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The Evening Star.

J. E. COLLINS, Editor.

FREDERICTON, APRIL 13, 1880.

Suppose some of those people who have been reading the STAR for nearly two years without paying for it were to bring you a load of wood!

There is nothing so important in a public man, especially if he be the leader of a party, as backbone.

THE ENGLISH ELECTIONS.

The English Elections have come off and if the reports be true, the Liberals will have a majority of 60. Who will be called upon by the Queen, who is yet at Baden, to form a Government is not known; but some of the papers for the want of better information, say Earl Granville will be the man, while others again hint at the Marquis of Hartington. But by far the larger number point to Mr. Gladstone, who declares he is ready to withdraw his claims and give the party an independent support. But nothing could be further from the old man's wishes. Who thinks the premiership of England is not to him above and beyond all other prizes on earth, greatly mistakes the nature of the man. And by right it belongs to him. It is he who has broken the power of Beaconsfield in England; in the United Kingdom there is no other man that can handle such a flame of enthusiasm in the phlegmatic breast of a Scotchman. He has watched the times, and saw a restive spirit growing up from among them. He has seen a cloud of depression hang over the nation for five or six years, and he calculated the ruin of his enemy. He persuaded the people who were paying grinding taxes in the face of bitter times, that Beaconsfield's extravagant policy was the cause of their woes, and they believed him. For here was the convincing argument of the vulgar masses, the argument of the eye. They paid the taxes, and they knew. What to them was Britain's empire or Britain's prestige or the terror of her arms abroad if they were pinched by hunger and destitution at home? And these are the causes, but Gladstone is the instrument, that have overwhelmed the greatest statesman England has had since the days of Chatham. Why then since Gladstone has done the mischief, since he has helped to break down British prestige, should he not be rewarded by the populace, intoxicated for the time by his glittering platitudes.

THE POLITICAL SITUATION.

We have heard it said many times during the past month that the Opposition would bring in a want-of-confidence motion. We have always, privately and publicly, expressed ourselves that the Opposition would do no such thing; and that no matter how dear it would be to Gregory and Blair to throw the Government out, that prudence compels them to restrain their greed for office.

Yet those who have promptly attended the conclaves held by this firm, have some amusing stories to tell. At times Mr Blair's greed for office is so great, and it is especially keen after 9 or 10 knowing legislators have professed an unfeigned sympathy in Mr Blair's cause, that he can scarce be restrained from "risking a resolution anyway." It is then that the other notorious escaped bird of paradise gives the council that saves his partner. Mr Gregory is every day becoming more, cautious than ever before and it is said the only poetry in his life he has ever been heard to repeat, he recites day after day to his more mercurial partner:

"There is a tide (Andrew, he says) in the affairs of men
Which taken at the flood leads on to fortune;
And, blockhead," he continues, "last winter that tide was at the flood, but you lost your golden opportunity."

"I do not love thee, Dr Fell,
The reason why, I cannot tell."

So, too, with Gregory and Blair and the Government, with this distinction, that Gregory and Blair will not tell the "reason." We shall tell the delicate tale for them. That firm is thirsting for the provincial spoils, and has been thirsting for them this many a year. It is to satisfy its greed that respectable gentlemen in the Legislature were asked to turn out a Government as well as any Government the Province has ever had. They are expected to throw out an intelligent, diligent and honest officer like Hon. Peter Landry to make place for Amasa E. Killam—the man whose name is marked in black letters on every bridge in the Province. They are to throw out candid, honest practical John J. Fraser to make place for Gregory and Blair!!

They are to send Hon. Michael Adams, the most active Surveyor

to develop our nation have been blasted. Yes they delight that the ruin has come, and they exult base fellows, that it has fallen upon their own nation and upon them selves. It were sacrilege to compare them to the "shorn of Delilah" glorying in the destruction of others, though himself destroyed. Sir Leonard called attention to this base rejoicing, in his recent able speech, and is it any wonder that every decent man in the Commons applauded him.

NOT ULTRA VIRES.

We must confess but those learned Judges at Ottawa have given our provincial Judges a nice slap in the face. They have actually declared, only onedissenting that the Canada Temperance Ten Gallon Act is good law, and in full force in this province. The one statement, no doubt is about as correct as the other.

It would be interesting to know out of what edition of Blackstone or Broome, or Coke these learned Judges got their legal lore; because their opinions are so different from the legal notions of our Judges, that it leads us to believe both bodies have not studied out of the same books. Tis true they may have done so, but through the prayers of the ladies of the union, they may have been led to declare in favor of Rum in 10 gallon quantities only.

However this by the way. It does seem to us just now as if the decision of both sets of judges is a kind of legal warfare as between New Brunswick and the Dominion. It would seem as if the learned judges considered it a dreadful thing to get abroad that the Dominion Parliament had not power to make just what laws they pleased; and if they had't what was the good of a batch of Dominion judges. Now we consider this contradiction of judgments as too marked to be the result of deliberate judgment, based upon common principles of law. Here are our Provincial judges looking at it in a Provincial light, and on the other hand we have our Dominion judges looking at it in a Dominion light. We hope the people will not let the case end here, but take it somewhere where there cannot be even the suspicion of any influence. We think our judges here gave calm, deliberate and just judgment, we think the Dominion judges did the same, but that their minds were warped by position and circumstance. Let the case go before the Privy Council of England by all means. Meanwhile, let the unfortunate law be respected, and enforced. Let the glass and the gill be persecuted, but let the strong arm of the law protect Ten Gallons.

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POST OFFICE MATTERS.

We find the following in yesterday's Telegraph:

Private despatches received from Ottawa, to-day, announced that Mr. Thorne has been superannuated and Mr. P. McPeake appointed postmaster in his place. Mr. Thorne has long served the public faithfully and with credit to himself, and the Government have recognized this fact. The appointment of Mr. P. McPeake gives universal satisfaction. He is a gentleman popular with all classes in the city and will no doubt be an efficient officer.

This item of course refers to our post office here; but whether it be true that Mr. Thorne has been superannuated, or Mr. McPeake appointed, we do not know. To a portion of the paragraph, we can address ourselves. That Mr. Thorne has served "faithfully and with credit to himself," so far as we know of him, we bear willing testimony, and have often in the STAR made the same statement. That Mr. McPeake's appointment "gives universal satisfaction" it would be premature to say, because as yet he may not have received the appointment. But turning the rumor into a reality then indeed we most heartily endorse the Telegraph's statement that Mr. McPeake's appointment gives universal satisfaction, and that "he is a gentleman popular with all classes in the city." It would be impossible indeed for the Government, filling Mr. Thorne's place, to select a man whose appointment would find such wide approval, from every creed and from every class.

Referring again to Mr. Thorne, we may say we don't know whether that gentleman has been superannuated or not, hearing nothing but the current rumors of the street to corroborate it. But we may be pardoned for predicting that the time is near, when the change will come. And this change too for the best of reasons. Every man has but a certain time in this world of ours to play his part; and he who has served the public till the frosts of 70 winters have silvered his hair should not murmur for being asked to make way in the common order for the younger and more vigorous. Mr. Thorne is now an old man, and feeble too. He has spent many years in the public service and has borne an excellent reputation; but of late the management of his office has become topsy turvy, forcing us to believe it is beyond the power of his control. There is no one who pretends to deny this, but Mr. Thorne has had so few enemies, and all believing the time not far when his retirement was at hand that complaints have not reached official quarters.

It is the duty of the Dominion Government to settle on Mr. Thorne a respectable retiring allowance, and put in his place a man competent to grapple with the duties of the office. Rumor points to the man well fitted to do this.

A GOOD BUSINESS.

It would be a capital idea for some enterprising person to go at once into the manufacture of Ten Gallon Kegs.

The House will prorogue about Thursday of next week, D. F. and Fredericton will have her New Buildings granted, and St. John and the Opposition will be laughing stocks.

We recommend our readers to peruse closely Sir Leonard Tilley's Speech, a great portion of which we print on our third page.

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