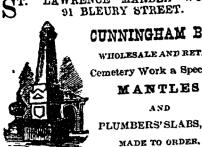
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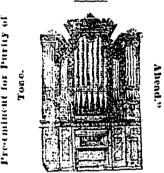
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CANADA'S FUIUBE.

Mr. Donald Macmaster Predicts an Important Political Change-Independence, Imperial Federation or Aunexation to the Upited States-Which

Mr. Donald Macmaster, member of Parliament elect for the county of Glengarry, Ont, | self-government without any objection on the is stopping at the Fifth Avenue Hotel. As | part of the mother country. The men who the remarks of Sir Francis Hincks in an interview published in Monday's Herald were independence are English residents in personal, a Herald reporter interviewed Mr. Macmaster yesterday. He expressed his willingness to give his opinions on the question of Canadian independence, but desired to correct some of the statements made by Sir Francis, which were inaccurate "I am not surprised," he said, "Sir Francis

Hincks should declare himself a stauch is but natural that he should do so. He is which they are a nation, irrespective of all an imperial pensioner—politician of the old obstructions. The rest will follow as matter fashioned type. He is a man of great politi- of course." cal experience and has lived in three generations. His mind clings to the past glories of the Dominion, when he wielded the power of administration and was the representative statesman of the country; but he is unwilling to understand the will of the rising generation of Canada, and is radically against everything which is not comprehended within the compass of his own imperial hobby. He has taken occasion to make several misstatements regarding the meeting in Montreal, at which the Political Economy Club was formed, and states that beyond one member of Parliament and two other gentlemen there were no influential persons present.

THE ANNEXATION MEETING.

"I will explain the matter. It was settled upon some time ago that Canada needed a political club for the purpose of debating domestic and foreign questions. I was one of the gentlemen who consented to participate in a banquet for the purpose of organizing. In England a man has the right to discuss the foreign relations of Canada, and I contend that Canadians have a right to do the same if they so choose. The organization was for the purpose of considering questions regarding the present form of government, which cannot be disregarded, however ratical they may seem. At the banquet the speakers were Mr. Joseph Perrault, Mr. Houde, M. P., Mr. Desjardins, M. P., Mr. Bouthilier, M. P., Rev. A. J. Bray and Mr. Dugas, Judge of the Court of Sessions. There were about seventy other people present, all of whom were representative men. All the speakers were of Conservative politics but Mr. Bouthilier, who is a Liberal. A speech | while their craft, the Grand Hermine, the was made by Mr. Bray, who stated the sub- Petite Hermine and the Emerillon, waited for jects which the Clob was formed to discuss, among which he mentioned Imperial Federation, Canadian Independence, and Canadian-American Annexation. This was followed by speeches in which Messrs. Perrault, Bouthilier, Houde, Desjardins and Dugas boldly declared themselves in favor of an Independent Canadian Government, which was a certainty in the near future. I made a speech in which I declared my opinions without fear, but I deny that I spoke in favor of annexation. That is all there is about the so-called an-

nexation meeting. "That there is a strong feeling in favor of annexation is hardly true. But that there is pendence in the future is an incontrovertbeing connected by railroads and her soil populated thickly. When her population shall have reached 10,000,000, there must be systems. We desire to know our political status. Are we dependents on England? If so we wish representation in the Imperial Parliament. Canada's greatest revenue comes from the customs dues, and still we are not permitted to regulate our customs dues. It extent. Canada supports an expensive customs service on the American bound-aries for the purpose of taking American exportations. These taxes are imposed simply to counteract the duties charged on our exportations to the United States. This is entirely wrong. Both countries could save themselves the expense of these costly Customs services by abolishing the taxes altoge-ther and establishing a free interchange. But Canada has no power to treat with the United States on this basis. If she were to repeal all tax laws against American products and manufactures, it would appear disloyal and unfilial to keep them up against England. The question is assuming grand proportions. The merchants and railroad men are pronounced in favor of Canada's future independence for various reasons.

A MERE CIPHER.

"Besides the commercial issues there is a

deep national question, which will prove a potent factor in a settlement of the matter. The representative Canadian abroad is 'a man from the colonies.' An Englishman comes from England and a Frenchman France, but a Canadian is a mere cipher, who does not belong to any place in particular. The dullest and most ordinary member of the British Parliament is a far greater personage than the most brilliant and powerful Canadian statesman. There is nothing in the Dominion to strive for. There is no field for the ambition of young men. Even Sir Francis has held a mightier position in his time than any young Canadian can ever attain. I do not mean to say that we are not as happy as it is possible to be under our present system of government. But there is a definite stage in the near future of Canada's existence which will call for a change. It must be imperial federation, independent government or annexation to the United States. The heart of the country does not appear to be in favor of annexation, as it is feared that the United States would then be This an infallible remedy. If effectually rubbed on the Neck and Chest, as salt into meat, it
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been amply proved by the history of the United States."

"Do you think separation from Great Britain would involve a war for independence?

"No, I do not. I believe that Canada is a source of weakness to England. Great Britain would profit more by having Canada an independent, friendly power on this continent. I believe if the Canadians so desired they might quietly assume the responsibilities of are strongest in favor of Canadian Canada. A treaty might be made with England whereby the Dominion might be guaranteed protection against foreign invasion, much as the security of Belgium and Switzerland is insured. But it is not a question of protection at all. That simply depends on the necessary money, which a population of 10,000 could easily furnish. The whole advocate of the permanency of the present | question lies in the question as to whether system of government in the Dominion. It the people have reached that maturity at

IN FAVOR OF OPEN DISCUSSION. " Are you in favor of organizing for inde-

pendence?" "I am in favor only of openly discussing the question. It must come sooner or later, and I would like to see the country, familarize

itself with the idea." The interview closed by a statement from Mr. Macmaster that the present Government was accomplishing many excellent results in the line of interior economy which was making the administration popular. He said that the wisdom of the Ministers and the baby kissing of the Marquis of Lorne were working good effects, politically and socially.

#### The French Canadians.

We copy the following just and able

article from the Toronto Mail :-The French Canadians are hard at work organising for the celebration of St. Jean Baptiste day, the 24th June, 1880. It is to be a national affair on a grand scale. The race throughout this continent will be represented by delegates from Massachusetts, Illinois, California, the Canadian North-West, the Acadian settlements in the Maritime Provinces and from the French coast of Newfoundland. The gathering will be held in the city of Quebec, the cradle of the race and the spot rendered sacred by its glorious past.

It may be asked-What have they to celebrate? First, a marvellous history that may be said to date from that spring morning in 1535, when Jacques Cartier and his little band attended Mass in the Cathedral of St. Malo. them with sails set in the roadstead. Three hundred and forty-five years have passed since then, and it is safe to say that no people on the face of the earth have achieved more in the same length of time, and in the face of as cruel a fate, than the French Canadians. The original settlers in New France numbered 25,000 souls: their descendants number a million and a half. They were the pioneers of religion and of settlement in North America. While the rest of the Mother Country gave itself up to the corruption of be granted: number a million and a half. They were the the age, the nobility of Normandy and Brittany sent their sons as soldiers or missionaries to New France, and these carried the elements a widespread and carnest desire for inde- of civilization from Quebec to the Rocky Mountains, and from Lake St. John to New ible fact. Canada has passed through six Orleans with intrepid, daring and unfulturing political stages in the past century. Who, in steps. Marquette penetrated the Far West steps. Marquette penetrated the Far West looking at her history, can deny that she will and discovered its secrets; De Brel out and soon have another change? Statesmen in Lalemant suffered martyrdom on the Canada have two sets of opinions—one for shores of Lake Sincoe; and the Comprivate and the other for public life. There pany of the Hundred Associates opened is no question but that the opinions expressed up avenues of trade and commerce every-in private life are the convictions of the where. Champlain, Montmagny, Do Tuacy, up avenues of trade and commerce everyheart, while those expressed in public life are D'Aillebout, Frontenac, Vaudreuil, Beauharsimply politic mockeries. Sir Francis Hincks | nois, Longueuil and Galisouniere, among the himself will not deny that the feeling in French Governors, have won an immortal Canadian independence is place in Canadian history. The Jesuits and secretly in the highest cir- Recollets, the early apostles of the country, cles of Dominion politics. Canada is fast receive homage from all who admire conrage during the forest, and carrying the Gospel and a half, were conquered, and that they cord of their deeds when, all but abandoned with the conqueror in his struggle with the revolted Colonies. The name of Wolfe does not overshadow that of Montcalm; and it Brock was the hero of Upper Canada in the war of 1812, DeSalabery was not behind him either in skill or courage. The era of peace dawned in 1815, and since then the French Canadian people have prospered annazingly, albeit the Province for forty years afterwards was weighed down by the feudal system. In politics they have given Canada Papineau, Lafontaine, Morin and Cartier; Garneau Ferland, Casgrain, Gaspe, Tache, Sulte, Fabre and Lemoine are worthy names in literature, while Hamel in art, and Lajeunesse (Albani) in song, have a world-wide reputation. It is often charged that the French Canadians are a degenerate race; but the mere fact that in spite of two centuries of feudalism, of Indian wars, of foreign invasion and of association with the dominant Anglo-Saxon, they exist to-day, a million and a half in number, with their ancient faith and language ever fresh, is proof of unparalleled vitality. It is to be hoped the delegates will not

separate without discussing the question of repatriation. The North-West offers homes for all, and before long the growth of native industries in the Dominion will afford employment to the French Canadian operatives now in the mills of Lowell and the factories

Only U. S. machinery will be allowed at the Buenos Ayres Exposition. Michael Battington, a civic candidate, fell

of Connecticut and New Jersey.

dead in Invernay, Out., yesterday. The idea of holding a Provincial exhibition in the city of Halifax is mooted 117 colored exodists passed through Wash-

ington, D. C., yesterday for Indiana.

#### THE COTEAU BRIDGE PROJECT. Montreal Taxpayers Hold a Meeting, and

Object to the Scheme. In response to a requisition numerously signed, His Worship the Mayor called a meeting for Tuesday, 30th ult., which was but sparsely attended, taking into consideration the importance of the subject. His Worship presided, and among other prominent citizens present were :- Messrs L O Taillon, M P P; C J Coursol, M P; M H Gault, M P; Hon Senator Trudel, Mr M P Ryan, M P; ex-Ald Wm Clendinueng, Aldermen H A Nelson, J Fairbairn, J Grenier, Jeannotte, Allard, C Thibault, A Desjardine, M P, A Raza, A P Macdonald, and Joseph Duhamel, Q.C.

His Worship briefly referred to the object of the meeting, after which Mr L O Taillon, M P P, read the petitions, of which the following is the substance, and which were concurred in by the meeting :-

To His Excellency the Governor-General in Council:

Council:

That the petitioners have learned with anxiety and alarm that the promoters of the Canada Attantic Railway Company are pressing upon your Honorable Council for a decreation that "no serious objection exists to adding the navigable channel of the St. Lawrence River near Coteau Landing;"

That the Act incorporating said Company shows that said bridge is to be built with the view of extending the railway thence to the northeasterly boundary of the State of New York, or the northwesterly boundary or the State of Vermont;

That the construction of said Bridge and Kailway to the frontier of the State of Vermont or

That the construction of said Bridge and Kailway to the frontier of the State of Vermont or New York can have but one effect, and that is, to convey the traffic expected to come from the West by the Camada Pacific and Camada Central Railways, and by the projected Toronto, Peterborough and Otiawa Railway, to the ports of Boston and New York, in lieu of the ports of Boston and New York, in lieu of the ports of Boston and New York, in lieu of the ports of Boston and New York, in lieu of the ports of Hoston and New York, in lieu of the ports of the trial timust he apparent that any such divergence of trade from the ports of the Oominion to those of the United States would seriously, if not disastrously, affect the shipping and many other interests of the Dominion;

That to give aid or encouragement to the said bridge scheme, would, in the opinion of the said bridge scheme, would, in the opinion of Canada, and especially to the Province of Quebee and the Provinces of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, inasmuch as there would be a serious loss of traffic to the Quebee, Montreal, Oltawa and Occidental Railway, the ports of Montreal and Quebec, the Eiviere du Loop and Intercolonial, Railways, and the ports of St. John and Yalifaxa To the Honographe the Lieutenan: Governor in Councit:

in Council:

That the petitioners, in view of the fact that the people of this Province have expended about ten millions of dollars in constructing the Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa and Over tental Railway, and have burthened themselves thereby with an annual charge of six hunds of thousand dollars, and must expend a further vam of one million of dollars, in completing and equipping the same, cannot view with unconcern the obvious attempt of the American railway companies to selve upon the large amount of western and other traffic, which the people of this Province confidently counted upon being carried over its road to the ports of Montreal and Quebec, and to divert the same across the American frontier, by way of American railways, to the ports of thoston and New York;

That your petitioners are convinced that no lean can be advantageously floated to enable this Province to complete its railways, unless the divergence of traffic, threatened by the above means, be averted;

That no sale of the Government railways can possibly be effected;

That he sale of the Government ranways early possibly be effected with advantage if the American railways are allowed to alvert the traffic expected from the West at Otlawa towards the South, and to the ports of Boston and New York, rather than to the ports of Montreal, Quebec and Malifery. and Halifax;
That it was currently believed, and publicly

That your petitioners were deceived by these statements, and fulled into a false security, hence, did not make serious opposition cosaid scheme when before Parliament; That your petitioners pray that you will; such measures in the premises as are nearly your petitioners, as in duty bound.

His Worship the Mayor and s gentlemen addressed the meeting to a close after having heartily of action of the movers in opposi scheme.

#### A CENTENARIAN. John Battle

Home. John Battle, born in the county of Donegas Ireland, in the year 1767, died 31st ultimo in St. Bridget's Home. Although considerapproaching that maturity at which a country and devotion to duty; and Laval and his ably enfeebled during the latter years of his generally assumes the responsibilities of in- successors in the See, who reaped what the life, the old man's memory was effective to dependent government. Her territories are missionaries sowed, were men of wonderful the end. He could converse readily on the energy and tact. It is true the French Cana- stirring events of 1798, and could dians, after keeping the Iroquois at bay, sub- relate incidents of the battles of Oulart Hill, Vinegar Hill, and other enan entire change of government and its into the wilds of the continent for a century gagements of that very exciting and proudly-to-be-remembered period. have since quietly accepted the inevitable; memory was severely tested about four years but their fall is marked by no stigma of dis- ago, when he was visited by Lord Dufferin. grace; on the contrary, there is not a more His Excellency questioned him pretty closely brilliant chapter in their history than the re- about the events connected with '98, but they were answered clearly and without hesitation. is claimed that we have such a right, but I by their lenders, they fought Wolfe and The deceased, who was the son of Martin will prove that that is an error to a certain General Murray until Quebec was no Battle and Catherine Temple, was a regular longer habitable, and then loyally sided attendant at church despite his enfeebled condition, but during the last nine years of his life he has been an immate of St. Bridget's

Home, 2,300 houses were burned by a fire at

Hakodoti, Japan . Schouvaloff has been appointed Governor of Moscow.

Levis residents are destroying Government property. Halifax has superior facilities to Portland for cattle shipping.

Colored Floridians have attempted to squat on vacant public lands Many persons were killed by a dynamite

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