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The scientific skeptics are making emselves ridiculous, and arousing much opposition in religious circles, thereby prejudicing people against whatever truths they discover, by assuming an ntensely dogmatic position in opposition to the time-honored doctrines of churches. Not content with enun their own views they ridicule the conflicting views of others. In the matter of prayer, in particular, they make war on an unoffending class. Why can't

they let prayer alone? Praying does no liarm, even they must admit, and there is no sufficient excuse for attacking it. One of the scientists recently propose to test the efficiency of prayer statist cally, by challenging the churches to pray for something in particular for a certain period and compare the result with the record of former periods of the have a local paper semi-weekly. same duration. This challenge was not accepted, of course, and the skeptics sneer at the fuith that will not consent

to a practical test. The proposition was an insult to Christians, and the sneers Andover Village, V. C., and took therethat follows its rejection are most un-

And now the scientists are making merry over the prayers for rain that are offered up in places that are suffering from drought. -- "Seience," says Tyndal," of the party. demands the radical extirpation of caprice, and the absolute reliance upon law in nature," and the praying of the clergy for rain is construed as a virtual declaration that the cessation of rain i not the result of " law in nature," but of God's specially exercised " caprice. to prayer, the scientist jumps to the con clusion a logical conclusion he calls it -that "they ought to confess either the uselessness of their procedure or at least their own ignorance of the true method. more the Star

EDWARD BLAKE. of employing it." This conclusion does not follow at all and can only be drawn For twenty long, eventful years, the not fohow at all and can only be drawn by ignoring the very wording of the of government, and shape the public po prayers themselves. "Not my will, but licy of Canada-and strove in vain. In

thine, be done," is the burden of every the face of their unrelenting opposition, prayer, and when the shower dors not and dogged determination, to secure pray for rain the logically Ohristian ht about reform after refor conclusion is that God, in his inscrutable wisdom, does not choose to interfere change after change in the interest of with the workings of the natural laws Canadian progress and development that cause the drought. The scientist declares that the believer in prayer must Laws which generated religious strife, and perpetuated old-time prejudices and were wiped from the Statute confess, when needed rain is not sent in answer to his petition, that God exer-Book; discontant elements were harmo-nized; rival interests were reconciled; a ses no control whatever over the elenational sontiment was created; regulawho will not do what he knows is need. tions which fettered the internal trade and commerce of the country were reed for the welfare of his subjects unti moved, till at last the master-stroke of neen suitably placeted." This is dilemma from which there is the for Christians! Such speci-illogical reasoning, baseless as-h, and reckless disregard of the piples of the doctrines attacked rade the men of science into stocks. world," says a recent writer, ig since given up the supersti-witches can, by their incantahe has been suitably placeted." This is public policy was given, and the scattersalled a dilemma from which there is ed, rival provinces of British America no escape for Christians! Such speciumption, and reckless disregard of the first principles of the doctrines attacked "The world," says a recent writer, in his fortress, and traitors created more. has long since given up the soperst? Ma dened by the failures and defeats of ion that witches can, by their incanta. 20 years, and inspired by visions of power, the enemy without, at a signal from ions, produce storms and shipwrecks, bring blight upon plants and animals, or the traitors within made a combined at-cause calamities to human beings. It tack, Canada's greatest statesman fell: and men who had been defeated on every question of public policy for 20 years rayers made by the votaries of religion the moisture-laden clouds which drop the mistakes of a foe whom they could seven DOLLARS FOR EVERY VOTE POLLED. Through the failure of finding technitier own. They came into office with a clearing defined mission—not to revolu-tionize the country—not to reverse its **general policy.** INO, they came to purify the political atmosphere, to clean out sinks of corruption, to protect the peo-with their political freedom, to give pub-lic offices to worthy men, independent of party. In a word their grand mission putcome of heat and cold, of currents of than of words uttered by human voices." Well, what of that? What if the world the political atmosphere, to clean out has concluded that prayers are ineffica-cious? The Christian holds that prayer is a duty, whether it be efficacious or with their political freedom, to give pubwas to
"When the champion leader of the purists
when the ch not, an offering of sweet savor to the lic offices to worthy men, independent of Ruler of the Universe, and even a de- party. In a word their grand mission monstration of its uselessness for the production of atmospheric changes yould not excuse the Christian's omisit in seasons of damaging When the champion leader of the purists drought. The position of the churches, on the question of prayer, is impregnable, and the efforts of the Huxleys and Tyndalls to make it ridiculous recoil on themselves and weaken their legitimate influence in purely scientific paths. "Why should we make an exception in favor of rain," asks the scientific skep-fic, "and endeavor to procure it without using the appropriate matural means. So and endeavor to procure it without which would be the unrestricted choice of using the appropriate natural means, a free people, and untainted by the bribery when we do not try to get anything else, and corruption which was said to have in the same way? The farmer does not characterized its predecessor. say prayers over his fields, and then sit This grand PURIFICATION OF THE ELECTORATE own and wait for God to send him the harvest. He ploughs and plants and took place. The election came off, and tills the ground, and uses every appli-ance that science, experience, and skill with an immense majority of genuine, an suggest to him. Houses are not pure, immaculate followers. So he said can suggest to him. Houses are not built by prayers, but by the labor of the bucklayer and the carpenter. Clothes do not drop ready made from heaven, nor ready-cooked dinners spring out of the floor. Human effort and the em-ployment of certain agencies are in-variably resorted to. Because we have not as yet learned how to produce rain INTIMIDATION, BRIBERY AND CORRUPTION is no reason why we should attempt by OF YOTERS. prayers to supply that deficiency in our A new law, introduced by Sir John knowledge. If we want rain, we must Macdonaid, and carried out by his sucand out how to get rain, and then set to | cessors, for the trial of controverted elecwork to get it, as we would to get coal tions by Judges, came into operation. or wood or any other substance." This The first case tried under it, was the prois very weak, indeed, and shows either a total ignorance of the doctrine. Conservative representative for Montreal on which prayer is founded, or a wilful Centre. The result of the trial was that ignoring of everything that stands in MR. RYAN KEPT HIS SEAT. the way of the conclusions these opin-ionated inquiries seek to draw. Men against free of the standard elevators. In help themselves to whatever God has Cornwall, the brother of the Postmaster placed within their reach, and they General is driven from Parliament for would be ridiculous indeed if they should bribery, corruption, and intimidation, and intimidation, and intimidation, and the Postmaster General, a big "elevator," clothes instead of helping themselves to for a little for the public offices of the country.

exertion. Men do for themselves what- One of the respondent's partners swore to Une gailing Oribuille. ever God has given them the ability to do, and pray for the blessings that are while the total sum shown to have been while the total sum shown to have been shown in this spent, in "elevating the standard" in this beyond their grasp, Should scientific county and securing the return of a their appearance in this list. Amusementsinquirers discover a method of produc-ing a rainfall at any required time and place they will find that Christians will be as ready as they to take the necessary purist, amounted to \$15 for every vote polled. In Execut, another elev

from the same causes. steps for watering their parched fields. Lincoln followed suit, the respondent They will not ask God to do for them in this case saving himself from charges what they can do for themselves. of personal bribery, by placing the sums Theretore, if the scientists are pained at the prayers offered for rain at dry set-sons, let them hurry up and discover the spent in electioneering in his ledger, un-der the head of

MISSIONARY FUND. Bankrupt Stock-Next in order was Renfrew, where the meteorological method which will renrespondent, McDougall, swore to having

der prayers for rain unnecessary. spent his Sabbaths in meeting and treat ing electors at taverus-purifying them Chatham is to have two newspaper very soon. Mr. D. G. Smith has ordered with alcohol for the exercise of the suffrage. He also testified that Hon. R. W. type and presses, for the purpose of ing one; and Messrs. Pierce and Scott had virtually bribed the whole township of Brüdenell, where there are a Truth both formerly of the defunct Gleaner, have material for a new office on large number of voters, by securing the expenditure of \$8,000 of the public mothe way from England. We are satisfied that many wise and witty words, and ney in consideration for their supporting fanny doings, are last to the world in McDougall. The latter also swore that consequence of there being no paper at this great jurist, Scott, wrote letters to Chatham. The rivals should arrange the the Catholic clergymen of Renfrew, urgdays of publication so that Chatham may | ing them to

INFLUENCE THEIR PARISHIONERS TO VOTE FOR MCDOUGALL!

He further swore that by his request Our Grand Falls correspondent writes the Post Master General gave a mail con-On Saturday night last a party of five tract, worth \$1000, to one of McDougall's broke into the store of Watson & Russell, supporters without calling for tenders. from several stores and a quantity of tin After O'Reilly's election this same man ware and destroyed it, also five casks of had asked Sir John's government for a continuance of his contract, he having liquor, which they spilled, and then threw the cashs into the river, and did other damage. The Sherin is now in pursuit of the party supported O'Reilly, but his request was not granted. Then the "elevators" came into power, and they speedily purified this man by giving him a renewal of his cor-MEN AND THINGS AT OTTAWA. tract on account of his supporting Mc-Dougall. Loudon is next in order, How He Elevated the Standard of

Here we have the most perfect illustra-Public Morality-Offices for Votes tion of how the standard was elevated. -Public Contracts without Ten It will be remembered that MAJOR der for Votes-Hard Cash for Votes WALKER was a follower of Sir John Macto put down Corruption - Five Purists Bowled out-" Come along donald, but his pious sensibilities reeived such a shock by the Pacific Scandal John, We've Lots of Money." FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

ceived such a shock by the rate of the centre of the company to whom it was said Sir John sold the charter)—that he resolved to join the Reformers and ald in "clevat-ing the standard of public morality." Here is a specimen of how his agents did OTTAWA, Sept. 12th. "It shall be our object to elevate or over the Standard of Public Morality."

"LONDON, January 23rd, 1874. "To Mr. JOHN BLEWITT:

The Brown-Morris Race. Morris arrived by train from the West yesterday afternoon. He was met at

Advertisers must send in their favors Westfield by a number of gentlemen from ore 12 o'clock, noon, in order to insure St. John. Morris is accompanied by P. Luther and A. Siebest, both of Pittsburg, Pete Lee. G R J Crawford Annie DeMontford his training. The Pittsburg scaller is a man 5 ft. 9 in. high, well built, wiry R E Puddington looking, and quite muscular. His presmell Bros ent weight is 163 pounds, but he will J D Turner considerably reduce it before the race J S Turner | comes off. On arriving in the city he was driven to the Victoria Hotel, where he AUCTIONS

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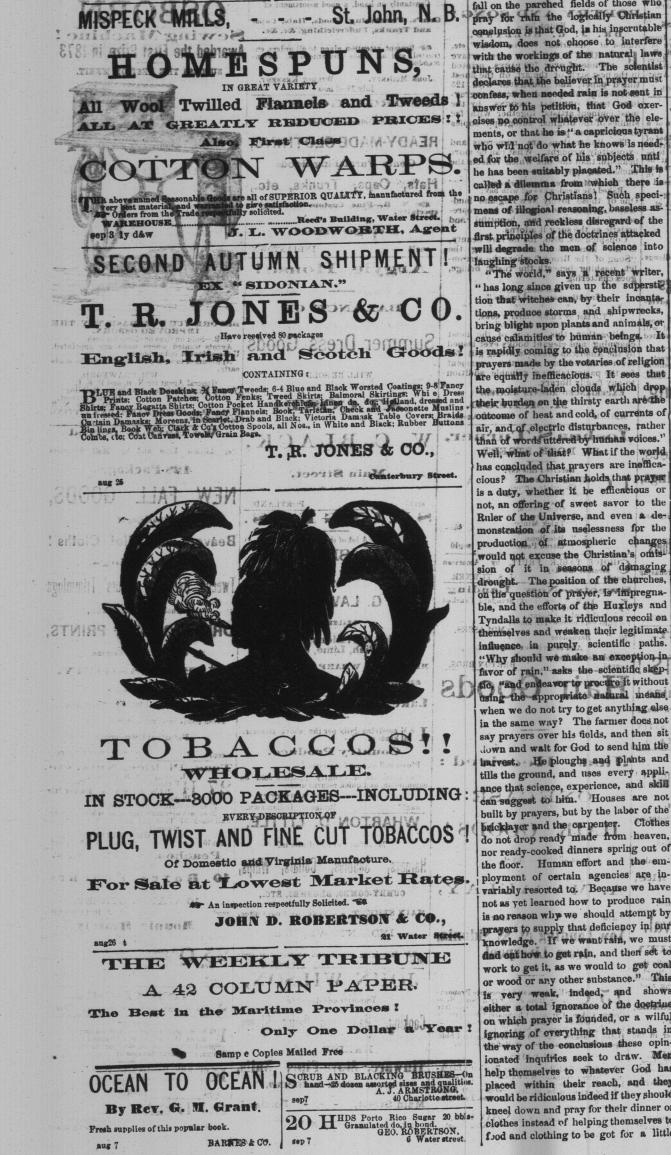
remained last night. This morning he Lockhart & Chipman E H Lester went to take up his quarters at Johnston's Grand View Hotel, Riverside, and will at once go into active training. His only

Thermometer-at noon to-day-59° Johnson, a Swede, had his face and to this country by the late James Renands badly burned at Sand Point Road forth. She is a beautiful boat and looks n Monday afternooa, by a blast, which fast. Her dimensions are : length 30 ft., nself and another man were trying to meadth 111 inches, weight 841 lbs. (He emove from the rock, exploding. He will train in Michael Ahern's shell. Morris has a record in the United Moore's tin smith shop, corner of Mill States that proves him to be in ad North streets, was on fire yesterday every way an opponent worthy of the afternoon, but the fire was extinguished Hallfax scaller. Though quite young, by the aid of a few pailfuls of water. being but 23 years of age, he has won An Apron Fair will be held in the Ex- several races. He is not a waterman, outh Street Church school-room this but is employed when at home in a rollwening. The schoolroom is very hand- ing mill, and first commenced rowing for omely decorated with flags, evergreens, pleasure among amateurs, His friends etc., and all who desire to spend a pleas- of the Clipper Boating Club saw in him ant evening and help on a good cause the making of a good sculler, and he was

should not fail to be present. Besides induced to devote himself more to the Aprons, in great variety of styles and work. In 1869 he first entered in any rices, there will be a Magic Lake and great regatta, where he came in second, Art Gallery, all of which can be seen for beating scullers of some note. In 1870 he defeated Miller of the McKee Club of the small admission fee of 10 cents. The examination of candidates for Pittsburg, but the same year was defeateachers' licenses is now going on in the ed. Next year he won back his laurels in pasement of Calvin Church, under a race for \$600 with Miller. In 1873 he lirection of Mr. D. Morrison and Revs. appeared at the July regatta in Boston harbor, defeating Ten Eyck and others. Dr. Maclise and Donald Macrae. A man named Crombie was seriously The same year he rowed in a pair-oared njured by falling a distance of 35 feet on race with Henry Coulter at the Toronto oard the S. S. Arbitrator yesterday Regatta, and they won first money. At

afternoon. His head was so seriously the same regatta he won second money cut that it was thought best to send him in the single scal race, coming in two lengths behind Coulter. After that he Pioneer Lodge I. O. O. F. holds a tried to arrange a race with several sculspecial meeting to confer degrees this lers barring Coulter, but did not succeed. His last races were at the Boston Regatta

When will the Corporation have the on the 4th of July last, and at the Oakland bye-laws and civic regulations printed Beach Regatta a month later. In the and bound? The work was commenced former he lead Biglin, Landers, Brayley, in Mayor Woodward's time. and Rourke, but, just before arriving at in Mayor Woodward's time. This is the last night of several favor- the stake, his boat was caught by a line "To Mr. JOHN BLEWHT: "SIR,—Lam requested to write you and "ask you to come here on the 29th to vote "for Major Walker for representative to "Parliament. I am also writing to Clif-"Parliament. I am also writing to Clif-"ford. It is Mr. Andrew's request you "should vote for Walker and put out



Carling because he wants to put Mac-denald in power again. He guarantees 'expenses and time paid if you will come and vote for Walker. He is an inde-pendent man and not a Grit. If you 'come write at once and state what train and Mr. Andrews and I will meet you "and Mr. Andrews and I will meet you "at the station. If you have a vote there "you had better vote there first and then "take the train for here. The money is "safe, so come along and put down brib-"ery and corruption. Vote for Walker. "Yours, etc., "JOHN F. MADDIVER, "London."

"P. S.-Tear this and burn it. Come long, John, we have lots of money."

party for the avowed cause of corruption -who becomes a purifier of the electorate - and who goes on the witness stand and swears that, apart from the general election fund, apart from the subscriptions of his triends—he himself had expended through his committees an amount aver-

dissolved the House for the express pur-pose of securing a pure Parliament. And now, the facts show, and the investiga-tions reveal, a systematic scheme of co-ercion and corruption without any prece-dent in the history of Canada, on the part of those Patriotic Purists; and that not only the agents of the disgraced Re-presentatives, but the Ministers of the Crown, have violated their oaths of of-fice, gone into the franchise market

AND BOUGHT UP VOTERS

GODDESS OF GRIT PURITY might be seen, beside the elevated stan-

dard, crying out to each elector "COME ALONG JOHN, WE'VE LOTS OF MONEY!" H.

The trial of the petition against Hon. Dr. Tupper is in progress at Amherst. The Congregational Union of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia met last week in Sheffield. The denomination has 1200 adherents in the two Provinces; its net Then followed the trial of protests gain last year was 111 members; and the gain last

THE DAILY TRIBUNE and all the most await his decision with some anxiety in

corner of Chipman's Hill and Market him to give a good account of himself, square, in front of A. C. Smith's and W. and if not the winner they say he will W. Jordan's stores. The bricks are bear his defeat with good grace.

placed on their side on top of several George Brown, of Halifax, nches of sand, with a laver of sand arrive by the Empress this evening, and above. It is a new experiment in sidewill take up his quarters at the Clare-Dr. Henry Sears, of New York, sou of two boats, one from Elliot, of New York walks, and is warranted for two years. John Sears, Esq., of this city, arrived yesterday, on a visit to St. John. called "Capt. Wasson," and the other, it is expected, will be Jewett boat, and he will

of course row in the best of the two. His Mechanics' Institute Lecture Course. The arrangements for the Winter record is from 1863, when he first entered Course of Lectures under the auspices of to contest for the championship belt of the Mechanics' Institute are now nearly Halitax harbor, and which he succeeded ompleted. A few foreign lecturers have in getting the following year. His defeat een engaged, but the majority are Cana- by Saddler in 1871, and his victories over ians, and the course promises to be one Fulton in 1872, Biglin in 1873, and Scharff of the most enjoyable ever given in this this year, are fresh in the minds of all. The race is to be rowed on the Kennecity. The experiment of hiring the best ecturers of the day, last year, was not, beccasis, Sept. 25th, or the first favorin a financial pointl a success. Yet the able day thereafter, for \$2,000 in gold a ectures were so thoroughly enjoyed by side. The distance is five miles with one all that the Directors do not intend to al- turn. Smooth water is required. low the character of the course to deter-

Eligible Property.

lorate. They have arranged this year, as Mr. W. N. Venning offers for sale that last, for a supplementary course in which valuable property owned and occupied by him, and situate near the residence of W. several lecturers will appear. This will give others than holders of members, Jack, Esq. It contains about three acres tickets a chance to hear the distinguished of land, with a substantial dwelling house, gentlemen who will visit us. From Red-outhouses and barn. This property is path's Lyceum Bureau, of Boston, the admirably situated for suburban resi-Directors have engaged Mr. George dences, being within fifteen minutes walk Directors have engaged have and business Dawson and Rev. W. H. Warren. The former is one of the most distinguished lecturers of the day, in England. For and surroundings, and possesses all the years he has lectured throughout Great advantages of country combined with Britain, visiting every large town and city, so that his name is a vestment for speculative purposes this household, word. He will lecture vestment for speculative purposes this property must command the attention of here on William Cobbett and on John investors as property in the neighborinvestors, as property in the neighborhere on William Coopert and the best investors, as property in the height and con-bindersting and instructive. The Rev. stantly increasing in value.

City Police Court.

Samuel Barr, drunk in Peters street, was fined \$4, though he had just arrveid is said to be one of those eloquent speak. from the country.

Patrick Donnelly, for drunkenness in a vast amount of instruction without de- Duke street, must pay \$4. Michael Moran said he hadn't been comes the Rev. George M. Grant, of drunk before for a long time, but the same

Halitax. Known throughout Canada for fine was imposed. his great abilities, he comes with two Elizabeth McKenzle, Scotch in name, new lectures. Joseph Howe and Robert Ethiopian in color, and claiming Carleton Burns are his subjects—one the repreBurns are his subjects—one the representative of new, and the other of old,
Scotia. Both, in his hands, will be texts
for eloquent discourses. Mr. Edward
Jack, of our own Province, is next on

the list. The subject, "Three Months in Our Forests," cannot fail to be a fruit-Sunday School Pienic. in Our Forests," cannot fail to be a little ful topic in his hands Prof. Bailey, of the University of New Brunswick, will also lecture, but has not as yet announced his subject. The sixth lecture of the his for the first 50 years of the The Blissville Sunday School returned his subject. The first 50 years of the history of St. John," by Joseph W. Lawrence, Esq. This gentleman is a deep student of our early history, and will, but the majority found quarters in the no doubt, present many interesting facts different hotels. The children, with the in connexion therewith. Elihu Burritt in connexion therewith. Elihu Burritt comes next. Of all the lecturers that ap-peared last year none pleased more than around the city looking at the sights, and Mr. Burritt. His thoroughly classical apparently enjoying themselves immense-lectures are withal so simple that every noon by the alternoon train.

one is delighted with them. His subjects Merchants' Exchange. are "Physiology of Free Nations" and New York, Sept. 16. Freights-Berth quiet. Tonnage for harter light request, rates favoring ship-"Reality and the Mission of Ideal Characters." Silas Alward, Esq., of St. John,

acters." Silas Alward, Esq., of Sach per. and Prof. Allison, of Sackville, are both Gold opened 1093, been 1104, now 110. Exchange 4861 a 484. their subjects. Mr. J. W. Lanergan has Arrived - Steamer Crescent City from been engaged to give a night's reading, and we need say nothing of one who is

so well known as a talented platform Havana. Boston, Sept. 16 reader. Prof. Goldwin Smith has partly Wind S. W., light, cloudy. Ther. 67°. Portland, Sept. 16. promised to come, and the directors Wind S. S. W., light, cloudy. Tl er.

Liverpool, Sept. 16 Flour 23s 6d a 25s. Breadstuffs quiet and others unchanged.

