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CATHOLIC CALENDAR
For May, 1881.

THURSDAY, 19.—St. Peter Celestine, Pope and
Confessor.
FRIDAY, 20.—St. Bernardine of Sienna, Con-
fessor.
SATURDAY, 21.—St. Hermenegild, Martyr.
SUNDAY, 22.—Fifth Sunday after Easter. St.
John Nepomucen, Martyr. Lees, Wisdom
v. 1-5; Gosp. Matt. x. 25-32; Last Gosp.
John xvi. 22-30.
MONDAY, 23.—St. Soter and Caius, Popes and
Martyrs (April 22). Rogation Day.
Cons. Bp. Kain, Wheeling, 1875.
TUESDAY, 24.—Our Lady, Help of Christians.
Rogation Day. Cons. Bp. McCloskey,
Louisville, 1868.
WEDNESDAY, 25.—St. Gregory VII., Pope and
Confessor. Vigil of the Ascension. Rogation
Day. First Ordination in the
United States, 1793. Abp. Odin, New
Orleans, died, 1870.

The Quebec Branch of the Land League is
in weekly receipt of considerable sums of
money. Montreal should look to its pres-
tige.

Another cause for anxiety has arisen for
New York. The extension of the Canadian
canal system was bad enough as being the
means of allowing Montreal to compete with
Gotham for the grain trade of the West, but
now New Orleans is discovered to be drawing
the volume of trade down the Mississippi.

The cable despatch announcing a split
among the Irish National Party has no founda-
tion, as we learn by mail. The Nation says
that Mr. A. M. Sullivan is still to the fore, a
true follower of Parnell—and it seems to us
the Nation should know. The only ground
for the canal was that Mr. Sullivan refused
to attend a Land League meeting in England
of which Bradlaugh was chairman.

The report that Vice-Chancellor Blake has
resigned his position as such is confirmed,
and we understand that the cause of his re-
signation is that Mr. Boyd was promoted
over his head. We have no objection to the
retirement of the Vice-Chancellor; he will
have now more time at his disposal in which
to abuse his Catholic fellow-countrymen, and
the minds of the people generally will rest
easier, feeling that a man will take his place
who will not entertain religious scruples
which might prevent him administering jus-
tice.

The American Senate—if the grand assault
of Saturday's Montreal Witness does not pre-
vent them—will soon, in all likelihood, in-
struct the Secretary of State to demand
Boyton's trial or release, as he is an American
citizen. Edward O'Meagher Condon, one of
the five men sentenced to death at Man-
chester in November, 1867, and who first used
the famous words "God Save Ireland" in the
dock, had his sentence commuted, and was
ultimately released on the soft representation
of the American Minister, and Boyton will,
doubt, be also released.

Mr. KEVANE, one of the Kilmalsham vic-
tims of the philanthropic Mr. Foster, can
speak no language but his own, which is—
Irish. Not one of the other sixty prisoners
can speak that language, and hence we can
realize the position of poor Kevane. The
unfortunate man is growing crazy, which is
not wonderful, and yet Mr. Gladstone gushes
over Beaconsfield. What hypocrites are men;
what knaves are statesmen. Beaconsfield,
for mere purposes of Imperialism degraded
England as a country has never been degraded
before—Gladstone said so himself. Kevane
did nothing but ask that he and his wife be
permitted to live in their native land by the
sweat of their brows and yet behold Kevane is
mured in a prison, while this Gladstone

man that we speak of wants the nation to
build a statue to Beaconsfield! Again, we
say, what hypocrites are men, what knaves are
statesmen.

This rumor is about that the Marquis of
Lorne is about to resign the Govern-
ment's office of Canada, and that Sir John A.
Macdonald will be offered the position. It is
to be hoped that the rumor is true. It is
time that a Canadian should obtain the first
position in his own country; not that we do
not believe the Marquis is a good Govern-
ment. It is true he does not possess the
blarney of Lord Dufferin, and does not ask
the newspapers to puff his oratory or his
knowledge of Greek, but the Marquis is just
as good a Governor-General, all the same, as
ever reigned in Ottawa. He is not meddle-
some, which is a point in his favor.

No matter what may be thought of the
French invasion of Tunis, whether as re-
gards its morality or justice, it must be ad-
mitted that in both a military and diplomatic
sense the invaders have achieved a most
brilliant success. They have occupied all
the important places with trifling loss. They
have added to French prestige, they have at
length made Tunis a French dependency,
and all this without giving the powers
reasons for interfering. It is very true that,
unlike the British in their wars with the
Boers and Zulus, the French were compara-
tively near at hand with overwhelming naval
and military forces, but yet do they deserve
credit for the masterly strategy they dis-
played in every direction, whether as against
their enemies proper, or against their covert
oesemies, the English, Turks and Italians.

WHATVER Mr. James Anthony Froude
does to please the public does not result in
pleasing it. He always gets worsted. In his
crusade of the period against the Irish he has
severely mauled by Father Tom Burke, John
Mitchell, Mr. Prendergast and Professor
Lecky, who showed the world what an un-
truthful man was the historian. He was
Carlyle's son-in-law, and to him was assigned
the task of editing and publishing the
correspondence of the Chelsea sage.
Carlyle received a good deal of adulation in
his last years, some of it from people who
scarcely understood his language, and when
he died a nation mourned. But the nation
suddenly wiped its eyes and howled when it
saw some of the correspondence published
by James Anthony. It was very sarcastic
and very abusive, and was not even patriotic.
And now Mr. Froude is almost as unpopular
as his dead father-in-law, and all because of
lack of discretion.

THE Marquis of Salisbury has succeeded
Lord Beaconsfield as leader of the English
Tory party. The selection is the best that
could be made, for he is undoubtedly the
ablest man in the party. He is famous for his
powers of sarcasm, which he uses almost in-
discriminately on friend and foe alike. He is
not popular, but he is powerful and he is
feared. He attacked Disraeli in his fiercest
style when that statesman brought forward
his Franchise bill in 1867, and if reports are
correct the two Conservative leaders never
cottoned to each other. During the debate
on the Irish Church bill Salisbury, then Lord
Robert Cecil—compared Mr. Gladstone to a
pettifogging attorney, which so incensed
moderate Conservatives that they suggested
some kind of an apology. This is the ap-
ology he made: "In my speech of yesterday
I compared the leader of the Government to
a pettifogging attorney. It has been sug-
gested to me that this was wrong, and I now
hasten to apologize." At this stage Mr.
Gladstone rose as if to deprecate the apology
or to accept it gracefully, his pallid counten-
ance beaming with good nature, but he was a
little too soon, for Salisbury concluded—"I
hasten to apologize to the pettifogging attor-
ney, as the comparison did him a gross
wrong." Gladstone sank back, in his face a
quiet scorn. The Marquis is related to most
of the territorial aristocracy of England which
is another excellent reason why the Tories
should elect him their chief.

MR. LABERGE, in the Quebec House, yester-
day, moved for a return of Coroner's inquests
held last year, which motion originated
somewhat of a discussion. Mr. Laberge
understood from Dame Rumor that a great
many bogus inquests had been held by
Coroners for the sake of obtaining fees, which
was denied by the Hon. Mr. Lynch, who,
however, admitted that a few such had come
under his notice, the holders of which would
not be paid; and he also intimated that the
amount paid in connection with inquests
would this year be surprisingly small. So
far, so good, but this is one of the matters
in which there can be too much economy
practised. We never liked the Coroners
Bill passed by the late Government, think-
ing, as we did, that by careful supervision
over, and immediate dismissal of, Coroners
trying to defraud, the Government would
check the evil complained of, which is bogus
inquests. According to the provisions of
the new Coroners' Bill an affidavit that an
inquest is necessary in the interests
of Justice must be made before a
Coroner can legally summon a jury. This
allows murderers a chance to escape which
they did not possess before, especially if
the victim is poor or of bad or doubtful
character. It is easy enough to kill such a
person—about whom no one cares over much
—and then place the body on a railroad track
for the train to pass over. It is found after-
wards, taken to its home or the morgue, and
justice is hushed to sleep. There are a hun-
dred other ways of baffling the law when
Coroners' inquests are not held. We are
aware that, as a general rule, Coroners are not
selected from the most brilliant class of man-
kind, but then a man that makes a good elec-

tioning agent cannot be devoid of all in-
telligence or astuteness, and, at any rate, life
should be protected in every possible way.
It is better to spend a thousand dollars than
to let a murderer escape. If the Government
take a little trouble they will find depart-
ments in which a few thousand dollars can
be more usefully saved than in that of Mr.
Lynch, who has charge of Coroners.

The contrast between Russia and England
in their respective dealings with the people
is remarkable, and shows strongly in favor
of the former. It takes a series of famines and
insurrections to move England to do justice
in a miserably small way, whereas, Russia
does it wholesale and spontaneously. The
late Czar emancipated the serfs by a
stroke of his pen and gave them
the lands they cultivated upon payments
by instalment. The present Czar finds
these payments oppressive and issues an
ukase forbidding them, at the same time ad-
vancing money from the public treasury, at
the rate of 9,000,000 rubles annually, to enable
the peasantry to meet their engagements, or
as the despatch says:—"Annual payments
will be reduced forthwith to a rate which
peasants are able to pay, and assistance will
be offered them to redeem their holdings."
After the first of January, 1883, the people
will become real bona fide proprietors
of the land, the tillers of the soil
will become the owners of the soil
let the present landlords prate as they
may. What a vast difference between the
Russian and the British land policy; and yet
England is at the head of civilization and
Russia is at the bottom, according to English
writers. We do not like autocrats, but con-
sidering all the circumstances we would not
object to see such an one as Alexander III.
ruling Ireland for a few years. There are
enough despots round Dublin now, but they
are small and pitiful creatures, powerful only
for oppression.

It may not be known to some of our re-
aders that Lord Beaconsfield fought as a volun-
teer in the Turkish army against the gallant
Albanians fifty years ago, and that he was
thanked by the Sultan for his spirited
conduct as a "Frank gentleman" at the
battle of Monastir or Bitoglia. This con-
duct on the part of young Disraeli was en-
tirely consistent, as he was always and ever
for the strong, or Imperial side of inter-
national politics, just as Lord Byron, a real
aristocrat was for the then Democratic or
weaker side, and fought against the miserable
Turks on behalf of Greece. If Beaconsfield
had lived in his own proper country of Pal-
estine, the chances are that he would have
been a rebel and essayed to found an Israelitish
Kingdom. It is a great pity he did not; he
was altogether out of place as the adviser of
a constitutional sovereign. In the obituary
notice of his death, which appeared in THE
Post, it was said that it was not known
whether he was born in 1804 or 1805, but
the doubt is now cleared up by an entry in
the Spanish and Portuguese Jewish Syna-
gogue, as well as his religious opinions, which
were, in so far as he had any, monotheistic and
Jewish, notwithstanding his frightful enthusiasm
for the preservation of a Church which he must
have detested. The entry we refer to says:—
"Child's name, Benjamin; father, Isaac;
mother, Marie; surname, D'Israeli; day in
the week of child's birth, Friday; Jewish
date, 19th Tebat, 5565; Christian era, 21st
December, 1804; circumcised by D. A.
Lindo, 26th Tebat, 5565; attested by D. T.
De Castro."

TREATMENT OF EMIGRANTS.

A cable despatch contradicts the statement
conveyed in the article of Miss Charlotte
O'Brien, which appeared in the Nineteenth
Century magazine, but, we dare say, if a cable
existed in 1849-50 it would also have con-
tradicted the horrible and truthful newspaper
reports which so shocked humanity in those
years in treating of the ship fever and the
condition of the ships, which, as a church
dignitary remarked, "vomited
Irish immigrants on these shores." The cable
has capitalist sympathies—the immigrants
are laborers flying from oppression. But
whether Miss O'Brien's statement is true or
false—and the world will believe it true—
there are hundreds of thousands, aye millions,
of people on this continent, of divers nation-
alities, whose experiences on board immigrant
ships are of the bitterest. It has been well
said by Calcejon's immortal bard that "man's
inhumanity to man makes countless thousands
mourn," and none are in a better position to
realize the truth and the force of this than
those who have come to this continent from
Europe as deck passengers. If money is to
be made the steamship companies are not
particular as to how it is made, and although
we believe it would be now impossible to
enact the scenes of the years we refer to, still
it is well known that the between decks of
even the best regulated steamships does not
exhibit a sight that is pleasant, either to the
moral or physical eyes of the philanthropist.
One would suppose that a Government and a
country which look with such intense anx-
iety to the moral welfare of the natives of
Africa, which profess so much humanitarian-
ism, which print so many Bibles, would bestow
a thought upon the emigrants who leave
their shores, and would make arrangements
for their health and safety. But no, they
wanted to get rid of them. So long as they
were relieved of their presence they were
content, and their great leading journal said
gleefully, as it saw them depart, "the Celts
are gone, gone with a vengeance. The bones
of Irishmen, women and children are strewn
bare and white on the track of ships at the
bottom of the Atlantic, which, if the Govern-
ment had done its duty, or if *vois dants* philan-
thropists were not real humbugs, would find
a resting place in a consecrated graveyard.
Death, however, is not the worst lot that
could befall an emigrant—far from it. Who

can tell how many innocent Irish girls were
driven to destruction during the voyage from
Liverpool to New York? When two
thousand people are crowded into a
space intended for one thousand, sexual
decency is lost, and with it the jewel, which
amidst all the misfortunes of Ireland, illu-
minates her dark history, the chastity of her
women, and with it another jewel, their faith.
It is not meet that we should go into particu-
lars on such a delicate subject, but we may
mention that in 1851 the Catholic chaplain
of the Limerick Union Workhouse drew the
attention of the Board of Guardians to the
treatment to which females had been sub-
jected in the voyage across the Atlantic
which actually drew tears from some of the
members.

We have dwelt upon the moral side of the
question because it is the most important,
but the treatment steered passengers experi-
enced and still experience in a degree, as re-
gards physical comforts, is almost as shame-
ful, especially in times of an exodus. Bad
provisions and a scanty share at that are
served out, and if they complain there is no
redress, they are simply laughed at. A few
of the more intelligent of them may report
to the American authorities, who make a note
of it, and there the matter ends. Miss Char-
lotte O'Brien has rendered a service to hu-
manity in drawing attention to this cruel
wrong inflicted upon emigrants. Her article
will shame the Government into action and
be at the same time a caution to the people
themselves.

THE STATE OF EUROPE.

If a general war does not break out in
Europe this summer then all the gloomy in-
dications that present themselves at present
are thoroughly unreliable. A black, heavy
cloud hangs threateningly over the great
Christian continent which may possibly drift
away towards the horizon, but will
probably break with a thunderclap of
war which will deluge the nations
with blood instead of rain. This
cloud, so menacing and so ominous
for peace is bigger than a man's hand, it ob-
scures the whole canopy, and there is neither
a break or a streak of light discoverable in it.
At the best of times Europe is a military camp
in which parade the generals and the soldiers
panting for glory and promotion; like hounds
they are held in leash by such masters as Bis-
marck and Alexander, who have nothing to do
but "cry havoc and let slip the dogs of war,"
and lo! the terrific struggle begins which will
end God only knows where. But it is not
alone the great armed camp which is ready.
The bayonet bristling camp is rendered
as necessary by the silent but formidable
forces of social democracy as by the jealousies
and ambition of the powers, and in social
democracy we include Communists of France
Internationalists of Italy, Russian Nihilists
and Spanish Intransigents, the whole wave
of democracy in fact which is preparing to
move with irresistible force, and cause the
great revolution of 1789 to look insignificant
in history. It is all very well to celebrate
royal marriages in Germany and Austria with
such extraordinary pomp and show of
military power and immense wealth, but
while the royalties were congratulating
one another, and the aristocracies and their
retainers rent the air with their wailings, the
leaders of the democratic movement looked
on with gloomy faces and sombre fires in
their eyes, which boded no good either to
royalty or aristocracy. We can easily sup-
pose that the Berliners and the Viennese said
during the last year's and the late festivities,
"rejoice, ye great ones of the earth, marry
and give in marriage while you may, and insult
us with your manifestations, but assuredly
your time is coming, destruction awaits you
all, the revolution will swallow you up."

It is said "whom the gods wish to destroy
they first make mad." If the Kings of
Europe were wise they would, instead of
lasting after increase of power and extension
of frontier, unite against the common enemy,
and, above all, preserve peace in their re-
spective kingdoms, knowing that it is to a
general war the social Democracy look
forward for the realization of their hopes. But
that would be giving the Kings credit for
wisdom they do not possess. If the Kings had
been wise in 1789 the revolution would not
have taken place; if they were wise at any
time they would govern their subjects well,
and earn their love instead of their hate.
But they are only poor, mortal men after all,
and must submit to inevitable destiny.

Wherever we turn our glance these troubles
are brewing for the near future. This morn-
ing's cablegrams show a plentiful crop of
them. In England a bad harvest is threat-
ened, which, following a succession of others,
means discontent and disaffection. The
manufacturing North is idle. One con-
stituency, at least, has twice returned a pro-
nounced atheist and enemy of the throne;
Ireland is disaffected to the core, and if a
chance offered itself, would plunge into re-
bellion. Of that there can be no doubt. Ex-
treme bitterness has arisen between France
and England over the seizure of a Turkish
province which England is bound to pre-
serve in its integrity, as well as over
the protection policy of the former.
Italy is also enraged against France,
so is Turkey and it may be, those two Powers,
especially if England evinces sympathy, will
rush into war, nay, for that matter, England
may anticipate them. Turkey is once more
massing forces on the Greek frontier. Re-
publican cries are heard in Spain and Portu-
gal, while as for Russia she is on the edge of a
volcano. Austria and Germany are, it would
seem, in least danger of war or revolution,
but still well informed men of affairs predict
it is in those countries domestic broils will
begin. The magazine is there, it is the spark
which is to ignite it which is wanting, and
that spark may come from Greece, from
Tunis, or from the most unlooked for direc-
tion.

FREE CANALS.

In his speech, delivered at the Langevin
Banquet in Quebec, Sir Leonard Tilley, speak-
ing of the future of Canada, said the Govern-
ment had reduced the tolls on the canals of
the St. Lawrence and Welland, and would
reduce them still further as the opportunity
presented itself, in order to give Canada a
chance to compete with the United States for
the trade of the North-West. We hope the
day may come when the canals will be entirely
free. The construction of the canals has cost
this country enormous sums of money, but it
is not money thrown away, it is, on the con-
trary, money well invested, and will in the
future, in the opinion of many, be more con-
ducive to Canada's prosperity than the great
Pacific Railroad, the advantages of which are
problematical, but the burden of which is
pretty tangible. The American papers—and
chiefly those of the State of New York, led
by the New York Herald—are alarmed at the
advantage our canal system gives us in
securing the trade of the North-West, and mak-
ing Montreal, instead of New York, the entre-
pot between San Francisco and Liverpool. The
route from Chicago to Liverpool by the St.
Lawrence is several hundred miles shorter
than any other, and this our enterprising
American friends are so well aware of that
they are making extraordinary exertions to
create facilities of transport, much superior
to what we have, in order to make up for their
other deficiencies, or in other words, they
are striving to make a long road so pleasant
as to appear short to travellers. If they suc-
ceed in this it will be our own fault, we
have the great advantage, and, except we
throw obstacles in the way of trade, it must
come this way. Trade finds its level as
well as water, and in this age of speed and
breathless pushing ahead business men will
seek the shortest line, no matter who suffers
or who gains. The New York Herald says:—
"The recent action of the Canadian author-
ities in reducing the tolls on the Welland
and St. Lawrence canals shows a vigorous
determination upon the part of the Domini-
on Government to compete with us for
a share of the Western carrying trade.
Under the present rates the revenue of
these waterways is barely sufficient to pay
the expenses of collection and repairs, so
that the proposed reduction, it is estimated,
will involve an annual deficit of over one
hundred thousand dollars. To a country
so poor as Canada and so deeply in debt
this is no insignificant sum, and the sacri-
fice on her part is greater than if we on
our side should consent to lose ten
times that amount. There are, how-
ever, in her opinion corresponding bene-
fits and advantages to be gained in the
way of building up her trade, and she has
resolved to make the experiment. The
adoption of this new policy is of course the
answer to the recent action of the State
Legislature in the matter of western bound
freights. Canada evidently means to keep
pace with us in canal questions, and if pos-
sible to outstrip us in the line of removing
the barriers that prevent unrestricted com-
munication between the West and the East.
It rests with ourselves to say whether she
shall win or not. Our position will never
be secure until the Erie Canal is made en-
tirely free, and it is the part of wise legisla-
tion to hasten that end as much as pos-
sible."

The New York Commercial Bulletin, a
paper which is an authority on railways and
canals, seems to take a more gloomy view of
matters than the Herald, and says no matter
how free they make their canals, and no
matter how they improve them, the Canadian
route will still be superior, and Americans
will have to pay toll for the transport of their
produce through them. We hope so; it is
nothing but right; the Americans are for-
tunate, but they cannot have everything.

THE JEWS.

It is singular, to say the least of it, that in
the most democratic country in the world,
and in the most despotic (though the terms
are by no means antithetical) the Jews should
be subjected to persecution of different de-
grees of severity. Our readers will remem-
ber the ostracism put in force against the
Jews by the proprietors of the Manhattan
Beach Hotel the year before last, and the
warm newspaper discussion that followed. It is
true that no violence was offered them, but it
was persecution all the same. In Germany
also we hear of anti-Jewish crusades, but it is
from Russia that the most alarming accounts
have been received. In several districts of
that country the peasantry have risen against
the Hoberns, pillaged their houses in some
instances, burned them in others, and in a
number of places murdered the inmates.
Considering the ferocity displayed, we may
judge what would happen if the Nihilists
gained the upper hand and in-
augurated a revolution. The massacres at-
tending the French revolution would be
child's play in comparison. The cause of
the hatred manifested towards the Jews lies
on the surface. They are usurers and
money-lenders, and they make fortunes rapid-
ly. They are advancing to a position when
they will own the wealth of the world, and
not only that, but the control which such
wealth confers over its destinies. This is a
valid cause for jealousy and hatred among an
ignorant peasantry, who dislike the religion
of the Jews as much as they
do their character as money-lenders. But
the Jews can hardly be blamed for
their peculiar avocation. They were per-
secuted for centuries in all the countries of
Europe, debared from public office and
social advancement, and, consequently,
forced into money-making ways. They are
now having their revenge, for, though the
peasantry may use violence towards them,
the great rulers dare not, for fear that

they would not lend them the millions
necessary to carry on their wars. The
fact that Jews occupy such prominent
positions in the world of politics proves con-
clusively that they are fit for something
better than making money. The Spanish
Costelar is said to be a Jew at heart, like the
late Lord Beaconsfield; Gambetta is also of
Jewish blood and thought, while a great many
of the leading politicians of Europe are
descended from the tribes. They are essen-
tially an intellectual people, and although
noisy in their language at hotels, and too fond
of displaying their diamond rings and heavy
watch guards it must be admitted that a
great many Christians would do the same if they
had the chance.

THE DUKE OF SUTHERLAND.

His Grace who is now travelling in this
country and the States, especially the States,
owns in the English County of Salop, 17,493
acres, in Staffordshire, 12,744; in the North
Riding of York, 1,853; and in Sutherland
(Scotland), 1,176,454 acres, which, for
our readers may think we have made a mis-
take in figures we shall write one million, one
hundred and seventy-six thousand four
hundred and fifty-four acres! Let us
imagine for a moment any single man own-
ing such a tremendous amount of land in
broad Dominion of Canada with its almost
limitless space, and then concentrate our
thoughts upon poor little Scotland, then take
a journey across the Atlantic and follow this
man who owns more than the twentieth part
of the whole country. We would like to
know how many brave Highlanders and Low-
landers have been driven from Scotland in
order to make this Duke so great a land owner.
We would like to know how many a gallant
Fraser and Ross, how many a brave McKenna
and McDonald, whose fathers and—God wait—
themselves as well, lost their blood in order
that this bloated aristocrat should own over a
million acres of land, mostly deer-parks and
pheasant preserves. Just imagine what an
immense fraction of this globe that means—
more than fifteen hundred square miles, while
a Scotch or an Irish cottier has to slave
almost from the cradle to the grave to
pay him his rack rents. And recollect it is
not the surface only which he owns, where the
deer run, and the streams flow, he owns deep
into the bowels of the earth four thousand
miles down until he meets the claims of the
New Zealander, passing hell and other warm
places. Is it not monstrous? Should there
be absolute property in land?

The Montreal correspondent of the Toronto
Globe interviewed the Duke while he was in
Montreal. This correspondent has an eye
business, keen, clever fellow that he is, and
if intended to show with what contempt his
Grace views this poor Canadian dependency
could not have drawn him out to better pur-
pose. Here are a few of the questions and
answers amongst others:—

"You are not going to the Canadian North-
West, then?"
"No. We will go down the Mississippi
and then through to San Francisco."
"Have you done any rapid travelling since
you arrived?"
"Yes; we came through from New York
very lively. Mr. Vanderbilt was good enough
to carry us as far as Albany in his saloon.
We left New York at nine and arrived here
at half-past six."

"What do you think of the country over
which you have travelled?"
"We have gone too fast to see it thoroughly,
but have been delighted thus far. We have
been at Philadelphia, Baltimore, Richmond,
Harper's Ferry, and Harrisburg. We saw a
lot of excellent farming—splendid, high-
class farming—in that country."

"Your party has been invited to attend
Sir Hugh Allan's banquet. Will you be
there?"

"No; we leave for Quebec to-morrow
where we will be the guests of Lord Lorne.
We will visit Niagara Falls, Ottawa, and
other points of interest."

"Will you pardon me if I ask whether the
rumor is true that you are interested in our
North-West lands, or in the Canada Pacific?"
"There is nothing in any such story. We
are interested in neither land nor railways."

"Have you heard much talk in Britain of
Canadian immigration; I mean with a view
of peopling our North-West?"
"I noted from the press that there is a
great deal more emigration this year than
usual to the United States, but I have not
heard of specially Canadian immigration."

It might be supposed that His Grace would
have regard for Canada as one of the depen-
dencies of his Order, but no, he ignores it al-
together, and mentions American cities
and places and Vanderbilts. Vanderbilt
is a Duke in his own way, you know, just
as rich as this Sutherland, and a fellow feel-
ing makes us kind. Immigration to Canada!
What does he know about it? Dine with Sir
Hugh Allan! No, thank you! Sir Hugh
may be an aristocrat in the eyes of Hon.
Thomas Ryan, or L. S. Huntington or Fred
Perry or James Stewart, but he is only a
small fry in the estimation of the Duke.

"Will you visit Toronto?" asked the re-
porter. "Yes," answered His Grace, "I
shall sleep there one night, but I shall visit
the Marquis of Lorne." Of course, the
Marquis will most likely be a Duke, but
see how the man despises Canada all through-
out. The Toronto Mail, so badly beaten of late
by the Globe, is very angry because the cor-
respondent interviewed the Duke, and, worse
still, "pumped him." The idea of a common
journalist fellow pumping a Duke is simply
disgusting to the Mail, whose London cor-
respondent at one time could not write a
letter without telling the Mail's readers that
somebody or other took off his hat to him
and said, "Your honor." Great Jupiter!
how democracy is marching on, and looking
millions of acres in the face!

A leading Lincolnshire (England) paper
contained the other day advertisements of
fifty-seven farms to let. In many counties
there are farms which would be let on lease,
with no rent for the first year or two, and at
a greatly reduced rate afterward, provided the
tenant would undertake to cultivate them
properly.