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GOVERNMENT CONTROL OF LANDS. Some of our contemporaries have bee discussing the question-"Can the govern ment, i. e., the people, review, and if ad visable, amend the contract with the syndisate ?" A correspondent has put this question in answering it in the affirmative.

All power resides in the people. Members of parliament and cabinet ministers are but the servants or agents of the people to whom a certain degree of authority in fact impossible, for the people to exer- a vote with them means a penicise that authority directly. The parliaments of primitive peoples comprise all the male adults of the nation or tribe, who of them. Then again the distinction made gium 58.6 per cent., in Switzerland 55.4 pronounce upon all public matters while in between a municipal and parliamentary per cent., in Italy 61.5 per cent. find it necessary to speak and vote through deputies, but it was never intended by the founders of representative institutions that any body of delegates should be given carte blanche to do wrong. As a matter of fact each parliament claims and exercises the right to review, amend, or repeal the legislation of its predecessor, upon more or less explicit instructions received during the election campaign and at ceived during the election campaign and at the polls. Abandon this right and there is an end to all improvement and reform.

The public domain is the heritage of the people, which cannot be conveyed away from them upon any pretext, save with their own consent. The grant to the syndicate was not an issue in the campaign of 1878. The people were not asked to pronounce upon it it was not thought of. The present parliament was elected to in-crease the tariff, and no fair, logical mind pledges and obeying instructions to do so. But they were not instructed to alienate an moral right to vote away the hundred acres. of John Doe or Richard Roe, of the county of York, as they had to vote away the millions of acres belonging to the whole people. Both parties were committed to the action of the railway, but the terms of the contract should have been submitted to the people.

It has come to be an admitted principle with advanced liberals that the land, like the air and water, belongs to the people, and that although it may be acquired and held upon equitable terms and to a limited extent by individuals, the people have the right to say that it shall not be monopolized by any class or corporation, particularly if it has been acquired by force of arms, confiscation, or unjust acts of parliament. Even the British lords, the most conserva tive of conservatives, have admitted the principle by passing the Irish land bill.

If the syndicate abuse the enormous privileges voted them by the peoples' representatives, it will be the duty of the poeple to put an end to such abuse. Whether the necessity shall arise or not depends upon the members of the syndicate themselves, but there can be no question about the right and power of the people to act if it should arise.

THE PAILURE OF BAILWAY COMPETITION. John Idington, barrister, of Stratford, as a remedy for the injustice to which the eign readers of many Canadian newspapers

His line of argument is that the people Princess Louise is about to return to Canaof this province, in particular, have for da, only to inform them next day that she years been imitating the example of the will not return. There may be a few arisboy who believed the story that there was tocrats to whom the absence of the a cup of gold at the base of the rainbow's lady is a source of sentimental areh, but whose long and toilsome journey regret, and who long to see their names found him as far distant from his objective figure in the reports of vice-regal receptions point as he was at the outset. We have but the masses of the people, while desirous expended millions of dollars in endeavoring of paying all the deference that her highto create railway competition, only to ness' sex and culture entitle her to, are find that we have a little less of it not pining for her presence. They de not now than before. Every projected road wonder that she missed in our lumber capihas been fought by the established corpo tal the surroundings to which she had alrations until their every resource was ex- ways been accustomed, and they recognize hansted, when they took their revenge by her right to choose her own place of abode. gebbling up the property created by the If our climate and our customs do not suit bonuses of the people. The ratepayers her constitution and taste, by all means let and hence the eternal fitness of the term of Stratferd and the county of Perth spent \$150,000 in building the Port Dover, Stratford and Lake Huron line in order to ebtain competition with the Grand Trunk, and now the latter corporation owns the new line, which was

the greed of railway monopolista and ree the just demands of the public matter of tariffs, accommodations and haulage, but admits that he had found the members of the legislature indifferent to the rights of the people when their own constituencies are not directly interested. wenty day cents a month, or \$5.00 a year in ad-the stand Single crises one test. Sold on the crises and by prevention of the cry city and own in Outario, Qurbec, and Manitoba. ambition than to secure votes for themselves, so long the interests of the people subordinated to the exigency and expedience of the hour. Nor are the peo. ple themselves blameless. The majority of hem study the interests of their party more than their own, with the natural consequences. We believe that the time is near at hand when blind adherence to party will be less general than it is now. Until that time arrives Mr. Idington's suggestion will have little chance of being crys-

YOUNG MEN AND THE FRANCHISE.

We would heartily support The World if it advocated a reduction of the franchise all round. Why should we in Orillia town be required to possess three hundred dollars' worth of property, in fee or rental, to enable us to vote, when our neighbors in the township are privileged on two hundred? Why should four hundred be deemed necessary in Toronto when three hundred will answer the purpose here? And why should the income voter be made to pay taxes on an additional hundred before he can claim the privilege of an elector? Every man having a genuine, bona fide stake in the country, attested on the assessment roll, should be a voter, and we would reduce the qualification to the llowest possible limit. If it tion to The World, and we have no hesita- be one hundred dollars, let that sum suffice

tax on an assessment of four hun- The gross receipts per mile in England were ated because it is inconvenient, and dred dollars in most of our towns; \$17,450, in France \$18,600, in the United alty of from six to ten and perhaps twelve dollars—no inconsiderable sum to many 1830 was : in Germany 45 per cent., in Belwas meeting assembled. When the tribe voter is a great absurdity. A man, assess

object to the system of cramming pursued in our schools, the able editor of the evening edition of a morning paper expresses the opinion that the son of a bricklayer, who may be designed for a hod-carrier, should not be given the same public school training as a boy whose intention it is to ultimately study for the law. Hoity, toity, my lord! Why should the son of a bricklayer descend one degree lower in the industrial scale than his father and become will censure its members for keeping their a hod-carrier? And why should not a bricklayer's son aspire to be a lawyer in acre of the people's estate for the benefit of chanic's son has been called to the bar and any syndicate. They had just as good a elevated to the bench on this continent, to the amazement of such aristocrats as our able contemporary, who would cut a poor figure in a controversy with many a mechanic whom we wot of. The ablest journalists, too, that this continent has ever produced, including Franklin and Greeley, received their education in that poor boy's college—the printing office. "Byron was a Harrow boy, but Burns was a plowboy."

> THE MONTREAL DINNER to Mark Twair does not seem to agree with the digestion of a certain Toronto publisher, at whom the selebrated humorist levelled some cruel jests about literary piracy. The publisher's paper makes a laborious effort to laugh away the force of these strictures, but as one reads the criticism upon Twain's postprandial humor, one feels that the critic's sarcasm is worthy of that humor, but the latter consoles himself with the reflection that the humorist's two weeks' sojourn in Canada may not suffice to protect his forthcoming work from piracy. It is rather inconsistent, however, for American publicists to complain of Canadian pirates when their own country swarms with the boldest and most successful literary buccaneers in the world. The fortunes of that truly good firm, Harper Bros., have been built up by pirating the products of British brains. In this instance, as in that of naval privateering, our neighbros have set an example

which they dislike to see followed. WHY TARRY HER chariet wheels? Forproducer, the shipper, and the traveller are must infer that this is the question, which absystematically subjected by the great rail- sorbs the entire attention of the Canadian way corporations, and to suggest a remedy people. Some of our contemporaries are constantly assuring their readers that the

her consult her own predelictions. THE IRISE PROTESTANT CLERGY in the United States appear to be more anti-British than are some of the Roman Catholie bishops of Ireland. The Rev. Dr. Betts, handed over to them by the bonus hunters. an episcopal minister of St. Louis, presided Mr. Idington proposes the creation of a the Chicago convention, and made a the Chicago convention would be convention.

The Rev. Mr. Pepper, Methodist (whose language does not belie his name), of Sandusky, Ohio, said in his thanksgiving day sermon that "in the heart of Protestant Ulster, near the house in which he was born, he found as positive indications of barbarism as could be found in the kraals of the Kaffirs. This was the fault of the British government and the Irish landlords, for the Irish people prosper in commerce and in art in every country save their own." If this be the condition of things in Ulster, which is considered the model province of Ireland, what must it be in Connaught, where the circumstances of the people are admittedly much worse.

THE SHAREHOLDER calls upon the federal government to organize a thorough immi-gration scheme. It deplores the fact that somehow we don't get our share of Europ's surplus people. But while a well organized system of immigration may do a great deal, there is a greater work still undone. We must let the people of Europe see that we are more than colonists : that we look forward to something other than mere dependence; that we hope to become a nation, politically and commercially independent of other countries but friendly with all. We must so manage our affairs that Englishmen on visiting or reading about America will come to see that the United States does not cover the whole continent, but that the foundations of a second great Anglosaxon republic have already been laid to equal of the one to the south of us.

WMY is it that the cost of operating railroads in the United States is so much greater than in Great Britain and most countries on the continent of Europe? The first cost of railroads in England is twice or for all. This would very largely get over three times that in the United States; yet the difficulty as to income voters. Many the cost of operating them in England in clerks and others prefer to go without a 1880 was but 42.4 per cent. of the receipts, vote rather than pay the very substantial and in the United States 58 5 per cent. States but \$6240. The cost of operating railroads on the continent of Europe in

only after all a matter of policy, not of Bill of Connection self-proclaimed time-server is not a valuable champion of a cause.

IF LAND and railway monopolies are ever o be fought in Canada it must be by a new party. Both the old parties are more or less under the influence of the great corporations. That such is the case with the conservatives goes without saying, and that their opponents are tarred with the same old Irish song records a parallel case, where a dog answaring to the same their opponents are tarred with the same old Irish song records a parallel case their opponents are tarred with the same old Irish song records a parallel case their opponents are tarred with the same old Irish song records a parallel case old Irish so such organs as the Montreal Herald and the Winnipeg Free Press. Even the Globe this democratic country? Many a me- gives an uncertain sound upon this issue. The opponents of monopoly will therefore ally themselves with the third party.

> THE MEMBERS of the police force are asking an increase of pay. The rate now is \$1.75 for 1st class, \$1.45 for 2pd, and \$1.25 for 3rd. They ask \$2 for 1st and the others propertionate increase. Considering the nerous nature of their duties and the increased cost of living, the demand is but easonable and ought to be complied with. Toronto has an excellent police force, and if its character is to be kept up to the present high standard, its members must be aid tairly.

THE ATTENTION of the editor of the Dominion Churchman is respectfully directed to, and his strong-worded indignation is earnestly invoked against the Vicar of Epsom, England, who declares that "ne blasphemous hymns" are sung in his church and no "ritualistic fellies" permitted.

Louisville Courier-Jeurnal, says that Deacon Richard Smith of the Cincinnati Gazett, is "a giasticutus." Harry Piper will be after the deacon for his zoo. Harry has been hunting for a speciman of that rare animal for a long time.

When we read that there are eight hundred batchelor Presbyterian ministers in the FRIEND Marshal Murat Halstead, of the

dred batchelor Presbyterian ministers in the Northwest, we cannot too much admire the forethought of brother Pat Ullo in arranging to take a train load of blushing naidens out there.

THE LONDON ADVERTISER has an able take-off on the style of the Mail's able editor, who is descended from the able and ancient Irish kings. It is replete with

EIGHT townships in the county of Ottawa did not give a solitary vote to the rouge candidate. A tory with a constituency like that must feel that he is a solid man.

GRIP misses the mark when it cartoo Mr. Blake as approving of the Globe's sneaking the confidential circulars of the onservative party.

THE PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT has been alled to meet in this city on Thursday, January 12. It assembled on the same late last January. HENRY WARD BEECHER says he has as

this wicked world." THE APPOINTMENT of Mr. Edgar Dew-

west territory is gazetted. -Colored Fires brilliant and cheap, pre-

derived from an Indian name, first given to the bay, signifying "near the great hills." Rhode Island has an obscure origin; the island of Rhodes, the "Island of the Roads," and a Dutch origin, "Red Island," were mentioned, the first seemed to have the best historical support. Connecticut is an Indian name, signifying "land on a long tidal river." New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania. Delaware and Maryland ware Pennsylvania, Delaware and Maryland were passed over. Virginia, the Carolinas and Georgia have a royal origin.
was named from the fact was supposed to contain the portion" of New England. portion" of New England. Vermone has no especial mention, except that it is claimed to have first been an alias—New Connecticitient alias Vermont. Kentucky signifies either a "dark and Connecticient alias Vermont. Remains, popularly signifies either a "dark and bloody ground," or a "bloody river," but its origin signifies "the head of a river," or "the long river." Tennessee comes from its river, the name being derived from the name of an Indian village on the river—"Tanasee." Ohio is named after an Indian name, signifying "something great," with an accent of admiration Indiana with an accent of admiration. Indiana comes from the name of an early land company. Illinois comes from the Indian—the name of a tribe. Michigan is claimed to mean "lake country;" it probably came from the name of the lake, "Great Lake," which bore this name before the land adjacent was named. Louisiana is from the jacent was named. Louisiana is from the French. Arkansas and Missouri are Indian, the former being doubtful; the lat the north with the promise of becoming the equal of the one to the south of us.

It is claimed to mean in its original "muddy water," which describes the river. Iowa is also Indian, with doubtful meaning. Texas is popularly supposed to be Indian, but may be Spanish. Florida is Spanish, "a flowery land." Oregon has a conjectural origin. It is probably In-Oregon has is probably Indian, but a Spanish origin is claimed. California comes from a Spanish romatce of of 1510. Nevada takes its name

romatce of of 1910. Nevana cakes its mane from the mountains, who get theirs from a resemblance to the Navadas of South America. Minnesota is Indian, "skytinted water." Nebraska is variously rendered "shallow water" and "flat country." Kansas is from an Indian root, Kaw, communted by the French. Mississipplis corrupted by the Prench. Mississippi is "great water," or "whole river." Alabama is Indian, the name of a tortress and a tribe, signifying, as is claimed, "here we rest." There are some curious names in the

Mr. London Judge Hamilton, and Misser Avenue Belle, China Figure, and Hebrew

"What's his name?" says the priest; 'Down De nis,' says she; So Down Dennis Bulgruddy they christened me."

Edward Davies arrived destitute at Oshkosh, Wis., and said he had come from Wales to seek his fortune in America. He protested that he did not mind privation for himself, but felt keenly for his wife and children, whom he had left behind. He had not been able to send them any money, and feared they would starve. The Welsh people of Oshkosh obtained employment for him, and he soon became popular among them, singing in their church choir, and for him, and he soon became popular among them, singing in their church choir, and taking an active part in religious affairs. His new friends raised \$200 by subscription to bring over his family, and kept the matter from his knowledge in order that he might be agreeably surprised. He was surprised, indeed, but not pleasurably, by the arrival of his wife, for he had deserted her to elope with another woman, and had made all the arrangements to introduce the latter at Oshkosh as his only consort.

Removing Their Knitting Factory. Barber & Co., who owned the Caledonia

The inability of railroads leading east to secure business at present except at losing rates is causing much apprehensiom among managers. Mississippi barge lines are to bring grain from St. Louis to Liverpool at eleven to twelve cents per bushel. The majority of railway officials, however, do not think a further reduction of the regular rates would increase their business, as the rates would increase their prices are much higher in the east and Europe

Mrs. Edwin Booth is said to have con-templated writing a book about her husband, his appearance in different characters, his opinions of different plays, etc., and had collected much material for such a work. It was to extend through several volumes and be fully illustrated.

PARTRIDGES. Under the alders, along the brooks.
Under the hemlocks, along the hill,
Spreading their plumage with furtive looks,
Daintily pecking the leaves at will;
Whirr! and they filt from the startled sigh:
And the forest is silent, the air is still.

Crushing the leaves 'neath our careless feet,
Snapping the leaves with a neavy tread,
Dreamy October is late and sweet,
And scooping we gather a blossom dead;
Boons! and our heart has a thunderous bea
As the gray apparition filts overhead. sociated with all classes of men. No doubt, Up from the path with a thunderous roar That startled the dreamer amid his dreams,
Till he peers into vistas that peen before
For the flash of the plumare with silver gleam
Why modest brown hermit thus fearful of him
Who would share in the secrets of forest a
stream?

I lie on windrows of leaves and gaze
Af thy innocent preening of serrate wing.
Or watch where the last crinison colors blaze.
And the red Autumn leaves to the maple clit
Too fond of this life myself to destroy
The motion and life I am worshiping.

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and laughtiness Dr. Benton into door was closed. "Mother, yo kneeling beside yours, pray kee all your unreaso We were just sunshine, and thing."

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