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LORD LYONS' VISIT.

THERE are many surmises in connection with the visit of Lord Lyons to this country. A prominent one is, that his attention is mainly to be given to a consideration of the defences of Canada, and to the development of the necessary means for adequate protection.

He has been received with marked esteem

in the different sections of the Province he has visited, and at present is in the Lower Province. Wednesday last was observed as a general holiday in Quebec. A review of a portion of the 17th and 62nd regiments, and some 800 volunteers, by the Governor, transpired on the Plains of Abraham. There was an immense crowd upon the ground.

On Thursday, Lord Lyons, accompanied

by the Governor and other distinguished gentlemen, went upon an excursion to the Saguenay.

CANADIAN GOLD FEVER.

Gold undoubtedly exists upon the Chaudiere, but whether, taking into consideration the large amount of capital requisite to the development of the gold region, and the uncertainty of finding in quantities to justify long-searching without returns, it is worth

while to become unduly excited, is a question. To give harder labor in the direction of gold-seeking than is requisite in industrial avocations, is neither for the advantage of an individual or a country. We must watch carefully the symptoms of this fever, and not have it run to excess. Time will be likely to show to our people what good results are likely to be attained in their search for nuggets in Canadian streams.



SUPPER TO LORD LYONS AT THE OFFICERS' QUARTERS, HAMILTON.