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T. JOHN AND THE GOVERNMENTS.

The difference in the treatment which given to St. John by the present gov ament and that which it experienced ien Conservative governments were in wer for the eighteen years prior to July, 6, is very marked. In those evil days, en Sir Charles Tupper was the domint force in the cabinet with respect at events to maritime province affairs, John could get nothing from the govment. Any effort that was made on half of St. John by its citizens whether a private capacity or as members of common council or board of trade s treated with contempt. St. John was alt with as a place that deserved no nsideration whatever at the hands of e government, and even at the present me, years after the Conservatives have out of power, we find their leaders ich as Haggart and Sir Charles Tupper tacking the government because it has lonial railway. If the Conservatives the way of improving, our facilities ould be rendered useless by the refusal t the government to give such rates to is port as would enable it to compete ith Halifax. This is a fact which must ever be lost sight of by any St. John an in considering the merits of the party ow in power as compared with the opastration of the present government's sideration for St. John in the visit f the minister of militia, the Hon. Dr. lorden. Dr. Borden, who has been delared even by leading Conservatives to e the best minister of militia that Canda ever had, takes a most lively interest eity which has done as much on behalf f patriotism in connection with the sendng of contingents to South Africa as any

ther community in Canada. This old Loyalist city has been well epresented at the front in the present var and it was the New Brunswick comlany, commanded by a St. John man, who is the descendant of a Loyalist, hat held the advanced position at Paardeperg which compelled the Boers to sur ender. Dr. Borden and the government of which he is a member desire to recogtize the merits of St. John by granting t a new rifle range, one which will enable St. John's militiamen to become proficient the use of the rifle and this range is so conviently situated that every member f a military company in the city can easily reach it for the purposes of practice. Dr. Borden has also promised to give his attention to the question of providing this city with a drill shed. The late government while erecting stately buildings of stone for the use of the militia of cities like Montreal and Toronto and provide it with a miserable wooden shed. idated and mean in appearance, was soldier, and lastly because he was "too the German Reichstag has compelled the million more out of the gold fields than it thought to be good enough for the militia of this city. The present government will correct that great wrong and it will provide a drill shed of which the people need not be ashamed and which will be placed accessible to the militia force ed over with many embellishments. The American products cannot be otherwise reaccessible to an interest the same of the same day Kamberly with people of St. John should keep these things in mind because it will be of con-

up their minds as to which party they will support at the coming election.

AID FOR THE FAMISHING.

for the famine sufferers in India, more recent fiction, and one that shows have a serious effect on the manufacturing boards of trade and newspapers have been ago that the colonies would be asked to rival even to Great Britain. But this con-

not anticipated and provided against perhaps occasion surprise. in India. Some interesting particulars concerning the precautionary financial measures for the relief of famine taken by the Indian government are furnished by Mr. Clinton Dawkins, the retiring finance effects of the quarrel between Mr. Birmingminister. A yearly grant, "for famine re- ham, chief organizer of the Conservative having been introduced by Sir John Strachey in 1878. Taking the years from 1868

people impoverished by crop failures.

A ROMANCING PRESS.

The complete irresponsibility of the opposition gives them a freedom of utternot enjoy. This is particularly applicable to the press. When a newspaper supporting the government says anything respectven facilities for the trans-shipment of ing the administration, a due regard must ods here in connection with the Inter- be had for the truth. It cannot speculate nor guess about things; it must deal very largely in facts rather than surmises. A Tory journal, on the other hand, can say a great many serious things on the strength of "it is rumored," "it is said," "it is understood," and so on; and this freedom very often degenerates into a

asten on the government the repreach of Mr. Tarte were determined Canada should equal share of the property of an intesments were attributed to them in that regard. Everyone now knows that these observing a caution which the extraordinary and trying nature of the circum stances demanded. Following upon this struck off for Montreal, where the facts of he students' riots were known, and an other and an inflammatory issue printed for circulation in the English-speaking

The recall of General Hutton gave scope for a series of wild and unwarranted as-

cessions, and at that very time the gov- will hardly survive legislation which is ernment was taking hold of the octopus aimed directly at the latter country. On with a firm hand and forcing it to reduce the other hand the determination of the

It is now our duty to puncture a still stuffs from being imported cannot but growing public spirit of the country. Not | tion press. It will be remembered that | rapidly in manufacturing and as an exonly have the churches been active, but Mr. Chamberlain announced a week or two porting nation has become a formidable made the medium for contributions. In choose a representative each for the judi- dition of affairs cannot last if food is ed, and the fund is steadily increasing. was quite in keeping with the irrespons- will necessarily rise and the price of all This is another illustration of the sympa- ible instincts of the Mail and Empire, as manufactured products be thereby in thetic unity of the Empire which has its the leading Conservative organ, to at once creased. One of the things that Sir Charles instructive side, although we must not start the story that the Canadian govern- Tupper has been asking Great Britain to overlook the kindly and generous help ment was not only opposed to Mr. Cham- do is to impose a duty on foreign bread which is coming from the United States. berlain's suggestion, but was taking steps stuffs, but as cheap food is justly regardbut millions are still in danger and wholly the privy council at all. Let it be said manufacturing supremacy of Great Britain dependent upon the charity of the out- at once that both views are untrue. No this demand cannot be complied with. So side world. This dependence is pitiable; such objections have been urged, for the long as the landlord classes were able to but in a time of urgent need one cannot simple reason that an opposite judgment impose high duties on wheat and other stop to moralize upon the economic aspect prevails. And so it goes on, day after food products going to the United Kingday. Yet having regard to the versatility dom so long was the development of manu-It would be a mistake to assume that of their leader, as specially exhibited in facturing in Great Britain retarded. The recurrence of these periods of famine his Quebec speech, these things should not same effect will be produced in Germany

WHO ARE THE THIEVES?

The attempt of the Sun to get rid of the lief and insurance" appears in the budget, party, and Sir Charles Tupper is very amusing. Mr. Birmingham, who is one of the leading men of the Conservative party to 1878, he found that the expenditure for and who has been treated with as much the relief of famine during the decade had respect in its affairs as any other member amounted to 165,000,000 rupees. He re- of the party, practically states that there garded the period as somewhat abnormal, was corruption in the elections of 1882 and and concluded that 15,000,000 rupees per 1887, and that this corruption was commitannum would be a proper allowance for ted by the Conservative party. Of course such emergencies. That sum was there everybody who knows anything about the fore charged in the budget as an insurance manner in which Conservatives have been fund, to be employed either in direct relief when famine occurred, or in irrigation twenty years is well aware that corruption works and railways intended to prevent is one of their favorite methods of influencing the constituencies. In addition to During the fifteen years preceding 1896, gerrymandering the ridings so as to hive the amount expended in direct relief averaged only 300,000 rupees per annum, the reof India likely to suffer from famine, and when Mr. Foster was very hard run in these railways have now been constructed. Kings county certain ballot boxes were It is claimed, also, that all has been ac- missing for several days, and it was according to the London Times, not how fresh in the minds of our people. It is had no superior. He leaves a widow, but to get food in time to the famishing popu- said that even the Sun was ashamed of no children. lation, or even to provide further means that disgraceful transaction, but the Conof irrigation, but how to find work for servative party at all events got the benefit of it and never made any effort to redress the wrong. On the contrary they pursued all those who ventured to criticize this shameful affair with venomous hatred. and one editor who published something culprits, the men who stole the seat, went vaal treat them, but still after a fashion vesterday is easily answered. The thieves are the Conservatives who stole seats in the election of 1887 and also according to Mr. Birmingham in the election of 1882.

THAT MARRIAGE BILL. It looks as if the bill legalizlicense to invent, to fabricate, and to ing in England marriages contracted there was no prospect of any considergaible. By any canon applicable to other in Canada between a man and able increase. It was a country apart affairs of life these things would be his deceased wife's sister will pass the from the rest of Australia separated from it thought seriously of, and the newspaper House of Lords and become law in spite by an inhospitable desert over which no which was once detected in a flagrant act of the objection of the lord chancellor, man could pass, but suddenly gold was of deception would thereafter be discredited; but we have, unfortunately, come to this bill passed its second reading on Monregard such conduct lightly. It is recog- day was a very substantial one. The obnized as an unavoidable part of the game jection of Lord Halsbury that the bill would change the law of inheritance of of the gold fields has become larger than ency to the efforts of the Tory press to particular force. There is nothing so very sacred about the law of inheritance in- land which is naturally a desert. The lisloyalty. Who can now recall the numit should be preserved for all time, in fact port this shameful campaign? It was there are many people who think that a first said that Sir Wilfrid Laurier and change in the law giving to each child an not go to the aid of the Empire in the tate would be advantageous. Certainly it South African war, and all sorts of state is a strange anomaly which makes a man's marriage legal in Canada and illegal in the United Kingdom, and which prevents his children from inheriting property in the which was eminently statesmanlike, and United Kingdom to which they are properly entitled. Now that this bill is likely to pass, it is to be hoped that at another session of parliament, the House of Lords will pass the bill which has been so often the Montreal Star, in having one issue passed by the House of Commons, making marriage with a deceased wife's sister legal in Great Britain.

PROTECTION IN GERMANY.

The German Reichstag has just passed a bill imposing higher duties on American ertions. First it was said that the general had been sent away from Canada ed after the year 1903. This is the price be to the port of Esperance. The West Ausbecause he had refused to support the which the German Emperor has had to tralian government is alleged to have minister in certain political appointments; which the German Emperor has had to spent nearly £17,000,000 during the last Any kind of a shed, no matter how dilapnext because he was regarded as a poor crease of the navy. The Agrarian party in British," None of these views were, of Emperor to grant this demand, otherwise has spent upon them. The government is course, founded upon even a shadow of the naval bill would have been defeated. also charged with refusing to grant retact. They were the products of fancy The meats exports of the United States to forms with respect to the constituencies. and prejudice. In the same way and by Germany are not large in comparison with The new redistribution bill leaves the the same process the circumstances of an the trade of the United States with Great | Coodgardie people in a hopeless minority the same process the circumstances of an time trade of the Configuration of and a proposal to give the Coolgardie distance in the price of coal oil was turn. Britain, but still such a prohibition of and a proposal to give the Coolgardie distance in the price of coal oil was turn.

gain. As a matter of fact, the Standard tion. Any friendship which might exist Oil Company had not been given any con- between Germany and the United States Agrarian party in Germany to prevent food Agrarian classes will not be benefited while the manufacturing classes will be injured

DEATH OF DR. T. H. RAND.

Much regret will be felt at the announcement of the death of Dr. T. H. Rand, which occurred on Tuesday at Fredthe organization of our existing school system was his work. He had been for he became chancellor of this institution mainder being devoted to "protective feature of the party. More than that on of learning, which had been raised to the works." The famine commission in the many occasions offenses have been comseventies calculated that a net-work of mitted against the ballot box of a most to resign this position in 1895, owing to 20,000 miles of railway would provide for scandalous character. It will be rememthe transportation of food to every part bered that during the election of 1891 cation and English history in the univerbeen good. For several years he has spent complished in the construction of irriga- shrewdly suspected that they had not been his summers at Partridge Island, Parrstion works that is likely to be efficacious. concealed without an object. The election | boro, and in 1897 he published a volume During the past financial year Burmah for Queens county in 1897 at which the of poems entitled "At Minas Basin, and alone has sent 427,000 tons of rice for disribution throughout India by means of returning officer, although his opponent Dr. Rand was a man of great energy and the railways. The real problem now is, obtained a majority of the votes is still a hard worker, and as an organizer ho

A UITLANDER GRIEVANCE. The Transvaal is not the only country

in which there are Uitlanders nor is it the

free. With such a record as that the quest that is not regarded as by any means in stitutional means remaining, the separation of very well be brighter. And when our tion, "Who are the thieves?" which appeared at the head of the Sun's editorial particular colony is West Australia, a separate colony." We do not know what on what they believe to be their favorable colony that was originally settled by concomplained of by the West Australian from their point of view in the east. this petition, but certainly the grievances victs whose descendants still seem to retain to a considerable extent the instincts which were the cause of their ancestors Uitlanders are very substantial ones. being sent across the seas. West Australia until recently was a very insignificant IS THE EAST LIBERAL? colony, its population was very small, not A few days ago, in answering the query, exceeding 30,000 or 40,000 persons and "Is the West Tory?" we pointed out the course of a few years the population These views apply with marked pertinreal property in Great Britain is of no the gold nears has become and that this impression would accrue to the but we cannot approve of the purpose cities and towns are springing up in a advantage of Liberal candidates. We also which the Star had in view at this juncoriginal West Australians do not look in the recent Manitoba elections were rewith any kind of favor on the newcomers and it appears that they are disposed to rain to return a majority of Liberals from the treat them in something of the same that province. This would be an obvious Liberals, and that no such reproach at as a candidate of either part. The fact fashion in which the Transvaal treated fact to anyone who took the trouble to dithe Uitlanders by taxing them heavily vide the vote as actually cast within fedand giving them very inadequate represen-eral delimitations. This view seems to ulate purity by the Tories is quite sickentation. Matters have come to such a have been overlooked by our Conservative ing. Having regard to their record we pass that the West Australians have friends. issued a manifesto invoking the aid of their fellow citizens of the British Emilion against "grievious oppression" in the pects in the west they are significantly ing hands and ask the world to witness ran against McKinley in 1896. Mr. Bryan representation. This manifesto states that the growing principal of taxation in West their food, clothing and other supplies and giving all legislation in the interest of farming products and local manufacturers. Moreover the West Australian government is charged with forcing the

miners to send their goods at high rates over the railway to Perth and Freemantle whereas the natural and casy rate would ment of these eastern provinces at the the polls. present time will take exception to the We do not claim, as we have just caid, ed in strength since 1896, and gained un-

at this juncture; there is no occasion for

five. The manifesto concludes with a In Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island as everyone knows-but by a judicial comdeclaration that "we have been and are we have good reasons for assuming that mission, at the head of which will be one still being grieviously wronged and in the hearty spirit of co-operation and ag-In his paper which was construed into a contempt of court was actually imprison- British colony which treats its Uitlanders gressiveness which prevails in this proverse which prevails in the prevails which prevails are prevails and the prevails which prevails are prevails and the prevails which prevails are prevails and the preva a contempt of court was actually imprisoned in the Fredericton gaol, while the real not quite so badly perhaps as the Transsought redress by all legitimate means ince also exists among the Liberals of

POLITICAL CORRUPTION.

The Montreal Star has published a was composed of letters from clergymen, are opposed to his policy in certain parin which the sin of bribery was denounced, which our friends of the op- and the consequences of such interference vote for a Democrat, especially when that position were overlooking in as- with a free ballot graphically pictured. We Democrat comes forward as an advocate suming that the west would send a solid have not a word of exception to take to of unsound money and with a policy that contingent to the next parliament in sup- anything these reverend gentlemen have would embroil the United States in war port of Sir Charles Tupper. We alluded said in that regard. We should have exto the favorable impression which the pected them to denounce rascality in polipresent ministry had made by their railway policy, and the strong probability condemn horse stealing or safe blowing, advantage of Liberal candidates. We also which was east ture. The plain object beneath this spectreceived as much homage as if he had peated in a dominion contest it could not corruption which has been committed in low in popular estimation that there is peated in a dominion contest it could not corruption which has been on the side of the no chance whatever of his being selected

fancy it would be thought the part of de-We observe, however, that while the cency to hang their heads in honest peni-Tories are loudly boastful about their prostence, rather to hold up their reekpects in the west they are significantly ing hands and have always been is not an ideal candidate by any means, eastern provinces. There are but eighteen clean. It is like listening to a discourse but he is the best man that the Demomembers returned to parliament from the by Satan on the folly of sin. We do not crats have got and he is more acceptable west, while thirty-five are returned from suppose for one moment that ill-advised to the people of the west than any other the maritime provinces; so that the re- men have not violated the election act sult in this end of the dominion is of the in the interest of Liberal candidates, ner larger importance. We may be permitted that every Liberal in the land is ple of the east, serves him in good stead to say at once that it is much more proba- above reproach, but we have not seen a ble there will be thirty-five Liberals elected Liberal minister driven into private life certainly be defeated, but he will make a in than that eighteen Conservatives will for corruption on a large scale, another be returned from the west. We make no member of parliament imprisoned and a test, for it is said that many eastern such boast; we are simply making a comparison of probabilities. No one, however, ed in the history of the Tory party with- will not do so in the coming election, alwho is conversant with the political senti- in the five years preceding their defeat at though they do not like Mr. Bryan or his

> the matter of election imparity, but we do know that culpability does not rest

of returning two members by 22 votes to thing cannot be said of the Conservatives, the Tories-that would have been a farce,

UNITED STATES POLITICS.

In a few days the conventions of the two great political parties will meet and select candidates to be standard bearers ponder over the countervailing situation in the presidental election. Seldom in the history of politics in the United States have the issues been so well defined in advance of the national conventions. No one doubts that Mr. McKinley will be the presidential candidate of the Republican party; he is in fact the only man in sight This hypocritical assumption of immac- much and has shown himself to be a own flagship.

The Democrats selected their candidate long ago and he will be Mr. Bryan, who heresy, which is so obnoxious to the peoto make him popular. Mr. Bryan will better return than he did in the last con-

statement that the Liberal cause has gain- that all Liberals have been guiltless in MEASURE OF A CONSERVATIVE WHIP

upon the present government, nor any per is never very strong, but surely he member of it. And we know further that must have blushed on Tuesday evening in relation to the complaints which have when he heard Mr. Taylor, of Leeds, who been made respecting the West Huron and is the Ontario whip of the Conservative ing otherwise, we should be able to point Brockville by-elections, the government is party, making a speech in regard to the were actually committed and by whom. Laurier's house in Attawa: Mra Taylor

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