showing the true facts of the situa

ments regarding Manitoba they should

A reminder of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's

western tour is found in an appropria-

tion of \$75,000 for a new post office

building at Lethbridge. It was at

Lethbridge that Mr. E. M. Macdonald,

the Liberal member for Pictou, said to

the people: "You want a post office, and

you certainly need one badly, but you will never get it as long as you vote

Tory." It was the storm raised by Mr.

suitable public building.

Macdonald's candid statement which

PRESS COMMENT

While the Labor Government of

Australia and the advanced democra-

ic administration of New Zealand dis-

play an active and eager interest in

he next Imperial Conference, there

is no sign of enthusiasm or of action

A harrowing rumor comes from St

Pancras. It is that Mr. Joseph Martin

is likely to be defeated. If this should

be true would it imply that our rest

less friend would play the part which

the cat did and Jeffries did not, and

he citizens of Winnipeg should tender

a reception to the western members

spend a few hours here en route to

Ottawa. Winnipeg, always noted for

her hospitable acts, could well afford

to show her appreciation of the "men

behind the guns," the farmers who

are the greatest producers of Canada.

They are the men who have made

Western Canada famous. - Winnipeg

Hon. George E. Foster is himself

again and the occupants of the Min-

isterial benches are writhing under

stolen a coal mine from the Nova

Scotia government. Every man in

public life who fights wrongs such as

those perpetrated at Ottawa risks his

personal reputation for his country.

But he has the consolation of knowing

that his fellow-countrymen will not

of his enemies.—Mail and Empire.

judge him by the perverted standard

It is surprising how many persons

here are who lack the courage of

their convictions, and who are afraid

his criticisms. Mr. Foster has had

the experience that other oppo

come back.-Victoria Colonist.

at Ottawa.-Toronto News.

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FIGHTING FOR THEIR LIVES.

The Government has never faced so serious a situation as the present since condition of affairs does exist or not. it came into power in 1896. So dein constructing legislation, and so ofof Mr. Fielding to the Premier will be ern farmers to exist. of the most serious matter. The Preman in the Liberal party. He may lack pendent commission is the only the spectacular personality of some others, notably the Premier himself, but the fact remains that he has been the main stay of the Government for the last fourteen years. Without him the administration is a rudderless storm driven craft. It is stated that are paid in the United States and high-Mr. Fielding may be able to return to active duty next January, but meanwhile there is little prospect of this. It is more likely that he will not be understood that he has been advised to its duty in not having brought down rest for about a year.

Another weakness which has dehas contrived to awaken the hostility I want to know from the Government of the French-Canadians, especially whether they believe them to be true those of the Nationalist persuasion, or not. If they say that they do no and that they have sworn to defeat know, I ask why they have not taken him at the next election. It is ad- means to know; if they say that these mitted that he cannot be elected in claims are not true, I ask upon wha Russell again, but it is stated that the evidence they base that assertion an party will find an Irish Catholic con- what they purpose to do in the pre stituency for him. It is obvious, however, that no political party would stick to any man who was proving a weakness to it. It is well known that there has been a battle royal between Mr. Parmelee, the King's Printer, and Mr Murphy. It is understood that the Secretary of State tried to get Mr. Parmelee dismissed, but this evoked a storm of protest. Mr. Parmelee is a former Quebec member, and if dismissed would assuredly enter the House again. The public accounts committee will reveal much this session, and it is promised that there will be a furious time over the Printing Bureau scandal. Men were dismissed before they had a chance to defend themselves, and it is freely stated that when Mr. Murphy found that the enquiry was leading to a revelation of the scandalous means taken by the Government to raise campaign funds, he stopped and contented himself with making scapegoats of some of the employees by declaring them incompetent. Therefore they were fired. It is pointed out that this should have been the function of M. Parmelee, but he was not given power by the minister in charge, Mr. Murphy. Another disappointment to the Liberal party is that Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, the Postmaster General, is in South Africa, and will not be here until some time in January. This lessens still further the fighting strength

of the Government. The situation is further complicated by the result of the Drummond-Athabaska election. Mr. Brodeur has lost prestige and the Quebec members generally are resenting the position in which they have been placed by the Government over the navy bill.

From ministers such as Messrs. Pugsley and Graham not very much help can be epected from them by the Prime Minister. They are kept exceedingly busy minding their own affairs. Indeed the former will be one of the ministers who will not lend much credit to the Government's version of the session, as there are one or two matters with which he has been connected that will ensure some warm debating and exercise all Mr. Pugley's wits to defend.

As to the others, Mr. Aylesworth is too deaf to be of any use in the House, and has been known to debate a subject that was not under discussion. Mr. Paterson has reached the "slippered ease" stage. Mr. Mackenzie King is green. Sir Frederick Borden is tired of politics. Mr. Brodeur is ill. Sir Richard Cartwright is hors de combat, and Mr. Fisher is no use on general occasions.

In a word the cabinet is done. They have had their day, and it is past. They are going to the way of all flesh

THE DEMANDS OF THE WEST.

One passage in Mr. R. L. Borden's speech in the debate on the address at the opening of Parliament is of special interest to the West. He reviewed the manner in which Sir Wilfrid Laurier in his western visit last summer dodged the tariff issue and tried to bribe the people with public

works, and he then went on to say: "Mr. Speaker, the West presses cer tain claims, and is entitled to have

these claims considered by this gov-

"It presses for the construction of the Hudson Bay railway. As I understood it, both parties in this country have committed themselves to the con struction of this railway. But the West asks for something more. It asks that the construction of the railway should The WEST is published every Wednesday be by the government and that the Subscription price: One Dollar (\$1.00) operation of it should be such as to ensure absolute, thorough control o' rates, effective competition and no

"That demand on the part of the West seems to me eminently reason-

"The West asks also the redress of grievances in the operation of the terminal elevators. They declare that the farmers of the West are shame lessly robbed through these elevators -that ten per cent, of No. 1 wheat goes in and thirty per cent, goes out and so on all along the line. They declare that this condition of affairs has existed to the knowledge of the government for many years and with out redress. And I say that the government of this country ought to be responsible for knowing whether that

"If that condition of affairs does expendent has Sir Wilfrid Laurier been ist, it ought to be brought to and end on the counsel of Hon. W. S. Fielding and without a moment's delay, and no better object than to bring to an ten has the finance minister pulled end so disgraceful a state of things him out of a tight corner that the loss as that which is alleged by these West-

"I say further that, if ownership by mier's first lieutenant is the ablest the state and operation by an inderemedy, then, in my opinion, that remedy should be applied.

"But the farmers of the West something more. They say there ought to be lower duties on agricultural implements, that they are paying higher prices for implements than er prices for Canadian implements than these implements are sold for abroad.

"I say the government is derelict in formation on this subject, and I say that if the claims that are made are veloped is that the Secretary of State true there ought to be a remedy. And

> "In the fourth place, as I under stand it, the West demands that the government of this country should hand over to the people of the three Western provinces their public doernments under control of their own free men, and being free men in a free country, they have as good a right to control through their own local legis latures and by their own provincial executive the administration of their public lands as have the people of any of the eastern provinces who enjoy and have enjoyed that right."

LAURIER ON COMMISSIONS.

ecalling of an old speech by Sir Wil frid Laurier. He recalled the Premier's dodging of the tariff issue during his Western tour, and in particular noted his promise of a commission to investigate the tariff. It happens that fifteen years ago the same Sir Wilfrid Laurier expressed the opinion that this business of appointing commissions is pure humbug. Here is what Wilfrid Laurier, leader of the Opposition, said in Toronto on February 5th,

"When in power I think I know way in which I can maintain my reputation-that is when a question comes before me that is difficult to solve; to avoid it, to do nothing, and to look wise.

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years and it might cost \$100,000 and ers. Again, the Saskatchewan commore to the country, but our govern- mission assumes that certain crooked ment would be saved in the mean- work will be done to keep the books time and the ministers would look of the Manitoba commission from MUNICIPAL

"Suppose we have to deal with tion. We think it would have been and to reform the tariff, which we wise and courteous for the Saskatche might appoint a Royal Commission toba to work out her own problems to go about the country interviewing without interference. The Saskatchemanufacturers in secret, interview- wan problem is enough without adding farmers in public, lecturing far- ing Manitoba's troubles as well. The mers, brow-beating them and show- Saskatchewan commission said either ing them their stupidity because to much or too little. If they have inthey do not acknowledge the beau-formation warranting their stateties of the National Policy.

"This is a way in which men can of the public.—Grain Growers' Guide. maintain their reputation for capability and small cuteness." Thus the Laurier of 1895 effective-

ly inscribes the policy of the Laurier

CONTROLLING THE RATES.

Mr. R. L. Borden, in his speech the debate on the address, was very happy in exposing the inaptitude of Here is what it has done: First it builds the Transcontinental

forced Sir Wilfrid Laurier to promise Then it gives that as a present to at once that Lethbridge should have a the G. T. P.

Then Mr. Pugsley begins to promiso build a canal across the prairies to control the rates on the railway, which the people built and the G. T. P. is to The next step, Mr. Borden said

probably will be to promise an airhip to control the rates on the canal built by the people to control the rates on the railway built by the people.

LANCASTER AT IT AGAIN.

Mr. Lancaster, of Lincoln, has begun session by introducing another of the railway bills which he so determinedly advocates. His explanation as given in the House of Commons is: "The object of this bill is to require all Dominion railways, in case

of any person being killed on a train or on the property of the company, of the Thousand Delegation who will to cause an inquest to be held by the nearest coroner forthwith. There has been a great many deaths throughout this country caused by railways without any enquiry being made as to the cause of death. This is becoming a scandal in some parts of the country, and this bill is intended to remedy that evil." Now watch the interests buck him.

SASKATCHEWAN ELEVATOR COM MISSION.

A careful consideration of the sumparized report of the Saskatchewan elevator commission published in our through. Years ago, the so-called Liblast issue, indicates considerable study erals tried to make out that Sir Franon the part of the commissioners. cis Hincks was a thief. They follow-They have examined various schemes ed this up by pretending to believe ly dismissed them all as unworkable the country through the secret service presented to them, but have practicaland have evolved a new scheme which fund. More recently they assailed St they consider to be suitable to the Charles Tupper, who they said had tion. needs of Saskatchewan. The finding of the commission will met with some One of the most effective passages favor as well as opposition among in Mr. Borden's opening speech in the Saskatchewan farmers. Undoubtedly present session of Parliament was his the ideal system would be that of state ownership with proper provisions for a sample market with full protection being given to the grain of the individual farmer from the time it is harvested till it reaches the Liverpool market. Of course it would dep nd entirely on the farmers themselves whether such a system as outlined by the commission would be a success, and it places on the farmers the whole burden of responsibility. We do not think the farmers are averse to taking their share of re sponsibility, but the government is merely a committee of the people's representatives to carry out their wishes, and if the Grain Growers of Saskatchewan prefer government owned elevators to the scheme outlined by the commission, they have a perfect right to demand that the goverment should inaugurate such a system. The report of the commission is not binding either upon the Grain Growers or upon the government. The natter is still open and it is the duty of the Grain Growers to decide which course they will pursue. The Saskatchewan Grain Growers' Associa tion have been unanimous for govern ment ownership for several years, and

> emarks about the elevator system in Manitoba. The following is the paragraph to which we refer: "The Commission are unanimous in holding that a scheme similar to the Manitoba scheme would not be satisfactory to the farmers generally on the one hand, and on the other would probably end in financial disaster. True by various conceivable devices of bookkeeping the facts may be more or less concealed for a while, but if there is anything of a business character that can be forecasted, such a scheme runs the greatest possible financial risk."

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hould know more of their own needs

han any commission. There is one

phase of the report of the Saskatche-

wan commission which we think wa

a most unwarranted attitude to be

taken by the commission, that is their

The commission dismissed the whole thing with the sweeping inference that the Manitoba system will probably end in financial disaster. With all due despect to the Saskatche wan elevator commission we do not think their information was sufficient to warrant such a statement.

pathies of the prohibitionists if we Manitoba system is as yet untried. We take advantage of the fact that it ealt with it in one way, or the sym (do not think the Manitoba system is will be impossible to discover the aupathies of the liquor men if we dealt what it should be, but we believe that thors of such letters, and indulge in with it in another way. Then it it will be a complete success if cer-slander to their hearts' content. In would be possible for us to appoint tain amendments are made to the act exceptional cases the writing of analong the lines suggested to the gov onymous letters may be permit would go on for one or two or three ernment by the Manitoba Grain Grow- but as a rule it is a dirty and con

NOMINATIONS

certainly will have to deal with, we wan commission to have allowed Mani- P .McAra, jr. ,and Dr. Cowan out for Regina mayoralty.-Aldermanic and School Board Can-

> Municipal nominations were held In Regina there promise have given it in detail for the benefit Cowan's entrance into the mayoralty THE LETHBRIDGE POST OFFICE. tions. Following are the candi-

Mayoralty-P. McAra, jr., Dr. W. D. Aldermen-Ward 1-Ald. Kramer, elected by acclamation.

Ward 2—Ald. Darke, J. A. Westman.

Ward 3—Charles Willoughby, Robert Martin, George Samuel Houston,
Russell Henry Reid. Two to be elect-

Ward 4.—Donald J. McKay, J Ward 5.—Richard M. Halloean, Geo.

Otto Hodgkins, Robert James West-gate, James Albert Cross, J. Kelso Hunter, Dr. W. A. Thomson, Thomas William Peart and Andrew Mac-Beth. Four to be elected.

Regina Collegiate Board—J. F. L

Separate School Trustees Murphy, C. Weber and Phillip Busch Other Mayoraity Nominations.
Moose Jaw-J. M. Paul, A. W. May

Saskatoon-Robert Clinkskill, Robt Prince Albert-Mayor Holmes, Alameda-R. H. Scott, acclamation

Balgonie-Dr. W. H. Kalbfleisch, ac Rattleford-C. H. Bennet, acclam Broadview - Messrs. Brown and

Craik—E. H. Insull, acclamation. Davidson—Mayor John Wilson an Estevan-M. H. King, acclamation

Hanley-D. M. Dilley, J. A. Nys-Indian Head-F, L. McKay, accla Kindersley-Preston C. West, ac-Langham-Fred Donivan, W. R

Lumsden-D. M. Balfour, Herb. T Melville-R. B. Taylor, acclamation

of spurious Liberalism have gone mation. Moosomin-Dr. A. W. Turner. ac North Battleford-J. A. Foley, re-Outlook-O. K. McElhinney, accla that Sir John Macdonald had robbed

Qu'Appelle-Dr. W. Henderson, W Rosthern-D. S. McGregor, acclama Rouleau—J. H. Craig, re-elected. Scott—R. H. Street, C. B. Smith. Sintaluta—T. E. Partridge, accia-

Strassburg-E. Martin, E. F. Sted-Weyburn-John McTaggart, accla-Whitewood-R. S. Park, acclama-Yellow Grass-J. H. Allen, acclama Wapella-W. P. C. McDonald, ac Wolseley-R. J. Campbell, acclama

to declare them openly. Every day newspapers receive letters which are Two Trainmen Hurt in Wreck. either anonymous or else are merely Wetaskiwin, Alta., Dec. 5.-Early would hold up their hands in horror tween two freights on the C. P. R. be at the idea of hitting a man when he tween Sedgewick and Lougheed. The was down or when his back was e and burned. The engineer, J. Curry turned, seem to have no scruples was badly scalded, and a brakeman about writing vicious letters and sign- had several ribs broken. They were ing them with fictitious names. Many taken to Bawlf hospital.

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BAN ON HATPINS

Proposed Law in Philadelphia Impos es \$50 Fine for Each Offence. Philadelphia, Dec. 2.—In an effort to urtail the long hatpin evil in this city an ordinance was introduced in Cour cil today providing that no person upor the public streets or on conveyances shall be permitted to wear a hatpin the exposed point of which extend more than one-half inch beyond the crown of the hat. A fine of \$50 each and every offence is provided for in the proposed ordinance.

Councilman Schumucker declared that the lives of riders on street cars

and pedestrians on crowded streets are imperiled by long hatpins.

Secured Realistic Effect. Vienna, Dec. 2. - Friedrich Steinschmied, the playwright and poet, January 5, 1911. surrendered to the police of Prague today, confessing that he was guilty of arson. He said that while rehearsing one of his plays, in which a peasant sets fire to the barn, he failed to make the scene realistic. He decided that he must himself experience a criminal's impression. He, therefore, went into the country and set fire to a barn, taking notes of the incident and his own feelings. These he incorporated into his play, which is now running in Bohemia with great success.

Emulates Eve.

Portage la Prairie, Man., Dec. 6.-Suddenly becoming demented this morning, Miss G. E. Cutler, teacher in the West Ward school, left her lodgings about eight o'clock, and without a stitch of clothing on was wandering astitch of clothing on was wandering as the street of the tender. One foot was cut off above the ankle and the other leg was almost as the street of the tender.

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Dies on Operating Table. Souris, Man., Dec. 5.-Fred Sharrard, a C. P. R. brakeman, met with a fatal accident this morning at Deleau, fifteen miles west of Souris. He was stepping backward off the engine as a stitch of clothing on was wandering around the streets. She was only out a short time when she was taken in charge and taken to the hospital. She was severely frost-bitten. Miss Cutler came here this fall from North Dakota and had a permit to teach for one year. Worrying over religious affairs was the cause of this morning's incident.

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