FRIDAY, MARCH 23, 1894. PRESIDENT AND PREMIER

The March number of the Canadian N ezine contains a thoughtful and well writer article "Premier and President" by Jon A. Cooper. In it the writer draws a or parison between the duties and powers and mode of appointment of the Premier of Canada and the President of the United States. He—whether he intends it or not—shows that the Government of this Dominion shows that the Government of this Dominion is really more democratic than that of the United States. He also in his quiet way leads the reader to infer that Canada stands a better chance of having an able and experienced man for its Premier than the United States has of obtaining a tried and trained statesman of more than ordinary capacity for its President. He says:

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One difference between a Premier and a President is that one is a politician with a history and the other a politician without a history and the other a politician without a history. As a general rule, a Premier will be found to have entered public life as a plain member of the House of Commons and gradually worked his way up to prominence. Before he can occupy even a subordinate position in the cabinet, he must have marked himself, by his parliamentary conduct, as a man of superior ability, and as a man possessing some of the characteristics of a leader and a statesman. It is only by the respect and favor of the members of his party in parliament that he can stand high in their councils, and when his party is in power hold a portfolio in the Government. And it is only when, by his genius as a statesman and his tact and ability as a leader, he shall have proved himself to be the strongest man in his party, that he shall be entitled to be premier when his party is the predominent one in Parliament. No man of medicore ability is at all likely to occupy this important position. He must necessarily be a man tried and proven. The premier is generally himself a member of the Senate; but this is unusual, for the premier is almost necessarily the leader of the majority in the House of Commons. Thus, the Canadian Premier reaches his position by means of a ladder. The President, on the other hand, reaches his by a flying leap. He is not necessarily a tried member of Congress, nor is it usual for him to have had any experience in Congress. A favorable condition is that he shall have been a governor of some state, but such a qualification as this is not necessary. But he is usually a statesman marked by superior qualities, and is chosen by the party cancus because he can control his own state, and not be unacceptable to the other states. The less experience in public life he has had, the fewer enemies he is likely to have, and the less there is t

half the money. The Spectator gives a list of fifteen States in which the average cost per street lamp is \$45.61 per annum. The prices range from twelve dollars to sixty. Itself to perform, requires a high degree of It cost Chantor, Iows, only \$12 a lamp a moral courage as well as a thorough knowl-year, Crawfordsville is lighted for \$23, edge of the trade of the Dominion. The tar-Bangor, Maine, for \$35, and Middleton, iff revisers must first convince themselves Pennsylvania, \$42. The highest price paid that the changes they propose to make are needed in the interest of the public, and per lamp, and the lights are kept then they must have the resolution to effect up all night. We are not told whether them in the face of opposition, reproach any of these cities run their electric and remonstrance. lights by the almanac. But we should say

Many of those who talk glibly of what

It was to do away with these, and not to these gentlemen are extremely liberal. But not, for the American imagination is not lively enough to fancy it is moonlight when the sky is one big bank of cloud, from which a daluge of rain is pouring. The

plants. It is time Philadelphia did.

Much that the Press says applies to Victoria. It should profit by the experience of other cities. They find that it is cheaper and more satisfactory in every way for the city to light its streets and public buildings than to pay for having it done by companies who calculate to make a handsome profit out of the taxpayers.

THE BILL OF FARE.

The members of the Opposition will no coubt declare that the Government have set before Parliament a very meagre bill of fare. This is the stereotyped complaint and it does not appear that there is very much that is original in either Mr. Laurier or his fol-

is original in either Mr. Laurier or his followers. They will no doubt keep on the beaten track and repeat the old cry.

The bill of fare is not so meagre as it, at first sight, appears. The Government has promised the country a revised tariff and an insolvency law. If Parliament tackles these two dishes, its members will find that their appetite for legislation has been appeased, and that they have, with the ordinary side dishes before them, the materials for an excellent meal.

The revision of the tariff is a work requir The revision of the parit is a work region ing much care and the exercise of sound judgment. The work is one, too, which will test the patriotism as well as the ability will test the patriotism as well as the ability of the men engaged in it. There are so many private interests involved in remould-ing the commercial policy of the country, and so many are inclined to prefer those in-terests to the public welfare, that it is verydifficult indeed to pursue the strict and narrow path of duty with regard to it. Besides, it is not always as easy as it appears to be at first sight, to see what course is best for the public good. The Free Trader declares that protection is robbery, it is therefore the duty of Parliament to Congram, nor in it small for him to know the continue in the character chara

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good session's work. To revise the tariff judiclously and to give the country a good and a workable insolvency law is quite as much in the way of legislation as ought to be expected from Parliament this year.

A CONTEMPTIBLE CONTEM.

mailgnantly again quotes the news item in which were repeated the reports current about the Weilington explosion as the view taken by the Colonist of the subject, while it utterly ignores our editorial article on the outrage. We find that we were mistaken when we stated that the sentence quoted by the Times was part of our Nanaimo telegram. It was under the head of the special telegram, and we did not notice the dash separating the news item from the body of the telegram. But that makes no difference in the contemptible and unprofessional spirit displayed by the editor of the Times. He knows the difference between street rumors and editorial utterances.

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It is impossible to imagine a more horrible crime than that committed by some vindle-tive miscreant in Wellington. The wretch who could place a deadly bomb beside a house in which men, women and children were peacefully sleeping in fancied security, with the intention of murdering them, is not fit to be treated as a human being. He is more murderously cruel and infinitely more dangerous than the fiercest beast of prey. He is not fit to live among men. He should be hunted out of his hiding place, wherever it may be, and punished as he deserves. We have no doubt that the authorities will do all in their power to discover the perpetrator of the inhuman act. The discovery of such a criminal will no doubt be difficult. He worked in secrecy and placed his engine of death and destruction in position under the cover of darkness. But it often happens that the precautions which the most cunning of criminals take to hide their tracks are unavailing. They, by some apparently simple mistake or oversight, betray themselves. It takes but a very slight hint to put the officers of justice on the right track, and when they once get a clue, they follow

not the remotest chance of being elected, others for want of zeal in

A STRANGE CASE OF MISTAKEN

Dr. Milne has placed on the order paper a long list of amendments to the School Act, which refer to what is undoubtedly intended to apply to the Muir case, and which

heading, "Its head in the sand," it said:

John Bright, we think it was, who said that whenever he found the London Times approving his conduct, he at once felt that he must be acting wrongly, and at once went through a rigid self-examination. Upon the same principle it may be generally conceded that, whatever the opinion of the News-Advertiser may be in relation to English politics, its value is about nil. The great merit of our esteemed contemporary is this, that it sets out with a cut and dried set of opinions, and if events falsify then.

\$102 20 a year. They have been making enquiries, and they find that cities in the States light their own streets for less than be done to some industry which it is the ind There is not a man of the Opposition who cause of the voter who is in straitened would not resent having to run an election oircumstances. They are always ready to against a candidate brought out to worry contrast the coldness and inactivity of more him, to put him to expense, or, perhaps, for reticent and less demonstrative men with the mere fun of the thing. When there was no deposit this sort of thing was not unfre-zeal in the cause of their poorer fellow citiquently done, and constituencies were put to the trouble of elections where none were are speaking of has, it should be understood, really required. The loss of time and the nothing to do with the expenditure of their expense attending these needless or factions own money. When nothing more is wanted elections was by no means inconsiderable. in the cause of the poor than wind and noise which s deluge of rain is pouring. The company which supplies Hamilton with dedne, or of the very great difficulty of company which supplies Hamilton with ding ta the rate of \$102.20 a lamp, is will ling to sell its plant to the Corporation at what it considers a fair valuation; but the Spectator's answer is: "No, we than you, when the Corporation undertakes to light the city, it must do it by the most improved methods, and with machinery up to date." They do not want a second-hand plant, much of which may be obsolete. Philadelphia, too, is going in for generating the company of the company of the company which supplies the site of \$100.20 and the company which supplies the site of \$100.20 a lamp, is will consider a fair valuation; but the Spectator's answer is: "No, we than you, when the Corporation at what it is considers a fair valuation; but the Spectator's answer is: "No, we than you, when the Corporation undertakes to light the city, it must do it by the most improved methods, and with machinery up to date." They do not want a second-hand plant, much of which may be obsolete. Philadelphia, too, is going in for generating the deposit was many of the Governor-Generating the deposit was many to a date, or of the very great difficulty of doing it. The "revision of the duties of class of chance of being elected need not lose a cent. If he polls only half the votes given to the lowest of the successful candidates, his money is returned to him. It is done, those engaged in the sea occasion of the flower man who is not a voter—the poor man wh

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fess to be ready to sacrifice everything but their cash to obtain for him his rights. One set of men extend their help observintly and willingly, looking for nothing in return. Theother setexpect, inexchange for their seal, their earnestness and their elequence in the cause of the poor man, his vote and interest when election times comes. Their friendship has its price, and that price every man of discernment, whether he is rich or poor, knows is votes.

A DESPOTIO DEMAGOGUE.

There is trouble in Denver. Colorado is blessed with a Governor who is overdowing with the milk of human kindness. He, in season and out of season, loudly professes to be the people's friend, and declares himself ready to do anything, even to wade in blood up to the horses' bridles, to advance their interests. This red-hot philanthropist, how ever, is very fond of having his own way, and, in the exercise of hispower as Governor, goes to the extreme limit of his prerogative.

The conduct of the Denver commissioners of police and fire did not please him, and he andertook to remove them. The city officials said that he was proceeding against them for political purposes, and questioned his suthority to displace them. They sub-his sub-his sub-his sub-his sub-his sub-his sub-his s ASIT WAS, IS, AND EVERSHALL BE of police and fire did not please him, and he endertook to remove them. The city officials said that he was proceeding against them for political purposes, and questioned his authority to displace them. They submitted the question in dispute between the Government's confidence trick," and concludes a characteristic editorial treatment of the same with the following:

They (readers) cannot but thence conclude that they are face to face with one of

encouraged by the sympathy of the citizens were determined to continue to resist the arbitrary action of the Governor. General McCook declared that he would not interfere until it was found that the State Militia could not maintain order and protect property. The Governor withdrew his request for the federal troops, but leading citizens telegraphed representations to Washington that, if those troops were sent out of the city, bloodshed would ensue. Towards evening the Governor, finding that he had arrayed against him the best element of the city's population, began to weaken, and announced his willinguess to submit the questions in dispute to the Supreme Court. This is what the city officials were prepared to do from the very first.

To THE EDITOR:—I heartily concur in the remarks in your issue of the 16th inst., respecting corporal punishment. By all means let the wife-beater and other ruffians get their just deserts, but why not go a step further, and let naughty and unruly boys suffer a little punishment of the same kind, though in a milder form? Your government are so tender-hearted that they will not allow even the use of the cane in schools, and yet I think your police can bear testimony that there are as lawless young scamps in Victoria as elsewhere, witness the breaking of the city lamps. In all our great public schools—from Eton downwards—corporal punishment is sometime used, and if a schoolmaster cannot be trusted to use it with discretion, he is certainly not fit for the trying and arduous task of teaching and keeping order at the same time. I enclose my card and remain, No Humbug. were determined to continue to resist the

The News-Advertiser, in discussing the Government's policy in the matter of the Natura & Silvan and All Martin, and the Natura & Silvan and Sil

CORPORAL PUNISHMENT.

A Gentleman

Who formerly resided in Connecticut, but 20 years past, my wife and I have used Ayer's Hair Vigor, and we attribute to it the dark hair which she and I now have, while hu dreds of our acquaintances, ten or a dozen years younger than we, are either gray-headed, vhite, or bald. When asked how our hair has retained its color and illness, we reply, 'By the use of Ayer's Hair "In 1868, my affianced was nearly bald, and

the hair kept falling out every day. I hertonse

Ayer's Hair Vigor, and very soon, it not only checked any further loss of hair, but produced an entirely new growth, which has remained luxuriant and glossy to this day. I can recommend this preparation to all in, need of a genuine hair-restorer. It is all that it is claimed to be."—Antonio Alarrun, Bastrop, Tex.

AYER'S HAIR VIGOR THEIR INTEN

How the Brazilian Gove Were to Have Att Rebels. SAL BEST

If Da Gama is Cauc Be Treated Pirate.

RIO DE JANEIRO, March 16 aces which led to da Gam der were no doubt the pr cisive fight, which had Peixoto. Peixoto has issued oree announcing that at not Government batteries would the rebel ships in the bay as Fort Villegaignon and Cobras Warning had been given

eave the city and seek shel range of the rebel guns. T doubt felt that the insurgent reply to the Government fire the city, doing considerable gs, but with more than onns which Peixoto now has i not last long. The Governmen in high spirits over the pregeneral conflict and appeared restablished Brazil.
Residents of Rio would have

Residents of Rio would have an immense amount of trouble out of the way of the artillery of short notice, and none of then sure that his home or shop wou ashes when he returned. Yet that this action of Peixoto was if any end was to be put to the the paralyzing and anomalon affairs which had so long exis the Republica and Aquidaban out at sea, and the loyal navy gentrance to the harbor to prevent entrance to the harbor to preve turn or escape of the hemm ships, the enemy was as a great tage, and the general sentimen even if Peixoto did draw their upon the capital he was justified so under the circumstances. ships, the enemy was at a great The dynamite cruiser Nicthero

which the Nictheroy could lodge a shell within the ramparts of Fort non. It was fully expected the vessels of the loyal fleet, inch America, Parnahyda and the five pedo boats which lay just outsid trance to the bay, with the loyal Joac and Santa Cruz, ought to be to prevent the Republica and A from rejoining the rebel fleet ha attempt been made.

Peixoto, in accordance with the an agreement entered into some between the belligerents on both foreign governments represented

between the belligerents on both foreign governments represented Janeiro, sent word to foreign a manders that he would after the e of forty-eight hours from the rethis message begin the bombardme insurgent fleet by the guns in the

This notice was intended to a merchant fleet in the bay, as we foreign men-of-war, to seek a safe ar outside the line of fire; but it knowledged that if the rebel ships of coming out into the open to fight continue their established practic choring among the merchant ships, complicate matters considerably. Peixoto in the early months of th used occasionally to fire upon the

used occasionally to fire upon the from the guns he was mounting in the censtructed batteries on the hill to rounding the city and from others water front. This brought an an fire from the rebels upon the city dangered the lives and property of residents, who appealed to their regovernments for protection. This in vigorous protests to Mello, who that as long as Peixoto fired upon he was the attention of the control of the contr the city Rio should be regarded a fied town, and treated accordingly. thereupon agreed to desist from use city batteries upon the rebels, and still continued to strengthen and ese batteries in number, the re ereafter was subject only to the pal forts and the Nictheroy shore b

The insurgents, however, would he assailed from three quarters at one the loyal forts, the city batteries a ewly purchased Government fleet ides had cleared for action, and Ri atively speaking, was holding her be expectation of the biggest fight of the

ENOS AYRES, March 16 -Rio spatches say that the surre urgents was due to the lact of De Gama is denounced for hi It is understood the Government his surrender as a pirate country harboring him. It is thought Mell has also deserted. The loyal fit as sent in search of the Republica a

uidaban.
E. A. Brinley, who commanded the the dynamite gun aboard the Nioras disrated at Bahia because he ku

of the dynamite gun aboard the Nice was disrated at Bahia because he ke gun out of order. The Government auspect him of being a traitor.

The French warship Magon, on Admiral da Gama sought refuge, transhim and eight other insurgent officers Portuguese warship, and then put out Several hours later a French mail s was stopped as she was leaving portably because the Federal authoritie pected that she carried the insurge miral. Her captain proved to the setion of the Brazilians that none of the gents were aboard her.

President Peixoto and his cabinet a sidering whether or not they will dirom the Portuguese Government the tender of Da Gama. It is known the insurgent admiral was most anxious an asylum under the British flag. I piled for passage on board a steamer Royal Mail Steam Packet company, reasols ply between South American and Southampton, but the captain de carry him.

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Da Gama and his eight officers are of corruguese corvette Mindell, to which ortuguese corvette from the French of the cortex of th were transferred from the French of Magon. The Government applied yest to the Portuguese minister for the surrof the insurgent admiral and staff, minister declined to give Da Gama unthe Government have sent a dispatch to non repeating their application, whice minister had rejected. Admiral Da was described in this dipatch as a minoriminal and defaulter, having nothing common with the ordinary political ref. The Lisbon Government has not yet the portuguese merchant at Gindad do Porto was fired on by the sas she was leaving harbor last night.