

Every where, as we have seen in the foregoing chapter, instinct is the agency of that creative power, by which all visible beings are adjusted to one another, like the parts of a house or a temple by an intelligent master builder and his subordinate labourers. Every living being is, in the ranks of these labourers, employed in the construction of the whole. The solitary workman who places the top-stones on the pinnacle, and listens them there with mortar, attends only to this work of his hands; he needs not what the hod-carriers are doing below as they prepare the material, which come from the earth, the stones and the mortar, and carry them up to the labourer who is helping to complete the great structure. Only the master-builder, to whom the care of the whole is devolved, goes with his all-ordering eye, to the humblest labourer below, who is digging out and preparing the materials of the edifice, and adjusts the labour of all the workmen, of those who carry the brick and stones, as well as of those who are at work at the top, to the general plan of the whole.

When the morsel of nourishment, or the refreshing draught has entered the mouth and passed into the stomach, then we take no heed how, out of the same, the gastric juice and the blood is prepared, nor how by the breath from the blood the animating flame is kindled and kept alive upon the altar of life; we remark nothing of the formations and dissolutions of single parts, which take place in our bodies. The working of the soul in the body and on all the elements of the same, resembles a mighty motion, which carries along with it in its own direction, every thing moveable that comes into its vicinity. The beam of the sun, wherever it reaches, can only illuminate and warm, the flame of fire can and must produce in every thing combustible, which it touches, only a similar flame. So in the soul's life, which is a working and moving towards a certain aim, dwells a power of making every thing which comes within its sphere, help to the accomplishment of its end, and in its career, carrying it along with it to the appointed goal.

The blowing of the wind carries all light bodies with it in its own direction. When an eagle, ascending from the ground, excites the motion of the air by the powerful force of its wings, the light dust, which lies on the ground, whirls away after him, but the eagle, who has in his eye only the aim of his flight, observes it not, for the dust is external to him and below him. So, too, the animating principle of the animal and of the plant imparts the direction of its own life to the material substances which it forms into a body, to be the instrument of its activity, and sets in motion for its service. The material is brought to it from without, and handed to it, for the advancement of the grand edifice of the whole, from a depth which its eye cannot fathom. But He, whose work both the material is, and its preparation, by whose act and whose will the same material is transmitted from hand to hand, until we behold it upon the visible pinnacle of the building, sees and knows the whole method of the plan, already pre-arranged in his mind.

OFFICIAL NOTICES.



ERECTION OF SCHOOL MUNICIPALITIES.

His Excellency the Administrator of the Government has been pleased to erect the Townships of Warwick, Bulstrode and Horton, in the county of Arthabaska, into separate school municipalities, to be bounded by their respective Township limits.

His Excellency the Administrator of the Government has been pleased to approve of the separation of the Nos. 43 & 44 in the Parish of St. Jean Chrysostome, in the County of Chateauguay from the School Municipality of St. Jean Chrysostome number one, and to annex them to the Municipality of St. Jean Chrysostome Number two in the same County.

His Excellency has also been pleased to approve of the separation of the lands of the persons hereunder named, situated in the school municipality of Coteau St. Pierre in the county of Hochelaga from the said municipality, and to annex them to the school municipality of La Côte des Neiges, in the same county—viz. Messrs. Eustache Prudhomme, Jermie Decarie, René Leduc, Léon Prudhomme, Léandre Chaput, Félix Prudhomme, Michel Houle, J. M. Lécuyer, Prosper Savage and Robert Brodie.

APPOINTMENT OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS.

County of Laval.—Bord-de-l'eau, St. Martin: Messrs. Richard Lavoie and Ferdinand Therrien, in the place of Messrs. Olivier Rapidieux and George Lorrain, whose term of service is expired.

County of Portneuf.—Ste. Catherine de Fossambault: Messrs. John Griffin, Raphael Côté, Louis Beaupré, William McKenna and Patrick Brennan: Michael Henchy to be secretary-treasurer.

County of Quebec.—St. Columban de Silery: Messrs. James Rockett and Louis Doiron vice two commissioners whose term of service has expired.

County of Soulanges.—St. Polycarpe: Messrs. Jean Bte. Jules Prévost,

Joseph Deveaux and Jean Bte. Lalonde, vice Messrs. Augustin Lalonde, Charles Lalonde and Joseph Leroux, whose term of service has expired.

County of Two Mountains.—St. Canut: Messrs. Isidore Vezeau, William Doyle, Eustache Desautels, Michael Greece and Michel Campeau.

County of L'Assomption.—Lachenaie; M. Ephrem Gariépy, in the place of M. Séverin Sarasin, whose term of service has expired.

County of Beauce.—St. François: Messrs. Antoine Poulin and Joseph Pepin dit Lachance, in the place of two commissioners whose term of service has expired.

—St. Ezzar: Messrs. Alexandre Pageot, Thomas Dion, Augustin Rontier, Louis Turmel and François Champagne.

County of Chateauguay.—St. Jean Chrysostome: Messrs. Narcisse Demers and Paul Vian, in place of two commissioners whose term of service has expired.

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