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God s in his heaven, All's right with the world. -[BROWNING

Never bear more than one kind of trouble at a time. Some people bear three kinds-all they have had, all they have now, and all they expect to have. -[EDWARD EVERETT HALE.

London, Saturday March 24,

THE LONDON ADVERTISER, with its morning and evening editions, covers the ground. With one exception, it is THE ONLY EARLY MORNING DAILY IN ONTARIO, outside of To-

-Only those communications to which the writers are willing to have their names appended in print will be published in these columns. Neither the writing nor the pubscation of anonymous letters can be justified.

-The Toronto Telegram pertinently asks: Does N. Clarke Wallace wish to intimate that the salvation of Protestantism in This its Hour of Peril is his own adhesion to a paying job ?

P. D. McCallum, M. P. P. for East ambton, now explains that he refused to e introduced to the Legislature by Dr. Ryerson. This disclaimer follows another the hot-headed Toronto doctor's breaks.

THE FAMOUS "FACTS."

A correspondent asks us, for the information of many friends of his, to pubish a summary of the famous "Facts for the Irish Electors," issued as a campaign ocument by Mr. W. R. Meredith and his friends ten years ago, and at the same time e wishes us to detail the circumstances under which the famous incendiary mani-

We make history so rapidly in these days that it is hard to keep track of the turnings and twistings of the opponents of Sir Oliver Mowat, or to regard any attitude that they may take up as really in earnest. but we have no hesitation in replying to our correspondent.

"Facts for the Irish Electors" was a impaign sheet issued by the Conlectors of Ontario, and was headed "A aithful Record of How the Reformers and onservatives Have Treated the Irish cople." The sheet was prepared by a gentleman in the employ of the Conservative party. He received his salary from the Conservative organizer, H. H. Smith, of Peterboro. C. W. Bunting, editor of the Conservative organ, gave instructions as to the character and scope of the document, and, by previous arrangement, Sir John Macdonald, W. R. Meredith and C. W. Bunting were each handed proofs of the corrected sheet. Each are credited with having made suggestions as to the alterations plete and each is reported to have given special orders that it should be very largely pirculated among the Irish Catholics. now that many thousands of copies of the ppeal were circulated, that it was regarded y the Conservative managers as first-class ampaign literature when placed in the ands of Catholic voters and that in fact ven the exposure of the hollowness of its ontentions did not prevent the Conservave canvassers from continuing its wholeale distribution, to the injury of the lowat Administration in that campaign.

The "Facts" issued by Mr. Meredith and is friends in the desperate effort of 883-which, by the way, was followed by e infamous bribery plot by which it was ught to buy enough Liberal members to we Mr. Meredith a majority-urged the atholic electors to raise among themselves e sectarian cry-to consider who had e history of the country, and to remember at while Mr. Mowat voted against the tablishment of separate schools in tario, Sir John Macdonald and all of his supporters voted their establishment. This precious cument next proceeded to berate Mr. wat for passing the act respecting n incorporation, though Mr. Mowat d refused to grant a special act for that titution. Then comes a sectional appeal Catholics of Irish origin, who were asked Mr. Meredith and his friends to turn Mowat out of power because he had put an Irish Catholic in his Cabinet.

Cabinet, the same men who circulated the Facts "(?) will traduce and misrepresent Sir Oliver Mowat for making the selection they were so ready to demand when Hon. Mr. Fraser, a Canadian Catholic, was Commissioner of Public Works. The "Facts" further denounced Hon. Mr. Fraser for urging in a public address that "all this arguing about Scotch and English and Irish" was out of place, and that as threefourths of the people of Ontario were native Canadians, "if representation was to be regulated and directed and governed by nationality, there should be some consideration given to those whose nationality was Canadian." Mr. Meredith and his friends called this patriotic sentiment a 'species of know-nothingism," and condemned Mr. Fraser for not joining in the outcry that the "Reform party denies the Catholic people their fair share of representation in the councils of the people and the emoluments of office." Further on Mr. Meredith and his friends pointed out that Mr. Fraser had said that he had confidence that Mr. Mowat would give fair play to the Catholic people, but, added Mr. Meredith and his associates, "Mr. Mowat has always

been their enemy."

Having thus poisoned the minds of the Catholic electors against Mr. Mowat and his Administration, it was not a very difficult operation for these mischief makers to proceed to prove that if Mr. Mowat was the Catholic enemy (not "the common enemy") Mr. W. R. Meredith was the very leader who would attend to their every want. After eulogizing our former fellow-townsman (now the city solicitor of Toronto), the 'Facts" quoted from a speech made by Mr. Meredith in January, 1883, in which he said: "I recognize the right of the Catholic authorities to give their advice and to make inquiry with respect to what books are used in our high schools in which the children might be taught." This unique tirade against Mr. Mowat proceeded to assert that "Mr. Meredith would, if returned to power, take an Irish Catholic into his Cabinet; Mr. Mowat wants no Irishman in his Ministry." Could contemptible sectional appeals get further down than that? Then followed a denunciation of the "Scotch Grit" as all that is bigoted and intolerant, and afterwards an argument and statistics to prove that the Catholic people of the Province do not get a fair share of the offices and of the money spent in the Province. And so on railed at the Liberals for their discrimination against the Catholics, especially in the Province of Ontario, and especially by the agency of the Mowat Government.

It is a very short time since Mr. Meredith and his friends circulated this "Facts for the Irish Electors' among the Catholics of Ontario. The Mowat Government remained in power in spite of the attack, which doubtless misled some of its friends. But the Mowat Government did not change its policy. It denied the truthfulness of the assumptions made in this infamous appeal to race and religious sentiments. It proved by its records that it treated the Catholic electors as it treated the Protestants, meting out justice to all with an even hand. That its record was satisfactory to the large majority of the electors has been proved by their generous indorsation of the Liberal policy.

If the policy of Sir Oliver has not changed in the past ten years, at which time the veteran Premier was assailed for his utter neglect of the Catholic people, how comes it now that Mr. Meredith, the city solicitor of Toronto, and his coadjutors so persistently insist that the Ontario Administration treats the Catholic population with more than due consideration? How comes it that Dr. Ryerson, chief lieutenant, loses no opportunity to insinuate that Sir Oliver has given the Catholic people more than their rights? How comes it that the compilers and circulators of "Facts for the Irish Electors" persistently assert that the Catholic employes of the Province are far greater in proportion to the population than they ought to be? These are questions which the incendiaries cannot answer in a straightforward manner, for the reason that in regard to this question, as well as with reference to other matters, they have no fixed policy. They drift about, like rudderless vessels, pining for the haven of office, and trying every expedient to get there. When "Facts for the Irish Electors" was issued, their hope was to sail into office by the aid of the misled Catholic population. That did not succeed, and the bribery plot that followed it also failed. Then came the anti-Catholic agitation which, in one shape or another, has been made to do duty ever since. The electors who, under the same conditions that now exist, were asked to rise en masse against Mr. Mowat because he utterly ignored them in the conduct of public affairs, have since been dubbed "the common enemy," and Mr. Meredith's lieutenants have openly sympathized with the movement to deprive them of their rights as citizens, and that without so much as a mild rebuke

from our former fellow-citizen. One of these days the general election will take place, and the portends all indi-

these days an Irish Catholic does join the back. Then it need surprise no one to see issued a new and enlarged edition of "Facts for the Irish Electors," with a return to the programme indicated in that remarkable appeal. Defeat sooner or later brings a somersault in the tactics of the enemies of Ontario's Grand Old Man.

> PUBLIC OFFICIAL COMMISSION. The tollowing have been appointed commissioners to inquire into the best method for appointing and paying Provincial officials: Chancellor Boyd, president of the High Court of Justice; Mr. Thomas Brooks, Brantford township, and Mr. J. J. Hobson, of Guelph township, two of the leaders in Ontario agriculture, and Mr. J. J. Mason, ex-mayor of Hamilton, an expert business man.

This commission, we believe, will have the confidence of the people. The commissioners are empowered to ascertain and report all material facts bearing on all the different modes of selecting and paying provincial officials. Their report on the subject will materially aid the Legislature in reaching a correct conclusion in regard to a question upon which decidedly different views have been expressed throughout the Province.

ONLY TEMPORARILY INFLATED.

[Dundas Banner.] Before the session began at Toronto Dr. Ryerson seemed to be about as big as a whale. Since then he seems to have shrunk up to the size of a sprat.

BRUCE.

The ice disappeared from Wiarton Bay this year ahead of any season in seventeen years, at which time no ice formed there at ESSEX.

Windsor is troubled about getting a purer water supply. The river water is being analyzed. A better system of draining and plumbing will be considered. A check for \$28,000 was on Thursday given to Mrs. James McKellar, of Windsor, that being the amount of life insurance her deceased husband carried.

ELGIN Richard Johnston, lot 2, Gore of Aldborough, struck a very strong vein of natural gas on Tuesday at 125 feet. Difficulty was had in controlling it owing to want of piping, but this has been overcome. The St. Thomas Liberals have added 150 names to the Provincial lists and the Conservatives 75.

KENT The rate of pay enjoyed by Chatham police is \$1 23 per day. The council wouldn't make it the even \$1 25. And the policeman's day is a long one, often including the whole

Wm. Deo has exchanged his farm near Rearville for 320 acres in Manitoba, fifteen miles west of Brandon. Three masked men, by means of a ladder,

tried to enter the house of Senex Bannister, North Chatham, Wednesday night. The inmates heard them and scared them off. A colored man, Thomas Harris, has been arrested on suspicion. An operation was performed by Dr. Sivewright at the Chatham Hospital Wednes-

day on Nancy Williams, who was nearly stoneblind through opacity of the cornea. Her sight was almost perfectly restored. The skin grafts on the face of little Mary Finlay, of Chatham, have taken root. The victim was badly scalded and the hospital nurses bravely offered the grafts from their

LAMETON. The Dresden Times understands that Mrs. Cornell is to enter damages for the loss of her husband and three children in the recent explosion accident at Vale's mill,

Arkona residents are working hard for railway connection. The Dominion Government will be asked for the \$3,200 per mile bonus.

Robert H. Herbert, a well known resident of the township, passed away on Saturday at his home near Warwick village. He filled the position of township auditor for a number of years, and was also an active worker in St. Mary's Church. Thos. Steadman's son, East Enniskillen, who recently had the cap of his knee split open with the bit of an axe, will be crippled

MIDDLESEX.

Amasa and Wellington Smith, of Ailsa Craig, are moving to Tennessee this week, where they intend making their home, as they have taken up land.

A Delaware correspondent writes: "Our jeweler, Mr. Jones, has not been seen in the village since a week ago last Friday. It is curmised that he has gone to the old sountry to his sister as he is in very delicate health. He leaves some of our merchants and the hotel keeper to mourn his loss to a considerable extent. A few watches that he was repairing are also

Strathroy business organizations will take immediate steps to connect that town Rev. Dr. Beaumont has been elected mayor of Parkhill.

The death is announced of Mr. John Powell in the 78th year of his age. Deceased was born in England, but was a pioneer of Williams, Canada. For several years he lived at Springbank, but went to Ailsa Craig about two years ago. PERTH.

Mayor Davis, of Mitchell, [will represent South Perth at the approaching meeting to be held in Ottawa to ask the Dominion Government to pass a prohibitory liquor

Ernest Mann, who claims Toronto as his residence, appeared in the police court at Stratford to answer to the charge of bigamy. The prisoner was committed for trial at the Spring Assizes. He asked especially that his first wife should be summoned, as he wanted to have both wives present at the trial. William Wady was tried on five different charges of larceny, and was sentenced to five years in the Kingston Penitentiary.

WEILINGTON. The Guelph Maple Leafs have formed a strong ball club for 1894.

H. P. Downey, a traveler for a large shoe factory in St. Roches, Quebec, died at the General Hospital, Guelph, on Thursday. He arrived in the city on the verge of delirium tremens, was suddealy taken ill and died in a short time. He was 30 years old and s smart business man.

WENTWORTH. Lorenzo Bishop, Lynden, had a goose that laid an egg ten inches one way and thirteen the other. When broken it had three full-

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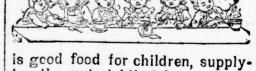
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