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the Union, embarked on board the "Allan" Steamer "Caspian" for Quebec, and arrived there on Sunday the 7th September. No time was lost in getting to work. Mr. Arch immediately waited upon Mr. Lesage, the Minister of Agriculture and Public Works for the Province of Quebec, and had a satisfactory interview with that gentleman in reference to the encouragement to be given to immigration by his Government. Mr. Arch also inspected the unrivalled Emigrants' Home, founded at Quebec by the Dominion Government, and placed under the able and efficient direction of Mr. Lawrence Stafford. On the 10th September, Mr. Arch had an interview at the Citadel with Lord Dufferin, the Governor, a man of catholic sympathies and tastes—at once a scholar and a gentleman. In the evening, Mr. Arch, in compliance with an invitation, dined with the Governor-General, and this brought to a conclusion his brief but satisfactory experiences of Quebec.

Provided with passes and credentials from the Quebec authorities, Mr. Arch and his companion, Mr. Clayden, left the city, and, as Mr. Clayden has recorded, they were not permitted to be at any expense during the whole of their stay in the Dominion. Their mission was regarded as of high importance by the Government, and they were accordingly treated as persons travelling on business

of public moment.

From Quebec they travelled along the line of the Grand Trunk Railway to Sherbrooke, in the eastern townships, and Mr. Arch had here an opportunity of acquainting himself with the condition of agriculture in these parts. They paid visits to Stanstead and Scottstown, and taking leave of the Province of Quebec, made their way to Ottawa. There, as Mr. Arch writing to his wife from Niagara Falls, states, he was invited to meet the Premier, Sir John A. Macdonald (since resigned), the Hon. J. H. Pope, Minister of Agriculture, and other Government officials. Negotiations and discussions took place which resulted in the proposition contained in a letter from Mr. Pope. From Ottawa Mr. Arch proceeded to Toronto, the capital city of the great Province of Ontario, and there again he was received by the Financial Ministers, the Premier the Hon. Oliver Mowat, Q.C., and the Hon. Archibald McKellar, Minister of Public Works.

Of course, being at Toronto, the temptation to visit the sublime Falls of Niagara was too great to be resisted. The district on the Canadian side of the Falls is acknowledged to be among the most beautiful in Canada, and it evidently created a great impression upon the mind of Mr. Arch. He describes it with something

amounting to enthusiasm in one of his letters.

On the last day of September, we find Mr. Arch at Hamilton, a busy thriving town, the head-quarters of the Great Western Railway of Canada, and beautifully situated in the western corner of Lake Ontario. Here he had an opportunity of visiting, in company with the Mayor, an agricultural show, which gave him an opportunity of estimating by its produce what farming is like in the Province of Ontario. On the 5th October, Mr. Arch and