

in voting the arrears of the last two years, the assembly would include repayment of the sum of £31,000, advanced to the civil servants out of the military chest, Mr. Elliott adds: "If Mr. Spring Rice himself had been there he could not have wished to hear more home truths than I delivered on the subject to two or three French members with whom I dined *en petit comité*, among whom was the editor of *Le Canadien* newspaper.

"It is astonishing how this country has been mismanaged. When I came to know the men whom the military rulers here have been accustomed to regard as little better than traitors and little wiser than children, I am surprised to find:

"1. On what friendly bases their views generally are founded, and,

"2. How much superior are their perceptions in political science to those of the men by whom they have been so arrogantly despised."

How strange Mr. Elliott's strictures seem to us in the present day, and how could a full and impartial record of the past be indited without referring to these dry-as-dust documents of another age?

Mr. Elliott's letters are followed with one addressed by the Hon. A. N. Morin to Sir Francis Hincks, dated at Quebec, 8th May, 1841, replete with politic and patriotic utterances, in which he comments on an expression of Lord Durham on the political events of the period. This clever and proud statesman is alleged to have said, through the mouth of one of his *attachés*, "That they (the oligarchy) had done enough to drive the people w' o the woods." (p. 172 of Archivist's report for 1883.)

18. —It may be interesting to note the names, rank and land grants of the distinguished French *émigrés* in the township of Markum and in other localities round Toronto. These French loyalists, several titled men among them, after escaping the guillotine in France, had applied to the British government for land in Canada. Their names appear in the military correspondence as follows:

Count de Puisaye obtains .....	850 acres.
" de Chalus, maréchal de camp, colonel.....	550 "
M. d'Allègre, major-general of the district de Vannes, colonel.....	450 "
M. de Marseuil, major-general of division, lieutenant-colonel.....	300 "
Viscount de Chalus, adjutant-general, colonel.....	350 "
M. Quetton de St. George, major of division, lieutenant-colonel.....	400 "
M. de Tracy, aide-de-camp, capitaine.....	350 "
M. Renault, capitaine, without commission.....	150 "
M. Séjéant, lieutenant.....	150 "
Fouchard, Furose, Langevin, Bugle, Marchand, non-commissioned officers and soldiers.....	500 "

M. Renault was besides recommended for a grant of 1,200 acres and M. Séjéant for a grant of 500 acres.

So far as can be ascertained one family only, that of M. Quetton de St. George, is now represented in western Canada.

The report for this year mentions among the acquisitions to the archives, the volumes presented by the right honourable the master of