognition of his services in the cause of education; in 1881 he was appointed Archdeacon