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## PUBLISHERS' DEPARTMENT.

This Department has been opened in order to give us in the business office an opportunity of talking each week to our subscribers. It will be edited by our business manager, and while it will be neither comic or political in its tone, we feel satisfied that those who read it will be interested, and that this interest will be sustained. We will tell our friends the subscribers, of the progress of the paper, will ask them to assist us in increasing this progress, tell of how we will show our appreciation of their efforts in this direction, speak of our plans for the future, in short, talk "business" to them which we hope will result to our mutual advantage. We number our friends by thousands, for we count every reader, whether a subscriber or a purchaser, a friend of the paper, but we want more. Under some circumstances it is possible for a man to have too many friends, but a newspaper cannot have. Now, apart from any propositions we may make, it is directly to the interest of the readers of any paper that the subscription list be as large as possible—the larger our circulation the better we can make the paper—but we want to make it still more interesting to those who wish to help us. First, then, to those who desire to get a good farmer's paper, we offer the *Farm Journal* upon these conditions:

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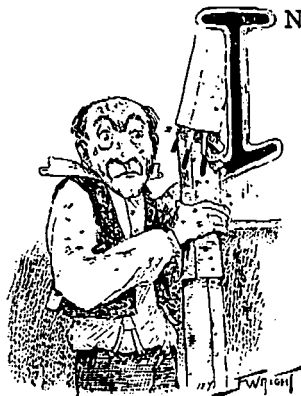
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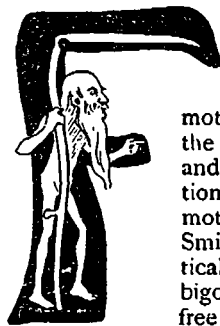
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IN the local bye-election for Toronto of last week Dr. Ryerson was successful in re-capturing the seat for the Tories by the comparatively small plurality of 590 over Dr. Ogden, though as he had a minority of the total vote polled, the often repeated boast that Toronto is a Conservative city was not made good. In fact the figures, as well as the little interest taken in the campaign, show that party ties have been greatly weakened of late and that a considerable body of the electors while unwilling to be dragooned to the polls by the party machines, are not yet aroused to the necessity of making a fight on new issues. Hot-headed partizans, of course, deplore this apathy, but in our opinion it is rather an encouraging feature of the situation. The next best thing to getting the voters to support an independent candidate is to have them unlearn the teachings of partyism and break away from machine rule. The fact that notwithstanding the frenzied appeals of the party hacks only about half of the electors voted, shows that the people are getting their eyes open.

THE main battle of the Ottawa session over the tariff closed on the 1st inst., when Sir Richard Cartwright's resolution condemning the N.P. was defeated on a strict party vote by 126 to 71, giving the Government a majority of 55. This result shows how little dependence can be placed on the supposed disaffection in the Tory ranks. There have been repeated protests and expressions of dissatisfaction from Government supporters, leading some over-sanguine Grits to imagine that the administration was seriously weakened, but at the first crack of the party whip the kickers fall into line and vote solidly for the policy which they condemned. Doubtless, their temporary show of independence will stand them in good stead when Government favors are distributed. When a politician kicks against the traces in nine cases out of ten it simply means that he is dissatisfied with his share of the spoils. There is very little danger that the Government will lose its hold on office so long as the loaves and fishes hold out.

PEDIGREE goes in this colony, especially when there is a big bad behind it.



RIDAY evening last will long be memorable in the annals of the St. George's Society of this city, owing to the hot debate over the motion to expel Prof. Goldwin Smith on the ground of disloyalty. After a heated and acrimonious discussion the resolution was withdrawn and a compromise motion agreed upon condemning Prof. Smith's opinions in strong terms. Practically the victory remains with the bigots and inquisitors; the defenders of free speech, though they spoke up bravely enough in the discussion, allowing themselves to be bulldozed and out-generalled at the last, through a weak