

THE THUNDERER'S OPINION

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Every Vote Cast for New York's Popular Senator—Other Nominees.

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Sir Donald Smith has purchased the Highland estate of Glencoe for £15,000. The shooting on the property is excellent.

Sir John Thompson is expected here shortly. It is said he will be sworn in a member of the Imperial Privy Council.

Neale, the absconding Canadian customs officer, who was arrested here, was remanded until October 2, pending the arrival of a Canadian officer.

THE PROPOSED CABLE.

Vigorous Competition for the Contract Expected.

Ottawa, Sept. 28.—From information received by the department of trade and commerce from a variety of sources it is safe to predict that there will be a considerable number of tenders for the laying and operation of the proposed Pacific cable. The department expects that all the leading cable-making establishments of the world will be in vigorous competition with each other for the contract.

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New York, Sept. 26.—James A. Brown, the auditor of the New York Life Insurance Co. died last night at his home, No. 525 Jefferson avenue, Brooklyn, in his fifty-third year. He was once elected to the assembly by the Republicans of the Ninth district. He was assistant postmaster under Postmaster Lombert and was also a member of the Republican general committee.

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all the agricultural implement in the Dominion are asking for material and no protection. The Messrs. Harris company is an exception. This company is reported to contribute to the Red Parlor and its views prevail. But then the demand is shown when Mackenzie Bowell tells us that this is to compete with the American market, yet they do not protect against the same.

at the doors of the iron face of the Canadian farmer to pay part of the price of the wheat sold in Australia or else no necessity for the duty. Or is a profit is obtained on the importation in Australia, a better one than that the 20 per cent. duty is supposed to contribute to fasten the yoke upon the farmers of the west. These farmers who were a vote for the N. P., which the hens lay bigger eggs, ought their eye teeth cut by this time.

or Bolton of Manitoba, was one who supported the N. P. He has pressed a few days ago as follows: The visits of the leaders of political parties to our western provinces, prior to the general election, are not far distant. I may be told, as one who has been identified with the country since 1869, and a resident in the interior for the years, for lending my experience to the opinion in the west, a judgment upon the political question that are now engaging the attention of the people in their desire to add the material prosperity of the west. The demand for a change of thought, is divided upon the side of the patient—a portion think rates is the ailment, a portion that high tariff is, and as their ties or antipathies go so they vote. A doctor once called to attend a patient who was suffering from an overdose of alcohol, and administering an antidote, he left his patient who was left in a condition that he was to drink whiskey. We are to believe that his patient was still suffering from the disease that was slowly destroying him.

—Confound it, sir! I thought I was to drink no more whiskey but (Windsor) to move I did, I tasted a drop of anything except since you left. I was to abolish the high freight and retain the tariff, or vice versa. I had the saying with me, "I might as well die with the patient and with no results."

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THE DAWN OF FREE TRADE.

Occasionally the search light of a novelist discovers a poet, or novelist the sentimental dreamer in England favors protection. Your contemporary recently undertook an exceedingly shallow view of the free trade, and we were treated to a long leading article to the effect that the policy of England were ready to vote "free trade." Such nonsense is, of course, simply a repetition of the old story of the patient and with no results.

JAPAN'S ADMIRAL.

An Incident During His Term at School.