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CARDINAL MCCABE, for the first time since the Nationalists have taken the municipal control of Dublin out of the hands of the Castle clique, lunched on Sunday at the Mansion House with the Lord Mayor.

THE latest form of ingenious swindle was invented by one George Brown, who went about London collecting money for the erection of churches in India.

EARL SPENCER is very eager for a renewal of the Crimes Act in Ireland. He has requested the Government not to balk his desires; but there appears to be some hesitation on the part of the Cabinet to prolong his despotic rule.

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SIR JOHN A. MACDONALD told the Beaconsfield Club that every educated Englishman who comes to Canada becomes a Tory.

divided in the same proportion of the representative bodies, the British public, or at least, the members of the London Beaconsfield Club, has been very sadly misinformed.

THE necessity of voting Princess Beatrice an allowance, on the occasion of her forthcoming marriage with Prince Henry of Battenberg, is now seen to be the real reason why no money is to be asked this year for the eldest son of the Prince of Wales.

GOVERNOR CLEVELAND's letter presenting his views and intentions relative to Civil Service reform seems to meet with general favor. Of course, the out-and-out partisans are not satisfied, especially when the President-elect declares that the Executive favor is not to be won by "persistent importunity or self-solicited recommendations on behalf of candidates for appointment."

Our esteemed contemporary the Montreal Daily Witness was very feverish and delirious on New Year's Eve, as the following from one of its leading articles will show:

"The Loyalty of the Plenary Council of Baltimore to our free institutions is charming in proportion to its novelty. When our free institutions were endangered by the slaveholders' revolt the sympathizers of the Church of Rome were on the side of slavery, and when Lincoln was murdered his assassin, Surratt, escaped by the ecclesiastical underground railway through Canada to Italy."

SOME people and journals maintain that unless officeholding can be separated from party politics, the corruptions which are now to be found in official life will so increase as to make the boasted freedom of the Republic practically of no value to the people.

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noxious and less-enduring under party criticism and antagonism, than are the same evils in other spheres of public activity that are entirely removed from party observation and correction.

They have had another "funny" dynamite explosion in London on one of the underground railways. The description of the occurrence by the cable correspondent is "funnier" still. He cables a whole column of stuff to tell us that the windows of a passing train were broken and the lights extinguished by the shock; that a ticket collector was thrown from his box; that many ladies fainted; that the passengers were greatly alarmed; that a lady's nose was cut by the glass, and one gentleman's wrist was scratched; that the noise of the explosion was really heard in the neighborhood, and that a saloon keeper who was leaning over his bar at the time was actually lifted nearly a foot from the floor.

INEXCUSABLE BLUNDERS.

LORD "GUMBOIL" has got into trouble in the East by writing a letter to a Hong Kong paper, indignantly denying that he had ever asked to be introduced to a ballet girl, but he spelled the word "Hong Kong," which the editor cruelly remarked was inexcusable in even a future hereditary legislator.

TRYING TO SERVE TWO MASTERS.

It is hard to understand the Toronto Mail on the question of loyalty. Its position is most uncertain and its sentiments most changeable. When any of the party chiefs thunder against Independence and impulsively pledge the support of Canada in arms, men, and money to Great Britain, the Mail shouts "Yes, we will," and endorses the ultra loyal declarations in the most emphatic style.

always, or it must be England; the two cannot hold one and the same position. Loyalty divided between the two is like a person sitting on two stools, it will inevitably collapse, just as it has done in the case of the Mail.

THE ARCHBISHOP OF CASHEL.

The Irish Episcopate have always been noted for their devotion to fatherland as well as to faith. But at the present time the nation seems to be most singularly favored in its long line of patriots among that learned and respected body. At the head of these prelates who are the warm advocates of the people's rights as well as their faithful guides and counsellors in matters spiritual, stands the illustrious Archbishop of Cashel, upon whose shoulders the mantle of John of Tuam and of St. Lawrence O'Toole fits so well.

These sentiments evidently touched a chord in the Archbishop's heart, for he replied in eloquent and feeling terms and reaffirmed his fidelity and devotion to the cause of Ireland.

The next fallacy of our contemporary is its contention that the man who owns large blocks of real estate should have greater power and control at the polls and more representation in the Council than the man who has no property.

ON THE WARPATH.

THE Orangemen in Newfoundland do not appear, from all accounts, to be very much alarmed. It is hard work to train them to be gentle and to make them familiar with and respectful of the ways of civilization.

WHO PAYS THE TAXES—CAPITAL OR LABOR?

Our evening contemporary the Daily Star has come out as the pronounced organ and advocate of capital. It never had much love for labor, but for some time past it has manifested designs that are thoroughly inimical to the interest of the working classes.

It is notoriously the fact that the best class of citizens, the men who have the right to a large proportion of the control of the city's financial affairs, at present hold aloof from municipal affairs. This is injurious to the welfare of the city, but how can they be expected to do otherwise?

We imagined that this was a democratic country, where one citizen was as good as another, but it appears that the organ of bricks and mortar has discovered that there is in the community a "best class of citizens," who are entitled by the possession of the almighty dollar to greater distinction, favor and rights than the "worst class of citizens," who are not the favored ones of fortune.

The ownership of wealth, real estate and prominence, gives no right to the title. The truth of this is amply illustrated in the case of our contemporary. It may be a prominent and wealthy paper, but it does not belong to the "best class of journals," because it lacks honesty and respectability.

In face of these considerations the fallacy of the Star's plea in favor of capital becomes self-evident. That the rich man's property should entitle him to a more potent voice and to more influence in the control of any branch of the civic government than what would be enjoyed by the non-property man, is perfectly preposterous and would not be tolerated for a moment.

ere should be appointed to watch over them and prevent them from exercising undue violence and intimidation towards their neighbors. It does not convey to the outside world a very high idea of their gentleness or of any other civilized instinct, to be told that a British man-of-war had to be despatched to the scene of a furious Orange outbreak at Bay Roberts to protect the lives of the Catholic inhabitants, and that the United States Consul had to demand from the Governor of the island protection for the lives and liberty of American citizens from the hands of infuriated Orangemen.

THE YEAR'S CROP OF FAILURES.

The number of mercantile failures which took place throughout the Dominion, as reported to Messrs. Dun, Wiman & Co. within the past year, is additional proof of the deep depression which continues to prevail.

Table with 3 columns: Year, Number, Liabilities. Rows for 1884, 1883, 1882, 1881, 1880, 1879, 1878.

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The Gazette of this morning says that from this analysis of the mercantile mortality throughout the country, it is evident that "the increase was local rather than general." How our contemporary can make that out is more than we can understand.

A. M. SULLIVAN NATIONAL TRIBUTE

Table listing names and amounts for the National Tribute to A. M. Sullivan. Includes Edward Murphy, James O'Brien, M. Loughman, etc.

ST. GABRIEL T. A. & B. SOCIETY.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS. At a meeting of this society, held on Sunday, 4th inst., the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President and Rev. Director, Rev. J. Salmon; 1st Vice-President, Tobias Butler (re-elected); 2nd Vice-President, John Cogan; Secretary, Thos. J. Sweeney; Treasurer, P. Doyle; Librarian, T. Doyle; Grand Marshal, E. Warron; Assistant marshals, Bernard Taylor and Edward Storey.

IRISH CLAIMS IN THE COMMONS.

LONDON, Jan. 6.—The only new project the Irish party will introduce at the next session of Parliament will be the Local self-government scheme, to establish county boards, &c. The question of National Home Rule will be left until the new parliament is elected.

READ THIS

For COUGHS and COLDS there is nothing equal to DR. HATFIELD'S SOUTHERN RED PINE. Every bottle of it is warranted and can, therefore, be returned if not found satisfactory.