

THIS MEDAL •

Was conferred to reward his generous act of
Self-devotion and humanity.

In rescuing,

At the imminent peril of his own life,
The drowning son of GERMAIN BEDARD,
From the brink of the Fall of Lorette,
July 12, 1834 ;

And to encourage to noble and distinguished actions,
The son of the Hurons of Lorette,

[Perhaps some of our Quebec friends may be able to state
the whereabouts of this medal.—ED.]

A CURIOUS POINT IN CANADIAN HISTORY.—The free and-easy style adopted by European potentates in dealing with "Colonies" in the past, has often been a subject of remark. We all know how Napoleon I. sold France's pet colony, Louisiana, to the proprietor of the White House, in 1804. Alaska, quite lately, became also the subject of a bargain, in which the Russian Bear got the better of Uncle Sam despite his proverbial smartness. In 1632, England, after holding it three years, handed back Canada to France. This we all know. But what is new for many is a proposal on behalf of England to hand over Canada to France provided the latter would consent to keep aloof from the quarrel between England and the New England provinces in 1774, which offer the latter declined, and sent out D'Estaing and Lafayette. Mr Benjamin Sulte, well known by his historical researches, put forth this startling fact in the *Opinion Publique* as resulting from some French state papers recently examined in Paris. Will any one add more light on this remarkable incident?—J.M.L.

To the Editors of the "Canadian Antiquarian."

Some time since a Mr. L. W. Ledyard of Cayenaia, New York, called on the writer, and during a conversation on