

periority of his speech over the "brave words" spoken with such copious redundancy by Sir William Molesworth, Mr. Leader, &c. ? Mr. Ellice is practically acquainted with the Canadas and the people of North America. Mr. Ellice has a great stake in the colonies, and was in America very lately: seeing for himself, and observing with sagacity, and with the attention which a real interest in a country always excites, into the actual state of things in our colonies and the neighbouring states, he gives simply and effectively the result of his observations.

It may be thought that this is speaking somewhat *ex cathedra* on the subject of Canada; but the writer of this has had no ordinary opportunities (for an Englishman) of seeing and judging for himself on the Canadian question. He passed some years in America, and ten years ago made a tour in Canada, and passed some months on the "lines" (frontiers) of Canada and the United States. He was much in the state of Vermont, which has been lately, from its position and other circumstances, the head-quarters of the insurgents of Lower Canada and their abettors, particularly subsequent to their defeat. From Burlington, Montpelier, and other places in that state, were dated most of the inflammatory articles on the subject of the Canadian insurrection, and the very imaginative accounts of mili-