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MR: BORDEN'S EXPLANATION.

Some fault has been found with Mr. Borden, leader of the Conservative not putting the party on record in the matter of the Chamberlain idea. Buc the fault-finders have been astray 'n attributing a wrong motive to

Mr. Borden has stated that he went to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, during the last session of parliament, and offered the support of the opposition in a body if the government would introduce a resolution in the house in support of Mr. Chamberlain's idea. 'And he further explains in these words:

"But nothing was done by the government, nor one word said by Sir Wilfrid Laurier to encourage Mr. Chamberlain by showing the people of the mother country what the feeling of the vast majority in Canada is concerning a policy calculated to bind the empire in a bond of commercial interest as well as of sentiment and mutual sympathy. Mr. Borden believed that Mr. Chamberlain's policy, if adopted, would result in the raising of the value of all farm property in Canada 25 to 50 per cent. If it were asked. Why had not the opposition submitted a resolution favoring imperial reciprocity? he would say that it would not look well in Great Britain to see the proposition voted down in the parliament of Canada. That terests involved in the success of the preferential trade has far transcended those of party."

This, then, is the situation: Sir Wilfrid Laurier could have carried a Chamberjain resolution. He commands his own following, and he was offered all the votes in the opposition. Had he embraced the opportunity a resolution approving the Chamberjain idea would have passed the house without a contra vote. But Sir Wilfrid Laurier was afraid of the Bourassa-Monet section of the Quebe electers, which is vicious affection of the Quebe electers, which is vicious affection of the Quebe electers, which is vicious affection of the Complex of the Comp of the Quebec electors, which is viclently opposed to closer relations with Great Britain, and he was obliged to refuse Mr. Borden's offer.

Of course Mr. Borden could then have put himself and his party on record by proposing a resolution himself and pressing it to a wote. But, as he explains, that would have been detrimental to the cause: that would have hampered the movement Mr. Borden was anxious to help. And besides, Mr. Borden had already placed the opposition in respect of the Chamberlain question by his offer to Laurier. And, moreover, Mr. Borden further commits the opposition to the assistance of Chamberlain by his present atti-tude in favor of the Chamberlain idea. Speaking of Mr. Borden's explanation the Ottawa Journal, an inde-

pendent newspaper, says:
"Good enough, Mr. Borden. The Journal has to retract any criticism it has implied of the Conservative leader, for the inaction of parliament, on this question of such vast importance to the Dominion.

"The Journal, in an open letter which is addressed to Sir Wilfrid Laurier in the ression, urged a parliamentary declaration of Canada's sense of the great value a British trade preference would be to this country. His sense of that value Sir Wilfrid and himself stated-prior to Mr. Chamberlain's move. Canada's sense of that value, the Govern ments of Canada had repeatedly stated-prior to Mr. Chamberlain's move. Appeals for such a preference our Governments had made again and again-prior to Mr. Chamberlain's move. Mr. Chamberlain mov-ed. He jumped into a light for what Canada had asked. He staked reputation, friends, comfort and power on the issue. Then the Canadian Government and parliament became silent, and the enemies and opponents in England of Mr. Cham-berlain and his ideas proclaimed that Canada was indifferent, was even

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"In the open letter which the Journal addressed to Sir Wilfrid Laurier appealing for a declaration on the subject by the Dominion parliament, surprise was expressed that Mr. Borden had been as silent as the Government. Mr. Borden now explains why. He was ready move; he proposed to Sir Wilfrid Laurier that parliamentary action be taken; he received no answer and he dropped the matter because he wished to give no excuse to the Government to reject a motion in a way that might injure the cause of imperial preferential trade. It is a fair explanation. Mr. Borden stands comparatively clear of responsibility for the silence of parliament in the face of the greatest business op-portunity that has ever been offered to a nation. Still, we believe

Little Ones

any sort.

A mother living in Charleston, Mass.,
the happy possessor of four children,
writes: "Every fall and winter I have
laid in a stock of cough medicines, croup
mixtures, and throat remedies for my
little children, for somehow or other mey never seemed to be free from colds, oroup or sore threat.

"This fail I made a change in the usual program. I had myself been cured of an obstinate catarrh, from which I had suffered for years, by Stuart's Catarrh Tableis, and as they were pleasant to take, I determinend to try them with my children. Our family physician told me hence them to be perfectly safe and nothing better could be taken. So I gave them to the children and have continued to do so ever since, whenever there is the least sign of croup or sore throat, and I

it would have been good political might be a good thing from a party point of view, but he believed the in-

YOUNG LADIES, READ THIS.

ROOSEVELT'S MESSAGE.

Characterist's Comments of the London Press.

London, Dec. 9. - The St. James Gazette, in its comment on President Roosevelt's message, says he paid a high and deserved tribute to the judicial impartiality of the proceedings of the Alaska tri-

London, Dec. 9.— The Daily Telegraph commends the President's reference to the question of dealing with the trusts "as sound common sense," and says his allusion to the settlement of the Alaska boundary difficulty is "in the best of taste."

of taste."

The Daily News views with some alarm the entrance of the United States into world politics, and says:
"America is fortunate in opening an aggressive diplomatic career with statesmen as able as President Roose-velt and Secretary of State Hay, but she will not always be so favored and must prepare her citizens for heavy burdens, such as Europe has to bear. American squadrons will soon be rapidly multiplying in number and in strength. Let us hope that the world's peaceful instincts will grow at the same pace."

DOWIE SUCCESSFUL.

Again Controls Zion City and its Industries.

Ohicago, Dec. 3.—John Alexander Dowie is again in control of Zion City and all its industries. This turn in the affairs of the head of the Christian Catholic Church followed a financial showing made this afternoon which satisfied all creditors who had made a formal motion before Judge Köhlsast to have the receivership of Dover.

D. McKenzie had his hogs killed by the Government Inspector on Friday last. Mr. McKenzie has met within any of the creditors, Judge he motion by any of the creditors. Judge he motion by any of the creditors, Judge he motion by any of the creditors. Judge he motion by any of the creditors, Judge he motion by any of the creditors. Judge he motion by any of the creditors, Judge he motion by any of the creditors and receivers bloam the first and its able to be out to the network to be out for the counter of Baldoon, and the cold councillors of Baldoon, and the cold council

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Frank Eagan has arranged for the shipment of five thousand turkeys this week.

John McHurdy has left for Vermont to spend Christmas at Peter Legrand.

Thom is Breen has the contract of bedding stock cars at one dollar a load.

load.

Joseph Lefare spent Sunday at Albert Poland's.

Miss McDonald has resigned teaching the R. C. S. No. 4, Radeigh, and expects a position as bookkeeper in F. B. Stevens elevator.

Thomas Bean spent Sunday evening at Thomas Druce's.

Miss Lizzie Murphy has returned after visiting friends at Datroit and its going to finish learning operating.

ing.
Thomas Buchanan and Albert Mur-phy were visiting friends in Merlin last week.

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EAST BRANCH

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ecovering. Mrs. Roger has returned to her Mrs. Roger has returned to her home in London, after spending a few weeks in this locality.

A. Jenner has purchased a very nobby span of colts. They will make fine drivers.

Thos. Richardson and daughter, Miss F., have returned home from a week's visit at Sweaborg, where they were the guests of Rev. J. D. Richardson, M. A.

The Booth Bros. are moving their stable nearer the barn, and making other improvements.

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Last Thursday was farmers' day at the sugar beet factory in Wallaceburg, Luncheon was served for the visiting farmers, and a good time was spent. The hum of the corn shredder is heard on every side.

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gagements he is kept away from
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tween the acts high class vaudeville
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