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# TPURSDAY MORNING, JAN. 17, 1884. The Dominion Session.

The public interest which has for the past few months been focused on the Mowat government here, will for the next three be more particularly directed towards the government at Ottawa. The verdict in the Welland case, which confirms Col. Moran in his seat, may be regarded as finally deciding that there will stopped, and that the innocent man would be no change of administration for this not be a great loser." session in Ontario, however the other cases

may go, and the settlement of this point implies the usual uninteresting session. Far different is the state of affairs in the

house of commons. Sir John Macdonald girl and she first won \$500 ; this was soon has more than a good working majority, but he has some troublesome questions to face, and he has to meet an opposition bent on making the most of his difficulties. He knows better than most men both the dangers of his position, and he is well aware also of the ability of his opponents. If they only manage to keep their tempers and their heads they can undoubtedly make his road a hard one to travel on for the next few months.

Prominent amongst the difficult ques tions pressing for settlement are the demands of the people of Manitoba and the Northwest. The Manitobans are asking an extension of their northern boundary so as to give them an outlet to Hudson Bay within their own territory, aid for a railroad to the same objective point, and unrestricted control over the public lands of their province ; and both Manitobans and Norwesters are asking to have the customs tariff reduced and the Canadian Pacific monopoly broken up for their benefit. Even if the dominion government can ac-

class there are on an average at least sixty time: attend to his Increased school a is a ants a great deal of his time, and he was ecessity if our public school system is to in the drawing rooms of fashionable New be maintained. We need to double the York the rest. He did not give himself existing number of buildings and the ex- sleep, he never sat down in his house, but isting staff of teachers. The means of was "on the go" in his business or after providing for this expenditure lie his pleasure all the time. Business cares tak ready at hand without imposing and the dissipations of society when toa single mill of additional taxation.

Let Mr. Mowat be emboldened by his success at the late bye elections, to add to the ervices already rendered by his government to the province, and introduce during the approaching session a measure for the abolition of all exemption whatever on property whether public or private. More han six millions of dollars worth of church property in this city pays no tax. The ent-free mansions of our city clergy are also tax-free. We desire a change which we know is favored by many of the most respected among the city pastors, and one certainly in harmony with the golden rule of the Master Himself.

They Squeal When Squeezed. That is what little pigs do and so do men who are playing games of chance or

engaged in speculation. Samuel D. Tilden of Hartford, Conn., was in New York the other day. Some bunco men got hold of him and "steered" him to a gambling house. He soon after reported to the police that he had lost \$2930 in the room, for which amount he had given cheques on

a Hartford bank. Public sympathy was with Mr. Tilden and people were glad to hear that payment of the cheques had been

But now the real facts are coming out Tilden had his little daughter with him and she accompanied him to the gambling house. He began playing for the little lost however, and then Tilden began to play on his own account giving cheques for his losses up to the amount in question. Then he felt that he had been "squeezed so badly that he "squealed" to the police and made a great row about it. Now Tilden, instead of being entitled to

public sympathy, was simply a gambler in spirit himself and went into the game, knowing what it was and hoping to make money by his play. When he found his ready money, his winnings and then his cheques were gone he ran to the police.

But what is still more discreditable is the fact that the cheques were worthless, that Tilden had only two or three dollars to his credit, and that he had knowingly drawn

cheques for which he had no money on From all of which the New York Sun From all of which the New York Sun draws the conclusion that the bunco men play a stale game, all of the moves of which have been taught them, and into which they introduce no variations. They could not succeed at all if the fools were could not succeed at all if the fools were tive of a constitutional monarchy and recede to the demands of Manitoba it is not so many, and were not so often knavish frain from making any use of the artificial athority connected with his rank and And so it is with all manner of specula- office for the purpose of influencing opinion, tion. Men go into deals in stocks and proand thus interfering with the natural visions, and as long as they win a little course of destinies which he is not to money they are hail fellow with their brok- share. The stories of his harshness as an ers and their.co-speculators, but when they Irish landlord are untrue. Though he is an are "squeezed" they "squeal," put forth a absentee his estates are kindly adminis fine tale of injured innocence, and for a tered, and he is popular with his tenantry. time have public sympathy showered on These calumnies seem to have been clearly them. But there is knavery and cupidity traced to the enterprising editor of the in their hearts all the time, and it is these Chicago Tribune. Among the Canadian qualities, not their innocence, that leads Irish there has been little or no feeling of them into the trap. sympathy with the criminal parts of the movement; nor have their organs, like the Fenian papers in the United States and in Continue the Fat Cattle Show. At the meeting of the city of Toronto Ireland poured a torrent of calumnion electoral district agricultural society last ordure over the British the characters of all British men and night the subject of continuing the Christwomen. Lord Lansdowne has disapproved parts of Mr. Gladstone's agrarian legisla-tion; but parts of Mr. Gladstone's agrarian legislation are disapproved by persons who are neither large proprietors of Irish land por small proprietors of Irish land mas fat cattle show was touched upon. The last and first show was the finest of the kind ever held in the dominion, and the only way in which the show can be are neither large proprietors of 1718 land nor small proprietors of good sense. Vice-royalty in no way oppresses us, but it misleads us. In politics it makes us rely on a fiction instead of working out made a permanent institution is by the city council itself providing a suitable ouilding, or at least assisting the societies ecurities for the stability and author having it in hand to do so. The council

business, and pursue sure. He was at the restaur

This is the best plan, nor does it is realiza-tion present to the minds of those who are accustomed to dealing with these matters, any insuperable difficulty, though there would be need of temper in the negotia-tions, and of care in organizing the system. Another plan is that the colleges, remain-ing where they now are, and each under-taking as at present the whole of the in-struction, shall enter into federal union for the purposes of examination and gradu-ation. This would be a gain so far as it went; it would scure the effectiveness of the examinations, and restore the value of degrees. But it would not give us a uni-versity worthy of the name; and the diffi-culty of working the system amidst the jealousies which would arise about the ap-pointment of examiners, the choice of sub-jects for examination, and the regulation of the standard, which the stronger col-leges would be always wanting to raise and the weaker to lower, might prove greater than at first sight may be supposed. Gradually to improve the organization of society is within our power, and no one who knows history (which few Jacobins do) can doubt that this is being done, though the movements of the universe are slow. Suddenly to change the organiza-tion of society, by political fiat or revolu tonary spasm is beyond our power, as dis-astrons and bloody experience shows. Yet this is the aim of reform. But even among the catholic peasantry ary 322c, February 53 33c, Rye steady at 58c, Port 14.70 to \$14.75, January 20, to 33c, Ma 14.70 to \$14.75, January 20, Port 15.70 to \$14.75, January 20, Port 17.70 to \$14.75, January 20, Port 17.75, Port 17.75 is the aim of reform.

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Railroad companies are held to account in heavy damages for injury to passengers, be-cause it is their business to carry them safely. So it is every man's business to carry his fam-ily safely through the period of their dependence, and to trifle with interests so sacred, by putting them to unnecessary hazard, it is to incur a very grave responsibility. When a man does his best there still remain risks enough; but wee unto him who neglects a are well known. When one goes on board a steamboat and

ees the fire-buckets and axes, the life-boats nd life-preservers, and then reflects how sellom there is any occasion to use them, it seems Scotland? Are they to be sent back to Ireland? Or is it supposed that they will be suffered to live on British soil as a nation like a waste of money-a provision against danger out of all proportion to the danger. Thousands of passengers are carried every year and not one of them uses a life-preserver, the apart, using the British franchise for the purpose of a standing conspiracy, in the interest of their kinsmen across the chanlife-boats rot at the davits; but who would wish to travel on a steamboat that neglected to pro nel, against the community in which they dwell? The connection has become prac-tically indissoluble, and if the Irish, under vide such things? The truth is, when such things are needed it is a matter of life or death the influence of reckless and mercenary demagogues, persist in their hostility to the British in their attempts to wreck the ommonwealth, the con

things are needed it is a matter of life or death and the people realize that it is better to pro-vide them ten thousand times where they may prove unnecessary, than to be without them once when they need them. But no large company of persons journey through the world long before some of them feel the need of life insurance. Every year the shadows of death fall upon the homes and hearts of more or less. It is only reasonable precaution for all to insure. The cost of in-suring is not so great that it deserves to be compared with the sad results to the families of those who die uninsured. ommonwealth, the consequence on some lisastrous day will be, not peaceful separ-tion, but internecine civil war. What OFFICE: Room 9, York Chambers, To-

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Mr. Alder, the secretary of the English Wesleyan conference, stated before a committee of the house of commons, that the Wesleyans were a portion of the national church, and therefore claimed state support. During the intense struggle to be freed from the curse of a state church in Upper Canada in 1847, one of the leading ministers of that body stated in one of their church meetings, in view of the probability of a subdivision of the funds of the clergy reserves and university among the

leading religious denominations, "The party that will take us up or will give us the nost, should have our support at the elecions !" That is the sacred rights of the

people, and their emancipation from the fetters and demoralization of a state church, were to be sold for a share of the

To the Editor of The World. SIR : In an account of the services at St. Michael's in Toronto on Sunday last, after giving a resume of the sermon by Dr. Lynch, I find the following, "A collection

was then taken up, the money to be applied in masses for the dead." One will naturally ask, would it not have been better to have given this money to the families of have given this money to the families of the sufferers than to have paid the priests of St. Michael's for what only the most ignorant even of Romanists now believe in. We have lately heard the Roman author-ities very loud in their abuse of Luther, applying to him every possible name. I now challenge Dr. Lynch and the priests at St. Michael's to name an act of Luther (and to give such proof as will be accepted by reasonable Englishmen) which can be com-pared in vileness to the fraud perpetrated on Sunday last in thus taking money for the emancipation of souls from purgatory,

the emancipation of souls from purgatory, when as a matter of fact there is no such place. AN ENGLISH CATHOLIC (not a omanist). Peterboro, Jan. 15, 1884.

Current Events and Opinions. From the Bystander in the Week.

Our new governor-general has appeared with success on the Toronto stage. In his address to the Toronto club he kept as strictly within the bounds of sense and

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is about right.

the agrarian agitation. Give the Irish peasant a full belly and you will hear little more, so far as he is concerned, of the re-peal of the union. But Irish revolution is a trade by which leaders on both sides of the Atlantic have already made their for-tunes, while their dupes are sent by dozens to the gallows. By the practice of this branch of industry, the Irish of the catho-lic provinces are being converted into a poople of political mendicants, taught to live, not by labor and thrift, but the brandishing of the repeal bludgeon and exhibition of historical sores. Some day there will be an outbreak, and if it takes place, as it did before, in combination with the foreign enemies of England, and when she is fighting for her lite mercy will be turned out of doors, and the blood of the hapless people will again flow in tor-rents, while the demagogues and journal-ists will be reposing in the quiet enjoy-ment of their patriot gains. But to say nothing of Ulster, what is to become of all the Irish in England and Scotland? Are they to be sent back to Ireland? On is it conversed the the conversed the target of the sent back to

grant specia tariff legislation or repeat the monopoly clause of the railway contract. The formor would endanger the makers of agricultural implements ; the latter would irreparably injure the railway company.

To complicate matters for Sir John the fisheries question is coming up again with more than its former troubl The American fishermen are bent on pursuing their calling in Canadian waters, and unless they are allowed to do so in peace serious international complications may result. On the other hand if no effort is made to prevent them from doing so the dominion may as well give up all idea of territorial proprietorship and strike its flag. Possibly a way may be found out of the difficulty through the avenue of recip-

rocity, and then comes the equally trouble some question of drawing up a free list. The state of affairs within the conserva tive party in Quebec shows that there are rocks ahead on which the dominion government may yet make shipwreck. Sir John has to depend to a great extent on his Bleu supporters-he has always had to do that-and they are not at the present time a very happy family. Possibly the orangemen may him the trouble in connection spare with the incorporation of their order, but if their leaders neglect to bring in a bill for this purpose they must expect to have trouble in their own camp. If they do bring one in and pass it, then Sir John will have another disturbing alternative

presented for his device. Added to all this, the short crop and the commercial stringency, which make both farmers and artisans discontented, and aggravate the pauperism, which is al ways sufficiently burdensome to cities and large towns, the immigration policy has proved both injurious and unpopular; and yet the nature of the agreement with the Canadian Pacific railway company forbids any let-alone policy in bringing people to glibly used by the stranger. this country.

These are a few of the difficulties that loom up, but not all, and they are enough to show that we are likely to have a lively session of the dominion parliament.

### Overcrowded Public Schools.

There are many things in our public school system as rotten as anything in the state of Denmark; the text-book scandal needs a more radical remedy than a mere tip to the Cerberus of the triple set of readers; the Normal school, in the opinion of most of the school inspectors throughout Ontario, needs an entire reconstruction, and the time spent at the county model schools needs extension. But a worse evil than any of these, because it goes to the root of the matter, is the present overcrowding of our city public schools. At John street school, at the Ryerson, at the Dufferin; all exceptionally well-managed institutions; all, as we know from personal inspection.

ity of government. In manners it directs our aim to an ideal which, happily for us, never can be ours. No manners in the world are in reality better than those of the self-made man of this continues. The ordinary rate of discount is 10 to 12 per cent. First-class commercial paper is taken at 8 to 10 per cent. Business with the loan companies is your any assistance towards securing the drill shed for the purpose. The minister of the self-made man of this continent, so ong as he is content to be himself. .The governor-general may, at all events, and it annot be doubted that he will, refrain as ing would in no way be injured. One of far as possible from stimulating extrava-gance, which, where incomes are small, is the finest buildings in Chicago is used for

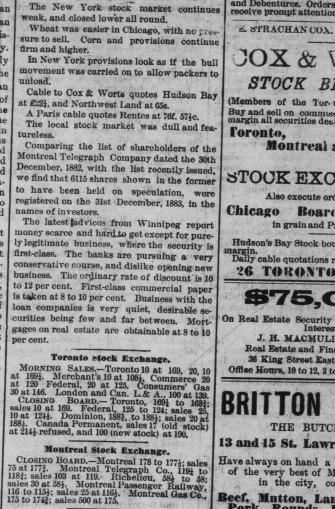
the purpose, which from seven years use eally cruel. As the natural consequences of countless for a cattle show is not one whit worse and breaches of public morality, perpetrated and condoned by party, and of the systeis just as inhabitable as ever for human beings. It is to be hoped that Mr. Withmatic corruption of the electorate, cal-lousness is creeping over the public conrow's resolution, printed elsewhere, will science. It is an unpleasant fact, but a fact it is, that the standard has sunk lower A contemporary says "the Mail should n Canada than in the United States.

The restoration of Mr. Mills to his seat stick to the truth." By the manner in for Bothwell is an accession of strength to which he has stuck to salmon, ducks, an opposition much in need of reinforce-ment. It is also a triumph of justice; for ment. It is also a triumph of justice, and Mr. Mills had evidently been jockeyed out of the seat, though it is not necessary to geese, snipe, etc., the editor of the Mail has shown himself capable of sticking to anything. But the trouble about truth is that she is a trifle shy and is a little afraid the machinations by which the work of evil was effected; the activity of the local of the hard words and classical language so

evil was effected; the activity of the local imps on both sides is quite sufficient to ac-count for any exploits of this kind. University consolidation is not so dead but that it may be worth while once more Henry Ward Beecher says four-fifths o the people in heaven will be women. It to state definitely what is proposed under that name. What is proposed, as the best is a bad look out for the men, but Henry

plan, is that the denominational or local colleges should come to Toronto, and there, with University college, be feder-How would Toronto liquor dealears like ated under a common university to be called he University of Ontario. The their personal history written up? It is not a fair way of conducting even a temuniversity would institute all the examin perance crusade, although the soldiers of perance crusade, although the soldiers of that cause have often little scraple regard-ing their method of warfare, but members of the Citizens' Reform association of Buf falo appear to think it is. At any rate they are having prepared several large volumes which give the private history of the lignor sellers of that city. Already ations and confer all the degrees and the liquor sellers of that city. Already mere rudimentary instruction would be conducted within each college by tutors or these volumes contain the biographies of college professors, to whom would also be assigned the individual superintendence of the student. The university professoriate five hundred men. They say the record is so bad that, on its publication, licenses the student. The university professoriate would be made up of that of University college, and those of other colleges com-bined, the means of maintaining the colshould be either revoked or renewal refused. We are greatly afraid that if the same principle were carried out in every walk of life there would be found so few in the property of the prope

such a manner as to render the mainten-ance of discipline difficult, and anything like adequate attention to each pupil's educational needs impossible. In each inter by trying to do two things at the one





a mink-white abot by a hunter long as forty yea was shot in Wis R.I., recently, a' seen in a flock of of the villagers town. town. Latest yarn fro cle sled has been rider sits on a catch the ice, and with four blade skate runners up glides along. S popular as skates. to hold." The colors of ti green and gold, jumping in great be heard of to ad is over. Everybo struck by the ap and prophesies th Charlie Wise is th and a good 'an he The Japs are g cers, but as wres Bibby, although y nothing to do wit cept to roll him o him in the right 1 see the fall. The to all sorts of qu terribly used up a The two falls took Bibby to gain. The Viscount backed his horse without moving for metres, that is mile. The course known as the Collect bank of the S middle of the Place this part of the cit 5000 persons asse ceedings. A start and at 12 the Viso yards from the ap ning by three or 1 500 louis betted b Bluchere, Canadian baseba in the United State sented in the Natio Eastern leagues by in Detroit, Collins Fort Wayne, and V Monumentals. Otl smith, Chicago; Emslie, Camden; Cincinnati, Hunta Cincinnati ; Hun Bay City ; Faatz, ; aw; and Andrews, London, Casey of other Canadians ar the professional Hamilton Tribune. The Toronto sno ital cross country tr or forty members was at the Guns in the course laid over gullies, hills and park and return. one of the found a little and occasio ties, but all manage the meeting at Dec business was trans members were elect noon the meet will dezvous at the Gun to Carlton, where room with gymnast Trepton TRENTON, Ont., J condition, Very f

