markets. (Applause.) He heard it stated

but he thought that a man who would sacri-

fice his political principles with no other object than to make a change of the effect of which he had no idea, would act very foolishly indeed. (Hear hear.) While Mr.

Laurier is a fine theorist, he is not a practi

cal man; but another man who used to b

Blake, a man with a "great head" (laugh ter) who before leaving the party declared

in his Malvern speech that the needs of the

revenue can only be met by a duty on the

goods which we can ourselves produce, and

that free trade is in Canada outside the

domain of practical politics. (Applause.) The opposition—not the Liberals, for they

do not call themselves by that name now-

are fond of shouting "boodle" and "cor-ruption," and they shout to such

an extent about their honesty and

their virtues that they excite the suspicion

of really honest men (hear, hear), who if

they look into the facts find these opposition folk in queer company. Mr. Laurier's great ally in Quebec was Honore Mercier, and the

fact that he is dead is no reason why the

of the Dominion, and there is at present a well devised scheme on foot for the estab

lishment of iron works here, which project

if free trade were introduced, would be

snuffed out immediately. He wished pro-tection for labor, too, and so long as the United States will not let Canadian citizens

find employment across the border, the government of the Dominion should

pass a similar prohibition against allowing Americans to come over here and take the work away from our citizens.

by any mischance take office. Yet Mr.

Laurier came out here and said that if he

got into power this province would get more than it does now! (Laughter and ap-

plause.) He promised to take the opportunities which would be afforded by public

meetings to enter more fully upon the

that if elected he would endeavor to do

his duty tearlessly and faithfully, not only

to Victoria but to the whole Dominion of

Mr. Thomas Earle, M.P., thanked the

convention for the great demonstration of

applause which greeted him as he came for-

point out the advantages of the nations

policy in securing a market for the produc

of our farmers and in providing work for labor of all descriptions. He felt thoroughly convinced that the Conservatives have done

constantly every enterprise great and small

part of the country. (Hear, hear.) That leader has not given his policy, how-ever, otherwise than by his declaration that

he will sweep away every vestige of protec

tion. The Conservative policy is not only

protective but national-a tariff to be adjust-

as which have made Canada part of

when in office, and the same has be

Canada. (Great applause.)

political questions, and in conclusion said

at the head of the Liberal party is Edward

The Electric Light Improvement By-Law Receives Endorsement at the Polls,

While the Fire Protection Loan is Refused by the Batepayers.

equipment of the department, while receiv. year. ing a majority of the votes polled, did not -three-fifths-and is therefore lost.

Considerable surprise is expressed by those most interested in the conduct of civic affairs that the residents of the Victoria West and the Spring Ridge districts, after their kept the flames from spreading till the derepeated appeals and demands for better fire tection, should have allowed the by-law to fall by reason of their apathy. The vote polled was an uncommonly light one, as the appended totals show:

BENCHMAIC TICHTING BV-I.AW

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For.	Against.
107 69 217	50 38 80
393	168
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For.	Against
85 48 154	73 59 142
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	For. 107 69 217

The majority, thirteen, justifies its reputation as an unlucky number, being insufficient to carry the by-law. Under the law which requires three fifths of the votes polled to be cast in the affirmative in order carry a money by-law, 336 of the total of 561 ballots, were required to carry the by-

In connection with the proposal to erect and equip fire stations in the now unprotected sections of the city, the suggestion they as well as fire houses are much needed, and no extra cost being entailed for sites, construction, telephone connection, or other possibly have been acted upon had the by-It did not, however.

SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

A "Colonist" Representative Will Traverse Mashonaland, South Africa, on a Bike.

That Football Game-From Monaca to Nice-Here and There.

Mr. W. A. Carter, of the Victoria Wheelmen's Club, who left here on Sunday is to be the pioneer of the bicycle in a far distant and little known country, though one that is fast opening up to British commerce. His destination is Salisbury, a liquor. tant more than 300 miles from the railway terminus and far away from roads connecting with civilization.

According to present arrangements Mr. Carter will commence his journey awheel at Cape Town itself, riding a specially made Canadian wheel from the well-known Brant ford works, and proceed leisurely across country and by such trails and roads as may be had to Salisbury, where his father has been living for some time past.

With the strength and enthusiasm of

tion already inured to the heat of equatorial climes, he does not anticipate more than plenty of hard work, flavored perchance with occasional adventures. The record of his journey into Machonaland, which will be can bring it, will no doubt be read with in

THE TRACK PROPOSITION.

The trustees of the new 'Cycling Association held a special meeting yesterday, at which the plans and specifications of the new race track were approved. A meeting for the opening of tenders was announced

FOOTBALL. VICTORIA COLLEGE V. Y.M.C A.

To THE SPORTING EDITOR: -Your reporone of which has your correspondent signing himself "Y.M.C.A." dared to controvert. He stated that the college team was handi-capped by the absence of both of their exent full backs, Goward and Erb, and that the Y.M.C.A. team was strengthened by Messrs. Winsby and Dallas of the junior by Messrs. Winsby and Dallas of the junior Wanderers, playing for them. He did not remark, as he might have, that the success ful side were evidently indebted for their success to the splendid game which these two gentlemen played for them, nor did he add that the Y.M.C.A. captain, when he saw that the college were at the last moment him. saw that the college were at the last moment forced to play three little lads of the heroulean size of Douglas Hunter, enlisted these

experienced players on the field, apparently to make assurance doubly sure.' Regarding the last unfortunate paragraph of Y.M C A.'s letter, aware as I am that all the other members of the Y.M.C A. will as deeply regret it as I do, I pass it by, pleased ing asked for a government investigation to feel that there is but one, very recent, into the recent troubles at the reliable. to feel that there is but one, very recent, into the recent troubles at the university, and probably transitory addition to their which resulted in a wholesale boycott by self as ta first pen it and then affix to it the expressive initials he did. V. C.

The troubles of Caretaker Sutherland in connection with his administration of the affairs of the Old Men's Home were again related in the police court yesterday, when David Murray, one of his charges, was arraigned for using grossly abusive language. The complaint was sustained, and Murray had a conviction recorded against him although he was discharged. Preparations are now being made for the transfer of a number of inmates of the home to the provincial institution for their shelter just completed at Kamloops. They are to leave for the "Inland Capital" some day this week.

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The city five and light committee has to day, and tes, which every household uses and which is admitted free by the government of to-day. (Applause) Sir Richard Cartwright admitted free by the government of to-day. (Applause) Sir Richard Cartwright admitted free by the government of to-day. (Applause) Sir Richard Cartwright admitted free by the government of to-day. (Applause) Sir Richard Cartwright admitted free by the government of to-day. (Applause) Sir Richard Cartwright admitted free by the government of to-day. (Applause) Sir Richard Cartwright admitted free by the government of to-day. (Applause) Sir Richard Cartwright admitted free by the government of to-day. (Applause) Sir Richard Cartwright admitted free by the government of to-day. (Applause) Sir Richard Cartwright admitted free by the government of to-day. (Applause) Sir Richard Cartwright admitted free by the government of to-day. (Applause) Sir Richard Cartwright admitted free by the government of to-day.

THE CITY.

PETER BELLENGER, the man who for lack of evidence escaped punishment for selling little Arthur Lamoure into slavery, is in Seattle. His trunk and gun were yesterday handed over by the provincial police to a messenger from Bellenger, and went to Seattle on the steamer last night. Bellenger conciders himself lucky to have escaped the meshes of the law, as he says he quite expected to have got a five years' sentence.

A NOTICE has been posted in the armorise Contrary to general expectation, not both but only one of the loan by-laws voted upon yesterday received the endorsement of the ratepayers. The by-law ratifying the use of the crematory loan for electric light pur-poses passed on a small vote but by a safe sides the discussion of several amendments thoroughly representative gathering of the

ebtain the necessary percentage of the total
the ridge board and set fire to the roof of bers of the House of Commons. Admission
Mr. T. C. Futcher's residence on Parkinson street yesterday morning. About 9 o'clock neighbors living across the street saw that the roof was on fire and informed Mr. partment came upon the scene. The fire-men scon extinguished the blaze, the damage not amounting to \$25. The house and contents are insured for \$6,000 in the Cale-

P. SNIDER, a lad of tender years, was charged before Magistrate Macrae yester.

The Chairman opened the proceedings by day with having discharged a firearm within reading the call for the convention, and the e city limits—contrary to the provisions of the streets by law of the corporation in such cases made and provided. The youth ful culprit was convicted and discharged. no minor shall be placed in a prison cell unless he be at the time the only occupant of the jail or other place of confinement.

had been thrown out that each should also duantity of bulk inquor and a studied by the choice of the concells, lockups being thus provided where cells, lockups being thus provided where cells, lockups being thus provided where cells, the contents of course pocketed, and which would certainly result he might have the drawer itself thrown on the roadside by the Point Ellice bridge. There were sevincidental charges. This idea would very eral dollars in the till and the liquor stolen plause.) was worth ten or fifteen dollars.

> MAYOR TEAGUE is considerably surprised to find that with the large number of unem-ployed men in the city, a considerable proportion of whom request and receive assistance daily at the food shelter, no one has yet sought the use of vacant land for gardening. The sending of the unemployed workers back to the land has been regarded as one of the most admirable features of the municipal relief plan, and numerous owners municipal relief plan, and numerous owners does, as seems probable, determine to give of city and suburban lots have offered the British Columbia representation in the use of their property. The only applicant up to date has been a lady, to whom the up to date has been a lady, to whom the scheme was not quite clear apparently. She proposed to accept the use of the land, put in an orchard, and ultimately build here self a comfortable little home.

MARY WHEEL-UM KUM, the klootchman who went on a spree with Jim Whart-kaevening last for Mashonaland, South Africa, num, the Cowichan Indian, on the night he mysteriously disappeared, was yesterday brought down from Duncan by Constable Mattland-Dougall, to serve a month's term for supplying the unfortunate man with liquor. The facts of the case are that on mining town in the interior wilderness, dis-tant more than 300 miles from the railway Mary purchased some whiskey. The consequence was that when the couple attempted to board Jim's cance they were both drunk. Mary was found next morning floating in the cance near the Discovery is land light. The cance was half full of water and what had become of Jim Mary had no idea. As he has never turned up since it appears that he must have fallen overboard and drowned. Jim's wife then prosecuted Mary for supplying the liquor.

TOMMY O'CONNOR, alias Tom Connors,

alias Healy, alias Egan, well known all along the Pacific Coast as a safecracker, footpad and generally bad character, paid Victoria a visit yesterday that was satisfac torily brief. Connors et al. is supposed to have come here from San Francisco, and almost his first business here was to negotiate a lean of \$10 at a local pawnshop, pledging a lady's valuable fur after vainly endeavoring to sell the garment in several of the saloons. During his brief stay here he was seen and recognized by the police, who had good reason to remember him. He had a five year and nine months' term recorded against him at Westminster and in endeavoring to escape from the penitentiary was shot in the leg. Then he transferred his at-tention to Victoria and was given one year for the robbery of Gilmore & McCandless' atore. During his residence at the provincial jail he attempted to break from the chain gang, for which he was given an additional discount of the standard of the st ter, in his short, but as usual excellent and tional six months, and subsequently tried to impartial report of the above match on Saturday, made four statements of fact, not tional year. As soon as they were sware that Connors was again in town Chief Shep pard and his officers gave him their best attention. He was seen coming out of the pawnshop in the evening, and realizing that he was shadowed ran. His course lay down

TORONTO TOPICS.

TORONTO, March 19.—(Special) -Rev. Mr. Davie, bursar of Trinity college, is dead. The students of Toronto University havstudents of all lectures for nearly two weeks, the Ontario government has appoint ed a royal commission to inquire into the matter. Chief Justice Taylor, of Manitoba,

A SOLID FRONT.

Liberal Conservatives Have But One Opinion as to Who Should Be Their Candidates.

Messrs. Earle and Prior the Unanimous Choice of a Splendid Convention.

The wisdom of the selection of the fine new hall of the A. O. U. W. as the meeting place of the Liberal-Conservative nominat ing convention was abundantly manifest last evening, when both floor and galleries of ceptable to the party as their standard SPARKS from the chimney lodged under bearers in the approaching election of memwas by card of membership in either the senior Liberal-Conservative Association or the Macdonald Club, shown at the door, and each person on entering was supplied with a ballot paper, which, however, was soon found not to be called for.

Senate and House of Commons and the office-bearers of the association occupied The Chairman opened the proceedings by

rule admitting to it only duly enrolled members of the senior association or of the Macdonald Club, and requested all others who might be in the hall so retire. Five or By the new law for the protection of the young, the hearing was a private one in the business proceeded, the Secretary reading Magistrate's room, this now being ordered in all cases, and the law also requiring that Chairman then announced that nominations were in order.
Mr. Edward A. Lewis nominated Lieut.

Col. E. G. Prior, M. P., as one of the candi-THE Rock Bay hotel, on the corner of P. Winsby, the mover proceeded to address Bridge and Work streets, had an unwelcome | the convention in support of his resolution Theaday's suns. Either the door was acci. of the Dominion under the policy of protect Tuesday's suns. Either the door was accidentally left unlocked or the thief was provided with skeleton keys, for he broke this constituency have supported, and in the neither door nor windows, yet entered the barroom and appropriated a considerable quantity of bulk liquor and a funnel by the nomination. (Applause.) He hoped the nomination (Applause.) He hoped Col. Prior would be the choice of the con a chance of promotion to a cabinet office which he would worthily fill. (Great ap

> Mr. D. R. Ker read the nomination Mr. Thomas Earle, M.P., by Mr. R. P. Rithet, M.P.P., who he explained was unfortunately unable to attend, having had to leave this evening for San Franci agreed with what had been said by Mr. Lewis as to the faithful efforts of our rep resentatives during the past five years, he also agreed that our members should be men of such standing in parlia-ment that if the Dominion government cabinet, Victoria may be fortunate enough Laurier with the able and practical admin istration which he tries so hard though in ffectually to displace. (Applause.)
> Mr. Napoleon Sabin seconded th

> nation of Mr. Earle. (Applause.) There being no further nomin hairman, after some time had elapsed, declared Col. Prior and Mr. Earle to be the the enthusiastic demonstration which greeted this announcement had subsided, the first nominee was called upon for an ad dress. Before he proceeded, however, the Chairman said he had been reminded of an unintentional omission of one formality-s standing vote upon the candidates. He asked all those who pledged themselves to support the two gentlemen just named Messrs Earle and Prior, to stand up—and

every man in the hall promptly rose. Col. Prior then went on with his address expressing his pride as this mark of confidence on the part of the Liberal-Conserva-tives of Victoria, whom he assured that should it be his good fortune to be elected as he expected (great applause) he would do his best to show their choice to have been a wise one. For seven years he had represented Victoria at Ottawa, supporting the sented Victoria at Ottawa, supporting the Liberal Conservative policy—the same ever since the year 1878, under the grand old chieftain Sir John Macdonaid (applause), under Sir John Abbott, and latterly under the case ever since, despite which the opposition leader has made the most liberal promises lately in every part of the country. (Hear, hear.) Sir John Thompson. While our opponents loudly declare that this policy has wrought ruin to the country, all the facts point in an opposite direction. Statistics, which he read, exhibited a striking comparison be-tween the condition of Canada in 1878 and in 1895, the imports, exports, bank circulation, savings banks deposits, all showing a marvellous increase, while the same has been the case with respect to railway and steamboat traffic and the business f the post office. These statistics show how far from the truth is the cry of the opposition that ruin has been stalking through the land. (Hear, hear.) The bank returns, compiled by those institutions themselves, showed a steady decline during the sad regime of Sir Richard Cartwright and his olleagues, and in striking contrast a steady increase since they had been displaced, not withstanding that in many other countries the reverse has been the case. (Hear, hear.) He read from the Financial News, a paper published in free trade England, a state ment that only her protective policy secured the credit of Canada from collegee during the recent panic in America. To illustrate the proud place occupied by Canada in the money market, he referred t the high price at which the last Dominion loan was issued, and the fact that the appli cations for the securities were five times the amount of the issue. (Applause.) He dwelt upon the efforts of the Liberal Conservative party to provide means of trans portation and communication throughout Canada, along our coasts, and on the seas.

the world's highway, and which would have been impossible except under the national policy. When he addressed a mixed audionce, of men of both parties, he would go used, and he would now conclude by thanking the convention for honoring him as they had with their unanimous nomination.

(Applana) (Applause) Their opponents have no re-cord of progress, and their avowed policy of "free trade as they have it in England" upon which Mr. Laurier has staked his fortune after having tried everything else—he thought would not prove so attracand made an elequent address, contrasting the sophistry of Mr. Laurier with the prac-

Great Britain to do it—that he was quite prepared to tax the goods of every country in the world except the United States Such a proposition he (Col. Prior) considered to be nothing else than an outrage. (Applause) He pointed out the effects which would follow free trade, when the products of the pauper labor of other parts of the world would be poured in upon us. Mr. Laurier says this would be a cheap country to live in; but in company with Mr. Laurier says this would be a cheap country to live in; but in company with this condition the people would feel very cheap indeed in living in it. (Laughter and applause) He believed in nothing of that applause) He believed in nothing of that tion—opposition to railways, opposition to canals, to everything needed for the detries of Canada for the benefit of the people velment of the Dominion. (Hear hear.) He reid a tribute to the present Liberal Constitution of the people velment of the Dominion. trying to make their living in this country.

(Applause.) While the opposition seek to servative leader—an old tried, lieutenant of create the impression that everything brought or the present Liberal Conservative leader—an old tried, lieutenant of Sir Donald A. Smith, in replying yester-day (March 13), to a deputation which some create the impression that everything brought or the present Liberal Conservative leader—an old tried, lieutenant of Sir John Macdonald—who he felt sure will time ago waited upon him with a requisition into the country now pays a customs tax, govern the country according to the constitute fact is that about 40 per cent. of the tution, giving every man his rights. A of the crematory loan for electric light purposes passed on a small vote but by a safe majority; the by-law for enlarging the sphere of fire protection and improving the sphere of fire protection and sphere of fire protection and sphere of fire protection and sphere of fire protection man is taxed \$9 50 per head, while the average tax paid in Canada is \$5 a head. son's Bay, (applause), a matter of great im-He quoted Lord Salisbury's declaration that portance in in opening her markets to the world Great
ment of the country through which our own gard to myself and my position. I wish to
Britain has stripped herself of the only inrailway, the British Pacific, is to run. ducement which she could but for that fact (Great applause.)

offer to other countries for favors in their Mr. E Crow Baker rose in response to general call of "Chairman," and expressed his sense of the honor conferred upon him that some people say they will vote for the opposition simply for the sake of change,

by being allowed to preside over a gathering such as this, and he complimented the audition adjourned.

MARINE MOVEMENTS.

Yesterday morning's gale proved too strong for the steamer Joan. She started out at the usual time but was compelled to put back to the outer wharf, where she re mained the most of the day. It so happened that she had on the heaviest cargo she has yet taken from here. She began to dip deep when off the San Pedro, and her cap tain decided not to face the Trial island. The Quadra, which was engaged all Monday at Discovery island lightouse, also had to return to port owing to the heavy southeast gale. She will leave again for the island when the weather

SAN FRANCISCO BUSINESS.

misdoings of his associates should be forgotten. Another of Mr. Laurier's friends is Mr. Israel Tarte, the hero of the Bay des tickets for the voyage to San Francisco on done to the people of the Northwest in the steamship Walla Walla, which leaves every case. I should perhaps explain here, supporter of the "Liberal" party of purity.

Here Sunday, at \$5, the steerage fare for the that we were not at that time in Mr. Preston, the agent of the Liberal party same trip being just half that amount. Re in Ontario, states against Mr. Janes, who duced passenger rates to Alaska continue in our friends on the other side of the in Ontario, states against Mr. Janes, who opposed Sir Richard Cartwright for the opposition nomination in South Oxford, that that gentleman said he had no money for party purposes this year (laughter), but yet the opposition would give the impression that the fands for party purposes are all on the Conservative side. He wished to repeat that we must have pro-Hanson and wife, Miss M. Renwick and Maintoba from the Other side of the other side of the opposition would as until after Sunday, on which line as we are fortunately at the present. It was just after the Alabama differences, and before the meeting of the joint high commission in Washington, which took place in 1871. There was a great danger in the Northwest that was well understood at the Northwest that was well understood at the time—very great danger indeed. We know that overtures were made to these people in Miss Renwick. tection for British Columbia as for the rest Miss Renwick.

MARINE NOTES H.M.S. Royal Arthur, which has been pending the winter months in the South, is oked for soon to arrive in Esquimalt. The Nymphe, which is also South, is expected to arrive shortly after the Royal Arthur. She is to be overhauled here and a new deck will, it is said, be placed in her. There is no intimation vet as to what vessel will do Behring Sea patrol duty this year, but it is generally believed that the Pheasant, now in Esquimait, will have the work again.

Steamer Willaps, on her second trip to (Great applause.) He read from a speech of Sir Richard Cartwright—"Blue Ruin" of Sir Richard Cartwright—"Blue Ruin"
Dick—last session against railroad grants in
British Columbia as a sample of the liberality of the treatment this province might
expect from the Liberal party if they did

Steamer Wiliaps, on her second trip to

Alaska, called in port at 10 o'clock yester.

day morning and sailed again at noon. She
had a heavy freight but fewer passengers
than on her first trip.

The British ship Algsburg, on route to

days ago.

During the past few days about one-third of the old San Pedro has gone to the bot-tom. The decks are completely gone and it is predicted that the remaining or forward part of the vessel will now widen out and

sink with the stern of the ship. The ma-chinery is still supported by the forward the vessel but must soon go. The Victoria salmon ship Cian Robertson arrived in Liverpool on the 13th instant. The N P.R. liner Tacoma is due to arward to speak, and he proceeded briefly to rive on Wednesday next from the Orient.

SAMPLES OF GRAIN.

To THE EDITOR :- During the past eight convinced that the Conservatives have done years samples of those varieties of grain more during their term of office than any which have succeeded best on the experiwhich have succeeded best on the experi-would have done. He remembered how plication in 3-lb. bags to farmers in all parts of the Dominion free through the mail. The incurred the hostility of the Liberal party object in view in this distribution has been to improve the quality and character of these important agricultural products throughout the country. This work has met with much district, (f course it is a matter for considappreciation and a considerable degree of

Last year I was instructed by the Honorable Miniater of Agriculture to forward, as far as practicable, two samples to each applicant, but the applications received were protective but national—a tariff to be adjust-ed from time to time as the interests of the tion all the available stock had been promis-

what to expect. (Laughter.) He instanced the development which has arisen out of the national policy of progress, dwelling particutal Experimental farm may be sent free of postage.

We saunders, WM SAUNDERS, Director Experimental Farms.

Ottawa, March 11, 1895.

TACOMA, March 19.—Congressman H. whole country to determine. I do think boolittle arrived home yesterday from that if we were to spurn altogether what the book done we should be going altogether. Washington City. He was one of the line been done, we should be going altogether strongest advocates of the Nicaragua canal in a wrong direction." The Conservatives are highly pleased at Six Donald Smith's measure, and while deploring the fact that it was killed through the action of the committee on rules of the last congress, he feels sure it will pass at the next session. Tom Reed, he says, is street. Mr. A. E. McPhillips being vooiferously mittee on rules of the last congressed for came forward amidst applause sure it will pass at the next see Reed, he says, is strongly in favor of the canal, and as Reed, in his opinion, is certain to be speaker of the Fifty fourth congress and chairman of the committee on rules, he will prevent a repetition of the last session's lack of action. Doolittle has sounded many of the new members and says they are solid for the canal.

Reflet in Six Mears.

Distressing Kidney and Bladder diseases relieved in six hours by the "Great South American Kidney Oute." This new remedy is a great surprise and delight on account of its stression's lack of action. Doolittle has sounded many of the new members and says they are solid for the canal. the sophistry of Mr. Laurier with the practical arguments and efforts of the government, and showing the folly of supposing that the plan of free trade which England has adopted can be applied satisfactorily here under circumstances so vastly different. This difference, he pointed out, has important the plan of the committee on rules, he will prevent a repetition of the last session's lack of action. Doolittle has sounded many of the new members and says they are solid for the canal.

This difference, he pointed out, has important the passed itself upon Mr. Laurier as shown by his own words at various times, yet he passed it over in using British free trade as a balt to catch the votes to place him in power. It was this Mr. Laurier who in his barked at Barcelona.

SIR DONALD A. SMITH.

The Broad Platform Upon Which He Has Accepted Nomination in Montreal West

His Solution of the Manitoba Problem -He Still Favors Moderate Protection.

asking him to again accept the Conservative nomination for St. Antoine district, said : Before saying whether I, at this time, am prepared to accede to the request put for. ward, I would like to say two words, that there may be no misapprehension with re. say that I have always, from the time I first entered parliament, felt it was the duty of every representative to weigh well for him. self such measures as are brought ferward and if he believed these were for the best in terests of the country, and such as would be ence upon the fact that his office had been such an easy one.

Three cheers were then given for the Queen and the candidates, and the convention adjourned. which did not appear in the interests of the country, I believed, and I still believe, that then it is the duty of a representative not simply to blindly follow any party. That is my idea of independence.

There is one other matter I think I should

say one word about. I refer to the school question in Manitoba. Some five and twenty or more years ago. I was selected by the Canadian government to go to the people of the Northwest with a message of goodwill and of peace. At that time, I, be. sides a commission from the Canadian government, had a letter from the then government. ernor-general, Sir John Young, and also a direct expression from the Queen herself, of her regard for her subjects in Manitoba and in Canada generally. That was in a letter that was telegraphed out from England, and I was instructed to convey this expres sion of her majesty's regard to the people in

Manitoba from the State of Minr any rate, and that money would be forthcoming if necessary, and it was looked upon as being a time of great danger in Canada. We know that our friends on the other side would be right glad to have had the whole of that Northwest, and we know also that they had greater appreciation of it at that time than we had here in Canada, and as is usually the case when they have anything

The British ship Aigsburg, en route to Victoria from England, with a full general cargo consigned to R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd., was spoken off San Francisco about seven senting the Dominion government, which I was empowered to do, I answered to different articles contained in that bill of rights. One of the articles declared in effect

they shall have preserved to them every-thing they had had in the past—all the rights and privileges which they enjoyed in the past. I was authorized to say such would be the case, and I did say that it would be the case. But I think in connection with that, I should make one explanaion. At that time there were some 11,000. certainly not 12,000 people in the whole of Manitoba. Of those persons 6,000 were French speaking, and as a whole, I think I can presume, Roman Catholics. The other 5,000 were English speaking and Protestants. Manitoba was then confined to a comparatively small area. By one of the articles of the bill of rights the articles of the bill of rights the area is given as they desired to have it in a radius

nipeg to the United States boundary, which-would be sixty to sixty-five miles on either side from Winnipeg. that that promise certainly applied to that eration whether it applied equally, or should be made to apply equally to extended Mantoba, but I have every reason to hope, and think I may say as regards myself individually, I have great confidence in the great good sense of the people of Manitoba, and I think that when they come to consider off through revision of the tariff, the texes of the consuming public being thereby materially reduced. The policy of the opposition has been pronounced upon adversely at many general elections in succession (hear, hear) and he had no doubt that the verdict would be the same a few months hence. The trade policy of the party now in power has never been departed from since 1878 and hear and policy of the party now in power has never been departed from since 1878 and hear and policy of the party now in power has never been departed from since 1878 and hear and policy of the party now in power has never been departed from since 1878 and hear and not not be supplied.

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