

made to ascertain if he was morally responsible for his acts."

Was not the execution attended with horror enough without the addition of blasphemous, blood-thirsty and satanic joy? These offenders against decency and humanity are in the pay of Canada and supposed to be brave men. But wearing Canada's uniform, they curse with joy as a fellow-being, who loved his country not wisely but too well, is hurled into eternity. We call the attention of the government to this matter. We demand a rigid investigation into the conduct of these policemen, and the instant dismissal of those found guilty. It was, God knows, bad

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A feeble "bulwark" than the Church
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able gentleman credit for candor and courage in the making of his statement. But in going back to Riel's rising to his feet, we find that the statement is somewhat beside, the mark in so far as our attitude is concerned. We never denied Riel's criminality in revolting, never palliated his misdeeds, we did then, and do now maintain, under the peculiar circumstances of the case his execution were an act of error and we further held, and do now hold that he had not died if Orange fur had not been planted. Than the member Centre Montreal no man can be more eloquent and vigorous when he has a case in hand, but no man—because well-formed, we had almost said do conscience—could such a blessing be dictated of a lawyer and politician—

"The absolute absurdity of the charge that Orangemen had anything to do with the hanging of the chief will be apparent to anyone who stops long enough to notice that the Cabinet of thirteen members, six Roman Catholics and only one an Orangeman. Of the Catholics three are Englishmen and three Irishmen. It is incredible that all these should have compromised their religious principles to favor a minority. No, no. Riel was hung for treason."

—The New York World denounce execution of Riel as impolitic and brutal. It gives two reasons why Riel should have been executed: "First, the Government, by its offer to settle with 'rebels' in the Northwest Territory the latter had taken up arms, and its admission that the half-breed rebels had been wronged and were entitled to redress, precluded itself from exacting the extreme penalty of the law for the crime and made the hanging of the leader a act of cruelty and tyranny. Next, by the mind of the prisoner was evidently unbiassed and no proper examination

The *Madonna della Strada*, an picture of the Blessed Virgin pre in a chapel of the Gesu, in Rome, solemnly crowned not long ago by Cardinal Howard, the Chapter of St. attending. The picture had crowned before, but the jewels, many of the riches of the Ges taken away in the troublous ti Pius VI.