

be held dear to the Queen. She cannot now leave Coburg without expressing her warmest thanks both to the burgomaster of the town, and, through him, to all the inhabitants, for the marks of attachment she has experienced upon this last visit as upon every previous occasion. Coburg, September, 1865. (Signed) GRANVILLE."

#### 4. SWEARING IN OF THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE GOVERNMENT.

As the account of this ceremony might be interesting to some of our young readers, we insert the following from the *Gazette*:—

At noon, on the 30th ultimo, the ceremony of swearing in Lieutenant-General Sir John Michel, K. C. B., &c., as Administrator of the Government during the absence of His Excellency Lord Monck, took place in the Council Rooms of the Advocates' Chambers. A large number of spectators were present. In the room were also the following members of the Executive Council: Hon. Attorney-General Macdonald, Minister of Militia; Attorney-General Cartier; Hon. Mr. McDougall, Provincial Secretary; Hon. Mr. McGee, Minister of Agriculture; and Hon. Mr. Galt, Finance Minister. Hon. Judge Aylwin (who adjourned the Court of Queen's Bench for an hour to perform the ceremony); Hon. Judges Badgley, Mondelet, Berthelot, and Drummond, were present in their official robes. The Council was attended by W. A. Himsforth, Esq., Assistant Clerk of the Council. Among those present were, Sheriff Bouthillier, His Worship the Mayor (who wore his gold collar of office, and the Norwegian order of St. Olaf), etc. A number of ladies, and a good representation of the Montreal Bar were also in attendance. Precisely at noon Lieutenant-General Michel entered the room, attended by the following staff: Colonel Lysons, C. B., Assistant Quartermaster-General; Colonel Thackwell, Deputy Adjutant-General; Colonel Earle, Military Secretary; Captain De Montmorency, Aide-de-Camp; and Colonel Irvine, Provincial Aide-de-Camp. The General and staff wore full uniform, the former being distinguished by a large number of decorations, including the Cross of the Bath, three foreign crosses, and three medals for service in the East and elsewhere. The General having advanced to the table, the Clerk of the Council read the despatch from the Colonial Office, granting leave of absence to His Excellency Lord Monck, and directing that, during his absence, the senior military officer, in command of the forces, hold the office of Administrator of the Government. His Honor Justice Aylwin, in the absence of the Chief Justice Duval, now administered to Lieutenant-General Michel the following oaths, which he subscribed:—"I, Sir John Michel, K. C. B., do sincerely promise and swear, That I will be faithful and bear true Allegiance to Her Majesty Queen Victoria, as lawful Sovereign of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of this Province of Canada, dependent on and belonging to the said United Kingdom; and that I will defend Her to the utmost of my power against all traitorous conspiracies and attempts whatever which shall be made against Her Person, Crown, and Dignity; and that I will do my utmost endeavour to disclose and make known to Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, all treasons and traitorous conspiracies and attempts which I shall know to be against Her or any of them; and all this I do swear without any equivocation, mental evasion, or secret reservation, and renouncing all pardons and dispensations from any person or persons whatever to the contrary. So help me God." The other oaths administered were, that His Excellency should do justly, with due regard to the interests of our Queen and country, to all of which he kissed the Bible, and audibly responded, "So help me God." The Judges then also appended their signatures, thus concluding the ceremony. These oaths having been administered, the Great Seal of the Province was placed in the hands of His Excellency, who delivered it to the Hon. Mr. McDougall, the Provincial Secretary, in the usual formal words, announcing to him that he had perfect confidence in the use he would make of the same. His Honor Judge Aylwin having congratulated His Excellency the Administrator of the Government on his assumption of office, the proceedings came to an end. The Executive Council afterwards held a meeting in the same room.

#### X. Educational Intelligence.

— GRAMMAR SCHOOL, FERGUS.—We are requested to state that in the September number of this *Journal* the number of pupils attending the Fergus Grammar School was understated. The daily average number should have been nearly fourteen, for the three months ending the 30th of June, during which the school was open, or nearly seven for the full half yearly school period of six months—during three of which the school was not in operation.

— EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTE OF CENTRAL CANADA.—We are requested to state that "The second annual meeting of the Educational Institute for Central Canada, will be held in the Lecture Room of the Mechanics'

Institute, Ottawa, on the last Friday of December, at 10 o'clock A.M. John McMillan, Secretary.

— BISHOP'S COLLEGE.—The Hon. Mr. Justice Meredith, of Quebec has been elected Chancellor of Bishop's College, Lennoxville.

#### XI. Departmental Notices.

##### REPORTS FOR LOCAL SUPERINTENDENT'S.

Those local superintendents who do not receive the blank form for Trustees, yearly and half yearly reports direct from the Department, through the post office, will find them at the office of the County Clerk—to whom they have been enclosed with the School Registers, &c.

##### METEOROLOGICAL STATIONS IN UPPER CANADA.

His Excellency, the Administrator of the Government in Council, has been pleased, on the recommendation of the Council of Public Instruction for Upper Canada, to approve of the following meteorological stations in Upper Canada, in terms of the eleventh Section of the Grammar School Improvement Act of last session, viz.: Windsor, Goderich, Stratford, Simcoe, Hamilton, Barrie, Peterborough, Belleville, Cornwall and Pembroke. The eleventh section of the Act is as follows:—

"Each of the Grammar School Meteorological stations, at which the daily observations are made, as required by law, shall be entitled to an additional apportionment out of the Grammar School fund, at a rate not exceeding fifteen dollars per month for each consecutive month during which such duty is performed and satisfactory monthly abstracts thereof are furnished to the Chief Superintendent, according to the forms and regulations provided by the Department of Public Instruction; but the number and locality of such meteorological stations shall be designated by the Council of Public Instruction with the approval of the Governor in Council."

The Departmental regulations on the subject will be published in the next number of the *Journal of Education*.

##### USE OF AMERICAN GEOGRAPHIES ILLEGAL.

According to previous notice, the Council of Public Instruction has withdrawn its sanction to the use of Morse's Geography in any of the public schools of Upper Canada. Hereafter it will not be lawful (after the copies now in actual use in any school are worn out) to use either Morse's or any other American geography in either the Grammar or Common Schools of Upper Canada. A violation of this order in any case will render liable the school concerned to the loss of its share in the Grammar School Fund or Legislative School grant, as the case may be.

##### BOOKS APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION FOR USE IN THE SCHOOLS OF UPPER CANADA.

The following books, published in Canada, have been approved and recommended by the Council of Public Instruction for use in the Grammar and Common Schools of Upper Canada:—

Sangster's National Arithmetic, in Theory and Practice, adapted to the Decimal Currency.

Sangster's Elementary Arithmetic, in Decimal Currency.

Sangster's Elementary Treatise on Algebra.

Lovell's General Geography; by J. George Hodgins, LL.B.

Easy Lessons in General Geography; by ditto.

School History of Canada and the other British North American Provinces; by ditto.

##### ADAM MILLER'S CHEAP SCHOOL BOOKS.

BULLION'S Analytical and Practical English Grammar, 50 cents. Introduction to ditto, 25 cents. Stoddard's Juvenile Mental Arithmetic, 13 cents. Stoddard's American Intellectual Arithmetic, 20 cents. Lovell's Series of School Books. The National Series. Stationery of every description. A liberal discount allowed to teachers.

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