

THE CANADIAN COMOTION.

SPLENDID SPLURGE OF THE QUEBECKERS.

The Prince at the Grand Ball Given by the City.

He Danced Twenty-two Times, Tripped and Fell, his Beautiful Partner Rolling Over Him.

HONI SOIT QUI MAL Y PENSE.

The Prince Immediately Picked Himself and Partner Up and Continued the Dance.

TERRIBLE FLUTTER OF CRINOLINE.

Salutes, Illuminations, Levees, Fire-works and Dinners.

Curious Speculation of the Prince's Barber.

BOUVENIRS OF ROYALTY.

One of the Government Steamers Placed at the Disposal of the Reporters.

Special Despatch to the New York Herald.

Quebec, August 22, 1860.

In consequence of the telegraph line closing before twelve o'clock on Tuesday evening, I was unable to send you as full a report of the movements of his Royal Highness as I had intended.

The Prince, on his return from the falls, had a state dinner.

During the afternoon of Tuesday many of the inhabitants visited the feet, the smaller vessels of which go up the St. Lawrence this (Wednesday) morning.

The streets of Quebec during the whole of the day have been thronged with tailors, hairdressers, milliners, &c., who have been running about from customer to customer fixing them up for the grand balls of this evening.

The city is brilliantly illuminated, not only private dwellings and public buildings, but the triumphal arches are all aglow, while numerous rockets are bursting in the air; when looking towards the south, Quebec appears to be in a blaze.

At eight o'clock six of the men-of-war were illuminated; the ships were dressed with variegated lamps from stem to stern, while great quantities of fireworks were discharged.

Thousands of people assembled on Durham terrace to witness the spectacle, which was, I dare say, the most brilliant display ever witnessed by them.

Three balls were given this evening. That given by the Orange Association was favored with the presence of the handsomest men, and it was there the best dancing was witnessed.

That of the citizens' ball was favored with the presence of the handsomest women, and what their dancing lacked in quality was made up in quantity—their list of dances being the longest.

That of the Prince's second ball was favored with the presence of his Royal Highness the Prince, and a supper, which would have made Downing take to his bed for a week, was served as badly as that on board the Great Eastern.

The Prince came at ten o'clock, escorted by the Canadian Rifles. He was received by the Mayor and Council, and was conducted to the private dressing room provided for him. One had also been provided for the Duke of Newcastle. Both were handsomely furnished.

The ballroom was beautifully decorated with vases and wreaths of flowers. A curial at the end concealed the supper tables, which were laid in two tiers of red and white canvas. The effect was much marred, however, by the servants gazing through, which caused considerable laughter.

The Prince opened the ball with Madame Langevin and Mrs. Justice Curran at a table. The Prince wore his usual uniform. Miss Irvine, daughter of Colonel Irvine, was the Prince's second partner.

At the Prince's table the health of the Queen and Prince Consort, the Prince of Wales and the Duke of Cornwall, was drunk, but no response was made.

There was another incident: A large looking glass in the ball room fell and broke in pieces, creating much commotion amongst the company. The Catholics, of whom there were quite a number present, considered it a very bad omen, but on questioning them they cannot tell why.

The Prince left the ball room at half past four o'clock this (Wednesday) morning. The rest of the company dispersed about five o'clock, when the lights had begun to pale and grow dim in the light of the morning.

To-day the Prince has his hair cut, and the barber quite an enterprising man, with an eye to the main chance, proposes to sell the locks shorn from the head of this scion of royalty, as souvenirs. He has already received a large number of orders, and will doubtless be able to dispose of the whole quantity.

The Prince visits the convent and citadel; he will also probably visit the Lorette, and attend the races.

There is a rumor afloat that the Earl of Mulgrave is to be appointed Governor General of Canada, vice Sir Edward Head. The Earl of Mulgrave is said to have admitted that such a thing was probable.

The Prince devoted altogether from the published programme to-day. He was to go to the Lorette road, but went to the Laval Roman Catholic Institute.

The prophets are greatly excited at the question of precedence, and the Duke of Newcastle is worried by their applications and remonstrances.

The clergy caught the infection, and the Catholics presented an address at the levee yesterday, with the Anglican Bishops. To give them a chance to display their loyalty, which some people have grave doubts, the Prince went to the University yesterday morning, and received the bishops and clergy in the large hall, where a gorgeous throne had been erected. The ceremony was as usual, and at the levee.

An address expressing loyal welcome to the Prince, and ambiguously worded, with the hope that British rule might remain and extend, was presented by Bishop Plois, in French and English. The students of the University presented an address in the same language.

To these the Prince read the following reply, in English only—

mission to authority, which form the bond of all society and the condition of all civilization, are supported and enforced by your teaching and example. The assurance that you enjoy the free exercise of your religion, and that you partake in the benefits and protection of the British constitution, is a pledge that your hearts and those of your fellow subjects, of whatever origin they may be, will ever be united in the feelings you have so expressed of attachment to the crown of Great Britain. I acknowledge with gratitude the earnest prayers which you offer to Almighty God in my behalf, and I trust that my future course may be such as will best promote the welfare of this great province, and of the inhabitants. To you gentlemen, who are engaged within the walls of this building, in the education of the youth of the country, I also tender my thanks. I trust that you universally may continue to prosper, and that in future years its sons may look back upon the days they have spent under your institutions with the same gratitude and sense of benefit they have enjoyed, as I and others feel towards the more ancient institutions of my own land.

From the University, the Prince drove to the Ursuline convent, which has never been opened to male visitors, since the Prince's grand father, the Duke of Kent, was admitted. By a rule of the convent, all males but those of royal birth are excluded.

In the large room a throne was erected, and the Prince was received by sixty young ladies of the first families of Canada, who sang a song of welcome, and at each mention of the Prince's or the Queen's name made loud courtesies. The effect was most beautiful and novel.

The ladies presented the address to the Prince, who read a brief reply, thanking them for their kindness, and concluding "your exertions in the course of education are well known, and I trust may long continue to exert a beneficial influence upon the population of this interesting country." The Prince was then shown through the convent, and a skull said to be that of Montcalm, was exhibited to him.

On his return the Prince dined in State at Parliament House. Sanderson, formerly of the New York Hotel, the Prince's chief steward, was very successful in winning good opinions. There were many difficulties thrown in his way by provinciality at first, and he was compelled to purchase his game direct from the United States.

The Prince visited and inspected the Citadel this afternoon, but did not attend the races, which, with only about a hundred people, were a perfect failure.

To-night the town is illuminated, and a grand display of Boston fireworks in the Esplanade, which the Prince viewed from his carriage.

We were wrong in regard to the Prince's fall last evening. It was the lady who assisted him to rise, and soon as the dance was concluded the Prince informed one of the navy officers that he had had a spill on ship board. He said that as he had never knighted any one, he did not know but that he might cut the Quebec speakers' heads off.

This remark was recalled by the conduct of Sir Henry Smith, knighted yesterday, who goes about giving his name grandly as Sir Henry.

The roads about Quebec are all arrayed with flags to-day, and the Lorette Indians are drawn up in front of their village, with all sorts of dresses—women in beaver hats and men in bonnets; but the Prince did not drive out.

The Flying Fish left for Montreal this morning, and the Prince follows in the Kingston to-morrow.

Thompson, Wood's secretary, has been unofficially informed that the Prince will accept the invitation of the Mayor of New York, and accept as many demonstrations as people like to make.

Twenty thousand people were assembled to witness the display of fireworks. Few and faint cheers were heard when the Queen or Prince's name occurred, and the French asked—"What is all this noise about?"

There are many rumors among the English in regard to the designs of the Frenchmen. As a sample of these we give the current report, that two Frenchmen have taken oath to assassinate the Prince at Montreal. The French treat this report with levity, and say that the Queen of England has plenty more sons to supply the Prince's place.

A neat broke down on the esplanade during the exhibition, and many persons were injured, two severely.

At the ball last evening a young midshipman had a regular quizzing match with the Prince, which created much merriment. The Prince joked him about dancing with six footers of women; and the midship replied by asking "Why can't you introduce a fellow to one of your handsome partners?" The Prince laughed, and good naturedly introduced midship to a lady with whom he was dancing.

The Duke of Newcastle remarked, our little man is having a fine time.

The ladies took paper and sealing wax from the Prince's state room in the Hero, and pens from his dressing room at the ball, but the Prince never entered the dressing room.

The French take matters quite coolly, and display no extra enthusiasm. The Duke of Newcastle is much annoyed that there should be so much French in the celebration. They could not raise a hearty English cheer last night at the ball, or when the Queen's name was mentioned, or the national anthem played.

There is much excitement about town, and the barroom fights at the hotels last and this evening. The rush of loyalty is here very thin.

Annexed is a list of persons injured by the fall of seats at the fireworks—Councillor Shaw and two daughters, badly hurt; Councillor Mun, leg broken; Rev. Mr. Pless, so severely injured in spine that it is thought he will die; Mr. Lemercier, President of the Board of Magistrates, very much hurt; Mr. O. Dunbar, editor of the Quebec Chronicle, has his ribs injured; Mrs. Jackson, badly hurt, bleeds greatly and not expected to recover. A man just taken to the Hospital by the priest is expected to die.

Mr. Larke, correspondent of the New York Commercial Advertiser, had his back contused and received internal injuries. Many persons are cut and bruised. The scene was a sad one, through fault of construction. Notwithstanding the accident the display of fireworks was as good as before.

At the races this afternoon, Mr. H. Hammond, a corpulent gentleman in the Custom House, running across the track, threw a horse and his rider by running against them, and received such injuries that his life is despaired of.

Our special Quebec Correspondence.

Quebec, August 18, 1860.

Pictorial Glimpses of the Prince's Transit—Memento on the River Saguenay—The Prince at a Fisherman's—The Sojourn on the St. Lawrence—The Prince's Reception Room—View of the Citadel—Grand Show of Regiments and Volunteer Troops—Enthusiasm on the Approach of the Hero—Herculean Welcome to the Young Prince—Exciting Scenes on the Landing of the Prince—Immense Concourse of People—Order of the Procession—Grand Illuminations, &c., &c.

I am about to give you a pictorial glimpse of the reception given to his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales at Quebec; but before doing so I will recur to the time at which I last left him.

The Prince did not, as was anticipated, remain in the Saguenay on Wednesday night; but after proceeding in the Queen Victoria, with the Governor-General, forty-five miles up the river, returned to the Hero at nightfall.

Owing to the wet and misty weather, rough clothes, including waterproof, were in general use on board. When the steamer was near Cape Breton some of her guns were fired, in the order that the party might be amused by hearing the echoes that rang back from the rocks around, and the effect was as fine as anticipated.

The next morning dawned more favorably than its predecessor, and the Prince re-embarked in the little steamer, and sailed again up the Saguenay as far as the village of St. Marguerite, at the mouth of the river of that name, where he spent the greater portion of the morning in fishing, along with those who accompanied him. But unfortunately he had no luck, and only a few trout were caught by the called rods.

After luncheon the entire party, taking advantage of the tide, ascended the St. Marguerite in birch canoes, paddled by French Canadian, the Prince being, as ever, foremost in this aquatic procession.

The Flying Fish, having on board many of the officers of the squadron, also steamed up the Saguenay on the same day, and as she passed the tents where the Prince's standard hung from its staff, a salute of twenty-one guns was fired by her, the echoes of which resounded in sublime accents from the neighboring cliffs and more distant hills.

In the course of the day, a gentleman, who had come from London, Canada West, to urge his Royal Highness' acceptance of an invitation to a ball there, was introduced by the Governor-General, through the Duke of Newcastle

to the Prince, upon which the latter immediately signified his acceptance in the most cordial manner.

Had it not been for the mishap of the Hero expending on Bay River, at the mouth of the Saguenay, the Prince would have sailed up in her, but on the occurrence of this accident—the second of the kind within two days—he transferred himself to the Governor-General's steamer that was to have followed.

The boat in which I made the excursion up the Saguenay took in at Murray Bay, a point between the Riviere du Loup and Quebec, two hundred additional passengers, which resulted in a tremendous rush for the dinner tables when the doors of the dining saloon were thrown open for the first time, first served; it was the guiding rule to be observed.

I need not describe the bright and beautiful scenery of the St. Lawrence, for the theme has been long and oft treated upon, and as time pressed, must hurry on. The river of Orleans, within five miles of Quebec, divides the lake into the north and south channels, and has a very picturesque effect. It was called by Jacques Cartier the Isle of Bacchus, owing to the number of wild vines that in his day—some time during 1535—blossomed over its extent. It is twenty-one miles long and five broad. Its banks are fertile, and the soil is of a fine sandy nature, and within half a mile of the falls of that name, a pleasing glimpse of which is obtained from the steamer's deck, the river is crossed by the suspension bridge, the main channel of the St. Lawrence, and conspicuously visible to all passing.

At the highest point of the highest point of land on the island may be seen the second of a chain of flag and ball telegraphs erected by the British during the last American war, and extending from Quebec to Green Island, opposite the mouth of the Saguenay, and thence to the Gulf of St. Lawrence. It may now be seen in either side of the river; and looming ahead, at the curve of the river, near its junction with the Saguenay, stands the imposing and magnificent citadel, for the most part, on a cliff three hundred and fifty feet high, and defended on the St. Lawrence side by a citadel, and elsewhere by formidable batteries.

Numerous vessels were sailing within view, while higher up than the city lay a fleet of merchant craft, with the frigate Isis and the laborer, both of which had arrived from the Saguenay, the former from the Saguenay, the latter from the Saguenay.

On the morning after my arrival I visited the Colonial Building at the top of the mountain, which was occupied through the apartments, now elegantly furnished, which in this was here a few weeks ago, were filled with plastered and colored figures, and a grand display of the works of art, and a place of residence, but only as a house of Legislature.

The Prince's reception room in the Council Chamber, and the dining room of the Representatives. Both have galleries, which have been lately painted. The dining room and private sitting room are entered from the reception room, and tastefully furnished after the style of the last of the century. The dining room is a large room, and the other rooms are furnished after the fashion of Louis XIV., the bedroom and sitting room of the Duke of Newcastle being particularly perfect specimens of the taste of that period.

The upper lobby of the southern side of the house has a grand staircase on one side and sitting rooms to correspond on the other.

From the Colonial Building, which is to be called "the Palace" during the Prince's residence here, I drove to the citadel, and had a fine view of the harbor, and square piles of cannon balls which are painted black in the most peaceful manner every two years. The river and the citadel are the principal objects of view.

The place would be hardly worth call hire and the fee which is charged for the visit, were it not for the view of the St. Lawrence and St. Charles rivers which is here afforded.

Friday night, from the appearance of the sky, promised rain, and the dawn of Saturday was dull and showery. The streets looked like so many avenues, owing to the rain, and the water was so muddy that it was hardly possible to see the ground.

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The Percival Suite of the Prince of Wales and of the Governor General.

The Royal Coat of Arms of the Prince of Wales and of the Governor General.

The Carriage of the Mayor.

The City Council.

The Justice of the Peace.

the citizens, who by St. Paul street to Dalhousie square, thence along St. Paul street, and thence by St. Catherine street, thence along St. Catherine street, and thence by St. Lawrence street to the residence of the commander of the forces. Accommodation has been provided here for six or eight, if necessary, besides rooms for servants. In an adjoining house five additional bedrooms have been prepared. There is accommodation for twenty-four to twenty-eight at dinner.

These who do not immediately accompany his Royal Highness will proceed to the St. Lawrence Hall, via Craig Street, where arrangements have been made for their reception by the number of forty upwards.

SATURDAY, 22.—The Board of Arts and Manufacture, to which the legislative grant was made last session, have decided that his Royal Highness would inaugurate the Provincial Exhibition, on the first day after his arrival, and before the ceremony at the Victoria Bridge.

At the opening of the exhibition and the ceremony at the Victoria Bridge, the preparation made by the local authorities at Montreal, and the proposed festivities in which they have prayed his Royal Highness to participate, are a ball and musical festival, under the joint management of the corporation and a committee of citizens, for which a building has been specially erected, and Indian games, for which a number of the tribes are to be invited from the surrounding country.

Arrangements have also been made for the conveyance of his Royal Highness down the rapids, from Brockville to Montreal, by his private motor, the Mountain of Beil, or any other objects of interest in the vicinity of the town.

The Honorable Mr. Hay Company propose organizing a canoe expedition, either at Lacine (nine miles from Montreal) or above the city of Ottawa, at the portage between the Chandler and Chate lakes, as may suit the convenience of his Royal Highness.

As early an intimation as possible to the company is desirable in order that the requisite arrangements may be made.

A large room has been retained in the St. Lawrence Hall in case the use of it should be required by his Royal Highness for a levee or other purpose.

The mode in which we may view a portion of the arrangements at Montreal would be as follows—

SATURDAY, 22.—Opening of the Exhibition and ceremony at the Victoria Bridge.

SUNDAY, 23.—Levee and ball.

TUESDAY, 24.—Rapids, and, if deemed expedient, canoe expedition to Lacine.

WEDNESDAY, 25.—Inspection of Volunteer force and trip to Beil.

THURSDAY, 26.—Indian games and musical festival.

FRIDAY, 27.—Proceed to Ottawa, by special train to St. Anne; thence, by steamer Prince of Wales, to Carleton Place, by rail, to Grenville, and thence, by steamer Phoenix, to Ottawa.

Two places of landing are proposed, the one at the ordinary steamboat wharf and the other at the entrance of the St. Lawrence into the Ottawa river, at the falls of the whole, the best, in which case the route of his Royal Highness would be through the Lower Town to a new house in the Upper Town, intended for a hotel. This has been arranged for his Royal Highness, and is intended for thirty to forty; the portion of the house appropriated for his Royal Highness and his attendants being divided into three classes, with separate entrances, many respects, but in others less, for it lacks the massive fortifications of this fine old city, and its port will be greatly improved by the proposed works.

The Duke of Newcastle, who has long been the chief supporter of moderate liberalism in England, is not here merely as an attendant upon royalty, but to ascertain the state of feeling throughout these colonies, with a view to the consolidation referred to in the event of such being at any time deemed desirable by the mother country; for circumstances may arise in which such a union would not only give her strength, but insure safety to these possessions.