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NOT A PARALLEL.

This rather puzzling statement appears in the News-Advertiser: "We have been examining every issue of the Victoria Times for the past ten days to see what explanation it gave of the seating of Hon. Mr. Hartly, one of Sir Oliver Mowat's colleagues, for corrupt practices in the last election for Kingston."

AFRAID OF THE ELECTORS.

The Dominion franchise act is not an admirable piece of legislation, but its inequities are surpassed by those of the special system of voter registration which the government devised for the Northwest Territories.

provision for having a proper voters list made. When he introduced his act giving the ballot to the territories in question voters' lists were discussed in the House of Commons, and it was agreed on all hands to leave the law as it was.

COMPROMISE IN MANITOBA.

At the end of his last letter to the Globe on the Manitoba school question Rev. Principal Grant makes this declaration: "Enough has been said to show that if this vexed question were only detached from politics it would be settled with comparative ease."

"Returning to the school which I was describing a little inquiry satisfied me on three points. First, the teacher has only a third class St. Boniface certificate and that is not accepted by the department of education."

"Thirdly, the teacher in applying for his government grant makes affidavit that the school is conducted according to the regulations, while the religious exercises are practically the same as under the old denominational system."

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