Political Situation.

Mr. Tarte Pleased With the Outlook in New Brunswick.

West Elgin Conservatives Fail to Make a Nomination.

No Conservative Candidate Yet Nominated in Nova Scotia.

Haldimand's Election Fixed for the 19th of March.

LIBERAL RALLY AT LISTOWEL. LISTOWEL, March 1.—Today being fair day in this town, an extra crowd of farmers were in to hear the Liberal speakers—Hon. Sir Richard Cartwright, Mr. James McMullen, M.P., Dr. McDonald, M.P., and James Grieves, M.P., who were billed to speak here today in the interest of Mr. Grieves, M.P., the popular representative of North Perth in the House of Commons. Hon Mr. in the House of Commons. Hon. Mr. Cartwright addressed the electors at the evening meeting in his most forcible manner, discussing the issues now be-fore the people. Mr. Grieves gave an and Jas. McMullen, M.P. The Liberals are well pleased with the day's proceedings.

LOGAN VS. DICKIE. HALIFAX, March 1.—At the Liberal convention at Amherst, H. J. Logan, Q.C., was unanimously chosen as the Liberal candidate against Minister

MR. TARTE FEELS ENTHUSIASTIC. MONTREAL, March 1.-Mr. Tarte returned this morning to town from New Brunswick, where he met the leading Liberals at St. John and Fredericton. He seems enthusiastic and says the Liberals will have a candidate in each constituency, and the worst they can do is to equally divide the Province.

WEST ELGIN CONSERVATIVES DISAGREE. DUTTON, March 1.-The Conservatives of West Elgin met in convention today in the opera hall. There was a large gathering. A motion was put to the meeting asking that no Conservative candidate be put in the field at the coming election. This was voted down by about a two-thirds vote. Just as soon as the result of the vote was made known by the president, those who were against bringing out a candidate left the room, and the meeting was brought to a sudden and unexpected termination. No other date was named for bringing out a man. It looks as though the fight would be left between the Liberal and the Patron candidates in this Grit hive.

PATERSON'S PERTINENT POINTS. Mr. Paterson, at Aurora, devoted a considerable part of his address to the statement that the Tory policy was against the interests of the manufacturer. In eloquent terms he told of the splendid success of the Canadian boy in the States, and declared that under fair conditions the Canadian could hold his own at home with the people of any nation on earth. Every dollar he had was invested in manufacturing, and he did not believe that the Liberal policy would place him at a disadvantage. But the manufacturer was just as good, but no better than other citizens. The manufacturer should have the same rights as others, but no greater. (Applause.) Mr. Paterson closed his speech with a tribute to the courage and fidelity of the Liberal leader and an appeal to the young men of the country to read the history of their country and ally themselves with that party which stood for the best and highest development of Canada, and sought to accomplish this not by an in-famous gerrymander, but by fair and equal conflict.

WHAT GOV. DEWDNEY SAYS. A private letter received from Lieutenant-Governor Dewdney from British Columbia, says that he does not intend now to resign his position and run for the Legislature so as to become Premier in place of Mr. Davie, who has been made chief justice of the

FRENCH CONSERVATIVES WANT

A SESSION. MONTREAL, March 1.-Some of the French Conservative members, it seems, are still pressing for a session of Parliament before dissolution, and their views are re-echoed in the Presse tonight, which declares that Bishop Lafleche, of Three Rivers, and Bishop Gravel, of Nicolet, are in favor of having a session, at which remedial legislation shall be passed, before dissolution. Dr. Lachapelle and several other prominent French Canadians have expressed themselves to the same effect.

HALDIMAND'S ELECTION DAY. (Special to the "Advertiser.")

TORONTO, March 1.- The writ has been issued for Haldimand. Nomina-tions will be on March 12 and polling on the 19th. Hon. Jacob Baxter and Mr. John Senn will be the candidates

NOTES.

Not a single Conservative candidate has yet been nominated in any county in Nova Scotia.

Messrs. Montague, Patterson, Wallace and Wood leave today (Saturday) for Western Ontario on a stumping

At the meeting of South Brant Con-servatives, Robert Henry was the choice of the meeting to be their standard-

Mr. John McMillan, M.P., has been elected honorary president, and W. M. Doig corresponding secretary of the Harriston Young Liberal Club.. At a Liberal convention for West Assinaboi, held at Moosejaw, Mr. A. E.

Hitchcock was nominated to oppose Mr. Davin at the approaching Dominion Mr. W. W. Buchanan thinks that he was not correctly reported when it was

stated that he would likely run in South Oxford. He has not yet expressed any

The Liberals of King's county, N. B., at a convention, have unanimously nominated Col. Domville. Col. Domville is uncle of Mr. Domville, the well-known western G. T. R. official.

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OVER THE SEA.

The Gascogne's Arrival at Havre Marked by an Ovation—The Alleged Rival of the C. P. R.

A GLASGOW THEATER BURNED. GLASGOW, March 1 .- The Theater Royal was burned to the ground today. Loss, £30,000.

THE CZAR'S UNCLE DEAD. SAN REMO, Italy, March 2.- The Grand Duke Alexis of Russia, uncle of Emperor Nicholas II., died here this morning. He was 45 years old.

LA GASCOGNE AT HAVRE. HAVRE, March 1. - The French steamer La Gascogne (Capt. Baudelin), which sailed from New York on Feb. 29, arrived here at 1:30 yesterday afternoon. La Gascogne entered the harbor amid a hurricane of cheers from the shore, to which the officers, crew and passengers responded by waving flags and cheering in reply. During the afternoon lunch was served on board, at which the mayor and the members of the Chamber of Commerce and other notabilities were present.

THE C. P. R.'S SUPPOSED RIVAL. The Montreal Star's special cable from London says: The promoters of the British Pacific Railway, which it is intended to run from Victoria, B. C., via Cariboo, the Yellow Head Pass, Edmonton and through the Northwest, state that the money to float the scheme on the London market is all secured, and now they say they are waiting for the British Columbia Government to fulfill its promises to assist the scheme to the fullest extent of its power. Hon. J. H. Turner, the Finance Minister of British Columbia, comes to England shortly to make a new British Columbia loan, and the promoters expect he will give such pledges of his Government's aid as will enable the British Pacific Company to be put be-fore the public here. The British Pacific Company will reach the seaboard, according to present arrangements, through connecting with the muchtalked-of and much-criticised Atlantic and Lake Superior route.

AN EDITOR KILLED. PARIS, March 1.-Commandant Lechettalier, of the marine force, this morning fought a duel with M. Percher, who was also known as "Harry Alis," inflicting a wound, from the effects of which Alis died in a few minutes. The weapons used were swords. M. Le-chettalier in the first encounter broke Alis' guard and drove his weapon through his opponents' body, piercing the right lung. The duel was the re-sult of a controversy carried on through the press. The meeting took place at Neuilly. Alis was formerly agent of an English news agency, and afterwards one of the editors of the Journal des Debats. He had also served as the Cairo correspondent of that paper, in which capacity he was known for his said to have had great influence with the Khedive.

The seconds attending M. Percher were MM. Audre Hallais and Paul Bluysen. M. Lechettalier's seconds were Col. Baudet and Commandant Castelli. The death stroke was given immediately after the combatants crossed swords, and M. Percher died almost at the moment he sank to the ground. Both principals wore only trousers and flannel vests.

A GREAT MAN GONE. EDINBURGH, March 2 .- Prof. John Stuart Blackie died at 9:45 o'clock this morning. He passed away peacefully. He bade farewell to his family last evening, saying he was perfectly certain that his end was approaching.

John Stuart Blackie, son of an Aber-

deen banker, was born in Glasgow in 1809, and was educated at Aberdeen and Edinburgh. He also spent two years on the continent studying languages and classical philology. In 1834 he published a metrical translation of Goethe's "Faust," and in the same year was called to the Scottish bar. In 1841 he was appointed to the newly formed chair of Latin literature in Marischal College, Aberdeen, which post he held leven years. In 1852 he was appointed the Greek chair in the University of Edinburgh, which he resigned in 1882. Thereafter he devoted himself to writing and lecturing. Latterly he lectured on modern Greek and published papers on the subject to the Nineteenth Century and Review. Among the works published by him were: "Songs and Legends of Ancient Greece," "War Songs of the Germans," "Lays of the Highlands," "Self-Culture," "The Wise Men of Greece," "The Wisdom of Goethe," "Life of Robert Burns," "The Scottish Highlands," and many others devoted to a variety of subjects.

BUSINESS OUTLOOK.

Both in the United States and Canada

Quietness and Caution the Prevailing Features-No Boom in Prospect.

NEW YORK, March 1.-R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: No gold goes out, though sterling exchange has risen close to the exporting point, and it does not yet appear that the syndicate has made any effort to control the exchange market. There is no es-

sential change in the money market, though rates are somewhat higher. Agricultural products are a shade higher, but without any reason, which looks to future operations. More people are idle in the great industries than were idle last week, but not for reasons which distinctly affect the future.

Fallures for the week have been 250 in the United States, against 261 last year, and in Canada 38, against 42 last

year. BRADSTREET'S.

Bradstreet's will say: While the course of general trade during the first two months of the current year has been disappointing February ends and March begins with tangible though not as yet satisfactory signs of improvement. Among larger eastern business centers no general evidences of improvement are reported, except a larger volume of trade in staple lines in Pittsburg, to-gether with better demand in the iron an steel trades.

February bank clearings at 60 cities in the United States amount to \$3,284,-000,000, the smallest monthly total since records were kept except those for February one year ago, and for August and September in the panic year—1893.

There are 234 business failures reported this week, contrasted with 327 last week, and with 272 in the concluding week of February, 1894. Two years ago the total was 217, and three years ago

it was 247. IN CANADA. Toronto and Montreal advices are

that spring openings in drygoods and millinery result in increased activity, aided in part by milder weather. At the latter point no revival in business is looked for prior to the opening of navi-gation. Collections in the Dominion are generally slow, with many renewals and

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extensions.

February bank clearings at Canadian cities aggregate \$64,865,000 this year, an increase over February, 1894, of about 5 per cent., but a decrease from February, 1893, of about 16 per cent., and a falling off compared with February, 1892, of about 6 per cent. Bank clearings at Winnipeg, Toronto, Hamilton, Montreal and Halifax this week amount to \$15,-579,000—6 per cent. less than last week, but only slightly smaller than in the like week a year ago, and more than one-quarter less than the total in the corresponding week of 1893.

Introduction of the London Electric Radtal Ratiway Bill.

Several Deputations Received by the Government-Sir Oliver's Reply to the Templars.

(Special to the "Advertiser.") PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS, TORONTO, March f.

There was virtually nothing done today in the House, for it was private members' day, and the budget speech consequently did not go on. A little routine business was transacted, a few petitions presented, a few bills introduced, and the House adjourned after a twenty-minute cossion. twenty-minute session.
One of the bills was that to incorpor-

ate the London Radial Electric Railway, for which Mr. Awrey stood spon-

The important work of the day was done by the striking committee, who prepared the lists for the various important standing committees that exist to get proposed legislation presented in proper shape before it reaches the House. These committees are now ap-pointed, and will soon begin operations, and then the work of the session will begin in earnest. Headed by Mr. C. R. Smith, of Hamil-

ton, the executive of the Canadian Association of Fairs and Exhibitions called on Mr. Dryden this afternoon and asked for a number of changes in the law regarding fairs. Among the changes suggested were a rearrangement of the distribution of Government grants, so as to bear a more accurate relation to the necessities of the several localities; the appointment of an inspector of fairs, and the making of Government grants to fairs conditional upon a county council giving supplementary grants, and the bitter anti-English sentiments! He is nizing of the petitioners as the Canadian Association of Fairs and Exhibitions. Mr. Dryden returned the usual answer that he would consider the proposed changes.

The Royal Templars of Temperance and the Methodist Young People's Society of Ontario and Quebec sent a joint deputation, which waited upon the Government this afternoon, the spokesmen being Ald. Lees, of Hamilton, Rev. Dr. Galbrath, of Toronto, and Rev. Wm. Kettlewell, of Paris. Their request was threefold—that the hours of sale be reduced, and that the number of liquor licenses be reduced: and that the License Law be better enforced. All three spokesmen of the deputation (which was very numerous) made strong speeches in favor of these changes and improvements pending the

decision of the Privy Council. Sir Oliver, in his reply, said that while the question of license legislation had not been considered at this session, he hoped the Government's temperance friends would not think it unreasonable of it if it should decide to wait for the final decision of the Privy Council as to the Province's jurisdiction before introducing any new legislation.

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Elections Immediately.

Writs for Dominion Contest Expected in Less Than Two Weeks.

Great Activity Displayed at Ottawa.

An Ottawa correspondent says: All the signs point to the issue of the writs for a general election within the next ten or twelve days. Ballots are being prepared, Ministers are leaving for their constituencies, voters' lists are being called for by members in constituencies for which lists are complete, and there is a general activity in Government cir-Mr. Foster will go to York in a few days. Some of the Ministers and the Controllers left today for another campaign tour in Ontario, beginning at

The newspapers may any morning now contain the announcement that Parliament has been dissolved. The Premier's office is a central committee room for campaign interviews and campaign correspondence. Mr. Michael Connolly, president of the Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Company, had an-other interview with Premier Bowell today. His company has an important influence in one or two constituencies in Quebec. It is reported that a contract has been entered into with reference to that election kite, the Hudson Bay Rail-way, though its official announcement it is desired should be first made by Mr. Daly on his approaching visit to Manitoba. In reference to the speculative rumors from time to time appearing in Quebec as to the Lieutenant-Governor, Hon. J. A. Chapleau, your correspondent is in a position to say, on the highest possible authority, that Mr Chapleau declines to enter a sinking

All the voters' lists have been received except three or four, and they will be in tomorrow. The law is complied with if they were mailed on Feb. 28. There will not be more than 30 days' notice of polling, so that there is no time lose if the opponents of the Gvernment desire to take advantage of their opportunity. Now is the time for effective work, and not after the writs have been issued.

Sunday Services!

Church Services.

Murderous.

Villatnous Attempt to Rob the Montreal Cotton Company's Safe.

Two Men Shot Dead and Two More May Die.

An Employee's Marvelous Presence of Mind.

Saves His Life and \$35,009-The Manager's Private Secretary the Perpetrator -He is Captured.

VALLEYFIELD, Que, March 2 .-Last night the paymaster of the Montreal Cotton Company, Mr. John Lowe, assisted by two of the officials, J. Loy and Hugh Wilson, were making up the pay ready for Monday, when Mr. Shortis, who was lately the private secretary to the manager of the mill, entered the office. Reaching over the counter, Shortis picked up a loaded revolver, which Mr. Lowe always kept close at hand, and shot Wilson in the left side. The others thought it was accidental, and Mr. Loy made for the telephone to get the doctor, while Mr. Lowe went to Wilson's assistance. Before Loy reached the telephone, however, the shooter took deliberate aim and shot him dead, the ball passing

THROUGH HIS HEART. He then fired at Lowe, but missed, hit ting Wilson again on the forehead and

Lowe, seeing how matters were, grabbed the pay boxes, which contained \$35,000, and ran into the vault with them, pulling the massive door after

Shortis then went to the door and told Lowe to come out, saying he did not wish to injure him. Lowe replied that he was locked in and could not get out, though such was not the case, the door being simply shut. Shortis replied: "Give me the combination, Jack, and I will let you out." The latter replied: "Just give the knob a turn and it will open." The murderer did so, and, of

LOCKED THE SAFE, which was what Mr. Lowe wished. While this was going on Wilson, by a superhuman effort, managed to crawl out of the office, down the stairs, and about 200 yards to the fire hall, where a couple of men were at work, to whom he gave the alarm. Before they reached the office, however, Maxime Labcouf, the night watchman, started for the scene. On reaching the door he was met by Shortis and

SHOT DEAD. The latter then three stairs. He proceeded to cut the wires of the telephone so as to shut off all communication outside, after which he made another attempt to get into the safe. While thus engaged, the foreman entered, and as his revolver was now empty, they had no trouble in overcoming him.

John Loy was one of the most promis-ing young men in the community. He was the eldest son of G. M. Loy, the present mayor of the town, and a general favorite with all. Mr. Wilson is lying in a very critical

condition, and grave fears are entertained as to his recovery. Mr. Lowe, who was inclosed in the vault for three hours is also in a very bad way. He was recently seriously ill with a paralytic attack, and his experience last night may have a serious

effect upon him. Perfect keeping properties belong to Dr. Price's Baking Powder, because it's absolutely pure.

The Railway Accident in Mexico an Awful One.

It is Feared That Over One Hundred Are Killed.

The Train an Excursion, Carrying 1,200 People - Fell Down the Mountain-Side,

CITY OF MEXICO, March 2.-It is now known that 200 people were killed and injured in the terrible wreck on the Inter-Oceanic Railroad Thursday afternoon. It is impossible as yet to say how many of this number are dead, as the wreck has not all been cleared away and reports are very conflicting. It is feared, however, that over 100 are dead. The train was an excursion, carrying nearly 1,200 passengers, returning from the pilgrimage annually made to Sacre Monte shrine, Near Piedra Blanca there is a sharp curve, and at this point from some reason not as yet definitely learned five coaches jumped the track and went down the side of the mountain. Three of them were smashed completely into kindling wood. As soon as word was received in this city a relief train was sent out with surgeons and a wrecking force, and the work of rescuing the wounded and taking out the dead has been progressing since. As fast as possible the wounded were brought to this city, President Diaz having ordered the military hospital with its staff to care for all survivors. A gendarme who returned on one of the relief trains says that he saw fourteen dead bodies taken from one coach. These bodies were mangled in the most shocking manner; some of them were in fragments and limbs, heads and bodies were mixed up in such a manner as to make identification almost impossible. The scene about the wreck was most sickening, as well as sorrowful. Relatives were searching for miss ing members of their families, and women and children who had lost their husbands and fathers were crying and Further details from the scene of the

moaning in a heart-rending manner. wreck are expected later, but the tele graphic service is unsatisfactory. This is the most serious wreck in Mexico since 1881, when a trainload of soldiers went through a bridge, 400 of them being killed. The most careful inquiries in

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ing killed. The most careful inquiries in this city and of the railroad people indicate that there were no Americans on the train, the passengers, so far as can be learned, all being natives. The train crew are Americans, and in accordance with the Mexican custom such of them as were not killed will be arrested, the Mexican laws concerning the responsibility of trainmen for such affairs being stringent.