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LONDON, FRIDAY, FEB. 28, 1908. THE PROPOSED GERRYMANDER OF MIDDLESEX.

Prior to confederation this county had two ridings only-East and West America act it was divided into the three ridings, exactly as they now are, except as altered by the enlargement boundaries of the city of Lonso far as the Ontario Legislature is concerned, since 1867.

Dominion gerrymander, with the object of "hiving the Grits." an awkward situation was created. Electors lived in one riding for Dominion election purposes, and in another for provincial purposes. It was with satisfaction that they welcomed the return to the former arrangement as determined at confederation.

There may be nothing whatever in the suggestion that the county is to be gerrymandered so as to make two Conservative ridings and one Reform. It is with the intention of forestalling what would be regarded as an act of to the fact that the ridings were fixed by the British North America act, and remained until the present time. This circumstance alone should change being attempted.

DISOWNED BY FORMER FRIENDS.

Significant in connection with the provincial election campaign now in progress in New Brunswick, is the fact that the Conservative Opposition in that province disclaims any connection with the federal Conservatives. The backbone of winter shows no sign of ment fear their cause will suffer unless the public mind is disabused of lied with the collection of incapables behind Mr. Borden. They no doubt interests are as nothing compared with by the Opposition. their own self-seeking. They must have in mind the revelations of the insurance investigation, and the dubiers of the Dominion Conservative a rail fence. party. They have before them even lay bare their own fractions. misdeeds when in office; how even their leader, a man who once enjoyed a reputation as a broad-minded and well-meaning public man, hampered only by the littleness of those with whom he had the misfortune to be surrounded, has fallen to their level. Remembering all this, is it any wonder that the Conservative party of New Brunswick, in its intense desire to gain office, tell the electors of that Province that they are not of the same kin as the Bordens, the Fosters, the Fowlers, and the rest of them? No one can blame the New Brunswick Conservatives for thus disowning the men who have brought discredit on the party name. The Federal Oppositien, by its present course, is putting can Golf Club, smiled at a post putting the Van Cortlandt Park links in New a strain on the party loyalty of good York. Conservatives in every province.

THE BRITISH LICENSING BILL. its life in its hands by the introduction it out again. Whack, whack, he of a radical temperance measure. The went, missing every time. "trade" in Great Britain is a mighty force in politics. Its whole power will ed despairing to the caddy he directed to the overthrow of the administration, and its natural alli- on earth am I to do now?" ance with the Unionist party will be

strengthened and confirmed. The bill brought down by Mr. Asquith provides for the extinction in twenty years of 30,000 licenses, or one-third of the whole number now in existence. This will be effected by a Nor those that bring us loudest praise, provision allowing only one license to 750 persons in cities and 400 in rural The greatest days are not the ones districts. In Ontario the unit is one license to 600 in cities and towns, and ere to 400 in the country. Local then is to govern the issuance of rew licenses, and a majority of the electors of a parish is sufficient to prchibit the granting of one; but the BENEFITS OF FRENCH TREATY. dispatches do . not make it clear whether this means a majority of the

ions for reducing licenses indefinitely by local option. The permission to sell liquor during certain hours on Sunday shows that Great Britain is and the tax on our dried apples is \$7.7 still a long way behind Ontario, al-175 though the new bill marks a big ad-

against the educational bill, and the iquor trade against the license bill. the Government has raised two powquested to favor the management by erful enemies, but it will rally the will rely on the growth of temperance

INDICTED AS DISLOYAL.

The highest tribunal in British Columbia, in full court, has unanimously of the Provincial Legislature to be

judgment was given on an appeal by the Attorney-General of the Province from the decision of Chief Justice Hunter, who ordered the the instance of the Provincial author-There has been no other change ities. The three other members of the in any of the Middlesex constituences court agreed with the arguments and conclusion of the chief justice, and the ill-timed and ill-advised Bowser act is thus erased without the intervention of the Federal Government.

> were particularly impressive. "I must say," he said, "it smacks strongly of disloyalty to our settled form of sex. It is a practical step in the direction government, when the authorities of make many feel like attending the wedone Province should undertake to ding. override and render abortive the will of the people of Canada."

The judge might have gone even further and imputed to the politicians of British Columbia disloyalty not only to Canada but to the empire. The reckless spenders those London people agreement between Ottawa and Tokio was prompted by imperial considerations, and relieved the Imperial Government of a grave difficulty. The gross injustice that attention is called Britain's ally, flouted the Canadian constitution, and threw fresh cares McBride administration had two motives in making trouble. It wanted to cater to anti-Oriental feeling and to past ten years, that the Government has settle the question, and prevent any embarrass the Federal Government for party reasons. In this ignoble and unpatriotic conduct it has been aided and abetted by the Federal Opposition. And the mischiefmakers are leaders of the Conservative party, which poses as the super-loyal and

February goes tomorrow, and the

The C. P. R., with \$39,000,000 cash in the idea that they are in any way al- its treasury, laughs in the face of the monetary stringency.

One hundred inches of snow have see in their namesakes at Ottawa a fallen in Ottawa this year. This should band of men with whom the country's be sufficient to cover the mud thrown

seen his Minister of Agriculture behind ous operations of Messrs. Foster, Le- a plow. Mr. Fisher's predecessors in furgey, Pope, Fowler and other lead- that office scarcely know a plow from

The story is that the Whitney now the discreditable tactics of the Government will split the difference, and every woman who makes complaint obstructionists, during the present with the Dominion Alliance, and make about her husband drinking has it made session; how they have held up pub- the requirement 55 per cent instead of easy for her to have him put on the Inlie business for months, and wasted 60 per cent in a local option vote. hundreds of thousands of dollars of This would be making two bites of a the public money in fruitless endea- cherry and there would be no settled vors to secure campaign material, principle in such a juggling with

> Dr. Thompson, M. P. for the Yukon, declares that Canada must rise to a plane of equality with other nations. and that independence of some form must come. Dr. Thompson is half right. Canada must and will be some day on equal footing with sovereign ary married woman raises a howl if she rheumatism, kidney and states, including the mother country, and she is fast rising to that position without thought of severing British connection, and with no straining of the imperial tie. It is the genius of the British Empire to permit such an evolution

HIS BEST CLUB.

[Washington Star] James Anderson, of the Scottish-Ameri-

"He reminds me of a chap I used to know," said Mr. Anderson. played so badly that even his caddies made a butt of hin The British Government has taken and, do, what he would, he couldn't get

"After half an hour's work he wiped his wet face with his handkerchief, and turn-"'Hang it," he said, 'I have tried all my clubs on this confounded ball. What

The caddy laughed harshly "'Give it a swat with yer bag,' he said.

THE GREATEST DAYS.

[S. E. Kiser, in Chicago Record-Herald.] The greatest days are not the days That bring us unearned victories, Or high rewards or placid ease

When luck pursues us everywhere, Nor those in which disaster shuns The winding ways on which we fare.

In which we view our work with pride, When o'er us evening's shadows close-In heart and conscience satisfied.

to enter France on payment of \$2 63 per 100 pounds, as compared with \$4 39 on American; Canadian apples are allowed entry at 17.7 cents per 100 pounds, while cents, while American stocks are forced ot pay \$1 32. Altogether it is not too much comparatively short time, prove the means of trebling our exports to the French market.

AN EGG AS THE EARTH.

[Black and White.] It will be a long while before the world reporting any irregularities in deliv- Nonconformists to its support, and Lord Kelvin's reasonings. He was, for instance, a firm enemy of those who held that the interior of the earth must be fluid because of its intense heat. To prove and earth must be solid, he took two eggs, suspending them by cords, spun them in imitation of the earth's rotation. In a

TOM'S MISTAKE. [Judge.]

"Say, Tommy, you want to get a piece on to those pants. They're too "Short nothin"! I got into them teo far -that's what's the matter."

"PLEASE OMIT GIFTS."

[Philadelphia Ledger.] The young lady in New York who has hese words conspicuously displayed, "It The words of Mr. Justice Clement is the bride's wish that no gifts be sent," has more courage than her grandmother, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, ever displayed in her contest for the suffrage for her

RECKLESS SPENDERS.

[St. Thomas Journal.] The Western Fair last year spent \$2,800 in printing, advertising and billposting. That such a huge sum should be spent in advertising (part of it was) shows what

THE OTTAWA MUCK-RAKING [Montreal Herald.]

The marvel is, really, that with the patient, and the most assiduous probing of the accounts, so very little has been found blameworthy where such unprecedented sums have been spent. The Conservative, eager for his party's success, is welcome to all the satisfaction The he can get out of the activities of the painstaking investigators at Ottawa, but he cannot help feeling, if he had been at all close to the current of affairs for the stood the test of investigation a great deal better than many a first-class business house would have stood it. Nor will there be any general regret that the investigators have wholly failed to show that there was any systematic abuse of the spending power for current purposes

IN THE WORLD'S EYES. [Washington Star.]

"The eyes of the world are upon you," "It's a part of our business to have the eyes of the world on us, And I may add. without boasting, that some of us are pretty fine optical illusions."

GAMBLING AS A DUTY

Nature makes all of us gamblers, and School; a piano duet was most artisnsurance enables us to hedge aganist the tically rendered by Mrs. Chapman and risks which nature proposes. Thus, as every sane person recognizes, the real gambler is the man who abstains from nsurance, and the real anti-gambler is the man who uses that particular sys-Sir Wilfrid Laurier says that he has tem of betting which is commonly called insurance in order to make his posi-

LONDON TIPPLERS.

[Hamilton Times.] London tipplers have a new experience. The police magistrate and the license ineasy for her to have him put on the Indian list. It is said that quite a few MANY PEOPLE HERE husbands have been reformed by merely threatening them with the list.

DOUBLE-DISTILLED PATHOS. [Washigton Star.]

"Don't you feel well?" asked a friend. "Not very." answered Mr. Cumrox "Why don't you go home?" "I can't. Mother and the girls are give ng a tea, and I'm not invited.

THE DIFFERENCE.

[Leavenworth (Kan.) Times.] Gladys Vanderbilt wore lace 200 years old when she was married, but the ordin-

A MEMORY. [Gwendolyn Lally.]

pass the place where once her steps had passed: A crumbling wall, a little heap of stone.

thought I could not bear to come again Back to this place, grief-blinded and alone; Yet it has waked anew a half-lulled

pain-This crumbling wall-this little heap of

Just as she passed here on a June's hot hand).

And on her grave ('twas summer when

she died) How long ago it is since we two found

I dare not linger: I must also pass Far from this place, fare on my way The snow has covered all the waving The crumbling wall-the little heap of

FEAR OF AGE.

[Gentlewoman.]

CANADA'S RELATION TO GREAT BRITAIN

Sir Wilfrid Says It Is Very Satisfactory—Caution On the Pacific Needed.

Ottawa, Feb. 27.-Dr. Thompson (Yukon) led a discussion in the House today on the treaty-making power Canada's relation to British his contention that the interior of the diplomacy. He criticised the repeated concessions made by Britain to the one hard boiled and the other raw, and, United States, as, he said, at Canada's expense, and stated that a madeclared the anti-Japanese legislation very short while the raw egg lost its mo- jority of Canadians would sympamentum and came to rest, while the boil- thize with the United States in case ed one went on spinning merrily for a of a war with Japan. He declared long while. From this he argued that if that seeking friendship of the United the earth had a liquid core it would have States had become Britain's mania, no matter how Canada might suffer. "The time has arrived," he said, "when Canada should have her own navy, and come to a plane of equality with the other nations of the world. Independence of some form must come. Canada's great protection at present was the Monroe doctrine."

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in reply to Dr. Thompson's sweeping assertions, said that while Canada's relation to Great Britain might show some anomalies, sent out invitations to her wedding with yet it was very satisfactory, and Canada had no cause for complaint. This statement was applauded by both sides of the House.

The Premier went on to say that the situation on the Pacific was one calling for close attention, but he predicted that there would remain a condition

of firm friendship with Japan. Hon. W. S. Fielding said occasional friction could scarcely be obviated. He did not think there were any considerable number of persons in Canada who looked for any radical change in Canada's constitution and relation to the empire. Such a speech, he said, was liable to create the impression abroad that Canada was dissatisfied with her position and status, and such impression would be most regrettable. Canadians were proud to form part of the British Empire.

Dr. Sproule said the finance minister had, he believed, voiced the true opinion of the Canadian people, though Dr. Thompson's remarks regarding British diplomacy contained much

SUBSTANTIAL SUM WAS REALIZED

To Furnish New Addition to Kensington Methodist Church.

A most successful social was held at the residence of Mrs. Donahue, 15 Wyatt street, West London, on Wed-"Naturally," answered Senator Sor- are to be devoted to furnishing the while at work. new addition of the Kensington Meth-

A most substantial sum was realized banquet last night as the house was packed, Addresses were given by Rev. Mr. Freemen, pastor of the church; Mr. Waide, superintendent of the Sunday toba Legislature.

Miss May Clark. Songs were given and much appreciated by Miss O'Neil, Miss Hunsford, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Smith and others. Refreshments were served. Much dian Club of Berlin. praise is due to Mr. and Mrs. Dona-

hue for their hospitality. Mr. Brew, organist of the church, was the ac-

A BLESSING TO

Simple Home-made Remedy for Kidney or Bladder Troubles or Rheumatism.

This is a simple home recipe now being made known in all the larger cities through the newspapers. It is trouble which have made so many cripples and invalids and weaklings of J. Allen, of Hamilton, whose restaursome of our brightest and strongest ant was raided by the police, has been

people The druggists here have been notified to supply themselves with the ingredients and the sufferer will have of the St. George's bridge disaster at no trouble to obtain them. The pre- which a large number of passengers Just as she stood, the sun upon her cast scription is as follows: Fluid Extract A shadow-and the shadow has not Dandelion, one-half ounce; Compound Kargon, one ounce, and Compound Syrup of Sarsaparilla, three ounces.

meal, and at bedtime. Recent experiments, even in severe hospital cases, prove this simple mix- a bill into the Senate to extend the ture the remedy for rhumatism, be- boundaries of the Provinces of Ontario, cause of its positive action upon the Quebec and Manitoba as far as the eliminative tissues of the kidneys. It 60th latitude. compels these most vital organs to filter from the blood and system the And here we loitered from the world waste impurities and uric acid which away—

waste impurities and uric acid which are the cause of rheumatism. It This little glade that seemed like Fairy- cleanses the kidneys, strengthens them and removes quickly such symptoms government. as backache, blood disorders, bladder The new Hotel Quinte was opened "June," did I say? The snow is on the weakness, frequent urination, painful last night at Belleville. A banquet was scalding and discolored urine. It acts tendered Mr. Harry Corby, among the as a powerful stimulant to the entire speakers being Mr. R. L. Borden, Sir kidney and bladder structure, puts Mackenzie Bowell, and Mr. E. Gus The first spring violet, beceling side by new life into them and invigorates the Porter. M. P. entire tract.

All the ingredients, states a wellknown local druggist, are of vegetable extraction, making it a safe and harmless prescription at any time. Those who suffer and are accustomed to purchase a bottle of patent medicine should not let a little inconvenience interfere with making this

Why do so many women regard age An investigation has recently been with such affright? Viewed from the made to determine the absolute sen-An investigation has recently been vantage ground of youth, it seems to siveness of the ear. By experiments them that the end of youth means the with a telephone and alternating cur-

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MEN'S FANCY GRAY WORSTED SUITS. Progress Brand make; the newest cut and very stylish patterns; they were extra values \$9.00 at \$13.50

BOYS' HANDSOME TWEED OVERCOATS, to fit boys from 10 to 15 years; don't miss this chance to buy the boy an overcoat at \$2.69. You may never get such a chance again; \$2.69 \$5.00 value

BOYS' TWO-PIECE NORFOLK SUITS-Just 48 suits left. We sold hundreds. Sizes 7 to 15 years; \$4.50 values for

CANADIAN

bloom at Arden, Man.

Belleville's municipal waterworks show a surplus of \$2,874.41 for 1907. The Uxbridge and Scott telephone

lines have been admitted to Uxbridge Winnipeg will be advanced two million dollars by the banks of the city. Further advances to Windsor have been refused by the Bank of Commerce. James Black, of the Immigration Department, Ottawa, died suddenly

The Hamilton Musicians' Protective

The workmen's compensation ac

The Dominion elections will be next

November, according to the prediction of an Ottawa correspondent. James L. Hughes, of Toronto, ad-

dressed the first meeting of the Cana-The G. T. R. line from Whitby to Manilla Junction and Lindsay, was

blocked by the snowstorm.

Chick McNeil, a hockey player of North Sydney, was sentenced to three months for assaulting another player John Thomas, a vagrant, made his escape from the Woodstock jail yeserday. He has not been found. Mayor Oliver of Toronto, says that

the city will stand by the Beck policy in the matter of power distribution. Cartage companies in Montreal threaten to sue the city for damages because of the wretched condition of the streets.

J. A. Sexsmith for the Commons and James Thompson for the Legislature are the Conservative nominees in East Peterbore Korl Nozikos, a Polo and ex-Rus-

intended to check the many cases of sian soldier, was arrested in Halifax bladder on a charge of attacking his wife with knives and a hammer.

> acquitted on a charge of selling li quor without a license. Yesterday was the 19th anniversary

were killed and injured. Charles Cant of Woodstock, was arrested at Niagara Falls, charged with Mix by shaking well in a bottle. The forging his landlady's name, and drawdose is one teaspoonful after each ing money from the bank. He will be tried today.

> Senator Landry yesterday introduced The Bell Telephone Company may

sell all its lines in the West as Presi-

is not profitable to compete with the

Ald. Shepherd of Windsor, one of the four aldermen charged with drinking in a barroom after hours, denied the charges and declares that it is scheme to get him and his colleague out of the council.

The St. Mary's Council will consider the bylaw relating to the franchise of the North Midland Electric Railway of which Mr. A. E. Welch of London is manager, at a special meeting of the council to be held shortly.

The police of Montreal are making a very strenuous effect to prevent the end of love, and to many women the end rents of frequencies 250 and 500 a sec- Italians and foreigners of Montreal of love is even more appalling than the ond determinate pressure variations from carrying concealed weapons and end of life. They forget that the love which depends only on youth and beauty is as likely to take to itself wings in the electors who go to the polls, or of the total number on the list. It is not in the case of implements stood alone it would of itself be almost sufficient to enough to hold an emotion as evanescent and unstable as thistledown.

It is not in the case of implements stood alone it heyday of life as later. Nothing is potent variation of about four-ten-millions of but when wanted by the police could not be found.

SLAPPED OVER WHISKERS

Row in Italian Chamber Likely to End

Rome, Feb. 26 .- There was an exciting scrap in the lobby of the Chamber

is occupying the attention of the

other deputies with difficulty, separated the combatants, who mutually hurled insults as they were dragged in opposite directions. A duel is likely to follow, although Pierantoni is 68 years old while Mirabelli is much younger. The Princess Marie Bonaparte will

latter clutched the senator's left whis

ker and pulled out a handful, while

Signor Pierantoni vigorously slapped

the deputy's face. Marquis Rudini and

be a very busy young woman when she she attempts to wear all the dresses ligious teaching in the schools, which Seldom has a bride had such beautiful raiment, according to a dispatch chamber. Signor Pierantoni called the day, and those for evening alone

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