

DR. OXENDEN.

Dr. Oxenden belongs to a very old Kentish family, one of his ancestors having been Knighted in 1806. The Baronetcy was first created in 1678, when the title was conferred on the grandson of the first Knight. The present Baronet, Sir Henry Chudleigh Oxenden, is the eldest brother of his Lordship, and the eighth Baronet. Ashton Oxenden was born at the family seat, Broome, Kent, in 1808. He spent his school days at Harrow, and afterwards graduated at University College, Oxford, taking his degree in 1832. In the following year he was ordained and appointed to the curacy of Barham, in his native county, which he held until 1848, when he became Rector of Pluckly, in the same county, which position he held until his elevation to the Episcopate. In 1869, the Diocesan Synod of Montreal, in conjunction with the venerable House of Bishops, after a long and anxious session, elected Canon Oxenden by 57 out of 63 clerical, and 14 out of 59 lay votes, to succeed the lamented Dr. Fulford in the Metropolitan See. The election was then made unanimous. Dr. Oxenden accepted the dignity and was consecrated by His Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury, other Bishops assisting, in Westminster Abbey, on the 15th of August, 1869. On the 5th of the following month he was installed as Bishop of Montreal and Metropolitan of Canada at Christ Church Cathedral in this city. The career of the late Bishop during the nine years of his incumbency need not be rehearsed here, as it is fresh in the minds and hearts of his people. A few weeks ago he announced his intention to resign his See owing to the declining state of his health, and this resolution was received with much regret. On Sunday, the 6th inst., he preached his farewell sermon in the Cathedral. On the afternoon of the 7th inst., he was presented with an address signed by about 1,800 churchmen, including all the clergymen of the diocese. The address expressed regret at the unalterable intention of his Lordship to resign the offices of Bishop of Montreal and Metropolitan of Canada. It expressed affectionate esteem for his Lordship's personal character and admiration for his anxious efforts for the welfare of the clergy. In the erection of the See house, in the institution of the sustentation fund, in the foundation of the theological college, in the improved pros-

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MOST REV. DR. OXENDEN, EX-METROPOLITAN OF CANADA.
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pects of the superannuation fund, and in many other particulars, there were many enduring memorials of his Lordship's practical wisdom, and special cause for gratitude and praise. The address concluded with the hope that his Lordship and Mrs. Oxenden and family would have a prosperous voyage to their native land. His Lordship made a suitable reply. On the same evening Bishop and Mrs. Oxenden left for Quebec, whence they sailed on Saturday, the 10th. About two hundred friends assembled at the boat to bid them good-bye.

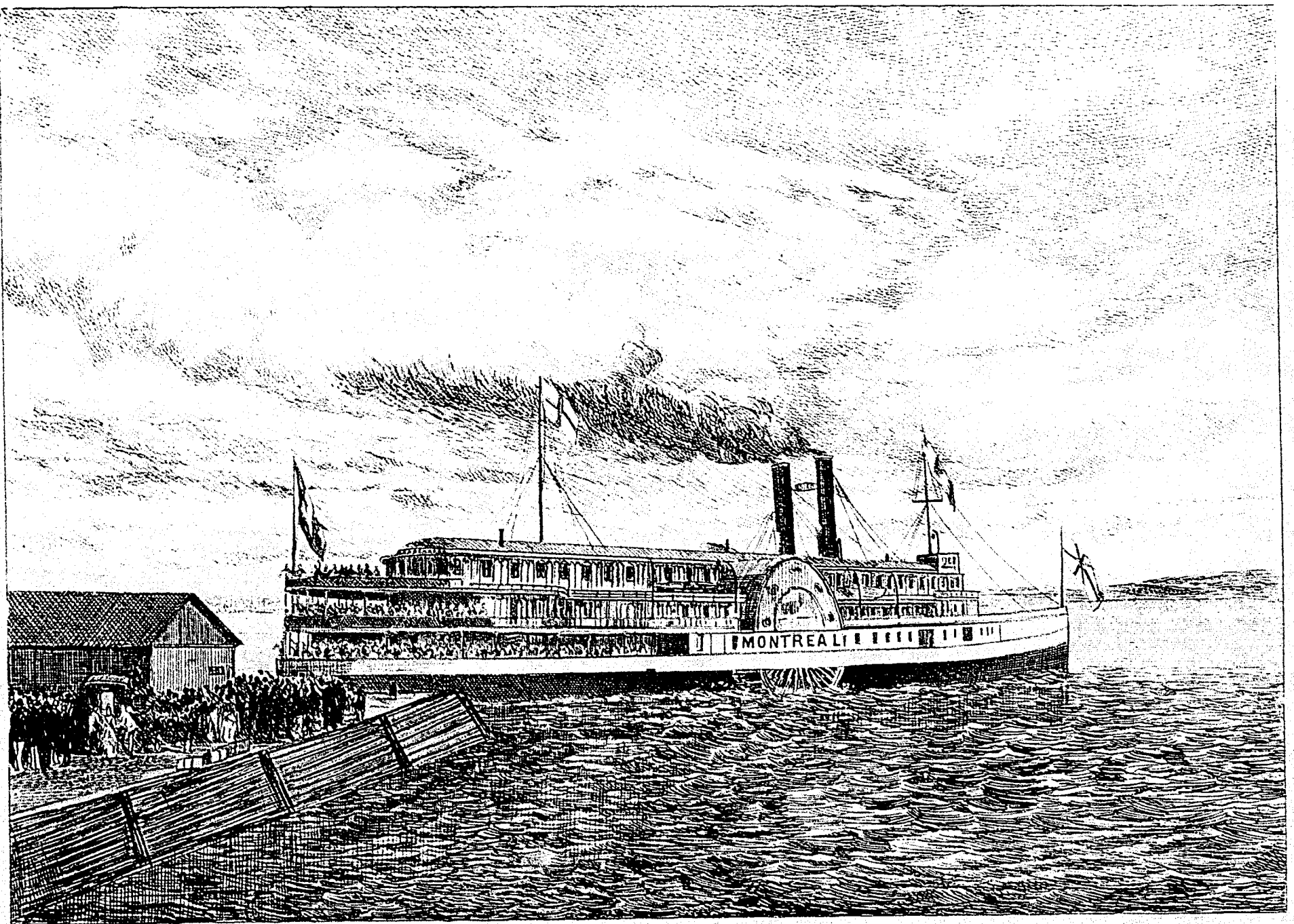
In the lunatic asylums of Bengal over thirty per cent. of the cases of lunacy is traced to the excessive use of gurga—a preparation made from Indian hemp.

TWENTY years ago a New Hampshire man named Lewis stepped on a needle, which broke as it entered his foot, but the pieces were not removed. Last summer the eye half came out through a sore under his left knee, and not long ago the remainder was taken from the fleshy portion of his right hand.

DR. HOWARD CROSBY, president of the society for the suppression of vice, which has been working in this field, said the other day, "I don't believe in anything for the reformation of drunkenness but the grace of God. I have no faith in Murphyism, teetotalism, or any of the other modern phases, and I pay very little attention to the discussion of so-called reformers."

IN London there are fifty Richmond streets, sixty Norfolk, seventy Devonshire, seventy-six Brunswick, fifty-six Cambridge, eighty-seven Gloucester, fifty East-and-West, ninety North-and-South, 166 New, 129 Union, ninety-five King, ninety-nine Queen, seventy-eight Princes, 109 George, 119 John, and dozens and scores that have nothing to distinguish them except the district in which they happen to be.

The latest feature of refrigeration, as applied to the preservation of perishable articles of food during transit, has been supplied by the successful transmission of a large quantity of Canadian fish to the Cold Storage Company in Thames Street. The fish are from Lake Huron, and are packed in barrels with ice. They are perfectly fresh and sweet, and on the table are all that could be desired.



MONTREAL.—DEPARTURE OF DR. AND MRS. OXENDEN. SCENE AT THE RICHELIEU PIER.