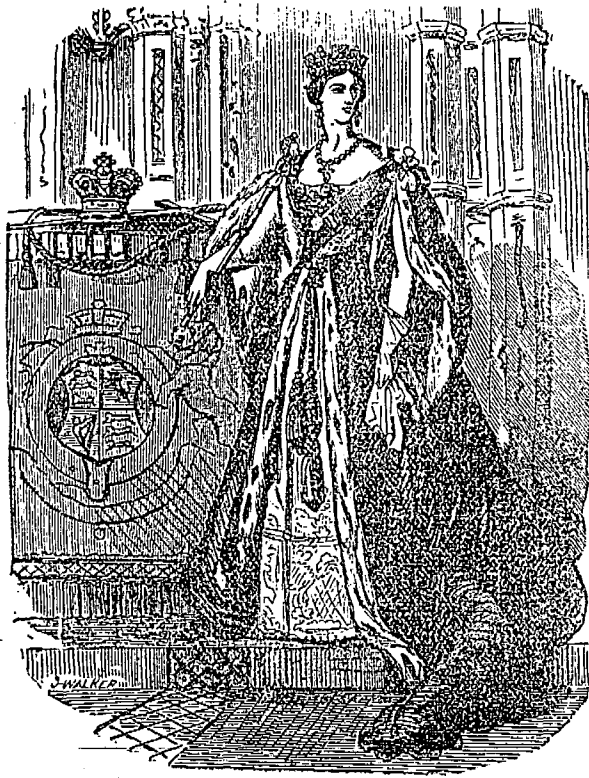


by it, and now he wishes to play the moderate man, and that too, in the very place where he knows action should be taken, if taken at all. (Hear, hear.) He knew well that a Local Legislature had no power to deal with a question affecting the administration of Justice in another Province. Yet, with all his assumption of political honesty he did not hesitate to draw it before a body of men and a court that he knew had no jurisdiction, and all to affect the elections, and now arrogates the right to himself to lecture others upon their honesty, and to charge them with insincerity. (Applause.)

Mr. Holton rose to a point of order. The hon. gentleman was wandering from the subject.

Mr. Speaker said that he failed to see the connection between the Speaker's remarks and the item before the House.

Mr. Bowell bowed to the Speaker's decision, but thought he was justified in repelling the insinuation of the member for West Durham, and to point out that being politically dishonest himself he did not hesitate to accuse others of the same fault.—(Hear, hear.) He observed also, that the hon. gentleman who was designated "the point of order" in the House was not so strict with those who sat behind him. He then went back to the resolution, and concluded by saying that some expression should be contained in the resolution excluding the claims of the Hudson's Bay Company. But as the Government had pledged their word these parties should not be paid, he would waive that point, and content himself with moving that the following proviso be added to the said resolution:—"Provided that this House in voting \$10,000 to provide for compensation to sufferers by the insurrection in Rupert's Land in 1869-70, claims for loss of property, or imprisonment, or for forced emigration from the territory, does so upon the understanding that steps shall be taken by the Government of Canada, by Address to the Queen, or otherwise, to bring to trial those persons who were in any way connected with, or accessory to the cold blooded murder, for his outspoken loyalty to the Queen, of Thomas Scott, lately a resident of this Province, and an immigrant thence to the North-West."



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### THE MURDER OF SCOTT.

In the last number of *The Altar and the Throne*, we published, at full length, the report of the discussion which arose in the House of Commons on this important subject. No honest man could read that report without feeling convinced that all we have written about the subserviency of the Dominion Cabinet to the Romish Church is true, for here we have another sad instance of the vile subterfuge resource is had to, to smother up that, which, if brought to light, would but swell the calendar of the crimes of Rome.

No lover of his country, no true advocate of civil and religious liberty, no admirer of British justice will read the debate in question without a feeling of contempt for the men who would allow themselves to be led like a flock of sheep, and that by assertions, (we cannot dignify them with the term arguments,) which were not only flimsy and absurd, but which every man who listened to them, knew to be false. That "every one in Lower Canada detested that awful deed," (the brutal murder of Scott) was a statement which the Honourable Sir George E. Cartier, Bart., &c., &c., knew to be untrue when he uttered it, but the British members of the House of Commons had to be satisfied and as an impudent barefaced lie would accomplish this purpose our acting premier did not hesitate to adopt it.

True it is that the British portion as well as a large portion of the French Canadian inhabitants of Lower Canada felt outraged at the brutal murder of Scott, but it is untrue that the majority of the French Canadians sympathized with any one but Riel, as is evinced by the loud clamourings of the French Canadian press for an amnesty to him. The *Nouveau Monde*, the organ of the Roman Catholic Bishop and Priests of this city, and therefore the exponent of the views of the larger portion of the Roman Catholic French Canadian community was foremost among these, and this the Honourable Sir George Etienne Cartier well knew. If the Government of Canada could not bring those concerned in the murder to justice, because the murder was committed when Red River was not under the jurisdiction of Canada, but was

under that of England, and of England alone, it was to say the very least, the duty of that Government to have made representations to England, that a loyal British Canadian had been brutally murdered in the Red River territory, and that for daring to assert his rights as a British subject, to defend her Crown against a drunken band of law-breakers and violators of the British Constitution and to have demanded justice in his name.

Mr. Cartier hoped "this would be the last motion they would have in this House on this subject."

Brethren, we ask your careful consideration of these words—What was there improper or ill-timed in the motion? Who that hears the cry of a brother's blood could hold his peace, except he sympathized with the murderer?

The suspicion that there are those connected with the Red River conspiracy who must be screened at all hazards, grows stronger, and Mr. Cartier's expression does not by any means tend to weaken it. We fully agree with Mr. BOWELL that "this Government should have asked the Crown for the extradition of the murderer of Scott."

Let us compare another statement made by Sir George, "that the Governor General under the British North America Act had no jurisdiction in the case of the Scott murderers," with that made by Sir John A. Macdonald on the introduction of this question during the debate on the speech from the Throne: "It would be for the Governor General here to carry out, under his commission, those powers conferred on him by Her Majesty," and we will leave our readers to draw their own conclusion.

The ministerial press, that is those who make their living by the support of the present Government, blame Mr. Rhyal, but those who have "no axes to grind" can see nothing in his course unworthy the representative of a people whose feelings have been outraged by the striking apathy exhibited by our Government at the brutal murder of a loyal Protestant. We repeat what we have frequently stated, that had RIEL the French Canadian Roman Catholic, and ally of Bishop Taché been the victim, and that poor man Scott, (see Sir George's remarks) the BRITISH PROTESTANT, the ORANGEMAN, been the aggressor, a very different course would have doubtless been adopted, and a way would have presented itself to bring the murderers to justice.

We are glad to see that our Grand Master was independent, and that he came out boldly and plainly against our defaulting Ministry. If the Government of the Dominion of Canada was without jurisdiction in this matter, which we deny, how absurd it is for a lawyer claiming the prestige and knowledge and ability of the Minister of Militia to state that "the Courts there at the present time had sole power in this matter," for these Courts as is well known, to every intelligent man, are but the creatures of the Government of the Dominion of Canada.

The fact is simply this. That Sir George E. Cartier, in order to screen the murderers of Scott, uttered a barefaced, palpable LIE, and then in support of it resorted to an argument which was as barefaced and transparent as the lie he sought to cover up.

We append hereto the names of those members who were in favor of an investigation into the matter, as well as of those who, sympathizing with RIEL, the bloody murderer and traitor, voted for the suppression of investigation. Amongst the latter will be found that of Mr. D. A. Smith, whose conduct, all who have read the debate, must look upon as anything but MANLY, BRITISH, or LOYAL, and in striking contrast to that of Dr. Schultz.

YEAS.—Messrs. Ault, Blake, BOWELL, Brown, Burpee, Burton, Dobbie, Drew, FERGUSON, Ferris, Jones (Leeds and Grenville), Killam, Little, Macdonald (Glenary), MacFarlane, Mackenzie, Magill, McConkey, McDougall (Lanark), McVernies, Mills, Morrison (Victoria Co.), Munroe, Oliver, Pickard, Ross (Dundas), Ross (Prince Edward), (Willington, C. R.), RYMAL, Scatcherd, SCHULTZ, Sneider, Sturton, Wallace, Wells, White, (Halton), White (East Hastings), Wood, Wight (York, Ontario, W. R.), and Young.—40.

NAVS.—Messrs. Anglin, Archambeault, Baker, Barthe, Belle-rose, Benoit, Blanchet, Bourassa, Bown, Brousseau, Cameron (L'Anvers), Caron, Cartier (Sir Geo. E.), Cheval, Cimon, Costigan, DELORME (Pr. vencher), Delorme (St. Hyacinthe), DORION, Dufresne, Dunkin, Forbes, Fortin, Fournier, Gaucher, Gaudet, Geoffrion, Gendron, Gibbs, Godin, Grant, Gray, Hinecks (St. Francis), HOLTON, Howe, Huron, Jackson, Keeler, Lucette, Langevin, Langlois, Lapun, McDonald (Antigonish), McDonald (L'Anvers), Masson (St. Georges), Masson (Terrebonne), McDougall (Three Rivers), McKeagney, McMillan, Moffatt, Morris, Morrison (Niagara), O'Connor, Paquet, Pincoseant, Pope, Pozer, Renand, Robitaille, Ross (Hamplam), Russ (Victoria, N. S.), Ryan (King's, N. B.) Simard, Simpson, SMITH (Selkirk), Sprout, St. phenson, Tillet, Tourangeau, Tremblay, Tupper, Walsh, Webb and WRIGHT (Ottawa County).—75.

Brother Orangemen, we do not wish to become alarmists, but we have a solemn duty to perform. We see the dark cloud arising on the distant horizon, and we warn you of the coming storm. We sound the alarm and bid you awake from the lethargy in which you are now indulging, unless you prefer to await the floods which will overwhelm and swallow you up.

SCOTT, doubtless, was the victim of Rome's treachery; Bishop Taché is her tool, Cartier & Co. are her minions and you are her dupes. We warn you of the impending danger, we remind you of the mangled corpse of our murdered brother, we call your attention to your solemn obligation, and we ask you in the name of High Heaven, are you truly and faithfully fulfilling that obligation by aiding the supporters of those who at the bidding of the Roman Hierarchy refuse to investigate the cause of BROTHER THOMAS SCOTT'S brutal murder. Those who suppress investigation and screen the murderers, thereby become accessories after the fact, and are themselves as guilty of murder in the eye of the law as the actual perpetrators! Brethren will you support such as these? Will you not rather turn from them with feelings of disgust, and when they appeal to you for your support and influence will you not in all sincerity reply to their blandishments and hypocritical assurances:

GET THEE BEHIND ME SATAN.

### MONTREAL WEST.

The City of Montreal is divided into three separate electoral divisions, called respectively Montreal East, Montreal Centre and Montreal West. The first named is inhabited chiefly by French Canadians. The second is composed of the mercantile and professional classes, whose warehouses and places of business are situated therein, and the third is composed of Irish Protestants, Scotch, English, French Canadians, and Irish Roman Catholics. Of the five classes mentioned no single one has a majority, not even the Irish Roman Catholics, and this is a matter which deserves, and in fact requires to be particularly noted.

As the elections for the Local Legislature of the Province of Quebec will shortly take place, the electors of this Province, determined to profit by the experience of their neighbours in Ontario are not waiting idly for the issuing of the writs, but are already stirring themselves, or should we not rather write, the aspirants to legislative honors are endeavoring to awaken the electors to a sense of the value of the electoral franchise, a privilege which we regret to say has not heretofore been valued by the Protestant community as it should have been, the result of which was shewn at a so-called preliminary meeting of electors held in a room in the building known as St. Patrick's Hall on the evening of Monday the 17th instant to select a candidate for the last named division, when the question of RELIGION was introduced and made the basis of the candidate's qualifications. Mr. J. J. Curran, a young Roman Catholic Irish lawyer, with a *sang-froid* that was refreshing in the extreme spoke as follows:

"It was but fair an Irish Catholic should represent the Western Division in the Local Legislature. He thought it was always understood that a Frenchman should represent the Eastern Division, a Protestant the Centre, and an Irishman the West."

Who we ask had authority to barter the birthright of every Protestant elector in the Western Division? and if such a barter did take place, who we ask received the "mess of pottage"? The fact is that there never was any such understanding among the electors of the different electoral divisions, and the statement made by Mr. Curran was an impudent assumption to enable this foolish young man to insert the point of the wedge of religious discord and intolerance in order that he might thereby inflame and excite the worst passions of the few Irish Roman Catholics who flatter his vanity. This of itself without entering into a host of other objections proves beyond a doubt the utter unfitness of Mr. J. J. Curran to represent a constituency the majority of whom are not Irish Roman Catholics.

We strongly deprecate the introduction of questions of nationality and creed in any matters affecting the common welfare, and we do not hesitate to brand as a demagogue of the vilest description him, who would introduce them. The representative of a mixed community must not claim to be the representative of a class, and every effort must be made by the LOYAL, INDEPENDANT and FREE ELECTORS who desire to continue that harmony which conduces to the prosperity of a community, to destroy the seeds of discord and religious differences which ambitious and unscrupulous men sometimes seek to sow in the fertile soil which abounds in certain localities in our midst.

The following nominations were made at the meeting, which by the way be it remarked cannot by any means be said to have represented the views of this large and important division, but which nevertheless shew the disunion, and diversity of opinion that existed in even that *small meeting*:

WILLIAM RODDEN,  
JAMES McSHANE, JR.,  
J. J. CURRAN,  
MARCUS DOHERTY,  
HON. L. H. HOLTON,  
A. A. STEVENSON.

A show of hands having been called for, no one candidate had a majority.

As these names are now before the public, we shall proceed to express our views respecting those of them to whom we have not as yet referred.

JAMES McSHANE, JR., is the representative of St. Ann's ward in the City Council whose election was lately contested by Mr. John Smith, and who was allowed to retain his seat in consequence of the defective and ambiguous language of the statute respecting disqualifications. A man whom the evidence and judgment clearly show to have been a party to the defrauding of the Corporation, while he was bound to protect it, is the man who in the face of this evidence and judgment unblushingly "defied" any man to say that gift was not as spotless as when he received "it."

HON. L. H. HOLTON is a man of remarkable ability and shrewdness, and during the last session of the Dominion Legislature did much good service, but as we do not approve of dual representation we think Mr. Holton is much better where he is than at Quebec.

We now come to the last named, having referred to both Mr. Rodden and Mr. Doherty in a previous number of *The Altar and the Throne*, we mean to A. A. STEVENSON, one whose name is a "household word" throughout the length and breadth of Canada. We have known him almost since the day he landed from "Auld Scotia's shore," and during that time he has had various transactions with him from time to time, and believe him to be all that could be desired. He served the City well when in the City Council. He has done good service in many ways, and of all the Candidates named he is the only one who has figured in the ranks of the Volunteers. He commands the finest Field Battery