

mund's was an illusion. He wrote a report to the mayor and corporation of Quebec, on the nature of combustible minerals to be found in the city of Quebec. He married a daughter of the Honorable P. D. Debartzch; and was brother-in-law to the Honorable L. T. Drummond.

RIGHT HON. VISCOUNT MONCK,

GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA.

CHARLES STANLEY MONCK, fourth viscount of that name, and our present governor-general, is descended from William Le Moyne,* who lived in 1066, and represents more immediately a junior branch of the house of Monck, Duke of Albemarle (now extinct). He was born at Templemore, county Tipperary, Ireland, in the year 1819, and is a son of the third viscount by the youngest daughter of the late John Wellington, Esquire, of Killoskehane in the same county, (she died 1843.) Educated at Trinity college, Dublin, he was called to the bar in Ireland in 1841. In 1849 he succeeded his father as the fourth viscount, and entered Parliament in July, 1852, as member for Portsmouth, previous to which however in May, 1848, he was an unsuccessful candidate for Wicklow.

* TWO GOVERNORS OF CANADA.—The appointment of Baron Monck, to the administration of Canada, gives rise to a singular coincidence. Two men evidently of Norman origin, one might add, of the same name, will have been intrusted with the destinies of this country; the one under French dominion the other under British rule.

"Some two centuries back, Charles Le Moyne (whose father, Charles Le Moine, came from Dieppe in Normandy,) afterwards Baron of Longueuil, was appointed King's Lieutenant in Canada; the French Crown erected in his favor near Montreal a barony 'as a reward,' history tells us 'for the service he rendered to the colony.' He was the eldest of eleven brothers, who all played a distinguished part in New France. D'Iberville won some important naval engagements in the gulf of the St. Lawrence and elsewhere. De Ste. Helene, after whom the island of Ste. Helene, near Montreal, a portion of the family estate was called, died at the siege of Quebec, fighting bravely against Phipps in 1690. DeBunville was the founder of New Orleans, and so on.

After a lapse of two hundred years, we now receive amongst us, the descendant of Guillaume Le Moyne,† a contemporary of William of Normandy, the conqueror of England. The name it is true, is anglicised, but such transformations are too common in history to have the right to astonish us.

Louis XIV. had for his representative in New France, Charles LeMoyne. Queen Victoria hands over the sceptre of British America to the descendant of

† See *Dodd's Peerage*.