

he warmly criticized the Canadian press. The next element of power to which he would refer would be Territorial Extent and Commercial Activity. Fertility of the soil, geniality of climate and geographical position were also minor elements of national greatness, but were not such essential ones as the two former. The territorial extent of the people of the United States had contributed largely to their greatness. We had a hundred thousand square miles more territory than the United States, and our policy should be to make the development of this territory subservient to the national institutions of our country and in harmony with them. The future greatness of the country could be better estimated from our commercial activity, however, because it was an index of the industrial activity of the people. Barbarous people had no commerce, for they produced no more than they consumed. Our commercial activity was well shown by looking at the proportion of commerce to population. England's commerce was over \$100 for each one of her population; Canada's \$55 per head of population; and the United States, \$31 per head. So that the commerce of our young country nearly doubled that of our powerful neighbors to the south. In shipping, the tonnage of England was in the proportion of 1 1/2 tons to each individual of her population; that of the United States, one ton and a very small fraction per head; and that of Canada, four tons per head! He spoke of the immense advantage Canada had in possessing the cheapest outlet for the vast products of the Western States. After referring to education and a sufficient military spirit, he said that the last element to which he would refer was a high-toned independence and religious toleration. For this element of character Canada had reserved her freshest gardens and cradled her highest flights. It had consecrated Switzerland's valleys and Scotia's hills to liberty, and had bequeathed to us as the descendants of Britons a manliness and a prestige that nothing else could give us. The importance of the Bible to a nation no one who reads the history of France and her revolutions could doubt. He concluded with a few hopeful and eloquent words of counsel.

On motion of Mr. David Sturton, M.P., a cordial vote of thanks was given to Mr. Ross.

In replying, the lecturer spoke of his wish to see springing up a thoroughly Canadian national sentiment. Canadians should try to unite the good judgment and practical common sense of the Scotchman, the determination and energy of the Englishman, and the geniality and sprightliness of the Irishman, in forming their national character. Let them adopt all the good qualities and none of the bad ones of the three nationalities from whom they mainly sprang. (Applause.)

Guelph Evening Mercury

FRIDAY EVENG, MARCH 20, 1874.

Opening of the British Parliament.

The Imperial Parliament was opened on Thursday, when the Royal Speech was read. It refers to the continuance of friendly relations with foreign powers, and to the marriage of the Duke of Edinburgh, which Her Majesty says is a source of happiness to herself and a pledge of friendship between two great empires. Reference is made to the termination of the Ashantee war, the capture and destruction of the capital, and to the negotiations for securing the good behaviour of the Ashantees. Her Majesty pays a well deserved tribute to the courage, discipline, and endurance of the troops, and the energy and skill with which the expedition was conducted. Regret is expressed that the drought and subsequent famine in India are so wide spread, causing terrible suffering to millions of the natives. The Queen has given the Governor-General instructions to spare no cost in mitigating this calamity.

Measures are promised for improving the cumbersome mode of transferring land in England, for the rearrangement of the judiciary in Ireland as well as in England, and for improving the procedure in reference to appeal cases in the Scottish courts. Also a bill for amending the law in Scotland relating to land rights, and facilitating the transfer of land. Bills are also promised for more clearly defining the relationship between master and servant, and for regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors.

In the debate on the address in the House of Lords the Duke of Somerset and Earl Grey, both Liberals, attacked Mr. Gladstone for dissolving the last Parliament. The late Premier was ably defended by Lord Selborne. Lord Derby referred to the marriage of the Duke of Edinburgh, and said it was a matter of political importance. In the House of Commons the address passed without much debate. Mr. Gladstone promised to give the new Government a fair trial.

MEMORATION AGENT IN SCOTLAND.—We have received a copy of the Dundee (Scotland) Advertiser of the 5th inst., containing a long and able letter from Mr. D. D. Hay, Emigration Agent for Ontario, referring to a speech made by Mr. Jenkins in that city, and giving some valuable facts and statistics in reference to Canada and the Province of Ontario.

THE OUTRAGE.—We are glad that the Town Council have thought proper to offer a reward of \$200 for the apprehension of the man Sullivan. It is an action that meets with general approval in the town.

"Celestial Republic of Souls" is one Yankee's way of designating Heaven. He is a lively Minnesota writer, and he avers that "our indescribably beautiful sunset scenes come as near representing the opening portals to the celestial republic of souls as anything mortal ever beheld."

SPORT.—Some of our citizens have been amusing themselves of late by shooting numbers of the horde of vagabond dogs which infest the place, and the bodies of the defunct canines have invariably been quickly appropriated by our other nuisances, the Indians, who are growing fat and sleek upon the tender and toothsome dog flesh.—*Manitoba Free Press, March 7.*

LONDON, QUARTERLY.—The Leonard Scott Publishing Co.'s reprint of the *London Quarterly Review* for January has just reached us. It is rather late this quarter, but none the less noticeable on that account. The epithet "ponderous," frequently applied by some to Quarterly Reviews, is certainly not a fitting one for this number, which is filled with articles of universal interest. No less than three biographical sketches arrest the attention as we turn over the pages. Winckelmann's History of Ancient Art has long been a standard authority; but a few have known the career of the author, as given in the pages of this review—painful in its outset, tragical at its close. In a review of "The Personal Recollections" of Mrs. Somerville, we have the outline of another life, one of repose and peace, contrasting strongly with the troubled story of the other. The little Scotch lassie, whose parents thought one year's schooling when she was ten years old would fit her for her work in life, had a love for study which could not be repressed by the great discouragements which attended her early years. John Stuart Mill is the subject of another biographical article, in which the development of his mind is illustrated by reference to his career. Other articles are "Simplification of the Law," "Socialism, Ancient and Modern," treating on the history and growth of Protestant confessions, and other ritualistic observances; "Lombard Street," showing the importance of the Cash Reserve of the banking department of the Bank of England, as the ultimate safety fund of the English mercantile system; "The Despotism of the Future," of universal interest in these days of the labour question; "Prosper Merimee's *Lettres d'une Inconnue*," which have created such an extraordinary sensation in Paris; "Russian Songs and Folk-Tales," illustrating Slavonic Mythology and Russian Social Life; and "The Difficulties of the Liberal Party." Every article is worth reading.

TEMPERANCE FESTIVAL.—On Wednesday evening the 11th, a tea meeting was held in the town hall, Campbellville, under the auspices of Prospect Temple, I. O. G. T. After all had partaken of the excellent tea and abundance of good things, and spent some time in social conversation, Mr. A. McPhee, teacher, was appointed chairman. After making a few introductory remarks he called upon the Rev. Mr. Bell for an address, after which the Nassagaweya choir, under the leadership of Mr. Norris, gave some splendid music. Addresses were also delivered by Revs. Mr. Little and Mr. McAllister. Mr. Chapman sang a beautiful song, which was loudly encored. Mr. H. McPhee, teacher, Kilbride, gave a few very appropriate remarks, and congratulated the Good Templars on their continued success. Mr. H. Cooper gave an excellent recitation of his own composition. After the general votes of thanks were given, the company repaired to their several homes, apparently more than satisfied with the evening's entertainment. Proceeds amounted to about \$40.

BURLINGTON BAY.—The ice in the Bay has at last succumbed to the pressure of a gentle weather, and is now completely broken up, and floating about in chunks about the proper size for family use. Navigation will soon open, and navigators are all busily engaged in getting their craft ready.

An extra to the *Canadian Gazette* contains the appointment of Hon. R. W. Scott and F. G. Penny to the Senate, and Hon. E. B. Wood to the Chief Justiceship of Manitoba.

Mr. T. J. Day has sent us the April number of the "Young Ladies Journal," which will be found unusually interesting.

MANUFACTURE OF COCOA.—We will now give an account of the process adopted by Messrs. James Epps & Co., manufacturers of dietetic articles, at their works in the Euston Road, London.—See article in *Cassell's Household Guide.*

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