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The Causes of Defeat.

The Opposition papers have a heavy task in explaining to their readers why their leaders are no longer able to hold their own in former Conservative strongholds, as shown in the bye-elections.

First it was Bagot, which till last fall had never once returned a Liberal. Then it sent to Parliament, by a good majority, a supporter of Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

Now we have Brockville, which for a quarter of a century had never failed to elect a Conservative, and which was fair discussion, and recognizing that gerrymandered in 1882 to make assurence doubly sure.

But in these days of Tupperian-Foster demoralization no constituency that is opened seems willing to identify itself with these found-out politicians.

It is a herculean task that our brethren of the Conservative press take up when they endeavor to explain the

Almost all excuses but the right ones have been made since the great Liberal victory in Brockville.

Mr. White was defeated because the people of Brockville did not want a man whose avowed purpose was merely to use the riding to get back to that assembly from which he had been excluded by the electors of another

Mr. White was defeated because he ran against a popular manufacturer, who had done much for the constitu-

Mr. White was defeated because of the disgraceful attack by the Tuppers on Major Walsh, who is a respected citizen of Brockville.

Mr. White was defeated because the electors had found out the detractors of the Liberal party, who in 1896 shouted that a Liberal victory meant disaster to the Dominion. Canada has since

prospered as never before. Mr. White was defeated because the election was held on a purged voters' list. There was no "graveyard" or foreign vote to swamp the votes of the legitimate electorate, as there was in

But the greatest factor in defeating Mr. White was the repugnance of intelligent people to the virulence of Tupperism, to the baseless policy of scandal and the persecution of the Minister of the Interior. It was an intimation to Mr. White and his sponsors that it would be more seemly for them to make some modest atonement for the the election that there was "not one go into retirement for a few years, and bungling, extravagance, corruption and dissentient voice" in the Conservative misgovernment which prevailed prior to their defeat in 1896, than to endeavor to blacken the characters of men who have done better.

Young People's Societies.

discussion going on in the British Weekly, an English religious journal of the first rank, on this important subject. One of the lessons that lie upon the surface is that English people love free and fair discussion, and we are afraid that the Christian Endeavor leaders are somewhat impatient of any kind of criticism. Now, every movement that is to have an abiding influence must stand not only the wear and tear of common life, but also the fair criticism of thoughtful Christian people. If we have confidence that a thing is fitted for highest service, we shall welcome for it full impartial investigation and free discussion.

This particular discussion arose out of the fact that a series of sketches appeared in the journal mentioned above, intended to illustrate the strength and weakness of the Christian Endeavor movement in England. These sketches took the form of a story with fictitious names. We need not now discuss whether that is the best form of such criticism; but it certainly has some advantages. It allows of dramatic pictures and vivid description without being fastened down to definite localities or particular persons. The picture may be ideal, and yet in harmony with actual facts. These sketches were thought by many competent judges to be on the whole very fair, and to have presented not a fancy but a real presentation of the varied facts. That was our opinion as we read them.

But some leaders of the C. E. organizations and members of the "Council" have protested in language more marked by strength than politeness. It seems strange to them that the editor should allow a movement which he admits to be "of God," to be thus freely, and, as they think, unfairly criticised in the columns of his journal. This is in our opinion a peculiar and narrow view. It does not follow that because a movement may be said to be "of God" that It is perfect, free from dangers, and to be abjectly worshiped and accepted by all. In fact, history seems to show that movements which are "of God" are all the better for being subject to a little healthy criticism.

The Christian Endeavor movequarters much wholesome enthusiasm.

deavored to strengthen the programme. Any one who has had experience in this line knows that some of the most thoughtful and reliable young people have conscientious objections to the essential features of the Christian Endeavorers' movement, which we take to be, first, the pledge; second, the divisions into active and associate members; and third, that which is such an important part of the pledge, the obligation of each member to take, aside from singing, some part in every meeting. These things may be all right for those whom they suit, but those who cannot accept them need not be

We trust that the Christian Endeavor movement has still a good work to do, but this can only be by its leaders encouraging rather than denouncing they have no monopoly of the young peoples' world. The realm of young people is large and varied, and needs varied ministries for literary culture and spiritual development, and in it there is room for many different forces to co-operate harmoniously for the common good.

accused of opposing a work which is

The Song of the Shirt.

A Montreal dispatch reports that the shirt manufacturers are branching out and enlarging their premises. The Opposition press used to accuse the Government of killing this business. The Mail was chief mourner, and like Antony over the corpse of Caesar, held up the shroud, or, rather, shirt, of the murdered industry, crying tearfully, "See what a rent the envious Laurier made!" The shirt business is getting along on a tariff protection of ten per cent, but we admit that it is entitled to more consideration in view of the heavy tax on cotton cloth.

Now that the Yukon scandal has failed to work, the Opposition will have to fall back on Mulock's postage stamp.

Three hundred questions were asked by the Opposition on Wednesday and Thursday in the House of Commons. Is this a thirst for truth or tittle-tattle?

Literalists who hold that the infernal region is a real lake of fire may be strengthened in their theology by the fact that the Chicago River caught fire the other day.

By the way, for several weeks after the Laurier Government came in, our contemporary the F. P. insisted every day that Laurier hadn't any majority at all in the House!

The Brockville Times declared before ranks in that riding. There seemed to be a lot of dissentient votes, though.

An English company has been organized to develop the oil fields in the county of Gaspe, Quebec. The Standard Oil Trust made a desperate effort to There is at present an interesting get hold of this territory, but was forestalled by the English capitalists. The Gaspe fields are said to be very

> General Shafter, who won the battle of Santiago while asleep in a hammock, says it may be necessary to kill half the population of the Philippines, in order to lift the other half up to civilization. The bloodthirsty warrior evidently scoffs at the idea of a burden on the white man's conscience.

The United States Government has done itself credit by repealing its narrow law preventing foreign ships from carrying cargoes between the United States and Porto Rico. Our neighbors are learning that a colonial policy must be framed in the interests of the colonles, and not of selfish interests in the governing country.

Mr. McNeill, M.P., gave notice of a motion in the House at Ottawa yesterday in favor of British preferential trade. Mr. McNeill had better transfer his propaganda to the mother country. Until the British people are educated to a desire to grant the colonies a trade preference, Canada's interference will be resented, and may injure the sentimental preference which our pro-British tariff has created there with practical benefit to ourselves.

The Toronto World says that most of the news from Dawson City filters through the American agencies before it reaches Canada, and is therefore unreliable. It was recently published broadcast that Dawson was a hot-bed of typhoid fever. The report has proved to be a lie. Yesterday a dispatch was sent over the wires that a suicidal mania had seized impoverished miners, and also that the hospitals were full of scurvy-stricken people. Doubtless this is a canard, too. Dawson City is the most-lied-about place on earth, but Americans haven't done it all. Canadian politicians have to answer for good deal of the story-telling.

American soldiers now in the Philippines are sending home frightful reports of the atrocities of the camment is one that has spread with paign, and these letters are finding amazing rapidity, and aroused in many their way into the anti-expansionist newspapers. According to these ac-But it is not the only possible form of a counts the American troops have oryoung peoples' society; and in fact it ders to spare no one, and are killing is already beginning in many places to prisoners of war and non-combatants, be abandoned or modified. When the men, women and children, besides lootmovement first began here it was to be ing every village in the line of march. undenominational, and the young peo- If these statements are verified there ple were to know no barriers of sect. will be a terrific outery in the United Since then Epworth Leagues, Baptist States. It is fair to remember that Young Peoples' Unions, etc., have been similar charges were made against the formed and these have in some cases British after the battle of Omdurman,

dispensed with the pledges and en- but were proved to be slanderous. Let us hope the stories from the Philippines are also false.

> Speaking of the great loss the Liberal party of Great Britain has sustained in the death of Thomas E. Ellis at the early age of 40, the London Spectator says that his eagerness of temperament, combined with excessive overwork, ultimately broke him down. "For statesmen, above all," adds the Spectator, "one new lesson is now imperatively needed: 'Do not fill life too full.' The mind must sleep as well as the body." We trust this warning will not be lost on the aldermen of London,

It is said that Thomas B. Reed, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, will resign the Speakership and practice law in New York. Mr. Reed is one of the most intellectual men in Congress, and is certainly the most original and forceful man in the Republican party. He has had presidential aspirations, but was defeated by McKinley in the last nominating convention. Mr. Reed has not been en rapport with the Administration of late. He was against the cabinet's Philippine policy, and probably finds his present position uncom-

What Others Say.

Oroker's Anglophobia [Boston Herald.]

Croker's dislike of the English ex tends to putting slights upon their

> A Nation or a Bluff. [Toronto Telegram.]

An American edict prohibiting the sale of this country's lumber in the United States will serve to show whether Canada is a Nation or a Bluff. If Canada is a nation she will survive the blow, and if Canada is a bluff it is time that Canadians knew it.

> Dawson City's Rival. [Victoria, B. C., Times.]

Atlin City has now a population of over 2,000, and the rush proper has not yet set in. Persons competent to express an opinion look to see from 10,000 to 12,000 men in that camp before the end of the summer.

A Square Position. [Woodstock Sentinel-Review.]

If there has been any wrong-doing in the Yukon it will be thoroughly sifted out. Those who have complaints to make have ample opportunity to ventilate them. The government has placed itself in a fair and square position before the country on its administration of the affairs of the Yukon, and the people know that their interests are being well looked after.

A Few Brockville Bars. [Toronto Globe.]

Seems to be a stronger government

This is no time to jibe at the White man's burden. Mr. Foster is a clever and seems also

to be a very destructive speaker. Probably the Conservative politicians will not like the Comstock medicine. This country seems to be opposed to

bi-Tupperism. Thanks, Sir Hibbert, thanks aw fully.

Light and Shade.

Pressing the Question. The Old Lady (deaf)-Has your grandfather quit smoking yet? last time I saw him he told me he was going to do so soon. Her Young Visitor-My grandfather

died last week. The Old Lady (still deaf) -- Yes? Has he quit smoking yet?-Harlem Life.

He Did His Best.

Look back on time with kindly eyes-He doubtless did his best; How softly sinks his trembling sun In human nature's west! -Emily Dickinson.

Something Achieved. The contributor of hints on etiquette has joined a society of missionaries. "How are you progressing with your

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March 21, '98. M. A. COSGRIFF, Emerado, N. D.

BABY'S FACE MASS OF SORES When my little sister was four months old her heeks became red and inflamed. Small pimples

broke out over her face and it was one mass of scabs, which almost closed her eyes and reached into the corners of her mouth. For several weeks a physician attended her, but she derived little or no benefit from his treatment. We bought a cake of CUTICURA SOAP and a box of CUTICURA (ointment). Her face healed, she grew healthy again. ROSA BURGER, Solomon, Kan.

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work?" asked the friend. "Oh, I have succeeded in refining these poor people to some extent." "Have you persuaded them to stop

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Aldermen Talk About the O'Callaghan Terrace Tender.

Bonded by Ald. Douglass and Wm. Peel for \$12,000, It Was Offered to the Legislation Committee for \$13,000-Armory Matters.

At the meeting re the armory site yesterday afternoon there were present: Ald. McPhillips (chairman), the mayor, Ald. Graham, Parnell, Jolly and Winnett, and Messrs. C. S. Hyman, J. W. Little and W. J. Reld. It was thought there was no immediate necessity of a deputation going to Ottawa. The minister of justice was expected here today, and from him could be learned the feeling of the government. It was decided that the chairman and Mr. Hyman interview Mr. Mills on the matter and report back. The members of the citizens' committee withdrew. Another matter which the legislation committee had to consider was an offer from Mr. Benson, of LaPorte, Ind., to

A general discussion about armory matters was engaged in by the aldermen. The chairman wanted to know what the talk about the O'Callaghan terrace being bonded for \$12,000, and being offered to the committee later for \$13,000, meant. Ald. Douglass had handed him the plan of the property just before the meeting a week ago, and asked him to include it in the list of available sites. The price marked on the plan was \$13,000. Ald. McPhillips did not know who had put the figures there, nor did he know who had bonded the property. He had quoted the price from the plan when it first came before the committee, and Ald. Parnell had said there was some mistake, as the property had been bonded for \$12,000. "Who had bonded it?" he asked. Ald. Douglass and Wm. Peel," replied

conduct a street fair in the city. The

letter was filed.

Ald. Parnell. Ald. Graham thought it was a strange procedure, and Ald. McPhillips said no doubt Ald. Douglass could explain it satisfactorily.

mond" Flour is manufactured by the less, and the best he had ever seen.

R. W. Bro. Hungerford also spoke of itobs wheat. Ask your grocer for it, and been done, and counseled those

GRAND MASTER DUBBER

His Official Visit to St. John's Lodge 209a the Occasion of a Large Turnout.

St. John's Lodge, 209a, A., F. and A.

M., received an official visit from R. W.

Bro. S. Dubber, D.D.G.M., of London district, and on this occasion the blue room was filled to overflowing with members of the craft, it being the largest gathering for some years. There were many from a distance, who, having heard so much of the exemplification of the third degree, as this lodge has been permitted to work, were anxious to see the degree conferred. W. Bro Arthur White presided in the east, where sat R. W. Bro. Dubber, R. W. Bro. R. B. Hungerford, Munson, Greer, Cooper, Dewar and W. R. Colby, of Alpha Lodge, No. 27, Cleveland, Ohio; V. W. Bros. J. H. Flock, C. A. Kingston, W. H. Chittick and others; W.Bros. Essery, Fitzgerald, Findlay, Jones, Young, A. Graham, Morris, Parker, John Paul, Weber, E. Paull, Currie, Wm. Moore, the oldest P. M. in the city, and many city brethren. The register contained the following names: Henry Clucas, Goderich; J. G. McNee and J. T. Crellan, Thamesford; J. H. Wood, Brantford; J. A. Kilpatrick, St. Thomas; R. H. Reid, H. L. Bennett, T. T. McDougall, John McDougall, W. Procuner, Nilestown; Dr. F. Guest, Shedden; R. Guest, J. L. Guest and Geo. C. Hackney, Thorndale; J. Posthumos, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Henry Roe, J. S. Griffin and N. U. Ledford, St. Thomas; W. Bateman, Toronto; Geo. W. Moody, Highgate; J. E. Richards, W. B. Purdy, E. Wiltby, Geo. M. Standing, C. S. Burdick, Robert Anger and F. L. Wagner, Aylmer; Rev. Geo. Elliott and Geo. Parrot, Glencoe; J. W. Wallace, Nilestown; M. N. Wright and R. E. Ardiel, Thorndale; Geo. Hagarty and J. James, Melbourne; W. F. Hall, Hamilton; F. C. Bartlett, Woodbridge; Rev. J. C. Farthing, Woodstock; R. B. Griffith, Hamilton; A. W. Davis, Stratford; S. B. McCready, Harriston; David Mann and Wm. Heron, Lambeth; James Empey, Lobo; R. A. Maitland, R. Cronyn, Jos. Butler, Strathroy. Many others failed to reg-

R. W. Bro. Dubber was introduced by R. W. Bro. Stevenson and V. W. Bro. C. A. Kingston. R. W. Bro. R. B. Hungerford was introduced by R. W. Bro. J. S. Dewar and W. Bro. John Graham. The welcome accorded was a most en-thusiastic one, after which W. Bro. White made a few appropriate remarks prior to the working the degree. Owing to the crowded state of the large hall, all the members of 209a vacated the room, in order that the work might not be incommoded, thus enabling the visitors to witness the work, which was exemplified in a most impressive manner, and with much dramatic effect, in which Bro. White maintained his reputation for excellence of execution.

On the completion of the work, R. W. Bro. Dubber addressed the brethren REMEMBERTHE MAIN(E) point to be considered in flour is what kind of wheat it is made from. Hunt's "Diacongratulating the worshipful master

present to live lives in keeping with the sacred ceremonies, and carry their Masonic principles into everyday life. Both speakers were heartily applaud-

At the close an adjournment was made to the banqueting hall, where the usual toast list was carried out under the supervision of W. Bro. White. Songs and recitations were also in order, and the evening was one of the jolliest in the history of the lodge.

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