

duty because earthites will be found on our track ready to pick up what may serve their end. Out of Parliament as much opposition to the educational policy of the Province has not been shown as ought, for various reasons. Men are pounced upon when they say a word in this direction 'as bigots,' as raising the 'No Popery cry,' as riding the Protestant horse, and as hating Roman Catholics rather than their system, and are assailed as if they were miscreants or fools by the press of the party whose interests for the time might be jeopardized by the discussion."

Dr. Laing, of Dundas, has for months with vigorous pen and undaunted courage waged war on the Government who have made these surrenders, and has done much—perhaps more than any other man—to arouse the country to a sense of its danger.

It may be asked why should the **Mowat-Fraser** Government be assailed because of these encroachments? The question hardly needs a reply. Since 1872 Mr. Mowat has controlled the Legislature of the Province, and is to be credited with, and held responsible for, the enactments which during that period have been made. No argument is needed to sustain so self-evident a proposition. But his responsibility does not rest on theoretic grounds alone.

There is ample evidence, judging as well from the action of the Archbishop on the one hand and the exceptional legislative privileges which he has obtained from the **Mowat-Fraser** Government on the other, to prove that a

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was made between the **Local Administration** and the **Romish Hierarchy** of Ontario.

Let it be considered whether the evidence warrants this conclusion. It may be premised and cannot be disputed that the interests which **Archbishop Lynch** champions and supports are those of the Roman Catholic Church, of which he is the head in this Province.

It will not be gainsaid that when he actively and energetically exerts his enormous powers and directs the manner in which "the corporate vote" of the members of his Church is to be cast, that he is not doing so without a definite bargain, the terms of which—although kept secret—may be known from the fruit it has borne and has yet to bear.

Now in 1882 the following letter was written by the Archbishop to be used in the bye election in East Simcoe on behalf of **Mr. Drury**, the Government candidate. Bearing in mind that **Dr. Slaven** was a Roman Catholic of good standing and a man personally of unblemished reputation, it will be the more manifest that the Archbishop's intervention was not without a solid "consideration." His Grace indites the following epistle:

IN MR. DRURY'S BEHALF.

"Dec. 9, 1882.

"MY DEAR MR. HIGGINS,—We are now anxious to sustain the Mowat Government. If it go, then we shall have Orange rampant, and we may as well