

rest upon. The whole Province, irrespective of party, would stand prepared to second any reasonable measure brought forward with so laudable a design as the rescue of the country from the consequences of a vicious system of husbandry.

#### THE FENIANS AND PRINCE ARTHUR.

*L'Eco d'Italia*, the organ of the United Italy party in New York, is edited by Signor G. F. Secchi de Casali, and is a highly respectable and reliable journal. In its issue of Friday last it says:—

"At a Fenian meeting held in this city on the 26th, ult., one of the orators (*post prandium*) publicly stated that an Italian had offered himself to murder Prince Arthur, the youngest son of the Queen of England, whether to ingratiate himself with the Fenian leaders or for a monetary consideration we are left to conjecture.

"We denounce the charge as a base falsehood and an infamous stain on the fair-famed Italian nation.

"A party that did not shrink from hiring a villainous assassin to slay D'Arcy McGee, the most brilliant orator that Ireland could boast of in the British provinces, and a no less cowardly ruffian to murder Prince Alfred; a party which attempted to slaughter innocent victims with powder and vitriol, has no want of foreign mercenary cut-throats to satiate the blood-thirst of merciless as well as bombastic political partisans.

"Fenianism has plenty of such heroes and self-sacrificing!"

In its report of the same meeting, the equally reliable *New York Times* says:

The chief leaders of the committee were in favor, it is said, of an immediate move on Canada, as in their opinion at the present moment the material aid and sympathy of the United States would be with them. The result of the deliberations was not given to the reporters; but in another room a number of the men were seen inspecting their firearms.

From authentic sources it was ascertained that the committee had under consideration no less important a matter than the abduction of Prince Arthur, either in Canada or in this country, should he pay us a visit. Indeed, it is said that the matter received the indorsement of every member of the committee, who deem the Prince a very fair hostage for the Fenians now in prison in Ireland, as well as for those who have been incarcerated in Canada. Whatever the committee may have done or will do, the men loudly complain of the anticipated visit to the United States, and are bound to force their chiefs to action. It is very significant, however, that some half-dozen of the very smartest of their men—one a well-known scout of the Union army—left this city suddenly at a late hour last night for Buffalo. The members of the committee will give no information on the subject, and even decline to contradict the report as to the abduction of Prince Arthur.

The despatches received announce that Napoleon's health is again uncertain and that he thinks of following the illustrious example of Charles Quint and abdicating in favor of the Prince Imperial. There is no question as to the dangerous condition of the Emperor's health. We were officially assured a few days ago that he entirely recovered and daily took exercise in the grounds of St. Cloud; but it now transpires that far from being able to go out "he was confined strictly to his bedroom and even to his bed." For several days he saw no one, not even M. Rouher and constantly had four physicians in attendance. He appears to be laboring under a concatenation of diseases, the most painful and serious of which is rheumatism of the bladder and general nervous prostration. His death indeed was almost hourly looked for and the situation gave rise to such grave apprehensions, that the *Opinion National*, the organ of his cousin, Prince Napoleon, boldly attempted to "discount" it in the following out spoken manner:—

"The destinies of France must not rest entirely on a single head; it must not be that because a man 60 years old is ill France no longer has a Government; a Ministry must represent a known and definite policy, must be homogeneous and have a chief, so that, if misfortune came one might know where power was and of whom to ask orders. The Emperor's illness has revealed these necessities to nobody; it has only rendered these necessities evident and more imperious; it has transported them from the region of theory to practical ground. They have produced a fall at the Bourse. It is necessary, then, to proceed boldly and frankly to the transformation indicated by the *Senatus Consultum*, not giving with one hand and holding back with the other, for the more radical and decided the transformation the more will the country be tranquilized. The verification of powers of the Legislative Body must be no longer deferred; a serious, definitive, homogeneous Ministry must be constituted, so that an illness of the Emperor may no longer be the suspension of political life in France."

The commissioners under the treaty between the United States and Great Britain for the settlement of claims arising out of the Oregon treaty have pronounced awards in favor of the Hudson Bay Company of \$450,000, and of the Puget Sound Company \$200,000. By this decision the

very long controversy, which on several occasions threatened to disturb the amicable relations between the two countries, is brought to a close. The Hudson Bay Company and Puget Sound Company are required by the award to release to the United States all the possessory rights belonging to them in Oregon and Washington, which were the subject matter of their respective claims against the United States.

#### General Church News.

##### DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

PROPOSED VISITATIONS BY THE BISHOP.—His Lordship the Bishop of Montreal and Metropolitan, proposes to make visitations as follow:—

- Sept. 21.—St. Andrews, Evening Service.  
22.—Grenville, Evening Service.  
24.—Hull, Morning Service.  
24.—Aylmer, Evening Service.  
28.—Hemmingford, 10.30, Confirmation.  
29.—Havelock, 10.30, Confirmation.  
29.—Franklin, 3.30, Evening Service.  
30.—Hinchinbrook, 10.30, Confirmation.  
30.—Huntingdon, 3.00, Confirmation.  
Oct. 1.—Durham, 10.30, Confirmation.  
5.—Lacolle, 10.30, Confirmation.  
7.—St. Remi and Edwardstown, 10.30, Confirmation.  
20.—Coteau du Lac, 2.00, Confirmation.  
24.—Bedford, Sunday Morning Service.  
24.—Freighsburg, Sunday Evening Service.  
25.—Dunham, Ruri-Decanal Meeting.

On Tuesday last, the Executive Committee of this Diocese held a special meeting in their rooms 77 St. James Street. The most rev. the Metropolitan presided. There were present the very rev. the Dean, the Revs. Canons Bond, R.D., Loosemore, and Bancroft, the Revs. G. Slack, R.D., E. Duvernet, R.D., E. Lonsdell, R.D., F. H. Darnall, W. B. Curran, M. S. Baldwin, J. B. Davidson, R. Lindsay, D. Lindsay, and the Secretary, Messrs. S. Bothrune, James Hutton, M. H. Sanburn, Dr. Smallwood, and Major Campbell. The minutes of the last meeting were read, but not confirmed, being left over to the regular meeting in November. It having been announced that T. B. Anderson, Esq., had sent in his resignation as Treasurer of the S. P. G. The Rev. Canon Bond moved, seconded by Dr. Smallwood, a resolution of thanks to Mr. Anderson, for the kind manner in which he had filled the duties of his office, and also expressive of the deep and general regret felt at his resigning the post. The resolution was carried unanimously. It was then moved, seconded, and resolved, that James Hutton, Esq. be appointed treasurer of the S. P. G., in the room of T. B. Anderson, Esq. After some details in reference to various Missions had been considered, the meeting was dismissed by the Metropolitan pronouncing the blessing.

His Lordship the Metropolitan left town yesterday on a visit to St. Andrew's, Grenville, Hull and other places on the Ottawa. It is his Lordship's intention to hold services in each of the parishes.

The Rev. James Carmichael is absent on a visit to the cities of Hamilton and London, and a few of the towns of the Province of Ontario, on a deputation for the Sabrevois Mission.

The most rev. the Metropolitan, preached in St. George's Church on Sunday morning last to a large congregation. Sunday next his Lordship will preach on in the Cathedral, and the following Sunday in St. Stephen's Church.

##### PRESENTATION OF AN ADDRESS FROM THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS TO THE METROPOLITAN.

On Wednesday, the 15th inst., a delegation from the House of Bishops, consisting of the Bishop of Huron and the Bishop of Quebec, assembled in the Chapter House of the Cathedral and presented to the Most Reverend the Metropolitan the following address:

To the Most Reverend Father in God, Ashton, Lord Bishop of Montreal and Metropolitan of Canada:

We, the Bishops of the Province of Canada, rejoice to offer you, at our earliest opportunity, our heart felt congratulations upon your arrival amongst us, as the Bishop of one of our most important dioceses, and as the Metropolitan of the Province of Canada.

We feel how much these congratulations are due, from your acceptance of these combined offices at a time and under circumstances which rendered an election to them so difficult. But in accepting them you felt, what we did in proposing your name, that it was a call of Providence which all alike would recognize and feel bound to obey.

Though personally known to few in this Dominion, your many works of pious value, which have been widely circulated in the daughter as well as mother churches of the Empire, make us feel that you do not come as a stranger amongst us. And leaving, as you have done, the ties and endearments of your native land, and the scenes of your early ministerial labors, you encourage us to maintain that bond of union with our

Mother Church which, amidst every possible political revolution, we trust shall never be severed. One with her in Evangelic truth and Apostolic order, we trust to be always one in brotherly fellowship and love.

We heartily bid you God speed in the good work that is before you, and we earnestly pray that you may long be spared to be a faithful overseer of the Diocese of Montreal, and to be the wise and friendly counsellor of your brother Bishops as Metropolitan of Canada.

BENJ. HURON,  
J. T. ONTARIO,  
J. W. QUEBEC,  
A. N. TORONTO.

To the above address, the Metropolitan made the following

REPLY:

To the Right Reverend the Bishops of the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada:

MY LORDS,—I hail with much pleasure and thankfulness the kind expression of your Lordships' feelings towards me on entering upon the duties of my high office. I felt, in accepting that office, that I was undertaking a very weighty and solemn responsibility. But I also felt that it was such a summons from the Great Head of the Church as left me no alternative but to obey.

In quitting my native land, and all the ties which made it so dear to me, I rejoice still to be in the midst of those who have found their resting place and home in the same Church of England, and whose allegiance to her is not a whit the less hearty and true than it is in the mother country. The earnest desire expressed by you that the bond of union between the Church in England and in Canada may never, under any possible circumstances, be severed, is one to which I most heartily respond.

As the Bishop of this Diocese, I trust, my Lords, that I shall, when needful, have the advantage of your wise and brotherly counsel; and that in the exercise of my still higher duties as Metropolitan you will not withhold from me your generous support and co-operation.

I pray that much wisdom may be given both to yourselves and to me; and that we may so faithfully fulfil our office that, when the Great Shepherd and Bishop of souls shall call us to give an account of our stewardship, we "may do it with joy and not with grief."

I am, my Lords,  
Your very faithful servant and brother.

A. MONTREAL.

##### DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

The Rev. W. Macaulay, who has been for forty years the Rector of Picton, was lately presented by his congregation with a handsome silver tea service. The occasion was made one of general rejoicing. We understand the rev. gentleman and his wife, are about leaving for England, where they intend to have their daughter educated. During the Rector's absence, the Curate will attend to the duties of the Church and Parish.

ORDINATION.—The Lord Bishop of Ontario intends (D.V.) holding a general Ordination at the Cathedral, Kingston, Oct. 28th. The necessary papers must be sent in one fortnight previously.

SABREVOIS MISSION.—A very interesting meeting on behalf of this cause was held in the Church of St. Mary Magdalene, Picton, on Tuesday evening, the 14th, inst. The Rev. Mr. Rawson, the clergyman in charge took the chair, and after a few well timed remarks, introduced the members of this deputation, consisting of Rev. J. Carmichael of St. George's Church, Montreal, and Rev. Septimus Jones of Christ Church, Belleville. The latter gentleman was first called upon to address the meeting. He began by touching upon the duty of aggressive action on the part of the church, rebuked that spirit of latitudinarian indifference which rendered people unwilling to stir up controversy. It might do for the philosopher in the calm seclusion and sublime altitudes of philosophic thought to say that a good deal might be urged on this side, and good deal on that, but men that balanced and reasoned in this way, were not the men that moved the world. It was not such men that Christ sent forth to thunder without ceremony or misgiving at the gates of the stronghold of heathen superstition and turn the world upside down. It had been objected "you will make Roman Catholics into infidels," but the truth was that the male portion of the population in Roman Catholic countries, were for the most part infidel already. He proceeded to give a rapid sketch of the state of the Roman Catholic Church in the various countries in Europe, and then in Canada, pointing out the signs of weakness and disunion which were discoverable, and concluded with an animated exhortation to come up to the great work. The Rev. Mr. Carmichael followed. After anticipating some of the prejudices and prepossessions which frequently prevailed upon the subject of the Sabrevois and kindred missions, he established in language clear and temperate the strong claims of such enterprises upon the church at large. He then painted in a very vivid and beautiful manner the geographical, social and religious position of Sabrevois, as a kind of oasis of reformed religion amid a desert of Romish superstition. He then gave in a rapid and masterly sketch the history of the origin and progress of the mission, and demonstrated the peculiarly providential

character of all its various developments. Properly speaking the work had only in a very small degree been aggressive hitherto. It was rather that they had been invited to come in by the Roman Catholics themselves, and by the Protestants living in the midst of Romanism, to which every conceivable effort was made to pervert them. He described in a very powerful manner the unceasing endeavors of the Romish Church to propagate their tenets, and said he respected them for their zeal, though he deplored their condition, and abominated their tenets. He set forth the irreconcilable nature of the conflict, which must ever be waged as respects doctrine between the Anglican and the Roman Church. It was not possible to live at peace with such errors. We ought to be as jealous for the truth as Romanists were for error. The rev. gentleman concluded his admirable and eloquent address with a fervent appeal to the meeting to give their sympathy and systematic support to so good a cause. A collection was then taken up, after which the Rev. S. Tighe made a brief and appropriate speech, the chairman then commended the cause to the hearts of his people, and dismissed the meeting with the benediction. The meeting included almost all the leading and influential members of the congregation, and general satisfaction was expressed at the convincing arguments which had been adduced. There is no doubt, that if the parish is promptly visited by the Rev. Mr. Lewis, now on a tour in Ontario, a handsome sum will be gathered.

CHRIST CHURCH BELLEVILLE.—The annual festival in connection with this church was held on Thursday 10th, inst., and was crowned with the most pleasing success. The fine steamer, Prince of Wales, was chartered for the occasion, and conveyed about 300 children and a large number of adults to a beautiful grove on the banks of the Bay of Quinte, so celebrated for its scenery. The weather was perfect, and every breath of air full of life and health. A most bountiful supply of comforts of that kind which children delight to honor had been provided and were heartily discussed. A variety of games, including those of every degree were entered into with great spirit, and seldom has a happier company been seen. The party, thanks to a kind providence, returned home at 6 p.m., without having met with a single accident or even drawback to diminish their enjoyment of a thoroughly delightful day.

##### DIOCESE OF HURON.

PRESENTATION.—On the arrival of the Rev. H. Bartlett, of Princeton, from England, whither he had been on a visit during the past fourteen months, he was presented with a neatly worded address by his congregation. The Rev. gentleman feelingly replied, and said that notwithstanding the many difficulties with which he had to contend, and the severe family affliction which he had suffered—having lost a father, brother and sister while in England—he had succeeded in raising a little over \$1,000 towards building a new Church in Drumbo.

EDUCATIONAL.—The Young Ladies' Seminary, London, was opened on the 1st of the month, with good prospects of being well patronized, over eighty scholars having already entered. Scholarships are rapidly being taken up, and it is thought before long that all will be disposed of. Few institutions on the Continent offer better advantages for a thorough English, French and musical education, than this school. Its founder, Very Rev. Dean Hellmuth, visited Europe, and spared neither pains nor expense in securing the very best female teachers that were possibly to be found; which is a sure guarantee that the moral as well as the intellectual training of the pupils will be looked after. It is conducted on non-sectarian principles.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL FETE.—The schools of Trinity Church, Durham, and Christ Church, Allan Park, met at the latter place, on the 12th ult., for the purpose of holding their annual picnic together. The day was fine, and everything passed off most successfully, every one being delighted. There were present, including scholars, teachers and friends, 230. The picnic was held in a grove on the farm of Mr. Fensom, near the junction of the Saugenee and Camp Creek. The Rev. Geo. Keys, of Exeter, and Rev. Wm. B. Evans, incumbent of the parish, delivered short addresses.

The Lord Bishop of Huron administered the rite of confirmation in Trinity Church, Durham, on the 5th inst. There were 64 candidates—(27 males and 37 females)—collected from the various parts of the parish. The congregation was the largest ever assembled (in-doors) in Durham. There were 330 present. The Rev. W. B. Evans, incumbent, read the prayers, and the Rev. J. G. D. McKenzie preached. The Bishop delivered a beautiful and impressive address to the candidates. We were glad to notice that his Lordship's health seemed much improved, though he does not yet venture to preach.

The following evening, a special vestry meeting was held, in the matter of a parsonage. The Bishop was present, and addressed the meeting. A committee was appointed to take active and immediate steps towards procuring funds for the purchase of a site and the erection of a parsonage thereon.

##### DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

A very handsome testimonial, in the shape of an elegant *epergne*, was lately presented to H. S. Scott, Esq., a well known merchant of Quebec, who has for many years been a regular visitor at Cacouna and a generous supporter of the English church there. The testimonial was accompanied by the following address:

CACOUNA, August, 1869.

H. S. SCOTT, Esq.

DEAR SIR.—We, the undersigned, beg your acceptance of the accompanying *epergne*, as a slight token of our appreciation of your untiring labors, continued through a long series of years, on behalf of our little English Church in Cacouna. We are, some of us, personally unacquainted with you, but we all know that we are largely indebted to your zeal and energy, not only for the possession of a sacred edifice wherein to worship God, but also for the regular supply as well as decent and orderly ministrations of its services. Trusting that you will regard this little gift as designed, not to measure, but only to indicate the sense of grateful obligation under which you have laid us by the kind and thoughtful interest you have always taken in our religious welfare, and that you and your estimable wife (whose name we wish to couple with yours in this expression of our gratitude) may be spared through many coming years to visit your favorite summer resort.

We remain,

Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully

Mrs R Hamilton, Mrs Young, Mrs G Moffat, Mrs Freer, Mrs Poston, Mrs Wood, Mrs Gault, Mrs Finley, Mrs Skelton, Mrs Buddeu, Mrs Finley Gault, Mrs A R Bethune, Mrs Fraser, Mrs H M Molson, Mrs Laird, Mrs Linton, Mrs Stewart, Mrs Fernandez, Mrs M Stewart, Mrs E Poston, Mrs Shaw, Mrs Dangerfield, Mrs Sullivan, Mrs C Hamilton, Miss Lunn, Miss Campbell, Dr Smith, Miss Abbott, Miss Rae.

The following is Mr. Scott's reply:

QUEBEC, Sept 6, 1869.

REV. AND DEAR SIR.—Will you be pleased to convey to the ladies on whose behalf you have acted the thankful acknowledgments of myself and my wife for the elegant present sent us, and for the kind words which accompanied it. The services to which they so kindly allude were only rendered in common with other zealous friends, and have already been more than repaid by the permanent establishment of the pleasant and profitable services of the Cacouna Church.

Trusting that we may all be spared to renew another season the cordial and harmonious intercourse between the clergy and the people which has been a happy characteristic of that congregation,

I am,

Rev. and Dear Sir,

Very sincerely yours,

HENRY S. SCOTT,

The Rev. EDW. SULLIVAN, M.A.

##### FREDERICTON.

A meeting in aid of the funds of the DIOCESAN CHURCH SOCIETY was held on Thursday evening in the school-room at St. Paul's Church, Portland. The lord Bishop presided, and in an opening address, explained the circumstances of the Society, which has been obliged to authorize an expenditure of \$3000 of its capital, in order that it might not diminish the stipends of its missionaries; but more than \$1000 towards the deficiency had been subscribed in Fredericton, at the time of the last annual meeting. His Lordship admitted that the calls made upon the parishioners were many, especially now that they were engaged in building their new church; but he thought that they had not yet come up to Presbyterians, Methodists, Baptists, and Roman Catholics in liberality. He made an earnest appeal to them to take hold of the matter in a practical way and raise the necessary funds.

The meeting was also addressed by the Rev. Mr. Yewons, of Digby, Charles Lee, George Schofield, James Johnston, and Charles Medley; a collection was then made, the Bishop announcing that he had that day received \$40 towards the cause; and the Rev. Mr. Deveyer moved a vote of thanks to the Bishop, to the Clergymen who had assisted, and to the choir who had rendered excellent service during the day; the vote was carried by acclamation, and the business of the meeting terminated.

##### ST. JOHN, N.B.

COLONIAL AND CONTINENTAL CHURCH SOCIETY.—The Rev. W. Forbes, who holds the pastoral charge of a congregation in the French capital, worshipping in an edifice secured for the uses of the Church of England by the efforts of the above Society, has made a tour, as a Deputation on its behalf, in Ontario and Quebec; he arrived last Sunday in St. John, where, according to previous notice, he preached at the Stone Church in the morning, at St. Jude's, Carleton, in the afternoon, and at Trinity in the evening, to numerous and deeply interested congregations. Collections were made at the close of each of the services, and the contributions altogether amounted to \$116.53.

As Mr. Forbes could allow himself but very little time for advertising from the pulpit to the Society's operations, an op-