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Six out of seven octogenarians in the
British House of Commons are Liberals.
Selfishness rarely promotes longevity.The Marquis of Lorne is reported to be
a first-class Highland dancer; but his
brother-in-law, Prince Battenberg, beats
him hollow as a "reeler," or "thorpe" from
the old world as very misleading.DR. BURGESS, the well-known lunacy
expert, has been lecturing on snakes in
Hamilton. The reports do not say whether
the Doctor drew his illustrations from the
experience of bibulous experts in that
wicked city—vide Rev. J. S. Ross—or from
the Beverly swamp.The London Free Press asserts that mem-
bers of the Ontario Legislature draw \$1,000
a year for their services. That may be the
indemnity which the Tory leaders would
be prepared to vote M.P.'s, if they should
at any time obtain power, but while a Lib-
eral Government holds the purse strings
the legislators have to jog along on \$600.The only addition needed to make the burst
Arizona dam as big a life-destroying success
as the dam above the Johnstown Valley was
plenty of human beings. The dam was
there, the floods came, and the valley
was swamped. The catastrophe, however
enough, but it would have been much worse
if the district had been thickly populated.
Damned waters are hard things to con-
trol, and the human race is slow to take
warning where self-interest intervenes.LA MINERVE, the leading Tory organ in
Quebec, reports that Sir John Macdonald
has granted \$5,000 to build a bridge at
Prince Albert, N. W. T., where the Meis
have been clamoring for work. The
chronicle points to this as a proof of Mac-
donald's constant and benevolent care of the
French-speaking population. It was only the
other day that the Tory leader informed
the House that he and his associates had
granted separate schools to this Province,
and he is also on record as saying that the
right to use French as well as English in
Canada was confirmed by the Tory party,
after it had been denied away back in the
'40's. Evidently the Tory leader is again
prepared to let the French-Canadians have
pretty much what they ask for, knowing
that the stalwart Tories will stand by him
and Messrs. Langerin and Chapleau no
matter what they do.SIR RICHARD CARTWRIGHT, in speaking
before the New York Board of Trade the
other day, spoke strongly against the
assumption that Canadians were prepared
to yield their legislative independence in
exchange for freedom of trade, however
desirable unrestricted reciprocity may be.
He said:One thing is certain. To propose to the
people of Canada to surrender their allegiance
to every sentiment of manliness and self-respect
against such a proposal, the connection of
Canada with Great Britain is purely voluntary.
British statesmen are even ostentatious
in offering to let her settle her own destiny.The member for South Oxford is right.
There is no reason to believe that unre-
stricted reciprocity would in any sense im-
pair the autonomy of Canada, or be any-
thing but a benefit to the great mass
of our people. At the same time, we
believe that it would be beneficial
to both countries, on the broad ground
that all trade is beneficial to the traders,
or it would not long continue. If we buy
from the States, the people will take good
care that they get our products in exchange
for what we import; and if they buy from
us, we, on our part, will be equally exact-
ing. There are some fools left in the coun-
try yet, who hold that the foreign trade is
an injury; but we notice that they take
good care to boast about the extension of
that trade, when it is supposed to be pro-
moted by their political friends. The fact
is we cannot have too many markets for
our products.

BE WARNED!

The Monetary Times warns the Dominion
Government that if the changes in the
tariff, notice of which has been given, are
such as to increase the taxation on com-
modities required by the people, as they are
likely to be, there will be a big increase of
wandering. Our commercial contemporary
argues with the ADVERTISER that the
present is a very inopportune time in which
to increase the taxation of the people. Such
an increase would be detrimental to a
marked degree to the agriculturalists of the
country, and its effect would be to force
our merchants and manufacturers. Here
is what the Monetary Times says.The Canadian farmers ought not to be called
upon in their present condition, to bear un-
necessary burdens for the benefit of any other
class. Their wealth is down to the minimum,
below those of many other industries. The
protection afforded them is a very important
factor in their prosperity. The increase of
taxation, and the consequent increase of
costs, would be a serious blow to the agri-
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blow to the agriculturalists. The increase of
taxation would be a serious blow to the agri-
culturalists. The increase of taxation would
be a serious blow to the agriculturalists.farmer will revolt against a practice of which
he is made the chief victim.There is just this fear that emissaries
from the ranks of those benefited by high
taxation will manage to stir up enough
race and religious discussion in the country
to divert the attention of the people from
the one great necessity of to-day—a de-
crease in taxation sufficiently large to
enable the workers to live in decent com-
fort. It is a trick which the Tory boot-
lickers and ringsters have. They would like
nothing better than to see the farmers and
wage-earners flying at each other's throats
over differences of opinion about the ex-
penditure of a few thousand dollars on
about the right of children of French-
speaking parents to be taught their A B
C's in their own language until such time
as they can be taught English. While the
turbulent of this sentimental question goes
on, the Dominion plunderers could draw a
few millions more out of the tax-paying
public without a grumble. It is such a con-
dition of affairs which men like David
Creighton, D'Alton McCarthy and Charley
Rykert would like to see brought about.
And they all work, by different agencies, to
secure their object.

FREE EDUCATION IN ENGLAND

The proposal to establish free education
in England, which Lord Salisbury favors, is
not proving to be very acceptable in some
quarters, and especially among the Wes-
leyans. This denomination has three or
four normal schools for training teachers in
the country, and at one of their annual
meetings held a few days ago the projected
free education scheme was very strongly op-
posed. The principal of one of the normal
schools, Rev. Dr. Greaves, took the ground
that the tone of national education would
be lowered by the operation of the system
of free schools, that parental responsibility
would be lessened and that there would be
strikes and demonstrations on the part of
the children. As to its probable effects
upon the Wesleyans, he believed that it
would destroy many of their schools, lower
the standing of the scholar and the tone of
education in all the best voluntary schools,
and reduce enormously the large amount
now received in those schools for the ex-
penditure of local control. When Foster's Ele-
mentary Education Act was passed in 1870 the
Methodists came to two conclusions, the
reverend doctor said, the first of which was
to stand resolutely to their own Wesleyan
day schools, and the other to seek to estab-
lish un denominational schools within a
reasonable distance of each family in the
country. It would have been folly, he
said, to part with their schools in 1870, if
it would be madness to do so now. The prin-
cipal of another of those training
schools, Rev. Dr. Riggs, was not
less outspoken in his opposition to free edu-
cation, partly because of its effect on the
schools of the denomination, but chiefly be-
cause in his opinion it would be a retro-
grade step. And in support of this view
he quoted a few exceptional extracts from
the report of the Commissioner of Edu-
cation at Washington. The President of
the Conference also joined in condemnation
of the proposed free system and declared
that as Wesleyans "they were strongly
pledged to the maintenance of voluntary
schools and to the support especially of
their own Wesleyan schools." What a pity
that on a subject of this importance the
Wesleyans of England could not have the
benefit of the advice of their brethren in
Ontario, where for many years the people
have enjoyed a system of free education,
established under the direction of an able
Methodist minister. Another view of the
matter is taken by Dr. Percival, head
master of Rugby, who stated his conviction
to be that the truly Conservative policy
was not to resist the democratic wave, but
to meet it as it rode upon it safely rather
than be overwhelmed. He felt that if the
system of free education was to be adopted,
un denominational schools should be placed
within the reach of all parents, and he
pressed a hope that the clergy and other
supporters of church schools might see the
advantage of adopting a conciliatory
policy on the point. It is not an easy task
in any country for a Government to please
the clergy in educational affairs, but there
are not many countries in which this task
is easier than in our own Province. Our
experience is old enough to enable us to
give a word of counsel to Old England.THE BOY PRETENDER.
When the juvenile Duke of Orleans ar-
rived in France the other day and asked
liberty to take his place in the ranks of the
army, most people regarded the application
as a boyish frolic, unworthy of being ele-
vated into a national question. It is true
that the Duke belongs to a family of pre-
tenders to the French throne, and that
they are at present under banishment from
the country. But as there has been none for
twenty years, and the contention of the
rulers of to-day is that the republic is
now stronger than ever it has been, it did
seem a very small matter to raise such a
hubbub about. Yet President Carnot and
his Cabinet have been very much worried
about what to do with the boy pretender.
They have debated early and late as to
whether they should carry out the sentence
of two years' imprisonment for the viola-
tion of the law forbidding him to enter
France, or whether they should suspend the
sentence and send him quietly
back to the frontier to resume his
studies, and reflect on the magnanimity of
the republic. The President favored the
more lenient course, and accordingly on
Saturday night the Duke was placed on a
train that was intended to convey him to
the Spanish frontier, when up dashed a
troop of officials with a Government order
to take the offender back to jail. This
order, the dispatches inform us, was dic-
tated by M. Constans, Minister of the In-
terior, who has always favored the most
rigorous application of the law, but it was
not sanctioned by President Carnot till his
Government was threatened by a series of
complications arising out of the announce-
ment that the Radicals in the Chamber
would demand a similar pardon for other
fugitives against the republic.

The situation is indeed awkward for the

Government, and its theatrical side will no
doubt make a strong impression on the
populace. In one sense of the word, the
Duke of Orleans had a perfect right to pre-
sent himself in Paris. He asserted that his
motivation was to obey the law calling on every
Frenchman, on attaining the age of 21, to
expressly declare to the Government that he
was not to be bound on all
French citizens, and as the members of the
Orleans family, although forbidden to reside
in France, have not been deprived of citizen-
ship, it may be plausibly contended that the
young Prince did but do his duty in trying
to enlist as a common soldier. No
matter how it turns out, therefore, the
prestige of the present French rulers stands
a good chance of being impaired by the
visitation and imprisonment of the youth-
ful Royalist. Had his offer to serve in the
ranks been accepted, he would probably
have acquired a strong hold upon the good-
will and confidence of the masses of the
people. Should the Government, on the
other hand, be forced by the pressure of the
Chamber of Deputies to complete his harsh
punishment for wishing to share the hard-
ships of the common soldier, his treatment
may provoke an outbreak of popular sym-
pathy. The Government has already ex-
empted the Duke of Anjou from the opera-
tion of the law exiling his family from
France on the ground that he had munifi-
cently contributed to the encouragement of
French literature by his gift of the palace
and domain of Chantilly to the French
Academy. It could scarcely afford to be
less generous towards his grand-nephew,
who has refused to exempt himself from the
conscription which presses so heavily
on every son of France.Then it must not be forgotten that the
move on the part of the heir to the claims
of the old monarchy was taken after his
father had unequivocally adopted the
principle of universal suffrage. The plebi-
cite is now a fundamental feature of the
Orleanist as well as of the Bonapartist
programme. The Count of Paris has sense
enough to see that the day has gone by
when monarchy could be restored by vio-
lence in France. It can only replace the
republic if it is demanded by the over-
whelming majority of the people of
France. Is such a change likely? A
good deal will depend on the success of the
next "conflict of arms" in which France is
a participant. If the Republic falls to
come out on the top, then the Monarchy
may have a chance. The French have
rarely any use for those who fail, as the last
Napoleon discovered to his cost.REV. DR. RYCKMAN, formerly of London,
pins his faith to the North Pole as the prob-
able site of the Garden of Eden. In a re-
cent lecture, he pointed out that there must
have been a first home somewhere, and he
endeavored to prove from scientific argu-
ment that this first home was at the North
Pole, presenting most interesting statements
from eight different branches of science. One
of the chief points of argument was that in
the northern regions, fossils of plants and
animals were found which are peculiar to
southern regions or torrid zone, and several
fossils have been found of trees such as are
now found in California, showing that in
the far north a tropical climate was once en-
joyed. The lecturer drew attention to
Siberia as being the chief source of supply
for ivory. Excavations revealed mammoths,
which nature abandoned, frozen together,
which must have been there at least 2,000
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