The Toronto World. TUESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 31, 1882.

LEGISLATORS AND RAILWAYS. It does not yet very clearly appear that Canadian legislators, either in the Provincial or Dominion assemblies, have anything like a proper idea of their duty to their constituents in the matter of assertieg the rights of the people as against railway cor porations. With tremendous encroachments upon public rights going on before their eyes, they seem to think it a good plan to let the thing work along in its own way, just as if it were none of their busi ness. In this matter liberals and conservatives appear to be very much alike, especially liberals, to vary the old darkey saying about the striking resemblance between Caesar and Pompey. Truth compels us to say that so far the only move worth mentioning made by any of our legislators in the direction of asserting public rights has been that made in the Dominion parliament by Mr. Dalton McCarthy, a staunch conservative and sup" porter of Sir John. He tried to get a railway commission created, with powers somewhat similar to those of the mission, to look after public rights and keep the companies in order. The proposal was not a visionary one by any means, for the plan of a government ssion with large powers works well in England, and we have no doubt could be made to work well here, if it were fairly tried. Mr. McCarthy met with serious obstacles, however, in his efforts ; whether he will have the perseverance to try again . remains to be seen. He got no encouragement from Sir John, we dare say, but how much encouragement has anybody got from Mr. Mowat towards a provincial move in the same direction ? In the matter of giving the country away to the railway companies, can liberals afford to throw stones at conservatives ? Ontario-province and

has under municipalities together, of reform govern the guidance ments given away twelve million dollars to companies without any rights of ownership to show for railways which the money helped to build. Our fellow-citizens of the province of Quebec get the name of being extravagant and improvident in their financial management, but observe where they are ahead of us now. The sunk twelve millions in the Quebec, Montreal and Ottawa railway; to-day they have the ownership of the road to show for it, and are consider-

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stand one page in our consolidated statutes. \$492,500, the correct figure being \$692,500. Franslation seems to have rendered them We repeat the totals : partially inapplicable, and consolidation From provincial govern-.... \$ 4,071,037 completed the job by making them perfect-Municipal bonuses...... Municipal shares or bonds... ly unintelligible. So, take a very common course in the matter, what do the lawyers Grand tctal ..... \$12,341,781 39 do? They don't presume to under-

stand the statute any more than IF MR. CREIGHTON would speak less and the old woman did the sermon, as well as he did yesterday on the disputed but they get hold of the original English accounts between Quebec and Ontario, he would become a power in his party. But PUBLIC OPINION.

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People of conservative tendencies may refuse to see it, but it is nevertheless a fact that there is a fast-developing national party in this country, and that it is attracting to its ranks the young men and those who can find no abiding place in the two soon-to-be defunct parties. It is Macdonald put his foot in it when he de-clared that he would sooner see annexation then independence. He will find that many an honest conservative has repudiated this statement of his leader, and that many more will do so.

But what is the attitude of the liberal

system prevalent in Quebec, and pointing and effective United States law in such inapplicable, and so picked, pieced, and bung-