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THURSDAY MORNING, JULY 5, 1888.

TORONTO, HAMILTON AND THE NEUTRAL LINK.

On Tuesday a number of railway men appeared before the privy conneil at Ottawa in the matter of the subsidized line from Gravenhurst to Callender, which is to be the neutral link, kiving Ontario railways connection with the Canadian Pacific. The Northern railway company was represented by Hon. Frank Smith and Messrs. J. D'Arcy Boulton, S. Barker and W. Jamesby, of Toronto. The Hamilton and North western by Mayor Magill and Messrs, Edward Martin, Wm. Hendrie, E. Gurney, F. E. Kilvert, M.P., John Stuart and A. Bruce, of Hamilton. The Midland by Mr. Howdan and Col. Williams, M.P.P., and the Grand Trunk by Mr. Wainwright, assistant general manager. The Globe's despatch says that Messrs, Stephen, Angus and Van Horne, of the Canadian Pacific, were in Ottawa that day, but "appeared to be taking no interest in the matter." That, we reckon, might be matter of opinion.

Each delegation presented the case for the company it represented, we are informed; though the Globe's despatch adds that "neither the Midland or Grand Trunk were represented to-day (Tuesday) before the privy council." We may safely take it for granted, however, that in some way or other the Grand Trunk case has already been put before the government pretty effectively, and in all probability long ago too, we should say. What the Grand Trunk wants is to sidy and obtaining first control. Other companies would have running powers, of course, for the act is very posicannot be over-estimated. The Northern railway makes the same offer, and is prepared also to give the very best guaranteer -financial and material-for the carrying out of the contract to the satisfaction both of the government and the public. Now, it may be asked, why, if each of these companies offers to build the neutral link for the subsidy, and then give all other companies running powers over it, why say that the offer of the Northern should be accepted, and that of the Grand Trunk refused?

We answered this question on Monday, but let us briefly repeat. If the Northern gets possession of the neutral link, with first control, the Grand Trunk will be sure of running powers as provided for by taw, and will be in no danger whatever of being absorbed or amalgamated out of its independent existence, as the Great Western and the Midland have been already. On the other hand, with actual possession and first control in the hands of the Grand Trunk, that corporation would become so overwhelmingly powerful that the Northern's days as an independent company would be numbered. The country may safely give first control to the Northern without anxiety as to the consequences But it would most emphatically not be safe to give this control to so grasping and powerful a corporation as the Grand Trunk. To the people of Ontario, whose interests are at stake, we put this plain question, to which let a straightforward, common sense answer be given Looking at what has happened to the Great Western and the Midland railway systems, and the way they have both been gobbled up-would it be wise to cap the climax by giving over also the neutral link, our dependence for the means of reaching the Northwest by rail-to the same corporation? We say it would be utter madness. It seems almost inconceivable that such an act of folly should be gravely proposed, not accept the position until assured that either to the dominien government or the his books could and would be examined much too powerful for us already; shall we | fred Webb and he is a job printer. He is make utter fools of ourselves by surrender- a Quaker, and no man stands higher in ing to it the neutral link, and so making it immensely more powerful still.

There is still another obstruction in the way, however, and it is one that reflects little credit either on the patriotism or the good judgment of those who are responsible of the people at home. for it. The Northern and the Hamilton and Northwestern railways are operated by a joint board of management, under agreement for a term of years, but each company still retains its own independent corporate existence. Now, what the Hamilton and Northwestern men want is that the neutral link be built by their company and the Northern jointly, and that both companies continue to be joint owners and operators. This seems a fair proposal, on the face of it, but it is at the same time a very dangerous one, as we shall briefly show.

The Hamilton and Northwestern stock is pretty equally divided between partizans of the Grand Trunk and the Canadian Pacific respectively, the city holding about enough to turn the scale either way, or to maintain a balance between the two parties. They are harsh and arbitrary, an unneces-They are balanced just now, so that neither sary trouble to the officers that have to enthe two giant corporations of Canada can force them, and a nuisance generally. get control to the exclusion of the other. What Mr. Costigan had better do is to mod-This evenly-balanced state of affairs pre- ify them at once.

vents the Hamilton and Northwestern from being gribbled up while it lasts. But can it be depended upon to last? Looking at re-cent experiences of railway gobbling in Canada, we should say-not much. It would be les.ning upon a broken reed to risk anything by our free civic library board. Mr. J. C. danger which the dominion government, and the people of Ontario generally, had better look at beforehand,

An addition of two cents per 100 pounds on all local freight along the line of the Great Western division of the Grand Trunk railway is one of the means lately introduced to make up what Sir Henry Tyler

which the legality is more than doubtful. The small rate levied to meet interest on a municipal bonus granted to a new railway passing through the township is generally paid with a grudging hand. It is direct taxation. Mr. Hickson levies a far heavier tax of two cents per hundred weight on the be allowed to build the road, taking the sub- county's local freight, and because it is indirect it is generally paid uncomplainingly. But we advise the stump orator to take up the question of railway rates and the govtive on that point, but the Grand ernment's responsibility for them at the Trunk would have actual possession, which next election. It will be a winning card is another point, the importance of which among the farmers of York, Wentworth,

The accusation made by "A Ratepayer" another column against the members of the free library board is too serious to be allowed to pass unnoticed. It is, in brief, that they have allowed sectarian feelings to ofluence them in their appointment of a librarian. Our correspondent manifestly strongly favored Mr. Dent's candidature : but, apart from that, his view on the general principle involved is unquestionably the right one. Nothing will be so fatal to the library's success, which everybody desires, as to allow religious or political prejudices to creep into its management. It would indeed be a pity if an institution, begun under such promising auspices should suffer from so discreditable and mis-

chievous a taint. The board owe it both to themselves and to the citizens-who are granting their money unstintingly to make the library as efficient as possible—that they should not for a day allow themselves to lie under the imputation "A Ratepayer" casts upon them. They will now be expected either to deny or explain.

It now rains once every day, except when it "pours" two or three times. Farmers cannot get their turnip seed in; spring grain deluged and will be all straw; rust is appearing in what little winter wheat escaped now-smothering; it is time to cut clover. but the ground won't bear the mowing machine. So grumbleth the sgriculturist Grass flourishes, but so do weeds.

The new treasurer of the National league in Ireland appears to be rather a different individual to his predecessor, Patrick Egan. The latter took every pains to cover up his expenditures, while the new man would people of Ontario. The Grand Trunk is regularly by the league. His name is Al-Dublin or Ireland. Webb and his brotherin-law are the only Quakers in the movement. Conciliation and argument are the strong points of the new treasurer, although of course, he favors thorough organization

O'Donovan Rossa was the lion of a meeting of Irish-Americans at Chicago on July The Times says the dynamite king was surprisingly moderate, greatly to the disappointment of the audience. And yet he openly advocated assassination, said he would do all in his power to slay every Englishman who was sent over to rule Ireland, and rejoiced that Cavendish and Burke were slain. One would have thought there were the elements of a pretty strong dish here, but some men's thirst for gore, or "the sound of gore," is absolutely unquench-

The inland revenue regulations, which went into force on Tuesday have been distributed among the tobacco and cigar men. THE FREE LIBRARY.

SIR: Many of your readers, in common with myself, were doubtless greatly surprise d leaning upon a broken reed to risk anything of such importance as Outario's interest in the neutral link on the continuance of the merely accidental and temporary balance which for the moment prevails in the Hamilton board. Any day some accident may happen, something unexpected may turn up, and either the Canadian Pacific party may sell out to the Grand Trunk or the company's powers over the neutral link. Let us recall a certain very practical warning, of recent date. If the scheme of nearly two years ago had succeeded, for handing the Credit Valley line over the the Grand Trunk. Our Hamilton friends may have the best intentions possible, but positively it is not safe to place the Hamilton and Northwestern in possession of powers which Trunk or the Canadian Pacific. This is a danger which the dominion government, and the recent appointment of library and fibrary without the possible of the possible of the possible of the possible of the grand Trunk or the Canadian Pacific. This is a danger which the dominion government, and the recent appointment of library and the recent appointment of library and the possible of the possible of the continuance of the merely accident may have been the property of the Credit Valley line over the Grand Trunk or the Canadian Pacific. This is a danger which the dominion government, and the property of the Grand Trunk or the Canadian Pacific. This is a danger which the dominion government, and the recent appointment of library and proportion may any day be transferred to the Grand Trunk or the Canadian Pacific. This is a danger which the dominion government, and the recent appointment of library and the recent appointment of library and the recent appointment of library and the recent appointment of the library and the recent accompanies of Canada that we be actually and the recent accompanies of Canada that we be actually and the possible pack and the possible pack and the proporations are elected; and a Mr. Times Bair and the proporation search and the proporation search and the at the recent appointment of librarian made

to be heterodox in his religious opinions, and per contra Mr. Bain, who Li a presbytterian of a severe type, was chosen, though deficient in other qualifications the members of the board were assured that his orthodoxy was undoubted. Are you puzzled now why the board wanted to make the sppointment with closed doors?

Now, if our library board, in its first important act, has been governed by such narrow sectarian views, what may we expect will be the future career of an institution of which we had nourished such high

railway is one of the means lately introduced to make up what Sir Henry Tyler promised his English shareholders should be "a saving of millions by amalgamation."

What do the farmers of western Oatario say to this style of taxation, and to the invocation of a clause in a statute passed thirty years ago and accidently left unrepealed, to legalize it? And yet Sir John's government persists in toadying the Grand Trunk and its managing director in the belief that he has great political influence.

A candidate that would succeed in any constituency along the Great Western division could adopt no more popular platform than war against an amalgamation, of which the legality is more than doubtful.

The meal late is the saving the great and religious scientific controversies that are to-day agitating christendom, but to know nothing of the other side. The library will perhaps delight devoted churchmen, but certainly not the librarel minded man of the world.

I wish to add, in justice to Mr. Dent, that I have had no communication with him that I have had no communication with him on the subject of this letter, and that he is

in no way the source of my information.

A RATEPAYER.

Toronto, July 3, 1883.

TROSE LAWIESS EXCUSSIONISTS.

To the Editor of The World. SIR: I don't doubt your Buffalo correspondent's statement in regard to the dis-graceful conduct of some Canadians in that ring a single to a married life only because spondent's statement in regard to the discity of yesterday. I saw enough on the train between Niagara town and the Falls yesterday to convince me that a portion of those who were Buffalo-bound were bent on the same of the same in which we were, were already drunk; including the drunkenness with the smoking, and chewing and spitting, and noisy and foul language, it was no place for decent

Your Builalo correspondent must not think, nor is it to be hoped that Builalo's citizens will think, that those Torontonians who visited their city yesterday, were an average sample of our citizens. They were merely a class who like to go to the gloriously free land of Uncle Sam and have world should render us bold and immodest. a big spree occasionally, away from the wholesome restraining influence of Toronto, to the land where they can get gloriously drunk without fear of molestation if they only but scream with the eagle of liberty.

Toronto July 3, 1883

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BE LICENSF, HANLAN ET AL. To the Editor of The World.

SIR: Not many months ago one of To conto's best beloved citizens passed away in death. He was justly and greatly lamented. In life he used the fortune he had acquired as a trust, largely for the good of numanity. In many places after his death was the subject of pulpit panegyrie. He had been a liquor-seller-a business like any other calling respectable or otherwise according as it is made by the character of the person engaged in it. The commissioners might have taken away his license to sell alcohol. So also may they take away the license of the Rossin and the Queens. The latter hotel being "patronized by royalty and the best families," in the judgment of the commissioners should not be allowed to continue the immoral attachment of selling alcoholic drink. Legal and pulpit enthusiasts might thank God that the commissioners were so courageous in the lischarge of their duty in the interests of morality as to take away the licenses of these hotels as they have done in the case of Hanlan and others at the Island. Compensation, the dictum of nature, and the just policy that Christ Hirself would advise if He were now upon the earth in the flesh is never mentioned by those enthusiasts who applaud an unjust act. He might reason thus but in vain with those clerical, legal and temthe Queens. The latter hotel being "patperance enthusiasts.

To the minister of the gospel, Christ might say, 'You have a large income, a comfortable living, with pleasant surroundings. Why? simply because evil exists. If there was no evil to everyone there was no evil to everyone there was no evil to everyone the control of the contro there was no evil to overcome there would be no work for you to do. Immediate abo-lition of evil so far as you are concerned would be harsh measure without compensa

To the legal gentlemen, he might say, "All the instruments of law, such as barristers, judges, juries and policemen are but the complement of knavery. By reason of knavery these different occupations are made necessary. The lawyer rises highest in his profession and becomes mete for the noble position of judge whose life is in moral harmony with the science of his calling and whe seeks rather to mitigate harsh conditions than to amass wealth. So skilled has knavery become that all the achievements of science are required to do duty in the deof science are required to do duty in the detection of its criminal acts. Science is the great detective as well as the great preventive and all its truth is of God. The lust of money and empire is still strong, but the scourge of war to an innocent people is avoided through the fear of perfect instruments of destruction on the past of a ration's ments of destruction on the part of a nation's

rulers."

To temperance men he would doubtless say "be ye temperate in all things," and "do not seek to promote your cause by doing an unjust act, that is to say violating property rights without making compensation.

has been written. I crave space to answer one or two points in a letter appearing in this morning's issue signed Idaho. Almost every word in that letter meets with my sincere approbation. The chief desire of the quietest, thriftiest, most influential men on the coast. He thinks his wife perfection because she wears a No. 1 shoe and is good to the poor. sincere approbation. The chief desire of every true woman's heart can scarce be

duced to enter matrimony without first con

by John Plane are good and right and need-ful in their proper place, but such christian acts are seldom repaid in the coin of the

he poor unfor unates who are thereby elped to a better life. If we are to follow

our sisters whose lot in life is an easier

not a happier one.
ANOTHER WOMANLY WOMAN.

An Inconvenient Habit of Bleeding.

From the Lewiston (Me.) Journal.

an impossibility of stopping the flow of blood from a slight wound. The explana-tion of an informant was that a morbid

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other than to have "a home of her own and rear a family of children," and it is true that she who does not marry leads in the main an aimless life. But is it not equally true that nothing in the world can be more hoplessly sad than an unfortunate BATHS. BATHS! BATHS! BATHS! There is no doubt that marriage is one of the most solemn orderls in life, and Idaho says truly that "no woman should be in-East. three doors below Toronto.

sidering 'he grave responsibilities connected therewith." It is so momentous a step that it is little wonder that so many women hesitate and often draw back ere the irrevo-OO PER DOZEN cable "I will" has been said. Let any one glance through the list of those whom Idaho says a woman should never marry and they will be convinced that it is no easy task for -POR ALL STYLES OFa woman to select whom she shall marry, And then there is one insuperable obstacle which I cannot resist mentioning even though And the most substantial proof of their superior artistic qualities is that I have made more sittings be accounted an unwomanly woman for loing so. We all know that the law and doing so. We all know that the law and ususges of good society accord to man the sole and indisputed right to propose marriage, therefore women to not have the privilege of selecting their husbands—they only accept or reject them. Now, let us suppose that no eligible offer presents itself and a woman is wise enough and brave THOMAS E. PERKINS, STATIONERY.

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Old gentleman in a beer garden near the railroad depot, waiting for his wife to as rive on the next train, complaining to him self: "Here I have already drank as glasses of Placatr," and (looking at his watch) the train will not be here for an hout to come. This will convent to come. This will compel me to drink si more glasses It's terrible. What an ex pensive wife I have got!

There is a woman in San Francisco, according to the Washington Capital, who is creating considerable interest in aristocratic circles. She is worth several millions of To the Editor of The World.

SIR: I have watched the controversy on this all-important subject which has been going on in your paper for a month past with deep interest, and have sometimes agreed, sometimes disagreed, with what agreed, sometimes disagreed, with what agreed, sometimes disagreed answer of the world. An expectation of the world with her while on a visit to San Francisco two years ago. The strangest thing is that her hus-

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