

MONTHLY NOTES.

The United Empire Loyalist Association of Ontario recently proposed to the Educational Department and to such of the schools in the Province they could reach, to establish the 18th of May, being the anniversary of the first landing of the U. E. Loyalists on Canadian soil—at St. John, New Brunswick, in 1783—as one of the historic dates on which the flags should fly over the schoolhouses, the object being to instil into the minds of the children the spirit of loyalty which actuated those from whom many of them are descended. The St. Alban's School determined not to be behindhand in this respect, and with the willing aid of Mr. Matthews, Mr. Curzon (U. E. L.), Mr. Ralph Pack, Mr. Farthing, and others, procured a fine flag staff of 60 feet in height, which was set up by the schoolhouse on the 18th ult., and the flag was then raised on it for the first time, being attached by Mr. Maclean Howard, Vice-President of the

U. E. L. Association, and hoisted by James and Willie Curzon, boys of U. E. L. descent and members of the Cathedral choir, in the presence of the Bishop, Messrs. Curzon, U. E. L., Hostetter, U. E. L., Chadwick, Pack, Matthews, and others, including all the boys of the school.

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The flag staff, comprising mast and topmast, was a gift, and most of the labour expended on it was voluntary, so that the cost of it has been very trifling. It was dressed and painted by the boys of the school, who also made the wire rope for the stays, in this item alone effecting a saving of \$7 in cost of material.

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The boys of school and choir are proposing to join in having games on the athletic ground on St. Alban's day, the 17th inst. We will be pleased to hear of this proposal taking definite shape.