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MR. TARTE'S LITTLE GAME.

"As I say, politics is a fine game, it is an amusing game." This is the reply of Hon. J. Israel Tarte to a demand by the opposition, that the prosditution of the Public Works Department for political purposes should cease. In every game there is a loser. Oan there be any other loser in this came but Canada and Canadians?

THE TEMPLAR'S ADVICE.

The Canadian Templar, after demouncing the loaded referendum of the Ross Government in unmeasured terms, gives this pointer to the prohibitionists on how to get even with

"Prohibitionists who want to rebuke the government will have ample opportunity to do so in the general elections, no matter when the referendum is held. The way to get at the government is to defeat its candidates for the legislature.

A REGRETTABLE CHANGE.

Two years ago to-day it seemed that an era of good feeling between England and Ireland had dawned, points out the Hamilton Herald. The splendid services of the Irish regiments in South Africa had inspired the English people with enthusiastic admiration. The heart of England warmed towards Ireland and the Irish. From the Queen down to the "man in the street," everybody in the larger island appeared eager to show, in some way, respect for and gratitude to the sister island. If that feeling had met with friendly response, the way to a larger measure of self-government for Ireland would have been cleared. But the good effect produced by the work of Irish soldiers was speedily marred by the spirit and words and acts of Irish politicians. Many of these latter seem to be inspired with a Machiavelian determination to prevent good feeling between the English and Irish people-to obstruct the movement of which they profess to be leaders. If these men really desire home rule for Ireland, and, so desiring, do all they can by word and act to alienate the sympathies of the English and compel them to regard the Irish with distrust, they are so unwise as to almost deserve to be regarded as fools. If they do not really desire home rule, but value it chiefly as a cause for agitation which raises the agitator into artificial prominence, their words and their acts can be understood. But in that case they must be regarded as

A NATION BUILDER.

the political field.

knaves. In either case, the worst en-

omies that Ireland has to-day are the

who are her professional champions in

The march from the east to the west, which has been seen since the dawn of history, is one of the important factors in the development of this continent; comments the Stratford Herald. Internal emigration, or rather transmigration from east to west, is one of the most desirable things which can happen in Canada and the United States. To this work a grand assistance has been lent by Rev. Charles W. Gordon, known to the reading public as Ralph Connor, the author of these three excellent books, "Black Rock," "The Sky Pilot,' and "The Man From Glengarry." The Chicago Inter-Ocean recently published an article which ascribes the extensive movement of population now going on from the Western States to the Northwest Territories in part to the reading of these books. It

"The Canadian Northwest within the last three or four years has been exploited in fiction as effectively as California was exploited by Bret Harte. The stories of Charles W. Gordon (Ralph Connor) have been given, unconsciously or intentionally, an atmosphere and dramatic quality that has appealed very strongly to the old pioneer spirit that carried so many farmers from the eastern to our far Western States. Mr. Gordon in these stories, has portrayed life and has described scenery and con-

ditions in the new Canadian North ditions in the new Canadian North-west in a way to touch most parti-cularly the religious side of the Ameri-can people. The naturalness, the dramatic and humane quality, and the carnestness of his stories have-given them thousands of readers in-our Western States. His books have been among the most coupler and been among the most popular and successful of the day, and undeniably they have turned the thoughts of Americans towards the Canadian Northwest."

Ralph Connor, then, has not only stimulated an interest in the West in Canada, but has attracted the notice of Americans to the grand opportunities offered by our country. In England too his writings should have similar effect. Australia and New Zealand advertise themselves by bonusing those who place the advantages of colonial life there in story form before the public of our countries. The scheme is a good one, and Canada could do no better than adopt

A desirable phrase of the present situation is that the settlers attracted by Ralph Connor's books are likely to be of a fine class. It is quite possible that "wild and woolly" tales of the great West have attractied settlers before now. These have not always been of a kind most desirable They read "cheap" accounts of life there, with plenty of killing and much cursing. A wild west show probably put the finishing touch to their enthusiasm, and they set out for the plains. They found there a hard, strenuous life. They were dissatisfied as might be expected. Mr. Gordon's books will not appeal to such people at all Their tone is intensely and earnestly moral. They picture a life of effort, not an easy life, and one of temptation. They will invite strong men to the West. It would be a good thing for that West, and indeed for all Canada, if there were more writers of like calibre to point out the glories of the greatest country on earth.

A SWEET MYSTERY.

Toronto Globe. We are again confronted with the mystery of maple sugar appearing before the sap has commenced to run in the maples.

> INTERESTING DISCOVERY. Los Angeles Herald.

An ingenious scientific gent has discovered that during sleep the head weighs less than during consciousness. Some men must remain asleep most of the time.

POOR MEN

Chicago Record-Herald. Mrs. Astor says no man can be a gentleman without a college education. Poor Washington. Poor Lincoln. Poor old John Jacob Astor the

DON'T LIKE JOE.

Detroit Free Press Continental hatred of Great Britain s not so bitter as most people imagine. None of the European newspapers are hoping that Mr. Chamberlain will become Prime Minister.

IF IT WERE CORSETS.

Cleveland Plain-Dealer. The imperial Chinese edict that forbids binding the feminine feet is almost revolutionary in its character. Think what a sensation would be created by an official order abolishing the much-criticized corset!

PRAYERS FOR BASEBALL SUC-

CESS Louisville Courier-Journal. At a Kansas college the other day prayers were offered for the success of the college baseball team next season. It is likely that the umpire of those games will need more than man's usual share of Christian grace.

THEY KNOW

Ridgetown Dominion. The Truro Searchlight says the net results to Canada of Imperial Federation would be "taffy, titles, and taxation." 'Yes, and the farmers of Canada know who would receive the taffy and titles, and who would pay the bulk

DR. HARBOTTLE'S CASE.

Hamilton Herald. In refusing to lessen the punishment of Dr. Harbottle, of Burford, the Minister of Justice is not, in the Herald's opinion, administering justice. In view of all the facts in the case, to release the old man from prison would have been, not an act of mercy, but an act of simple jus-

NOT ENOUGH GIRLS TO GO

ROUND. Bobcaygeon Independent. When it is shown by the censu that there are 184,163 more single men than single women in Canada, the idea of taxing bachelors is shade preposterous. The command to a bachelor to take a wife, is well and forcibly met by the question, whose wife shall he take.

NATIONAL DEBTS.

Minneapolis Times. That debts do not always interfere with progress England has demonstrated. There was a time when the debt of England was the standard of comparison, but that fact never interfered with her supremacy. The percentage of debt to wealth now gives the United States 1.4, Great Britain 6,

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