ances quickened in consequence. Both at leather ment I nan may say to-night.

aspirants for public office, we are inclined to think that they would be somewhat perplexed to answer, especially if a sample of work done were insisted on as a guarantee of what might be expected. But Canadians are not so radical in their methods. They are too liberty-loving to allow their capabilities to be so proposed Real Estate Exchange. Another meeting of the committee of the proposed Real Estate Exchange was held year. were insisted on as a guarantee of what might be expected. But Canadians are not so radical in their methods. They are too liberty-loving to allow their capabilities to be so closely scrutinised. They feel that they have served their country (alias party), or that they are the sons, or brothers, or neighbors of those who have, or they belong to this or that church. Surely that is sufficient qualification. So fiercely does individual life burn and glow in this age of freedom, that men refuse to be bound by the restraints of experience, consistency and common honesty. They have redeemed their liberties from the clutches of tyrants, and have handed them, for safe-keeping, over to the—cancus. And so it results that from the holder of a ministerial portfolio down to a tide-waiter, those who carry on the Queen's business are, with few, very few exceptions, indebted for their positions to that pudding-distributing machine. It would be difficult to over-estimate the

earry on the guenny business are, with few very few acceptions, included do refer positions to that pudding distributing machine, the caucus, it would be difficult to over-estimate the power of this institution. It is, we believe, another of the United States. When we consider that long ago it invaded Great Brising we need feel no surprise that it holds Ganada among it a conquest a is undensitied that in the last elections in England, it smarked to atomy private convictions in scores of cases. Men who in their hearts diabelieved in and regradated Home Rule and the latter were made after the Board at its smarked to atomy in trivate convictions in scores of cases. Men who in their hearts diabelieved in and regradated Home Rule and the latter were made after the Board at its cobtain it, adjured opinions and individual to the latter were made after the Board at its doubtful that one President out of every three has been the free choice of the people of the United States. It is not doubtful that in Canada out of over two hundred constituents have been feel free continued in the comme continu

most to encourage self-reliance, the "iron string to which every heart vibrates!"

But unfortunately the press is, generally speaking, only the mouth-piece of the cancus, a partizanship militant. To make matters still worse, the vast majority of men read only one paper, and hence their views of all the great questions of the day are founded on prejudice, inaccuracies, falsehoods or truths only half told. And the party press is so thoroughly canvinced of the distorted ignorance and helplessness of its readers, that there is no absurdity too monstrous to be offered for their acceptance. Consider, in proof of this, the conclusions which the Mail and Globe of Saturday last asked their readers to draw from the Rev. Mr. Milligan's open letter to Hon, Oliver Mowat. Both papers published the letter. Both papers knew that their subscribers would or might read its. But so confident were they of the purblind partizinship of those for whom they wrote that they drew conclusions diametrically opposite and not at all borne out by the letter.

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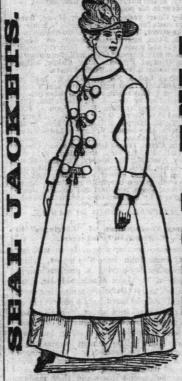
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