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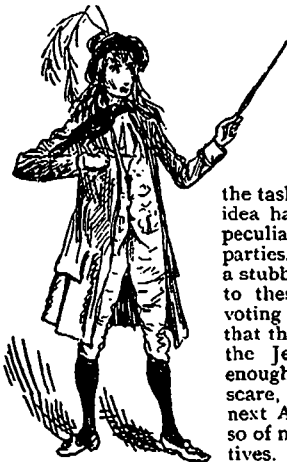
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Comments on the Cartoons.



THE DOCTORED PARTY FLAGS.—While the Party speakers and journals are doing their best to belittle the Equal Rights movement, they take good care not to appear to combat the principle underlying it. On the contrary, time and talent are being exclusively devoted to the task of proving that the Equal Rights idea has always been and now is the peculiar property of each of the old parties. The record of each is, however, a stubborn fact which gives a rude denial to these pretensions. As the day of voting approaches, the signs multiply that the movement which originated in the Jesuit Bill debate is formidable enough to give the politicians a thorough scare, and the probability is that the next Assembly will contain a dozen or so of members elected as its representatives. Whether Mr. Mowat and Mr. Meredith have in the past been as sound

on Equal Rights as they now claim, it is pretty certain that they will be on their good behavior in the future, whichever of them may be at the head of affairs.

RYKERT VINDICATED.—Rather than vote for a Grit a majority of the electors of Lincoln have deliberately chosen to disgrace themselves in the eyes of the country by re-electing J. C. Rykert. This eclipses anything in our annals as an illustration of the extent to which partyism can debase the character of individuals and communities. The responsibility for the re-election of this convicted boodler must be shared, however, by the Reformers, who persisted in putting up a candidate and

refused to join in the election of a decent Conservative; and by Sir John Macdonald, who could have secured the defeat of Rykert by simply indicating that such was his will. Indeed, in our view, Sir John is the most blameworthy of all, for the gain of an additional seat by the Opposition could have no practical effect on his Government, notwithstanding which he virtually chose to re-install Rykert as a member of the House, and thus proved himself as base a partizan as the meanest of Rykert's Lincoln henchmen. Canada is not reconciled by this alleged vindication, and it is now in order to have the new coal-lands scandal, in which the hon. gentleman figures, investigated.

GRIP BALLOT CONTEST—THE DECISION.

Is the Mowat Government worthy of a renewal of public confidence?

The seven weeks' voting on the above question closed on receipt of the noon mail on Monday, May 26th. The ballots were duly counted by Messrs. R. S. Baird and Geo. F. Bostwick, whose certificate is appended.

We certify that we have counted the ballots handed over to us by Mr. Bengough and find the result as follows:

Total number of ballots sent in.....	955
Spoiled ballots.....	9
Number voting "Yes".....	571
Number voting "No".....	375
Majority in favor of the Government.....	196

Signed R. S. BAIRD,
Geo. F. BOSTWICK.

THE SUCCESSFUL GUESSER.

The fifty dollar cash prize, for the nearest guess of the total number of ballots that would be sent in, is hereby divided between S. D. Shorey, of Montreal, (who guessed 956) and James Langskill, 60 Gerrard St., Toronto, (954), the winning number being 955.

Sgd. T. G. WILSON, Mgr. Grip Co.



RULY, if on some future field of battle Col. G. T. Denison acts with anything like the coolness and composure which mark his present attitude toward the city authorities, he will prove himself a great soldier. For performing the duties of Police Magistrate of Toronto (a job which means about three hours' work per day), the gallant Colonel gets \$4,000 per year, with an assistant J.P., who is paid out of the civic treasury \$750

per year. This assistant was appointed at the Colonel's earnest request, so that he might, if possible, avoid being killed with overwork. The assistant is no sooner in office than the P.M. calmly leaves on a holiday trip to Europe, without asking the permission of his employers, his absence involving an estimated additional cost of \$70 per day. A finer exhibition of what is vulgarly called gall we cannot call to mind. It must have been a Bailie of the Denisonian pattern who, on being accosted with "Ay, man, it's a fine day," drew himself up and replied witheringly: "I'm no a man, I'm a magistrate!"

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THE well-known tendency of great minds to think alike is shown by the following paragraph which appeared in Mr. Labouchere's *Truth*, and embodies the same idea as GRIP's cartoon on the subject last week:

"Punch should, I think, have hesitated before chaffing the Prussian Black Eagle for swooping down on Africa, considering the insatiable voracity of the British Lion in grabbing territory