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To Our Friends West.

Our friends west of Belleville are respectfully informed that our general travelling agent, W. E. Mullin, will shortly call upon them in the interests of the EVENING POST and TRUE WITNESS, when we bespeak for him a cordial reception at the hands of our generous patrons.

Shoot.

Years ago, when a madman attempted to assassinate the Queen, the world was horrified. At that time attempted assassinations of ruling monarchs were few and far between, and people appeared to have a just conception of the enormity of the crime.

The Queen and the Trappists.

If an item of news, which we publish in another part of the paper, is true, Queen Victoria is as rosy minded and generous in religious matters as she is popular in the State.

The "Times" on the Tariff.

The Times exhibits more fuss and fury than good sense in its manner of treating the Canadian tariff. The tone of the leader we publish from the Thunderer this morning is not only dogmatic, but it is offensive.

clarifying ourselves Canadians above all. This plea too of Nova Scotia and Ontario being in antagonism is an attempt to "throw dust in our eyes."

The Hon. Mr. Joly.

There is talk of coalition among the "moderate men" of both sides of the Local House in order to sustain the Hon. Mr. Joly. No doubt the Local Premier has many friends who would like to see him retain power, but who, under present circumstances, are bound to oppose him.

British Columbia.

We wish some one had seconded the motion of Mr. De Cosmos for the peaceable withdrawal of British Columbia from the Confederation. It would have been the easiest way of settling a series of vexed questions.

Vice-Chancellor Blake.

The Free Press is wrong—the Vice-Chancellor Blake business is not settled. Our contemporary says that the Minister of Justice "sat upon" the question.

Home Rule.

The Home Rule movement is gaining strength. Earnestness has become one of its guiding lights, and this earnestness has driven three of the weakest of the party from the field.

Montreal.

For its size and importance, Montreal is the worst paved, the dirtiest, has the most inefficient police system, is the most backward, has the worst accommodation for volunteers, is the slowest, has the finest public buildings and the worst man to manage them, has the

finest wharves, and the worst managed, of any town over which the British or American flags float. Montreal has nothing but its charities and the mountains, and these would be wrecked, too, but that they are almost beyond official control.

Civil Service Reforms.

The Government have promised to make some alteration in the Civil Service. Mr. Casey, backed by the independent public opinion of the country, has withdrawn his bill, on the promise that Government is "to do something."

Smuggling.

The Globe is right in saying that smuggling between Canada and the United States will assume some importance under the new state of affairs. No doubt, too, the expenses of the Custom House will be greatly increased.

Expenses at Funerals.

We notice that some of the Catholic Bishops of the United States are vigorously assailing the extravagance which is practised at funerals. People have been known, not only to spend their last cent in useless display, but to sell their furniture in order that some deceased dear one should have a "respectable" funeral.

Commercial Union.

The custom houses between the United States and Canada are great impediments to trade. They are vexatious and harassing. Travellers experience the same worrying in crossing the line going from France into any of its neighborly domains.

A vast colonization scheme is about to be undertaken by the Catholic Bishop of Montreal. The letter we publish in another column enters into all details, and is written by a gentleman, well acquainted with His Lordship's views, it cannot fail to command serious attention.

A Question of Religion.

Come, let us have fair play. Catholics demand it when they are in a minority, and they are bound to give it when they are in the majority. Equal rights for all should be the motto of every man.

"Bridget Maloney."

If "Bridget Maloney" has a brother, he should horsewhip Vice-Chancellor Blake. Without one word of warning, this brother of "Bridget Maloney's" should make the Vice-Chancellor dance an Irish jig to well applied music of a cowhide.

PLUCKY CONDUCT OF A CONDUCTOR.

On Wednesday last, 18th Inst., at Brighton Station, a young lady of handsome appearance would have met with a fearful death were it not for the valorous conduct of Mr. J. A. Lamothé, conductor on the South-Eastern Railroad.

FOR LIVER COMPLAINT use Dr. Harvey's Anti-Bilious and Purgative Pills.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

Astronomical. Dear Sir, I had the pleasure of hearing Mr. Dugald Macdonald read his paper in the Mechanics' Institute on the subject of Newton's first law of motion. It appears to me that the report furnished you on the subject is in error in a very essential particular.

The Religious Question in Kingston.

To the Editor of the True Witness and Post. Dear Sir, Seldom trouble comes single-handed, but a short time ago I defeated the News in an argument, and to-night I have countered the Whig. In last week's issue I gave you a list of offices held in the city, showing the injustice administered Catholics, and to-night the Whig attempts to repudiate my statement by saying that "on examining the figures we find sufficient inaccuracies to spoil the whole of the true argument of our contemporary."

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give a general sketch of the proposed colonization scheme. The fertile belt in the Ottawa valley has already been opened up to a considerable extent; many hundreds of people have established themselves as farmers in that country, and there is yet room for over 500,000 more; the land is very fertile; the climate is perhaps milder than that of Montreal, owing to the neighborhood of the mountains to the north and northeast; roads have been opened up through a great part of the country, and other roads will be immediately commenced as the influx of population will demand.

An endeavor will be made to get a large portion of the poor but industrious inhabitants of the City and Parishes of the Diocese of Montreal, to go out and settle upon these new lands.

Land in those Districts costs thirty dollars per hundred acres, payable at long intervals; married men can obtain 200 acres, unmarried men over 18 years may purchase 100 acres.

By a special homestead law, furniture, implements, horses and cattle are exempt from seizure for debt. The land itself cannot be mortgaged, nor can it be sold by sheriff's sale for any old debt contracted before the settlement in these parts by the colonist.

The only case in which a forced sale can be effected is when the articles themselves have not been paid for, and when the seller of such articles requires the sale to effect payment of the price thereof.

The country is now surveyed in great part, and will be divided into parishes. The parishes will be either French or English, and a French or English-speaking priest will be named to each parish, according as its inhabitants will be French or English.

The society will open roads, build the churches and residence for the priest, both of which will not cost more than five hundred dollars; in addition the society will assist the colonists in every way; by giving them work on the roads, cutting down forests, making bridges, erecting saw mills, grist and flour mills, and all other works required; thus when the colonists will not have any labor to perform on his own farm, they will find wages in the service of the society, and they need have no apprehension of being in want, for to strong arms and willing hearts, work to be done will always be furnished.

But to do all this money will be required. How is it to be done? Easily, and by the simplest of means. All great achievements are performed in the plainest manner.

A Montreal Diocesan Colonization Society will be organized. His Lordship the Bishop desires that every Roman Catholic in the diocese should belong to it; not only the heads of families, but the mothers, the sons and daughters, young and old, rich and poor are invited and indeed are expected to join.

The only obligation there will be for ordinary members is to pay annually the trifling sum of ten cents; there are over 300,000 Catholics in the diocese, if all were to contribute, this would make \$30,000, an enormous sum, and one which would establish in comfort many hundred families who are now on the borders of want. Persons desiring to become honorary directors will be required to pay one dollar annually, and the Bishop has graciously promised to allow one year, in each church of the diocese, a collection for the benefit of the colonists. The Bishop will be ex officio President; the first year he will appoint a Board of Management, to be composed of six clergymen and six laymen; afterwards at the annual meeting on the 15th of May, the Feast of St. Isidore, patron of the society, The managers will be appointed by the honorary directors.

The Treasurer will be always a clergyman, and will be appointed by the Bishop; he will keep regular books of accounts, and will give full statements of the operations of the Society at the annual meeting.

The services of the officers of the Society will be given gratuitously; perhaps it may become necessary to appoint an inspector, a kind of a surveyor to be out on the colonized lands, to direct operations, and the colonists, and afford detailed information to the managers; if such appointment be necessary, the salary; I can assure you, will not be very tempting, as it is intended that no one should make money out of the Society, but the poor.

I think I have made clear to you readers the object of the society; I am sure that they will give it every sympathy, and I trust that they will come in great numbers on Tuesday night to give it their personal cooperation.

As soon as the society is in operation land will be obtained, the colonists will be forwarded to their destination, work will be once commenced, and we all expect before the end of the year to see a large number of people settled in comfortable homes.

The society will not restrict its charity to Catholics alone; all will be welcome; French, Irish and English, Catholics and Protestants as well; we trust that we can snatch from the chains of poverty many hundred families, many thousands of our countrymen, and make of them, prouder men, happier men, and better men, by making them independent.

Allow me to thank you for the use of your columns, and to subscribe myself, this time, Yours very truly, MICHAEL DALY, IRIAN CANADIAN, Montreal, April 21, 1879.

We Hope this is True.

Dr. McAla, Archbishop of Tuam, known as "The Lion of the Field of Jubah," a title conferred on him by Daniel O'Connell, is to be Irish Cardinal, in succession to the late Cardinal Cullen.

The Catholic University.

Toronto, April 21.—The Globe this morning contains the following special cable telegram dated London, April 19: "The Catholic University of Quebec, may grant the same, great honor to the Dublin, Catholic University."