POOR DOCUMENT

be taken in by the visitor in detail. A confused mase of impenetrable walls and towering ramparts is his sole vivid impression. He has passed through endless corridors and innumerable dark

endless corridors and innumerable dark tunnels piercing huge piles of mesonry. But the configuration of the fort is not to be obtained from the interior. From the crest of the hill to the left one must look

ordinary visitor. A small isolated fort to the north guards the entrance proper, which is reached only after crossing two deep mosts connected by drawbridges.

WERCK REMOVING BIVALRY.

sel in the Harbor of Tacoma,

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THREE SUPPORTERS

ASSURED THE GOVERNMENT FROM KINGS COUNTY.

Attorney-General White Speaks of the Situation-A Change in Plans Brings Mr Fowler Into the Provincial Arena-Mr. Fowler Against

Sussex, Feb 15-Attorney General White was seen by your correspondent and asked if he had any objection to expressing an opinion with respect to how matters stood politically in King's

county. He said:-"I am not much given to prophecy, but I do not think it would require much prophetic vision to be able to forsee that the government ticket will be sustained in this county by a very respectable majority. While I say this I am not at all inclined to underestimate the strength of our opponents in the fight, and if they think there is any likelihood of their attai ing success be cause of a feeling of over confidence on they will be very much mistaken. I they will be very much mistaken. I think it is recognized on all sides that the fact that Mr Fowler is a candidate, after having announced his intention of retiring from the, provincial arens, is an indication that the ex-minister of finance, Hon George E Foster, will abandon York county and seek reslection. don York county and seek reelection here in the Federal field. O

here in the Federal held. Of course you know it was on the cards to run Mr Fewler in the Conservative interest for the dominion house, and he was to keep out of the provincial fight in view of his having been until recently a very strong provincial government supporter. Things seem to be looking so bias from Mr, Foster's standpoint in York county, however, that there has been a change in didate n the provincial field, condemning str ngly everything that he had approved most heartily up to within the last month or so.

"There does not seem to be much disposition on the part of our opposition."

"There does not seem to be much disposition on the part of our opponents to criticize the general policy of the government. They are relying almost entirely on the so called bridge scandal, but that campaign document has been so thoroughly exploded by the premier and other members of the government, and by the government supporters and papers friendly to the government, that the government is not likely to be in-jured to any great extent by the publi-

cation of the s anderous charges
"So far as I sm able to discover the
electors of tois county will resent the atfor permanent bridges, when it has been made to appear that in one case the opposition talked about the cost of bridges at the place of manufacture, while in the other case, with respect to New Brunswick bridge building concerns, they spoke of the prices which included freight erection, etc. As I have stated, the opposition have not attempted to discuss position have not attempted to discuss the general policy of the government. I think I understand the reason of that, and it is that they could not attack the one of a nundred things without our de-ing able to answer them out of the mouths of Dr Stockton, Dr Alward and other members of the opposition. "Of course, I sm not going to make any

reflections on Mr Fowler, who was a for-mer colleague of my own, but I think he will have some difficulty in convincing the electors that he is sincere now in his attacks upon the government, considering his speeches in the legislature in defence of the government last year and his whole conduct as chairman ing his speeches in the legislature in defence of the government/last year and his whole conduct as chairman of the public accounts committee. It will be somewhat difficult for him to convince the people of this county that they should seriously pay attention to his words now, particularly in view of the following statement, which he write as chairman of the public accounts committee of last session: "In conclusion the mittee of last session: "In conclusion the committee desire to place on record their appreciation of the highly satisfactory manner in which the honorable chief commissioner of public works and the provincial secretary furnished all information in their possession asked for by the committee in respect to the expenditures in their several departments." It is all very well for Mr Fowler now to try to make it appear that the accounts in connection with the perma accounts in connection with the permanent bridges were not before the public accounts committee, but for the purpose of refreehing his memory I would take the liberty of directing his attention to the report of the proceedings of the public accounts committee as telegraphed to one of the St John papers by Mr Payson, of the St of the Gleaner newspaper of Fredericton, a paper by the way which is how very friendly to our government. Mr Paysen's report is as follows:

Being disappointed with Mr Emmer-"Being disappointed with Mr Emmerson's capable and honest administration of affairs in connection with the legislative buildings and lunatic asylum, the opposition seru iny was next levelled at the excendiure on permanent bridges. The opposition felt sure that Mr. Emmerson, with all the multitude of other official duties the premier must attend to, could not expend \$85,000 upon 254 bridges, situated in every part of the province, in sums varying from \$150 to \$3,700, and having to deal with all sorts of men, withou; some misappropriation or unwise expenditure. Mr Pinder, aided by Mr Dibblee, made a most careful and critical search of all the accounts, papers and statements of permanent bridge expenditure Mr Emmerson and the deputy commissioner of public works, Winelow, were present to aid the critics in their investigation, and when a most thorough search was completed

at 11 o'clock at night, the opposition members held a midnight conclave and made successful arrangements for obsequies of their blighted and blasted obsequies of their blighted and blasted hopes. After a minute scrutiny of Mr. Pinder's practised scavengering and Mr. Dibblee's professional acumen the opposition had not e en a peg upon which to hang a criticism nor a single item which could be by the most skilful manipulation construed into a charge of boodling."

"I do not wish to be over sanguine, bu I bave no hesitation in saying that THE counting Kings county as certain to re-turn three government supporters on next Saturday.

WORLD'S RICHEST GOLD FIELD.

William Pritchard Morgan Talks of His Interests in China,

LONDON, Feb 15-William Pritchard Morgan, M P, is the most sought after ulous stories are circulated of the con- cells which no cleansing process can recessions he has secured from the Chinese government. Speaking of the matter he dences of freedom's martyrdom, until

"Yes, several American capitalists are

ever undertaken by any syndicate. That province teems with all kinds of min-

ment to advise it on the development of the mineral resources of China. I re-commended the creation of an imperial department of mines, with subsidiary provincial departments, on the American plan, to secure uniformity in mining laws. I advised, too, against granting

any concessions.
"In October last negotiations were conducted by me in behalf of my syndicate with regard to the province of Esechuan, which resulted favorably. That province poeits. I am returning to China shortly to commence operations.

'I have been in every great gold-min-'I have been in every great gold-mining field in the world for the l et thirty
years, and I am convinced that Szechuan
will beat the record. I expect American
capitalists will profit largely by the
Chinese develorment."

Pritchard Morgan made his fortune

Pritchard Morgan made his fortune originally in the Australian gold fields. More recently he was in the great West Australian gold boom, and was regarded as a very shrewd and highly experienced prospector.

BOSTON SHIPBUILDING.

Considerable Advance in This Line

At the Atlantic works Richard Keogh, the well-known builder, has under construction two ocean tugs, to be called respectively Boxer and Teaser, and the work has advanced rapidly since the

keels were laid.

The tug Boxer is already planked and the Teaser is all in frame and ready for ceiling They are being built for the Union Towboat Company of this city. At the adjoining yard William McKie Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn rail-road. This craft is already in frame and

The three-masted schooner Charles E

Schmidt is on Burnham's railway, having a practically new bottom put on and extensive repairs made, the whole to cost between \$2,500 and \$8,000, making almost a new vessel of her. 'nia schooner went ashore in the November storm and had her bottom about knocked out

McKinley's Touring Party. Washington, Feb 15-President Mc-

Kinley and party left Washington for Boston at 5.25 o'clock this afternoon over the Penna road. The train is due to arrive at Jersey City at 10.35 this evening. The steamer Maryland will there be taken for Harlem River station, where a New York, New Haven & Hartford train will be taken for Boston, which will be reached at 1 o'clock tomorrow

Congress May be Called.

party leaders in congress, in addition to those given last week, that he will certain y call congress together in extra session if it fails to pass the army re-organization bill at the present session.

No Mails at Calais.

CALAIS, Me. Feb 15-No mails have bee received in this city since Monday, but the Washington County Railroad is

SECRETS OF PRISONS.

MORRO'S GREWSOME DUNGE. ONS AND THE HORRORS OF CABANAS.

HAVANA, Cubs, Feb. 4, 1899.-The Morro and the Cabanas, as they rear their drear walls above the harbor and city, frowning down at the hundreds of American and Cuban flags, seem to cast a still lingering shadow over the dawn of Cuban independence. Although the red and yellow of Castile no longer floats over those battlements, the grim fortresses still represent the shackled menace of Spain's vanished power. Within those walls, deep down in the rock's recesses, many a budding aspiration and thought of liberty has been foully crushman in the city of London today. Fab- ed out. There are blood stains in those

down, and getting a bird's eye view of the whole, gain a faint impression of the strength and power of the place. Seaward the ramparts crown the creet of the cliff, which, sloping abruptly, falls a sheer drop of 200 feet to the beach bethe prison walls crumble. The story of the Morro and Cabanas "Yes, several American capitalists are interested with me in China. The principal investor is John MacIntosh Ferguson, of Pittsburg, who has gone with the first expedition to peg out mining claims in the province of Szehuan.

"It is one of the biggest enterprises on analysis of the Morro and Cabanas prisoners can never be adequately told. It contains such depth of human misery, such refinement of mental torture, such barbarity of physical suffering enforced by inhuman jailers, that the full truth must ever hide its head from the scrutiny of civilization. Could the hosts of the past three centuries reinhabit the crambled skeletons beneath the slime of the mosts and reassemble within the walls which once mocked within the walls which once motived their sufferings, what dread and direful tales of man's inhumanity to man might be related. If such a thing could be the shades would slink in horror back to their forgotten resting places, aghast at the memories of their sojourn in the flesh. But this may not be. The martyrs of the Morro and Cabanas have passed, and their sufferings must be contentured mainly from recent

move, and they must remain, mute evi-

be conjectured mainly from recent behind.

The entrance to the Cabanas is rickety wharf at the water's edge. Zinc covered and paved, this road has been

rickety wharf at the water's eige. Zinc overed and paved, this road has been a covered and paved, this road has been to overed and paved, this road has been to overed and paved, this road has been at the covered and paved, this road has been at the covered and paved, this road has been to overed and paved, this road has been the covered and paved, this road has been to overed the covered and paved, this road has been allowed the province in the same proportion as the Carleton contry member (Dibblee) cost. The province in the same proportion of the paved to the officine, and the province in the same proportion one.

The best went down in midstream. The motine. The majority have faced fath the province in the same proposite idea. The authorities of Pierce county, on one side of the river, and the sit may be the vessel of the official so King county, on the opposite side of the province in the same proposite of the private of the province in the same proposite side of the province in the same proposite of the private of the province in the same the Carleton conty member (Dibblee) of the private of the province in the same proposite of the private of the

ment permitted to breathe the clear air and epjoy the bright sunshine. For 30 precious minutes they had a glimpse of the world outside before being thrust back into their dungeons in the inner walls of the Caban. S. It was here that Gen. Lee conferred with the Competitor prisoners, and here where Julio Sanguilly, after many months' confinement, proposed to break loose from his guards and escape down the cliff, preferring the risk of immediate death by a Mauser bullet to continue longer subject to the insufferable horrors of his prison.

Crossing this grass plot, a narrow gate-

insufferable horrors of his prison.

Crossing this grass plot, a narrow gateway to the left gives admittance to the outer works of the fort. To the right, the land side towers a huge wall, cut out of the solid rock, forming a fosse or ditch, between the land approaches and the outer works. From the top of this massive outer defence the ground slopes inland, the only approach to the castle being a smooth, sloping sward, raked at all points by guns mounted on the walls. This ditch extends round the castle until it ends in the sea. On the Morro

ground, and nature, abhorrent at such a price for being, has shown her protest in crooked branch and dully tinted leaf.

Two paces from the tree is the execution ground. A mound of stones and a dented wall, cut and scarred by many a state of the only existing memori-

Washington, Feb 15—The president als on the spot where so many of Cuba's sons have died for freedom. Here, in sons have died for freedom. Here, in the cool gray of the morning, were led out those whose crime has been a too great devotion to what they deemed their duty. The sad procession led from the cells in front of the office of the captain of the guard. A squad of soldiers came first. Next followed the condemned and the prices who was to administer to came first. Next followed the coudemned and the priest who was to administer to him the last consolation of religion. The negro grave digger and his assistants, bearing a rough deal coffio, followed. The governor of Cabana: and his aids, escorted by a squad of soluters, brought up the rear. Passing through the long corridors, which penetrate the hundred about two per cent or had beer, which was received in the same shipment as the beef condemned last week.

One box in every ten was opened and examined, and also every box that semelled bad. The beef was in two and four pound cans and twelve and twenty-four caus were in each box. Eight ounces of beef constituted one ration.

dred-foot walls, the Fosse de los Laureles was at length reached.

The prisoner was placed against the wall, his back to the firing party, who were but a few feet distant. The soldiers idling around passed taunting remarks. Using the language of the bull ring they asked jocularly what kind of a fight the victim would put up. Occasionally, if the condemned man were some noted character, their feelings carried them so far that they actually assaulted him on his way to execution. The vilest taunts were poured on the head of the islander and his last hours were tortured by the unfeeling bitterness of his persecutors? But at last the farce was ended. The lieutenant in charge of the firing party threw away his egar, the orders, "Load," "Present," "Fire," were given, and the writhing corpse on the ground was all that remained of the follower of free Cuba.

Inside the caste itself but little can be taken in by the visitor in detail. A confused mass of impanetrable walls CONDEMN THE GOV-ERNMENT.

But Whose Every Argument is An swered Out of Their Own Mouths The honorable gentleman (Dr Stockton

moved the address in reply to the speech a sheer drop of 200 feet to the beach be-low. Landward, most after most, crowned and flanked by mighty bastions cut in the coral rock, and in some places 100 feet thick, prevent access from tha side. All the resources of old-time en-gineering skill have been brought into play, and the result is bewildering to the ordinary visitor. A small isolated for

terest to the remarks of the honorable member for King's on the development of the salt industry. It was a well known fact that it was owing to the use of front.

At the adjourned annual meeting of the officers of the 62nd Fusiliers, the the land side towers a huge wall, cut out of the solid rock, forming a fosse or ditch, between the land approaches and the outer works. From the top of this massive outer defence the ground slopes inland, the only approach to the castle being a smooth, sloping sward, raked at all points by guns mounted on the walls. This ditch extends round the castle until it ends in the sea. On the Morroside it is crossed by a wooden drawbridge of ancient construction, and raised and lowered by an elaborate system of weights and pulleys.

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Gordon Memorial College at Khartoum, asked for by Lord Kitcaener. A nandsome donation has in consequence been sent to Ottawa for remittance to England

Found More Bad Beef.

HAVANA, Feb 16-Brigadier General George R Ernst, of General Brooke's staff, has completed the examination of between 800,000 and 900,000 rations of between 800,000 and 900,000 rations of beef in army storehouses. He found about two per cent of bad beef, which was received in the same shipment as the beef condemned last week. One box in every ten was opened and examined, and also every box that emelled bad. The beef was in two and four pound cans and twelve and twenty.

POLITICAL ACROBATS.

CANDIDATES IN CHARLOTTE CARLETON AND KINGS WHO

to his fame as an orator. He (Shaw) had neard of his fame a little less than a year ago, when he attended an opposition meeting in St John and delivered a speech not less elequent than that which he had given yesterday."

During the same session Dr Stockton made a hid for the support of many of

During the same session Dr Stockton made a bid for the support of many of the government supporters, and was asked by Mr Dibblee "how many supter that the trouble comes. The owners say they are the rightful parties, and two or three wrecking masters of the immediate counties are fighting for the privilege.

During the same session Dr Stockton attend to its own."

Mr George J Clarke is one of the opposition candidates in Charlotte county. Just prior to the last general election Mr Clarke, who is the editor of the St Croix Courier, wrote in his paper the following: "The card of the four representatives for Charlotte in the last legiscounties are fighting for the privilege.

accord with the opposition in this assertion. Both these gentlemen seem to have changed their views somewhat auddenly. In the legislature in 1897 Mr Dibblee spoke as follows: "Mr Dib-Mr Dibblee spoke as follows: "Mr Dib-blee said, as one member of the com-mittee he thought that all possible infor-mation within the scope of the commit-tee's duties had been given them by the different heads of the departments. He thought the opposition simply wanted to make a little capital out of the episode." In speaking of the report of the episode."
In speaking of the report of the public accounts committee Mr Fowler, who was chairman of the committee, stated that "they had given the accounts a most searching investigation." It was on the same occasion that Mr Fowler stated that the characters of the same occasion that Mr Fowler stated that the characters of the same occasion that Mr Fowler stated that the characters of the same occasion that Mr Fowler stated that the characters of the same occasion that Mr Fowler stated that the characters of the same occasion that Mr Fowler stated that the same occasion that Mr Fowler stated that the same occasion that Mr Fowler stated the same occasion that Mr Fowler stated that Mr Fowler stated the same occasion that Mr Fowler stat that "the opposition hoped to develop Mr Dibblee's kicking propensities and mr Dibblee's Ricking propensities and finally land him squarely on the other side of the house. The opposition needed a little help over there, but he (Fowler) thought the honorable members would not make much by their acquisition when they got him (Dibblee)"

Mr Fowler is the same gentleman of whom the Son said in March last: "Mr Fowler can see in Mr Wilson's fate at

the polls the pit he is digging for him-Mr Fowler is seeking to make the electors of King's county believe that he is sincere in his condemnation of the

Summenment of the The salt contained in

pure, fresh fruits is benescarcity of fresh fruits in The winter time is often a cause of serious illness. The basis of ABBEY'S EFFERVES-CENT SALT is the salt extracted from the juices of fresh fruits. It keeps you in excellent health the year round.

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provincial government. As chairman of the public accounts committee he (Fowler) is reported at declaring: "He (Fowler) did not believe there, was a province in Canada, not a state in the Union, whose affairs were a ministered in the same economical and prudent manner as those of the province of New

Branswick. The country should be congratulated upon having so wise an administrator at the head of the public works department."

Mr Fowler is condemning the government for patronizing home bridge indus-tries. It was the same Mr Fowler who in the legislature last year declared: wait—An Inconsistent Quartette.

The debates of the legislative assembly for the past few years afford very interesting reading and give undoubted evidence of what a happy family the members of the present opposition must be. During the session of 1896 Mr Fowler moved the address in reply to the speech

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Referring to the speech of Mr Fowler, Dr Stockton, the leader of the opposition, said: "He had listened with speech in support of the government and its policy.

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Mr Shaw also paid his respects to Mr Fowler is now demanding that provincial politics be run on dominion. Mr Fowler is the same gentleman who in the legislature in 1897, poked fun at the speeches of Mr. Pitts, of York county, saying, among other to have a little less than a year ago, when he attended an opposition. sought to introduce dominion
There was enough to do in this
it devoted its attention to local
and allowed the dominion paris

> offer. Whether this occurs or not, however, there will be but one result. The people generally are satisfied with the administration of their affairs and feel that their interests in the legislature are carefully guarded, and they will return their present representatives in all likelihood without a contest."

In a latter issue of his paper Mr Clarke-wrote as follows: "As foreshadowed by the Courier last week, Charlo te's four representatives in the assembly were returned by acclamation yesterday. The county is thus saved the expense-and excitement of an election cannot be with the members for Westmorland with respect to the purchase of stock already in the province. His idea was that fresh stock should be imported."

Some of the opposition speakers, as well as the papers supporting them, denounce what they call the "dog tax". When this bill was before the legislature in 1896, Mr. Dibblee supported it and declared: "That he thought the action was all right as it stood, because it left it to the farmers themselves to eary whether or not they wished to have their sheep protected from the ravages of dogs."

With Charlotte, and consequently stands well with the body of the electorate, the combination represented by the government ticket is about as strong a one as the county can furnish." In that election Mr Clarke could see no reason why dominion politics dogs." In that election Mr Clarke could see no reason why dominion politics of the opposition are anxious to make it appear that members of the government were unwilling to furnish all information to the public accounts committee, composed of supporters and opponents and including the time of the motival convention he was a warm friend and supporter of the provincial government. Now, without rhyme or reason, he changes his course and condemns all that which previously he had supported. Referring to the by election in Albert county in 1897 Mr Clarke wrote in his paper: "They had an election for the Local Legislature up in Albert county on Saturday and the government candidate, Osman, was elected by an overwhelming majority. This is but one of the many instances of the popularity throughout the province of Mr Mitchell's administration. Since the last session there have been four by-elections, and on each occasion a government supporter was returned. The people of the province are thoroughly satisfied with the manner in which provincial affairs are managed."

In his paper of July 29, 1897, Mr

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In his paper of July 29, 1897, My Clarke wrote: "Dr Stockton, leader of the opposition in the legislature, with his lieutenants, Black (and Pinder, has began a campaign of education. The story they tell is the sustomary yarn of sombre shade, but it has been delivered so often that its repetition cannot be axpected to prove very effective. Before Dr Stockton and his supporters can hope to achieve success they manded vise somethem more attractive to the electors than mere fault finding can possibly be."

It will be seen by the above extracts that Mr Clarke, like his collegue. Mr Chipman and Messra Fowler and Dibblee, is only a resent convert to the opposition cause. It is fair to assume that these gentlemen were either dishonest politically during the time they supported the government, or that they are insincers now. If they were sincere than very little confidence can be placed in their uiters. and if they were sincere then very little confidence can be placed in their utteranges now.

Gaspasia Still in the Ica.

MEAT COVE, C B, Feb 16-Snow was MEAT COVE, C B, Feb 16—Snow was failing this morning and rathing could be seen from Magdalen Islands. Light west southwest winda prevailed. The steamer Gasprais, when last seen yesterday avening, was jammed in the ice five miles north of Dead Man's Island. By John's, Nfid, Feb 16—It is probable that a sealing steamer will be sent in search of the Cunard Lizer Pavonia, the belief prevailing here that here machinery has become broken down in the ice somewhere off the Grand Banks. All incoming vessels report that the All incoming vessels report that the whole ocean south off Cape Race in whole ocean south on Cape Hace is covered with unasually heavy ice.

Negotiations are in progress to daspatch a sealing steamer to the assistance of the Canadian Liner Gaspesia, frozen in an ice floe in the Gulf of St.