## The Evening Mercury

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Mr. Myers and Annexation. published on Wednesday a letter "An Onlooker," in which he takes from "An Onlocker," in which he takes us to task for our remarks concerning the dismissal of Mr. Myers from the position of County Crown Attorney of Dufferin County on account of his open advocacy of the antexation of Canada to the States. We suppose opinions will differ, even among good Liberals, as to whether or not the Government's calling any instifiable. We have alas to whether or not the Government's action was justifiable. We have already held that, in view of the eath of allegiance and featly taken by Mr. Myers in accepting effice, and in view of the undue weight which would be lent to his opinions by the fact of his being a prominent officer under the Government, that it would have been better and more manly had he resigned his office under the Government, and that his dismissal, in default of that, was in order. The Government has a was in order. The Government has a duty to the people, and if it believes that the views advocated by any of its officers are distasteful to the great majority and out of harmony with the national sentiment of the people it represents, it has a right, we hold, to withdraw from such an one any withdraw from such an one any countenance, emoluments or position in its gift. Ontario and Canada stand, in most respects, for the same things as New York and the United States but at the same time they stand for something different in patriotic sym-pathies and views, and it is proper that the government should recognize this and conform its machinery to the present almost universal choice in

Our correspondent talks a good deal about patriotism. If Mr. Myers' patriotism is such that it cannot survive except when it basks in a fa he is not worth wasting time The patriots of old were made of sterner stuff, and we have a higher opinion of Mr. Myers than to think that he will cease advocating what he thinks is good for this country simply

because he is now a private citizen.

As to the prevalence of annexation sentiment in this country, we differ totally from our correspondent. We believe there are a number who would favor it at any time, but we also be-lieve that the most of others who talk that way now are discouraged over the refusal of the country to wipe out the corruptionists at Ottawa, are smarting under the effects of the McKinley bill, and are ready to fall in with almost anything for which a fair face can be made out. This feeling will away, we think, with soberer thought. There was far more annexa tionist talk in 1849, when Britain abandoned preferential duties in favor of the colonies, and in 186, when the Reciprocity treaty with the States was abrogated, than there is today. And Canada was then weaker and less bound together, in many respects, than at the present time. That Nature intended the freest trade relations on this Continent and indeed over all the world, is incontestably true, and such relations, we believe, would be of great benefit to Canada, even if there had to be some discrimination against the mother country. But that this sarily demands that the whole Continent should be under one Government, we confess we fail to see. Increased material prosperity, such as the advocates of annexation hold out, is always worth striving for, but even if that be sure, and if be obtained by doing violence to other deep sympa-thies and convictions, national and individual, we do not think it would be a wise exchange for any people.

THE World's Fair people at Chicago have finally capitulated to the European exhibitors, and they will be permitted to state upon placards attached to their exhibits the price at which Said products will be sold at place of manufacture, and also the prices in bond and out of bond, or exclusive and inclusive of the customs duties in Chi-cago. These placards will furnish visitors to the Fair with some powerful object lessons on the ability of a high tariff to raise prices.

THE elections returns from the United Kingdom this morning show a gain for Mr. Gladstone, but ficient to indicate any overwhelming majority, if majority at all. But it should be borne in mind, as we have previously said, that Mr. Gladstone has not been depending so much on the boroughs as on the counties for his expected majority. In London the Conservative majorities have been considerably pulled down, but sufficient only to win a few seats. It is noticeable that the Liberal-Unionists are faring badly in contested elections, the Liber als winning nearly all the English seats taken from them in 1886 by the Union. ist vote, though they have lost two seats in Glasgow and Edinburgh. The indications are that the results will be very close.

THERE is to be no revision of the Dominion Franchise Act this year, and, in spite of an amendment by if the Opposition, the bogus names on the London list are to be retained. It is perhaps as well to have the whole disgraceful, deplorable proceeding of that London steal stand out in all their dishonor, unredeemed by a single righteous act on the part of the Gov ernment.

To palliate the wrong-doing of Sir Adolphe Caron, Sir John Thompson dragged Pat. Parcell out of his grave and held him up as a fearful example of Liberal wrong-doing. Mr. Purcell no doubt spent his money in a wrongful manner; no one has ever defended his in favor of the deceased—the money
he spent in securing his election
was his own, it was not filched from the
public treasury. In the Caron case the

over \$100,000 was obtained from recipients of Government favors, or from those who were looking for Government favors, and spent in buring up 32 constituencies. But the Governmen emaculates the charges, and uses the dead contractor as a shield from public indignation, which is rapidly developing into public contempt of such dirty tactics.

THE BRITISH ELECTIONS

LIBERALS SLOWLY GAINING.

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LONDON, July 7.—Up to 2 o'clock this morning returns have been received which show the election of 239 members to the new House of Commons. Of this number 93 are Liberals, 19 Liberal Unionists, 123 Conservatives, and 4 and Parnellites. This a met gain of 16 for the Liberals.

The total Liberal gains = 29 and Conservatives 14. The Liberals seven net gains today, or a total of 15 to date, leaving the Conservative m-jority still, 45, giving the anti-Parnellites to the Liberals.

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Major Edwards fromerly of the Royal Military College, Kingston, Ont. Liberal and Bocialist, was defeated in Dover by 1265 out of a total vote of \$209.

Thomas Sexton, the well known Mationalist, is defeated in Wost Boltast. This was not unexpected.

Hon. Philip Stanhope (Liberal) is defeated in Wost Rensell is re-elected in Bouth Hackney.

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The defeat of Sir Henry Tyler, who sat as the Conservative representative of Yarmouth for a Gozen years, has cocasioned no little dismay in Tory circles. He was President of the Grand Trunk Railway. Nobody pretends, for instance, to understand why his constituency, Yarmouth, always heavily Tory, should have flopped so decisively the other way. Equally unaccountable is Barrow's describing the continuation of the control of th

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Dunlin, May 6.—Hon. Edward Blake, the former Liberal leader in the Canadian Parliament, who is a home rule candidate in one of the Irish constituencies, addressed a crowded meeting of Justin McCarthy's supporters at Londonderry yesterday. He said he had returned to the country of his origin, though not of his birth, to pay a debt which every son of Ireland owed to the old land. He had been asked by their respected leader to come and help them in the struggle for justice and freedom. He did not aspire to the leadership of the Irish party; he desired to serve in the ranks. He denied that Mr. Gladstone's home rule scheme meant the separation and disintegration of the empire. On the contrary, it would voluntarily bind the people of the three kingdoms together. He does not approve of the absence of Irish representatives in the Imperial Parliment. He looked forward to the federalization of the United Kingdom with subordinate Parliaments in England, Scotland, Wales and Ireland. In Canada they believed that the granting of home rule to Ireland would direct emigration to Canada rather than to the United Siates. The Irish people would then not object to the proteotion of the British flag. The old feeling of bitterness in the hearts of Irishmen would be assuaged. His experience with Home Rule in Canada had convinced him of the Parliament under Catain conditions and reservations, at the same time with all secessary power. For example, the Government would be effect to the counter-acted by giving the people the responsibility of selecting the Fovernment. He believed in his soul that the Catholics of Ireland would deal with the minority fairly, either in regard to religion or educations, while trade affairs would be the more than the first ond the fovernment. He believed that under Home Rule the Troise that the Home Rule he responsibility of selecting the Government. He believed that under Henry Rule be under the direct control of the Imperial Parliament. He believed that under Home Rule the Protestants would be the spoiled children of Ireland.

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