

FOSTER IN CORNWALL.

The Late Minister of Finance on the Issues Before the Country.

Ministerialists Afraid of Discussions—The Spoils System—Manitoba School Question.

(From the Montreal Gazette.) Hon. Mr. Foster, who followed Sir Adolphe, expressed his pleasure at his second opportunity of addressing a Cornwall audience. He said that instead of making a speech he was going to point out a few of the peculiar things which he had noticed in connection with this election.

Did they accept this fair challenge? (Loud cries of no and cheers.) No, they would not accept this challenge, and although nine or ten cabinet ministers and several of the rank and file had spoken in the country, they had neither allowed a Conservative to appear on their platform nor had they appeared on the Conservative platform; no, they don't want a fair and open discussion where both sides of the question can be put fairly before the electors.

Mr. Laurier and his ministers were all here, but because he was afraid these men who had for years been denouncing the National Policy in parliament and out of parliament would forget themselves and attack it here, Mr. Laurier had kept at home these sturdy champions of free trade. To talk free trade in Cornwall and Stornoway would play the dickens with the East.

PLAYED OUT, S. SYSTEM ADOPTED. The axe is raised over the head of every official in the employ of the government. He could see this in the state of affairs in the Civil Service in Ottawa and it could be seen here in Cornwall. The Liberals had seats in one hand and bribes in the other, and were endeavoring to drive the electors of this constituency to do as they wished.

Mr. Foster then said that since his last visit the people of Cornwall had heard last night Hon. Mr. Laurier. These gentlemen seemed to think that all that was expected of them was a lot of abuse of people who were miles away. In these days of telephones, telegraphs and newspapers, it was difficult to lie about an absentee and not be found out.

Referring to the school question, Mr. Foster said that the Catholic minority of Manitoba had asked for the restoration of their rights they enjoyed previous to 1890, when their separate schools were taken away from them. The remedial bill introduced by the Liberal Conservative party was framed to give back separate schools as far as the constitution permitted.

The manager of the London-Brazilian bank at Para, Brazil, committed suicide the Central railway station. Mowbray, Dec. 23.—The premises of the Canada Lumber Co., Ltd., were damaged to the extent of \$10,000 by fire yesterday; insured.

in the bill. Neither did we at any time even attempt to dispose of the financial affairs of the Empire of Russia. In both cases there was the same good and efficient reason. The constitution did not give us such power. It would have been waste of paper to have attempted to do a thing which the constitution did not empower us to do.

THE ARBITRATION TREATY. (From the N. Y. Times.) The announcement that the negotiation of a general treaty of arbitration between the United States and Great Britain is about completed will be received with genuine satisfaction wherever the English tongue is spoken.

AS THOUGH RATS WERE GNAWING HIM. In the original preface to his "Confessions," De Quincey writes that at a large dinner the first Lord St. John, once said to him the poor De Quincey entertained the same idea for himself, and went to Professor Wilson for advice.

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STYLES IN PRESENT USE. the top of the shoulder. The puff is made of the main and insertion. The sleeve that is very tight, with a very small puff on the shoulder, used for silk gowns and is quite the latest style. The short full puffed sleeve, with a deep pointed cuff above the elbow, is pretty for an evening gown or for a young girl, and the sleeve with the small puff at the elbow is very graceful for thin material. The puff above and below the elbow is banded with a broad piece of embroidery or passmenterie.