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THE OTTAWA GOVERNMENT AND

[From Hen. Edward Blake's Letter.]

(a) The Canadian Conservative policy has falled to accomplish the predictions of its promoters.

(b) Its real tendency is towards disintegration and annexation instead of consolidation and the maintenance of British con-

ection.

(c) It has left us with a small population, scanty immigration and a Northwest a scanty immigration and a Northwest empty still.

(d) It has left us with enormous additions

to our public debt.

(c) It has led to an extravagant system of expenditure and an unjust and oppressive tariff.

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(g) It has diverted trade from its natural into forced channels, and therefore into less

(g) It has diverted trade from its natural into forced channels, and therefore into less profitable channels.

(h) It has left us with unfriendly relations and frowning tariff walls, estranging us from the mighty English-speaking nation to the south, with whom we ought to be, as it was promised we should be, living in generous amity and liberal intercourse.

(i) "Worse, far worse." It has left us with lowered standards of public virtue, and a deathlike apathy in public opinion.

(j) It has left us radical, religious and Provincial animosities rather inflamed than soothed. (k) It has left us with a subservient

Parliament, an autocratic executive.
(1) It has left us with debauched constituencies, and corrupted and corrupting

(m) It has left us with lessened self-reliance and increased (m) It has left us with lessened selfreliance and increased dependence on the
public cheat and on legislative aids.
(n) It has left us possessed withal by a
boastful fingo spirit far enough removed
from true manliness, loudly proclaiming
unreal conditions and exaggerated sentiments, while actual facts and genuine
onlinious are suppressed. opinions are suppressed.

(a) It has left us with our hands tied and our future commenciated.

THE WESLEY CENTENARY.

The death of the greatest reformer since Martin Luther took place 100 years ago, The great results that have flowed from his work in the development of Methodism are the wonder of the century, his followers are counted by millions, and his influence is a living and a growing power. John Wesley entered upon his ministrations with the declaration, "The world is my parish." me his parish.

The witnesses to the spiritual dearth of tury are numerous and strong. Southey "There never was less religious feeling than when Wesley blew his trumpet and awakened those that slept." The Weekly Miscellany in 1732 said that "godliness" looked as odd on a man as his great-grandfather's dress." Isaac Taylor declares that but for Methodism the languishing nonconformity of the eighteenth century was "rapidly in course to be found nowhere but in books." "I am told," wrote Lady Mary Wortley Montagne in satiric reference to the prevalence of atheism and profligacy, "that there is a hill cooking to have 'not' taken out of the Commandments and inserted in the Creed at the ensuing ession. It certainly might be carried out; honor, virtue and reputation, which we used to hear of in our nursery, are as much lald aside as crumpled ribbons."

There is no question of the fitness of John Wesley, not only to measure the depth of this great need, but to labor successfully toward its relief. His ancestry on both sides was strong, courageous, never satisfied with the existing, always calmest in fied with the existing, always calmest in the most violent storm. Perhaps his own greatest quality was his sympathy for the needy and despised. No man has gone farther than Wesley in a full appreciation of the possibilities of divine power to reach the outermost. A fit type for an artist to represent the first stage in the Methodist history would be the picture of the gowned student going out of his lodgings in Lincoln College with his Bible in one hand and a basket of bread in the other for the Provincial rights and territory of the double relief of the prisoners to jail. Only one community bears Wesley's name, but all the churches have-caught his spirit. "The noblest result of the foligious revival," says Mr. J.R. Green in his "History of England," was the steady attempt which has never ceased from that day to this, to of England," was the steady attempt which has never ceased from that day to this, to remedy the guilt, the ignorance, the physical position of the paternal Empire, that the good little Toronto boy remedy the guilt, the ignorance, the physical positions are respectively. sical suffering, the social degradation of the profligate and the poor." It is needless to say that this vast power for good did not begin to stir in the world without awakening into intense activity the opposition of the powers of evil. The world, the flesh and the devil have not the least objection to the soft euphemisms and half apologetic warnings which compose "the narcotics of wroning pulpiteers," but a downright blow at any fashionable vice or conventional disaonesty will rouse a furious clamor.

It is not astonishing therefore that both the world and the church met the beginnings of Wesleyanism with fierce re-

ougnance. The Methodists of that day had pagnance. The detailed and endless abuse-to confront riotons fury and endless abuse-They were frequently pelted with stones, and beaten with sticks, and on two occasions a baited bull, set on by dogs and dog-like men was driven into the midst of their congregation.

Out of persecution arose strength; not the the crowning glories of Methodism that it has been predominantly evangelistic; not indifferent to doctrine, but habitually keeping the assertion and advocacy of a theo logical system behind the preaching of repentance and faith. The ideal of the early Calvinism was that of a waiting church looking to God to do all the work in his own good time and way; and it waited until it became dead and powerless. The ideal of the latter Calvinism is that of a working church, which knows itself to be the instrument of God in redeeming the world. In the attainment this better and more fruitful method of Calvinism has been constantly stirred up to zeal and good works by its Wesleyan rival, which from the first has been a missionary and evange-

The religion of Wesley was wholly practical. His gospel was the gospel of genuine godliness and his one aim to 'spread scriptural holiness over the land.' He preached heart conversion, justification by faith and the doctrine of sanctification, which he described as a "gradual work," beginning "at the time of our being born again," making us "more and more dead to sin," and "more and more alive to God."

As to the results. If Wesley had don nothing more than to establish the Metho-dist Episcopal Church, with its more than 2,000,000 communicants, its 14,000 pastors, its missions in all parts of the world, its Sunday schools, academies, colleges and other great institutions, the extent of his work would be difficult for the mind to grasp, but the millions of Methodists in other organizations with their multiplied appliances for the evangelization of the world all form parts of the mighty results. The number of actual church members in the Canadian Methodist Church implies a constituency of nearly 1,000,000 in the Dominion of Canada, whose entire population is a little less than 5,000,000. There are no important divergencies as to belief in the various divisions. of the Methodist Church. Methodism doctrinally is one. Many of the divisions were due to the desire for lay representation; others to illiberality matters of administration; others to slavery or sectional or geographical causes.

Wesley is not only an object of admiration to the widespread Methodist family, but to all the world beside, for he, like every other truly great man, belongs to the church universal. It is a sign of the growth of that Christian Union which shall shortly be, that all churches now laud and venerate the founder of the Metho-

removed.

OLD CANADA.

The weight alike of votes and debating power from the two old Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada is against the Ottawa Government. The smaller outside Provinces have been bought up with promises to implement which means another huge It was a prophetic utterance. The world drain on Ontario and Quebec. Up to date, any class of Canadian citizens should be the boasted Confederation has brought this Province no advantage in any wards other than those distinctly Canadian. respect whatever, while our burdens England at the end of the eighteeth cen-tury are numerous and strong. Southey

LOOK AT W. R. MEREDITH, FOR INSTANCE."

**Experience keeps a dear school, but fools will learn in no other," is an old and a true proverb. It has appropriate application to those eight Liberals who resigned their seats in the legislatures of the lower provinces for the chance of being elected for the House of Commons. It was contemptuous treatment of their constituents, and it met its just reward of humiliation. Liberals too big for their shoes in the Provincial assemblies must have been idiots to imagine that the practical men who elected them would elevate them to the Federal Parliament without better proof of suitability than their conceit and contempt for the narrower sphere. Conservatives are men of a different stamp. They do their best work wherever they are placed. Look at W. R. Meredith, for instance. In his position in the Ontar o Legislature needs action for which his abilities so well fit him.—[Toronto Empire.]

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MR. MOWAT ALL RIGHT.

Our esteemed local contemporary thinks Mr. Mowat clearly convicted of falsehood in saying that Mr. Blake's letter read to his West Durham constituents did not contain one word on any political question,

Mr. Mowat's statement was strictly accurate. The first letter read, while constrength of a merely doctrinal movement, taining Mr. Blake's declinature, promised but of a great spiritual force. It is one of at an early date thereafter to explain at length the reasons why he did not see his way at this time to be a candidate.

While on questions of veracity, will our contemporary kindly let the public know what it thinks of a Dominion Premier putting the statement into a governor-general's mouth that a reciprocity treaty was being agottated, when as a fact the statement was absolutely devoid of truth?

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No name in Canada to-day stands higher with friend and foe than that of Wilfrid Laurier. No man in Canada stands forth more as the type of a high-minded, Christian gentleman. There is something serene and lovable and chivalrous in the very appearance of Mr. Laurier, and what he looks he is. With many old and new friends in

proved exceptionally capable. Full of the tact that comes of kindliness of heart combined with sincerity, if the ADVERTISER were a Member of Parliament instead of a newspaper, there is no leader in public life, past or present, under whom we would rather serve than the Hon. Wilfrid Laurier.

MR MEREDITH AND THE ONTARIO

GOVERNMENT. will be seen elsewhere, Mr. T. G. Meredith, voicing his brother, the member for London in the Ontario Legislature, advises the city against seeking any necessary legislation from the Legislature respecting the L. & P. S. R., on the ground that, in the Meredith opinion, the city will not get justice from the Provincial Parliament.

This is an uncalled-for statement, and one which should not have been lightly made. As for the question of jurisdiction, it will probably be found to reside, if tested, with the Provincial Legislature after all.

MORE ELECTRO-PLATE KNIGHTS. It is stated that Sir John Macdonald proposes to make another batch of electro-These causes in most instances have been plate knights.

We say, Sir John Macdonald proposes; for all except children know the Queen has no more to do, except as to the mere final ceremonial, with the selection of Canadian electro-plate knights, than the Emperor of Timbuctoo.

We consider this creation of an artificial, electro-plate aristocracy in our democratic continent as objectionable as the creation of a standing army-which, by the way, is

being gradually accomplished.

The price of a Senatorship for several years past has been placed at a \$10,000 contribution to the Ottawa Government's corruption fund. The price of a knighthood is understood to be \$25,000.

We think it decidedly objectionable that allowed to accept honors or political re-The result is that the enemies of the of Old Canada-a limit to the patience of in opposition sometimes open but oftener covert to government of the people, by the people, for the people.

> PERSONAL AND GENERAL. -Fifteen thousand of the cream of United States teachers hold convention in

OTHER NEWSPAPERS. A LAND OF FREE SPEECH.

There is one thing, however, which Mr. Blake's letter accomplishes. It introduces into the arena of practical politics the issue of political union with the United States,

Montreal Witness.

The Conservatives profess to believe that Mr. Blake's judgment in regard to Canada's true policy is of the first importance, and they also declare that their loyalty to the British connection is such that they would be the supportant policy which endangered it

UNDER THE SEMAPHORE.

Foreclosure of a \$28,600,600 Mortgage on a

Foreclosure of a \$28,000,000 Mortgage on a Railway—Pullmans for Australia.

When the Hungarian Government took the operation of the railroads in hand it reduced rates \$2 per cent. By the purchase of commutation tickets a 60-mile trip costs 5½ cents, and more than one can go on a book together. The increase in traffic amounts to 1,600 per cent.

George M. Pullman has closed a contract for furnishing a number of passenger coaches and sleepers for the Government railway of Australia. The different parts of the cars will be made at Pullman, Ill., and then the sections will be shipped to Australia all ready to be put together. About April 1 a detachment of men from the Pullman works will start upon the long journey, taking with them eighteen cars, which they will put together and finish at Melbourne. The present contract involves \$250,000, and is the first one ever made by the Pullman Company in Australia.

Judge Caldwell, of the United States Circuit Court, at Kansas City, Mo., has sifined the decree of foreclosure in the case of the Rock Island road against the Chicago, Kansas and Nebraska, and the latter line is now to be disposed of at public sale to satisfy the Rock Island's mortgage of \$28,000,000. The date of sale has not yet been fixed. The case has been hotly contested for overa year.

A well-authenticated story is current at Watertown, N. Y., to the effect that Mr. Webbe and the other Central officials who were at that place on Thurskay received telegrams from President Depeny, directing

were y Province, in no Province is he more enthusiastically admired than in Ontario. He ought to be oftener among us. He will always be welcome. Mr. Laurier is a strong, far-seeing man, and the most charming speaker in our public life.

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Poisoned by Eating Moldy Cheese.

LOGANSPORT, Ind., March 14.—On Wednesday evening the family of John Geppineer, of this city, after partaking of supper, were taken violently sick. The character of their ailment indicated poisoning. Early yesterday morning Mrs. Lizzie Woods, one of the family, died in horrible agony. The remaining four members of the family, although improved, are by no means out of danger. The cause of their fatal sickness was the consumption of cheese, which was to-day analyzed and found to be moldy. Poisoned by Eating Moldy Cheese



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Gossip Regarding and Other S THE TURF. It looks as if Futurity has broke reports more than received. BASEBALL.

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and the promoters reluctantly relinquestablish a league THE TRIGGER The challenge cu hand Rifle Assoc shot for at Bran Alfred Graham, o score with 92 point ranges 100 and 200 ATHLETICS.
R. N. Harrison see in a late issue of from J. Richard

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