

leged to live in the Northwest Territories, to make known to all, the limitless sources of wealth which a bountiful providence has bestowed on our land, and use every means in our power to induce capitalists to pay us a visit and examine for themselves.

Imperial Federation is a grand theme for an Englishman to dilate upon, but when we see them deliver a soul-stirring oration on that subject, and then joyfully slide over the border and slip their capital into American business channels, we are led to believe that there is one word missing from the old adage, "Consistency, thou art a jewel"; It should read: "Consistency, thou art a *priceless* jewel," for even Englishmen, with all their surplus wealth, don't seem able to buy enough to plug up a rat-hole.

Marriage

Modern courtship and marriage have been wittily described as—

A little kiss,
A little bliss.
A little ring—'tis ended;
A little jaw,
A little law,
And lo! the bonds are rended.

A young man from Stockton-on-Tees,
Overturned a beehive of bees;
Recover, he may,
But his language, they say,
Created a blight on the trees.

MEN OF THE DAY



HIS HONOR JOSEPH ROYAL, D. C. L.



THE subject of our present sketch was born at Repentigny, P. Q., on the 7th of May, 1837. He was educated at the Jesuits' College, Montreal, and was called to the Bar of Lower Canada in 1864, and to that of Manitoba in 1871. Amongst his more important cases were those of the Queen vs Ambroise Lepine, and the Queen vs Naud, tried at the Manitoba criminal assizes, October, 1874, for the execution of Thomas Scott, under the provisional government of Louis Riel. He retired from practice in 1880. He has been a prominent writer in the French Canadian press, editing the Montreal Minerva from 1857 until 1859; since that year he has started four different newspapers. He was elected the first Vice-Chancellor of the University of Manitoba, in 1877, and has been re-elected every year since. In 1871 he was elected Speaker for the first Legislative Assembly of Manitoba, which he vacated in March, 1872, on being appointed a member of the Executive Council and Provincial Secretary of the province. For a number of years Mr. Royal held various offices in the Government of Manitoba. At the time of the Fenian Raid, in 1871, he obtained the command of a cavalry troop, composed of natives, and was detailed on an important scouting expedi-