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UNDESERVED REPROACH.

It is amusing to see an Opposition led by Mr. Laurier reproaching the Government for want of "spine." Everyone can see that backbone is just what the Opposition and their leader want. On the trade question they have twisted and turned and for part of the year the sooner the advocates wriggled so much that it is quite impossible to predict what position they will take a month hence. Their contortions on this subject have been so wonderful that the spectator is forced to conclude that if they spectator is forced to conclude that if they brigue or political scheming will be of any have any backbone at all it must resemble avail in getting aid for that road. The Govardance above; Stone Roothouse, Store Buildings, Dairy, the spinal column of an eel, and they have ernment that spends or risks the people's shown, too, that they are endowed with the money on it without being reasonably sure proverbial slipperiness of that creature.

as elusive as a jellyfish. On this question they must certainly be pronounced invertebrate. It has hitherto been quite impossible to prevail upon them to stand upright when it is being discussed. As regards it. they have no more backbone than a snow man or a bag of feathers. On it they are literally nowhere. They should be the last people in the world to accuse others of

On the two questions we have mentioned, stitution gives the Dominion Parliament mentare naturally reluctant to ask Parliament Parliament to interfere in what has hitherto they would be justified in trying every posfore proceeding to that extreme.

Just imagine Mr. Laurier in the same position as Sir Mackenzie Bowell. Would he that a Government possessing all the talents mons by the Hon. Mr. Foster yesterday. act with greater promptitude or exhibit is not necessarily an efficient Government. more firmness? Judging by the way he acts These politicians think that if there are one reasonable than the decision arrived at by when his responsibilities are a thousand or two able men in a Government it is per. the Government. They have determined times lighter it is only reasonable to con- haps best if the rest are only mediocrities. clude that he would be completely paral. In a Government in which there are many ence of Parliament until every means to yzed. He would not know how to turn able men, it is argued, there are likely bring about an amicable settlement has been ship's capsizing. The newspapers have puber what to do. His pretty phrases to be disagreements and jealousies tried and has failed. If such a settlement would not avail him then. He and a hurtful division of authority is not arrived at before next January they would be only too glad to take the course If there is a Bismarck, a Gladstone or promise to convene Parliament and introduce the present Government are pursuing; to a Sir John Macdonald in a government are pursuing; to a Sir John Macdonald in a government are pursuing to a sir John Macdonald in a government are pursuing to a sir John Macdonald in a government are pursuing to a sir John Macdonald in a government are pursuing to a sir John Macdonald in a government are pursuing to a sir John Macdonald in a government are pursuing to a sir John Macdonald in a government are pursuing to a sir John Macdonald in a government are pursuing to a sir John Macdonald in a government are pursuing to a sir John Macdonald in a government are pursuing to a sir John Macdonald in a government are pursuing to a sir John Macdonald in a government are pursuing to a sir John Macdonald in a government are pursuing to a sir John Macdonald in a government are pursuing to a sir John Macdonald in a government are pursuing to a sir John Macdonald in a government are pursuing to a sir John Macdonald in a government are pursuing to a sir John Macdonald in a government are pur sible to bring about an amicable settlement matter who they are who form its rank and gers and Caron, who, it seems, have either and to wait until excitement had time to file. These reasoners may be right, for there resigned or signified their intention to cool down and the parties concerned had is after all a good deal to be said in favor of the resign. The action of these gentlemen will, opportunity to reflect. Mr. Laurier cer- one man power, but people generally have a of course, precipitate a crisis. The Govern-

but it would not be either wise or prudent, Whatever may be Mr. Laurier's faults impetuosity and rashness are not among them. The Grite who reproach the Bowell Government as being wanting in "spine" should look at home.

CRUSHED EXPECTATIONS.

Many citizens of Winnipeg of both parties are indiguant because the Government of the Dominion have, on reflection, declined to extend aid to the Hudson's Bay railway. In this they are not altogether so reasonable as they might be. They ought to know that whether or not the money of the people of the Dominion is to be expended on the construction of that road depends a very great deal on what is known about the project in the other provinces of the Dominion. It cannot be expected that the representatives of Ontario or New Brunswick or Nova Scotia will vote for a subsidy to the Hudson's Bay road, or a loan to the company engaged in constructing it, unless they are fully convinced that when it is completed it will be of benefit to the Dominion

It is suspected that the road has been projected not so much for the country as for the men who have undertaken to construct it. The advocates of the road in Winnipeg and elsewhere should spare no exertion to do away with this impression. They should disseminate information relative to the pro-

One of the reasons why the Hudson's Bay lieve that the navigation of Hudson's Bay is so dangerous and so uncertain that it cannot be made a route for vessels engaged in regular trade. Until members are convinced that the Hudson's Bay route is safe and that vessels taking it can make their trips with toerable regularity, it can hardly be expected that they will vote for aid to a road of which Hudson's Bay is the terminus. It is of no use to laugh at men who make

this objection or to curse them. What must be done is to show them that they are wrong-that is, if they are wrong. The honest advocates of the road must be convinced that Hudson's Bay and Strait are navigable for three, four, five or six months of the year, that ships properly constructed can make regular trips on them during an open eason of some considerable length. The facts and arguments which have convinced them that this is the case will be likely to convince others. Why not, then, commence a campaign of education? If it can b proved to the satisfaction of men of ordinary intelligence that Hudson's Bay is navigable of the Hudson's Bay Railroad commence the work of demonstration the better for them and for their project.

We do not believe that Parliamentary intrigue or political scheming will be of any Then, on the other important question be. will be sure to come to grief. On the other they have been as limp as an angleworm and Bay route is to be depended on as an outlet for the produce of the great Northwest nothing will be easier than for those who under take to construct the road to get all the help permit of any hesitation on the part of the Government or of private capitalists.

THE NEW GOVERNMENT.

If it requires men of ability and experience to make a strong Government, the Govwhich are really the only questions of gen-ernment just formed by Lord Saliebury eral interest before the people of this Domin- must be uncommonly strong. It has in it ion, the attitude of the Government has been | the best men of two parties. Lord Salisfirm. They have stood manfally to their guns. bury and Mr. Balfour are admitted to be the They have held fast to the prin- ablest men of the Conservative party, and ciple of protection, and they have the old Liberal party, when it was in its not hesitated on the Manitoba school prime, had not in its ranks two stronger question to do what the constitut men than Lord Hartington and Mr. Chamtion directs. It is only when the Legisla- berlain. These four statesmen are admitture of Manitoba have refused to remedy tedly the leading men of the present Gov. what the Judicial Committee declare to be a ernment. Mr. Goschen has proved himgrievance that they hesitate to interfere self to be a man of great breadth of with provincial legislation. And who that view and administrative ability, and has any sense will not say that they have Sir Michael Hicks-Beach has shown that good cause to hesitate? The position in as a Cabinet Minister he can be active and which the Government are placed by no fault efficient. Lord Lansdowne has seen service of their own is a most difficult one. The con- under more than one Government, and his experience as Governor General of Canada power to act-to over-ride the legislation of and Viceroy of India will stand him in good the Manitoba Assembly—but the Govern- stead in his present position. Mr. Henry Chaplin has also had experience as a Cabinet to do this. Any Government in their position Minister, and he is perhaps as well acwould hesitate before they concluded to ask quainted with the condition of British agriculturists, of all classes, as any man in the been considered one of the most important Three Kingdoms. He is active-minded and of the domestic concerns of a province, and energetic, and if he does not devise some means for the improvement of the agriculsible means of arriving at a settlement be- tural interests of the country we are greatly

There are, however, those who believe

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They should take the proper means to convince both the members of Parliament and the men who vote for them that if the road is built it will conduce to the public

railway project was not approved by Par. In contiguous Blocks; Beautifully watered; forming one of the finest estates in the Province; house and farm buildings, 2000 cattle; 50 to 80 horses; easy approach; good roads; railways projected to property and the estate is in close proximity to some of the best developed, most promising gold mines in the District. The price of the whole is extremely moderate. Principals only treated with.

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of the navagability of the Bay and Strait 7 Miles (about) Standing Fences, in good order; Corralls, &c.

fore the people, that of the Manitoba schools, they have been as limp as an angleworm and Bay route is to be depended on as an outlet Cooking Otensils,

This Property is within easy distance of many of the most important Gold, Silver and Coal Mines in West Kootenay. The soil is the best bottom land, and the locality is one of the few places in the Province where so large a piece of good farm land can be found in one block. A river runs through the property, and rainbow trout are plentiful and afford capital sport. Deer abound in considerable numbers. Bear, Wolf, Coyote and other large game are to be found in the hills. There are two creeks recorded and belonging to the estate, one flows all the year round. Limestone and brick clay are to be had in the valley.

The Cattle are well bred; a much larger herd could be farmed with the place. The bunch grass on the hills in the vicinity covers many thousands of acres, and is available to the few land owners in the valleys. The Climate fs not severe, the station was for many years the winter quarters of the H. B. Co. s pack trains. The Title is Orown Grant. Immediate possession can be given.

The South West Kootenay and Osoyoos Divisions of Yale judging from the actual ore products of the mines to date, are destined in the next year or two to be the richest and most important mineral centres in the world.

These localities are rapidly settling up and as farm land is limited great inducement is offered to any person or corthey need. The benefits to be derived from poration having capital and knowledge necessary to develop and work these estates. A store, hotel and blacksmith shop such a route are too many and too great to could be run in connection with the farm.

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trial in Great Britain in the very near the Government have presumably well con-

will be returned by a fair majority. The result will be it is impossible even to cononly room for dispute is as to the largeness jecture at this moment, but that it will be of that majority. There are some political most serious there cannot be the least doubt. arithmeticians who calculate that Lord Salis- Mr. McCarthy evidently believes that his bury's majority will not be more than thirty, opportunity has arrived, and he is, as our and others who confidently declare that it Ottawa telegram informs us, prepared to will exceed a hundred.

The Government have been prudently retithat Parliament is dissolved and the election pose to take. campaign fairly begun the Government will proclaim their policy. That it will in all essential matters be soundly conservative there is no doubt. But it is also certain that in some particulars it will savor of state socialism. Mr. Chamberlain has hitherto advocated schemes of that sort, and now that he is in power he will likely do what he can giving further details in regard to the surto carry them out. He will be supported by the Conservative Democrats, who have

A CRISIS.

gram from Ottawa that the Ministerial statement was made in the House of Com-Nothing could, in our opinion, be more that a huricane was blowing at the time and not to act hastily or to invoke the interfer-

sidered the step they have taken, and are There is no doubt that the Government prepared to abide by the result. What that act. The Opposition, it would appear, have whose children were playing with matches. remained well in the background. They The shed was in flames and several adjacent ent with regard to their policy. But now have not as yet shown what course they pro. buildings had caught before the nearest fire

WRECK OF THE COLIMA.

WASHINGTON CITY, July 6 .- The acting scretary of state has received a supplemental report from United States Consul Battle, at Acapulco, Mexico, dated June 21, vivors of the wrecked steamer Colima. He went to Manzanillo on the 12th ult., he prepared the British public mind for change wrecked drew of the American schooner says, for the purpose of relieving the shipwrecked crew of the American schooner Hayes, and fortunately found the five men who were on life raft No. 2 from the lost vessel. They landed safely about sixty miles south of Manzanillo, after battling Our readers will see by our special tele- with the elements four days and three nights without food or water.

"I have questioned all of them," said the consul, "as to the causes and incidents that led to the loss of the Colima and all agree the sea very rough, and that a squall and heavy swell came upon them suddenly, and none had time to prepare for the inevitable. Some of them declare that in their judgment the deck hands contributed to the lished some very sensational stories about the affair, which in some instances did a surpassed by any people on earth."

opportunity to reflect. Mr. Laurier certainly is not the man to take the course which he had determined upon in spite of all opposition and regardless of all consecution and regardless of all consecution and the man to take the course all opposition and regardless of all consecution and the man to take the course are found in the Government and in quences to himself and others. Such a course might be considered by some heroic course might be considered to the state the state in lat of course, precipitate a crisis. The Govern mig

RAVAGES OF FIRE. in the history of this place occurred yester-

day and as a result nearly the whole of the to ashes, and upwards of two score of families, and cause a large dynamite bomb just be-neath the cover to explode when the lid was less. The fire was started about 2 o'clock in a shed of a man named Joseph Martin, alarm could be reached. For various reasons there was much delay in getting water on the flames. By this time a dozen dwelling houses and tenements, which were mostly frame structures and built closely together, were on fire and the flames spread rapidly. At 7 p.m., when the fire had church, leave for Quebec on Thursday to burned itself out, 25 dwelling houses were raise funds for the support and maintenance burned itself out, 25 dwelling houses were reduced to ashes and over forty families were homeless. Most of the buildings in the burned district were ewned and occupied by the mill employees and represented their savings for years. Very few of the buildings were insured. The total loss is estimated from \$25,000 as \$20,000. mated from \$25,000 to \$30,000.

sulting in the destruction of Hunt's hotel, Tweed's hotel, Callaghan's tin shop, White's drug store, Brodick's liquor store, Massey-Harris agency, Mrs. Stone's store and dwelling, Cooper's store and the post office, Nixon's store and dwelling, skating rink, Little's blacksmith shop, Rob-inson's jewelry store, Haney's residence and vacant store. Several other buildings were badly scorched. No lives were lost. The losses will aggregate about \$40,000. Insured for about half that amount. HALIFAX, July 8 -Townsend's stable and nine horses were burned here yester.

A CLERGYMAN'S REVENCE.

TACOMA, July 8.—Mrs. Mattie Chambers, of Centralia, has received an infernal machine. Her father says the box containing the machine was addressed to her by a ing the machine was addressed to ner by a minister who was jilted by Mrs. Chambers about a year ago and was last heard from at Raleigh, N.C. A year ago the minister be a part of his programme. Raleigh, N.C. A year ago the minister promised to go away and not press his suit any longer, but later heard a rumor coupling the name of Mrs. Chambers with that of William Hale of Centralia. promised to go away and not press his suit any longer, but later heard a rumor coupling the name of Mrs. Chambers ourse beareness, Dysentery, Celic, Cramps, with that of William Hale of Centralia. He then wrote her several letters objecting

to Hale's attentions. No notice was paid to his missives, and then the infernal machin CORNWALL, Ont., July 8 —The worst fire arrived. It consisted of a box made to hold a physician's thermometer with a piece of sandpaper under the lid. A fulminating suburban village of Lorneville was reduced were arranged to ignite the match and cap, withdrawn. The country postmaster's curiosity probably saved the woman's life, as he pried open the box when he saw the end of the post which has st Dar took t Portle III on said w been st scious IST he talk a might men u Mu

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WINNIPEG WIRINGS.

WINNIPEG, July 8.—(Special)—It is earned that Archbishop Langevin and Rev. Father Guillette, rector of St. Mary's tention to have the drawings take place in the province of Quebec, the tickets being placed on sale in all the chief cities of the Dominion.

John Munroe's feed and sale stables were burned last night at Portage la Prairie.

Indian Agent McKay left Selkirk yesterday for Lake Winnipeg points with the treaty money for the Indians. The total amount was about \$15,000, principally in one dollar bills. He was followed by a large number of traders.

TO FOUND AN EMPIRE.

New York, July 6—A special to the World from Caracas, Venezuela, says: The activity of the political agents of ex President Guzman Blanco makes it evident that dent Guzman Blanco makes it evident that he is in the field to succeed President Crespo. His absorbing ambition is to rule all the northere part of South America. An opponent says his plan will be to induce ambitious people to join their services with him in a wild scheme of consolidating Venezuela. Colombia, Ecuador and Peru into a grand imperial confederation, with himself at its head. His ultimate design is probably to declare himself amperor. guaranteeing