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PUBLISHERS' NOTICE.

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The following notice has been published in the
Canada Gazette :—

Public notice is hereby given that Sir Donald A. Smith, K.C.M.G., M.P.; Hon. George A. Drummond, Senator; Andrew Robertson, Chairman Montreal Harbour Commissioners; Richard B. Angus, Director Canadian Pacific Railway; Hugh McLennan, forwarder; Andrew Allan, forwarder; Adam Skaife, merchant; Edward W. Parker, clerk; Dame Lucy Ann Bossé, wife of George E. Desbarats; Geo. Edward Desbarats, A.B., LL.B., publisher, and William A. Desbarats, publisher, all of the City of Montreal and Province of Quebec; Gustavus W. Wicksteed, Queen's Counsel, and Sandford Fleming, C.M.G., Civil Engineer, of the City of Ottawa and Province of Ontario, and J. H. Brownlee, Dominion Land Surveyor, of the City of Brandon and Province of Manitoba,—being all British subjects and residents of the Dominion of Canada,—will apply to the Governor General in Council for letters patent of incorporation under the provisions of "The Companies Act," 40 Vict. cap. 43.

The proposed corporate name of the company is: "The Dominion Illustrated Publishing Company, Limited."

The purpose of the company is engraving, printing and publishing.

The chief place of business of the company is to be Montreal.

The proposed amount of its capital stock is fifty thousand dollars. The number of shares is five hundred, and the amount of each share one hundred dollars.

The first or provisional directors of the company will be Sir Donald A. Smith, Hon. George A. Drummond, Andrew Robertson, Richard B. Angus, Sandford Fleming, George E. Desbarats, and William A. Desbarats, all of whom are residents of Canada.

Montreal, 4th March, 1889.

A few shares have been reserved for the Atlantic Provinces and British Columbia, as it is desired to have shareholders in every part of the Dominion. But early application will be necessary to secure these shares.

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Montreal.

Our readers will rejoice to know that the veteran *littérateur*, Mr. J. Macpherson Le Moine, of Spencer Grange, Quebec, is occupied with the preparation of another volume, which will bear the suggestive and not uncharacteristic title of "Explorations of Jonathan Oldbuck, F.Q.G.S." Mr. Le Moine's services in the elucidation of hitherto obscure or little touched points in our history have been widely and gratefully recognized, both at home and abroad, and whatever further he chooses to give us from his rich and multifarious stock of gathered lore is sure of a gracious reception.



Col. Fred. Grant, son of the late General and ex-President Grant, has been appointed United States Minister to Austria-Hungary.

The St. Helen's Island bridge scheme was condemned by the Government engineers on the ground that it would be prejudicial to the interests of Montreal.

The Emperor and Empress of Austria still grieve over the loss of the Crown Prince Rudolph. The condition of the Empress alarms and puzzles her physicians.

A deplorable accident occurred, last week, on the Intercolonial, by which four persons lost their lives. Several Montrealers were on the train, but happily escaped.

One of the largest pork packing firms in Boston assigned last week, with liabilities amounting to \$750,000. The establishment did a yearly business of \$8,000,000.

A portion of the British fleet has gone to Tangiers in connection with certain questions pending between the English Government and the Sultan of Morocco.

After some hot discussion, the motion to appoint a royal commission to enquire into certain charges of *L'Electeur* against the Ross-Taillon Government was withdrawn.

The verdicts rendered in some murder cases during the last few months have tended to shake the faith of the Canadian public in the efficiency of the jury system, as actually applied.

The Ontario Legislature will, it is expected, make a grant of money towards the entertainment of the American Institute of Mining Engineers on their visit to Ottawa during the coming summer.

Since the abdication of King Milan, Serbia is in a state of threatening unrest. Russian influence is on the increase, and further complications are apprehended from the presence of ex-Queen Natalie.

The Chinese ambassador at Washington has intimated to the United States Government that the Pekin authorities will demand full indemnification for losses sustained by Chinese in the recent riots at Milwaukee.

Herr Tisza has not yet survived the odium of the army bill, young Hungary showing its wrath in ways that do it no credit. Patriotism (so called) and rowdiness have of late been associated with deplorable frequency.

A dying Confederate, in a soldiers' home at Richmond, Virginia, has been frightening nervous people with reminiscences of his experiences as a diver. The chief figures in his retrospect are two chained skeletons in the sunken Merrimac.

The destruction by fire of the Hess furniture factory, Toronto, caused a total loss of \$125,000, only a small portion of which was covered by insurance. It was one of the most finely equipped establishments of the kind in the Dominion.

St. Patrick's Day, though enthusiastically observed in both hemispheres, was, on the whole, unusually quiet. In Canada an untimely encounter with some Toronto Young Britons was the only exception to the prevailing tranquillity.

Toronto has been scandalized over an elopement. The offenders are J. C. Mussen, father of a family, and Miss Nellie Spanner. They both attended the same church, and became infatuated with each other while engaged in religious work.

The Imperial Parliament has passed the vote of \$52,500 in aid of crofter colonization in the Northwest and British Columbia. Opinion is, however, divided on the general question of state-aided emigration, and nothing definite has as yet been accomplished.

In conversation with a member of the Montreal press, a few days ago, Sir Charles Tupper said that, as the representative of all Canada with the people of the United Kingdom, he was most careful not to exhibit any bias to one or other of the political parties of the Dominion.

Mr. Whitelaw Reid, of the New York *Tribune*, has received the American mission to Paris. He would, it is said, have been sent to London, which he preferred, but that his steady advocacy of home rule for Ireland might have made him a *persona ingrata* to the Salisbury Government.

The Right Hon. Joseph Chamberlain has intimated, in a letter to his constituents, that he thinks the time has come for the Government to propose some definite settlement of the Irish question. What he recommends is a fair and comprehensive measure of land purchase.

The *Globe's* change of attitude on the question of the Jesuits' Estates Act has disconcerted the party to which that journal has long been a mentor. Its conversion to disallowance of the *Globe's* assigns to the reasoning of the two legal organs of Ontario, which pronounced the measure unconstitutional.

The Pope's decision as to the distribution of the grant to the Society of Jesus gives that order \$160,000; Laval University, Quebec, \$100,000; the Montreal branch of that institution, \$40,000; \$20,000 to the Apostolic Prefect of Labrador, and \$10,000 to each of the eight bishops of the ecclesiastical Province of Quebec.

The debate in the Dominion House of Commons on unrestricted reciprocity ended in the rejection of the policy by a majority of 44. It took place on Sir Richard Cartwright's amendment. The vote, 121 to 77, is said to have been the largest ever taken in the Commons of Canada—there being in the House at that time 201 members, out of a possible total of 215.

The return of the Duc d'Aumale to the land that he loves has given pleasure to all good men, and has elicited no protest worth mentioning, and may altogether be deemed a favourable augury for France. The patriotism of the Duc d'Aumale is on a plane which neither Opportunism nor Bonapartism can expect to reach. The example, nevertheless, may be of benefit to them both.

The ability of the British fleet to afford sufficient protection to all the scattered portions of the Empire has been questioned by Lord Randolph Churchill, Lord Charles Beresford, R. N., and a number of other public men, some of them experts in matters of defence. The debates on the subject in Parliament—in view of the large naval vote demanded by the Admiralty—were more than usually vigorous, the present system being unsparingly criticized.

A petition from certain ladies of Montreal to the Medical Faculty of McGill University, asking for the privilege of attending lectures with a view