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Advocates Prohibition of the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquor; and all expedient general legislation and persuasion in the meantime.

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Is an advocate of Equal Rights for women, whether as regards the franchise, or equal wages for equal work.

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Is a believer in Christian Union, and considers the time has come when the various Christian denominations should come closer together. Those bodies which are now nearest should unite first. Under the present system there is an unjustifiable waste of men, means and effort. The differences between most of the existing denominations are no greater than the differences, natural to thinking men and women, to be found in every congregation. Even those Christian bodies supposed to be the farthest apart, the Protestant and the Roman Catholic, have more of belief that is common than of belief that is antagonistic. To the laity the differences between the various Protestant denominations are microscopic. For various reasons the clergy, even when, as is true of the best of them, they favor Christian Union, are not in a position to be as outspoken as the laity.

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Advocates Obligatory Voting. Most of the electoral corruption centers around "getting out the vote." Let the duty be laid on every elector of getting out his own vote.

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Advocates the more general use of the Plebiscite, the Initiative and Referendum, etc., believing that the interest of the people in public questions, apart from persons, would be increased, and that something would thereby be done to promote independence of political thought, as opposed to excessive party spirit.

God is in His heaven,
All's right with the world.
—(BROWNING.)

London, Tuesday, March 7.

SHALL LONDON HAVE A NEW Y. M. C. A. BUILDING?

The directors of the Y. M. C. A. have been for some time turning over various plans for the furtherance of the work among the young men of the city.

To begin with, at no previous time has the Y. M. C. A. ever enjoyed more of the confidence of the general public, largely owing, no doubt, to the excellent judgment and personal qualities of the secretary, Mr. C. R. Sayer. At no previous time have the pastors and workers of the various churches been more in sympathy with the aims and methods of the Association. During no previous two or three years have the Association rooms been more manifestly the common rallying ground for united Christian work.

It is impossible to over-estimate the importance of surrounding our young men with the best influences along lines touching their physical, mental and moral development. Take the one field of Christian Athletics, if the phrase may be used—that is, at our young men the advantages of the gymnasium separated from all pernicious influences. For the ideal of the Y. M. C. A. now strongly in the ascendant is not mere gaudy, goodlyism or cant of any sort, but the development of Christian character along many lines.

Now, as has been stated, various plans have been discussed, and the directors propose to take the public fully into their confidence, frankly stating the direction of

their matured judgment. What, then, the directors desire is the erection in London at as early a date as possible of a handsome edifice which would be at once a credit to London, and a structure supplied with those modern appliances and conveniences to be seen in other cities, and without which the Association cannot do its best work among the young men.

Preliminary to that, however, it would be necessary to dispose of the best advantage of the present property on Clarence street. For any general business purposes the present property has a considerable immediate value. Good authorities regard it as capable of being made almost at once into a paying investment, with the certainty of a constantly increasing value, owing to its central situation. The facts and figures in the case can be gone over with ex-Mayor Spencer, President W. R. Hobbs, Secretary Sayer, or any of the directors.

The directors have taken the public thus frankly into confidence, believing that if they can make a reasonable disposal of their present property, the way would be cleared for an important step in advance; and believing, also, that to any one having unemployed money looking for investment, a fair opportunity is here presented.

SOUTH MIDDLESEX.

The party of high taxation have decided to bring out a candidate to oppose Mr. Robert Boston. The sacrifice selected is Mr. Alexander Gray, a respectable farmer, also of Lobo.

The Liberals will enter at once on the campaign with their public meetings. Mr. Hyman, Mr. Gibbons and other able speakers have promised every assistance in the discussion of the questions of the day.

The campaign will be both interesting and instructive.

THE ATMOSPHERE CLEARED.

President Cleveland's inaugural address to Congress was an admirable exposition of the true principles upon which popular government should rest, and for that reason cannot be too carefully studied, not only by the people of the United States, but by those of the Dominion as well.

The chief interest for Canadians, however, lies in the clear declaration of the President of the issue upon which the recent great electoral battle was fought. We cannot do better than quote it in full. This is the President's unambiguous assertion:

"The verdict of our voters which condemned the injustice of maintaining protection for protection's sake, enjoins upon the people's servants the duty of exposing and destroying the brood of kindred evils which are the unwholesome progeny of paternalism. This is the base of republican institutions and the peril of our Government by the people. It degrades to the purposes of wily craft the plain of rule our fathers established. It undermines the self-reliance of our people and substitutes in its place dependence upon Governmental favoritism. It stifles the spirit of true Americanism and stupifies every ennobling trait of American citizenship."

"Under our scheme of Government the waste of public money is a crime against the citizens, and the contempt of our people for economy and frugality in their personal affairs deplorably saps the strength and sturdiness of our national character. It is a plain dictate of honesty and good government that public expenditure should be limited by public necessity and that this should be measured by the rules of strict economy, and it is equally clear that frugality among the people is the best guarantee of a contented and strong support of free institutions."

"The people of the United States have decreed that on this day the control of their Government in its legislative and executive branches shall be given to a political party pledged in the most positive terms to the accomplishment of tariff reform. They have thus determined in favor of a more just and equitable system of federal taxation. While there should be no surrender of principle, our task must be undertaken wisely and without vindictiveness. Our mission is not punishment, but the rectification of wrongs. If in lifting burdens from the daily life of our people we reduce to inordinate and unequal advantages too long enjoyed this is but a necessary incident of our return to right and justice."

This is in direct contradiction to the statement made by Finance Minister Foster in Parliament at Ottawa the other evening. He ridiculed the idea that our neighbors had given up the idea of protection for the sake of protection, and challenged Mr. Laurier to the proof. The leader of the tariff reformers promptly met the demand with proof absolutely unassailable, and now we find his view backed up by as good an authority as the President of the United States himself.

We know how the dominant party in the United States obtained power. Let us for a moment inquire where the two great political parties of Canada stand on the question of whether or not it is right for the Government to collect money from the masses of the community to give to a select few. Here is a statement of the Liberal attitude by Hon. Wilfrid Laurier:

"Freedom is the normal condition of trade, and freedom is the goal to which we are aspiring. That is the policy of this side of the House. I know very well, sir, that we cannot for many years have freedom of trade, such as they have in England. I know that for many years we must raise our revenue by customs duties, but I tell the Finance Minister, that the difference between him and us is this: That whereas he forms his tariff for protection, and with revenue as merely an incident; we will frame our tariff, not for protection, but for revenue, and we will impede and interfere with freedom of trade only in so far as is absolutely necessary for the purpose of a revenue, and for nothing else. Sir, I stated on another occasion, and in another place, that during the last election in the United States, the people of that country had most emphatically

decided for the principle of free trade. My honorable friend, the Finance Minister, in opening this debate, challenged this statement, and not only challenged the statement, but actually denied it. He may deny it, I admit, but he denies that the American people, at the last Presidential election, practically decided in favor of freedom of trade, I am prepared to hear that the honorable gentleman would deny everything, that he will deny that there are twelve months in the year, that he will deny that the sun rises in the east and moves towards the west, or that he will deny that there is such a thing as an exodus."

And, as if to make the declaration still more emphatic, Mr. Laurier, in a subsequent portion of his speech on the budget, said:

"Sir, I have stated, and I repeat it here, that our tariff is simply an imitation of the American tariff, and, as the American tariff was denounced, so now I denounce the Canadian tariff as a fraud, and I denounce it as a robbery from the great majority of the few. I denounce it in the name of the thousands whom it has impoverished. I denounce it in the name of the thousands whom it has sent into exile, and I denounce it in the name of a long-suffering nation."

Finance Minister Foster, on the other hand, states the case for the men now in power in these terms:

"Now, I ask my honorable friends in this House who believe in the principle of protection, but who may have some of the new and then, and here and there, with the tariff, I ask them to weigh these assertions; for whatever the proposition that these gentlemen are putting before the House tonight for us to vote upon, it is with the spirit and the purpose of destroying the principle of protection in this country. A man may have a grudge, may have an objection, to some particular enactment upon which he may be at the same time a firm believer in the principle of protection, and may wish to see it survive in this country."

The gauge of battle is thus set, and the atmosphere is cleared. We have a firm belief that when the combat opens the great majority of the people will be found working for the triumph of the interests of the many as opposed to that of the combines and rings, every one of which—and we say it without fear of successful contradiction—are now, and have been in every recent campaign, on the side of those who, like Mr. Foster, stick to the class "protectionist" system of collecting taxation.

THE OPEN FORUM.

A Double Duty.

To the Editor of the ADVERTISER: Does political touting in South Middlesex constitute a part of the duties for which Mr. Richard Maxwell McElheran has recently appointed secretary of the London School Board, at \$600 a year and office hours from 9 to 5? I think many citizens will object to a man drawing a salary from the city acting as a touter for either political party. Mr. McElheran would show better judgment by putting his best legs to school matters in an endeavor to earn three times Mr. Abbott's salary for the same job. MUGWUMP.

THE U. S. SENATE

To Be Reorganized at Once by the Democrats.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 6.—The Democrats will take the initial step looking to the reorganization of the Senate tomorrow morning at which time a caucus will be held for the purpose of determining what shall be done by the party which is now in full possession of every branch of the Government. The Democrats have been quietly canvassing the situation and preparing for the work that is to begin tomorrow.

The headache that runs as the second section to an all-night session is said to be the most disagreeable thing on the legislative menu.

"August Flower"

Dyspepsia. There is a gentleman at Malden-on-the-Hudson, N. Y., named Captain A. G. Pareis, who has written us a letter in which it is evident that he has made up his mind concerning some things, and this is what he says:

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