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CAMPAIGN MISTAKES. Looking back over the recent campaign will occur to the reflective mind that many mistakes were made by the leaders of the opposition.

One illustration, conspicuously in evidence during the struggle, will make this clear. The Conservative leaders were the ready and wholly responsible for the social and religious issues which exercised a large influence in the other provinces.

Some may deny these propositions, and in a retaliatory spirit lay the blame at the door of Liberal campaigners. It is not, however, worth while to discuss that point.

The Sun publishes a statement from Mr. G. M. Bosworth, traffic manager of the C. P. R. to the effect that the company's traffic through the port of St. John will be much less this year than it was in previous winters.

who can bring a judicial mind to bear on the subject will be ready to admit that the general attack on the government was characterized by unfairness and misrepresentation. It does not pay to be unfair even in party warfare.

It may be regarded as safe tactics in a contest to present a confident front to the people as polling day draws near. Both sides in the struggle generally do that, regardless of their honest expectations.

Before the recent election it was one of the great grievances against the Minister of Railways by the Tory party that he had closed the Kingston Locomotive Works, by sending orders for engines to the United States.

The revenue of Canada continues to increase by leaps and bounds. It was thought that the highest point had been reached during the past fiscal year, but it seems that during the current year the revenue will be still larger.

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The cost of the war in South Africa turns out to be considerably larger than was anticipated. The total army estimates for the year amount to upwards of \$92,000,000 or not far from twice as much as the net debt of Canada.

The Sun continues to attack Mr. Tarte just as if there had not been a general election in Canada. Our contemporary does not seem to be aware that it has done its party a great injury by its unfair and contemptible appeals to national and religious prejudices.

was made. Mr. Bosworth does not state what agreement has been made with the government. In fact the existence of any special agreement made with the government since the election is distinctly denied by the Minister of Railways, who is in a position to know all about the matter.

The statement that the government proposes to appoint six additional senators is probably not correct. The appointment of this number of senators was left in reserve in the case of a deadlock, if some important bill had been rejected by the senate which the government thought it necessary to pass.

Speaking to your correspondent of the result of the election in British Columbia yesterday, the minister of the Interior said that it was a gratifying answer to the discredit of campaign put up by Mr. Clarke Wallace and Sir Herbert Tupper.

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There were eight bidders, and most of the bids were well within the limit of cost allowed by congress for the ships. The notable feature was the attempt on the part of the younger and smaller concerns to break the line of the old organizations which have constructed all of the heavy vessels of the navy up to this time.

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Ottawa, Dec. 9.—(Special)—Premier Tweedie and Attorney General Pugsley, of New Brunswick, arrived here today. They will have a conference tomorrow with the government in regard to the fisheries question.

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 7.—A victory in debate came to Harvard for the third consecutive time against Yale in the intercollegiate series, at Sanders theatre, tonight. By brilliancy of speech and logic tonight, Harvard overpowered her opponent and received the major share of applause from the cultured audience.

SPLENDID SURPLUS. Revenues Led Expenditures in Canada BY MILLIONS In the Past Five Months—Hon. Mr. Blair at Ottawa—Twenty Locomotives to Be Built by Kingston Works for the Intercolonial—The Vacant Senatorship.

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—(Special)—A statement of revenue and expenditure of the dominion issued by the finance department shows the revenue for the five months ending November 30, to be \$21,504,705, compared with \$20,199,373 for the same time last year, or an increase of \$1,305,332. The expenditure was \$14,418,589, leaving a small betterment for the current year, while the difference between revenue and expenditure is shown in plain figures as \$7,086,116. This is an ordinary revenue.

James McMullen, M. P., was here today. It is said that Mr. McMullen's friends are backing him for the vacant seat in the House of Commons. Although A. T. Wood, ex-M. P. Hamilton, is not an active candidate, he is said to be very active in the matter. The matter will be decided at an early day.

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MEN'S ULSTERS.

Big, warm, roomy coats that you can wrap yourself in and laugh at zero weather. And they don't bear down on your shoulders and make you feel as if you carried a load of wood on your back. At \$5.00, All Wool Canadian Friezes in black, grey and brown. High storm collars, hand warmers, all wool tweed linings, and of good length. At 6.00, Dark, grey, all wool Canadian Frieze Ulster, with tweed linings, high storm collar and hand warmers. At \$3.00, Dark brown and grey all wool Canadian Frieze Ulster, high storm collar, hand warmers, all wool tweed linings. A coat the winds cannot pierce. At \$10.00, An all wool Irish Frieze Ulster in a beautiful brown shade, with storm collar and hand warmers. A coat that will keep you warm in the coldest day.



REEFERS.

The Reefer's the thing for the active out-door man to keep his body warm but leaves his legs free. At \$4.00, Men's Reefers of heavy Oxford and brown Canadian Frieze, with storm collar, Tweed linings, also a blue beaver at same price. At \$5.00, An all-wool Canadian Brown Frieze Reefer and blue beaver, with storm collar and all-wool tweed linings.

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BIDDING FOR MILLIONS. SOUTH AFRICA. THE DOMINION CAPITAL. GIFT TO GIVE. Making Up for a Football Defeat.

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GIFT TO GIVE. It is often difficult to decide what to get your friends for holiday gifts. Here is a suggestion: "Good morning, Jennie, I have bought you a nice present," said Gertrude, as she handed her friend a neatly wrapped package.

MAKING UP FOR A FOOTBALL DEFEAT. Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 7.—A victory in debate came to Harvard for the third consecutive time against Yale in the intercollegiate series, at Sanders theatre, tonight.

LOVE MAKES THE WORLD ROUND. A bad cough or cold knocks all the sentiment out of a person. Adams' Botanic Cough Balm will cure the cold, stop the cough, and restore the sentiment. 25c. all Druggists.