THE TRU WITNESS AND CATHOLIC CHRONICLE.

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property is not likelyto do any good, and it may do harm. A selfish interest in New Bagland has no right to demand that 60,000,000 of people shall assume a hostile attitude toward Canada because that country is disposed to hold its own against the unfair demands of ontsidere, The New Englanders want Canadion fist iree, but they also want the monopoly privilege of selling them to other Americans in excess of their value. Demanding the privioge of taking all the fish they want in Cana dian waters, they are unwilling to admit the Canadians to our markets on an even basis. The dispute is so simple that nothing but the sublime selfishness of the little fish ring in New England prevents its immediate solution. Retaliation in such a case would be placing the great republic in the attitude of insisting that a smoll element in two or three states be given the right to ask such prices for fish as it pleased, all competition being excluded. Unless the American people have tost some of their blasted shrewdness they will buy their fish where they can get it obeapest, and if the New Englanders cannot compete with the Canadians they will have to go out of the business.

SILENT SLAVERS.

Arab story-tellers inform us that crucy despots in eastern counties cut out the tongues of slaves to ensure their silence. In

were ransacked for terms and illus trations wherewith to raise Protestant fear and hatred sgainst everything Catholic. During all this time there have been six gentlemen holding seats in the Tory So off they started to see him Cabinet at Octawa professing to represent the Catholics of the country-Langevin, Caron, Chaplean, Costigan, Thompson, Smith. During these fourteen months Ministers of the Crown travelled about the country addressing public meetings, but nowhere did any one of them come out with a square. emphatiu repudiation of the organ's attacks Costigan and he would like to see the resoluon the Catholic Church. At no time tion antho ising the deputation to wait on him and nowhere either did any one of the which they had neglected to take with and nowhere either did any one of them, before determining what he w uld do; the six Catholic ministers we have and, if they would let him have the resolution, named say one word in condemnation of the atrocions villifications pouring continually in a tarbid stream from the ministerial press. It was not till a few days ago. when Mr. Thompson came fact to face with a Catholic audience in St John, that he made a perfunctory, halt-apologetic protect against the No Popery crussde carried on in Ontorio in the in-terest of the government of which he is a member. Mr. J. J. Curran, another representative Catholic by profession, took part in the Chestnut Com-"Furthermore," Mr. Starrs said, "Mr. Costibination tour in Ontario, spoke at several gan told him that he was satisfied the resoluti n places, but nowhere did he condemn, as he would be carried no matter from which side of the House it was introduced !" should have condemned, the daily outrages of the Tory press. But the most pitiable spec-tacle in the lot was Minister of Justice Thompson. Not only did he not repudiate the No Popery howlers, but he actually join-ed the anti-French ory and by implication endorsed the unboly crugade of The Mail.

Halifar a few days ago Hon. A. G. Jones

OUR OTTAWA LETTER.

(From our own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA. Jun. 20. - In pursuance of the mis-son with which he has been entrusted by his O'ner Tory masters, Mr. John Costigan has been endeavoring to make the rish pe ple in New Brunswick believe that the more biabortion of an amendment, which was written by Sr John Macdonald and moved by himself, was better for Ireland than Mr. Blake's Home Rula re-olution. Mr. Costigan must not be permitted to falsify the reco d and

MISLEAD THE IRISH PEOPLE

after having betrayed the Home Rule cause at the birding of the enemies of Ireland. I see it reported a nong other in srepresentations usade by Mr. Co-tigan during his tour in the east, that he said that the St. Patrick's Liverary and Benevolent Society of t is city acted fr m poli tical no ives in forcing his hand last session. I have in a former letterd apo ed of this fabrication. But in order to set the matter before the Irish but in order to set the matter before the friend people in a manner to defy contradiction. I have set used as account of the whole affair from the best possible sources, and am in a position to youch for the substantial accuracy of the follow-

Ing tatemonts :--The gendemen who first raised the subject in the Sr. Patrick's society were Messrs. Ald John Heney, M Starrs and P. Baskerville all personal and political friends of Mr. Costig in.

THE DEPUTATION

appointed by the soc ety to wait on Mr. Costithis Canada of ours we have slaves whose gan were composed of these three gentlement and the president, Mr. Dowlin. The last and the president, Mr. Dowlin. The last unned was the only Liceral on the deputation. other means. For feurteen months past the Tory press, led by Tke Muil, chief organ of the party, have been day after day thundering against the Catholic Church. The writings of the most virulent enemics of the faith pendence. Mark what followed. The depura-tion were to wait on Mr. Costigan at 10 o'nlock tion were to wait on Mr. Costigan at 10 o'clock a m. on the 27th April. Before that bour had arrived Measrs. Heney, Starrs and Bask-rville

WITHOUT CONSULTING MR. DOWLIN

or asking him to accompany them. When they reported their interview with Mr. Costigan they were taken to task by members of the society, but oxcused themselves by saying, "They forgot that Mr. Dowlin was one of their number" number

Their report-how much of it was true cau never be known-was to the effect that Mr.

SHOW THE WHITE PEATHER,

hope. to resign his seat in the cabinet !" Yes," said Mr. B.skervilla, interiusting, "I heard him

tacle in the lot was Minister of Justice Irish Cath lic colloagues (all of whom were ed the anti-French ory and, by implication, the unanimous support that the resolutions of 1882 obtained, and such a result would be used Speaking at a mass meeting of Liberale at home Bule."

John he would have an opportunity for display-ing those gi ts of oratory and practical common sense with which, like many Irishnen, he is so

richly endowed. THE LIDEBAL CONVENTION

meets to-night. From what I can gather I think there will be little difficulty in selecting the cindidates. It would be rach however, to asticiuate. But if the pa ties now named are selected, their election can be secured, but not without a long pull, a strong pull, and a pull all together.

OTTAWA, Jan. 21 .- At the Fory nomination convention in Russell yesterday Mr. M. K. Dickenson, immediate past ex. M. P. for the county, said the action of the delegates in choosi g Mr. Mackintush as their candidate was like inspiration. Inspiration it cortainly was -from the Inspiration Office at Ottawa, and from the same cracle that inspired Mr. M. K. D. to secure timber limits for himself and his two sors! Russell county Tories have never been remarkable for their

EXEMPLARY MEEKNESS

in obeying the inspirations of the machine. The same inspiration secured the nomization of Hon. John O Connor. M. K. Dickenson himself and now C. H. Mackintosh. But why was not the convention inspired to stand by their old member. Certainly Sir John could not desire a more docile supporter in parliament. To be sure he was rather unadmirably. In the last two elections Russell has furnished a handy refuge for Tory candidates frozen out elsewhere, but it will do so no longer.

The whole preition is changed. In 1878 and 1882, the French were in alliance with the Tory party, the English-speaking electors heing pretty evenly divided. Now the whole French vote, and the entire Irish vote, is with the Laberals. The Opposition candidate is

A STRONG LOCAL MAN.

while Mackintush is an outsider. A strong Conservative belonging to the county ad-mitted to me that E-lwards would be elected by a good round msjority. He said Edwards will poll a larger vote than Alex. Robillard and Mackintosh will poll a smaller vote than Cumminge. I think he was right. The Riel ory killed Honore Robillard, a French-Canadian, and it will swamp Mackintosh out of sight. To send H. Robillard to Ottawa and Mackintosh to Russell is a very curious swap. Either of them are stronger at nome, but the kickers in the party could be quieted no other way. The result will be the defeat of both, and they know it. So much for the "harmony" and "enthusiasm" that prevails in the Tory ranks at the capital, -the harmony of faction, the enthusiasm of a forlorn

THE NEW FRANCHISE

in Ottawa increases the electorate from 5 756 to 9,030. The greatest percentage of increase is in the two Catholio wards. Thus, in Ottawa Ward it is 93 per cent., and in By Word 69 por cent. Wellington Ward, "the big Protestant ward," as it is called, comes next, with 65 per cent. increase. These figures are regarded with complacency by the Liberals, inasmuch as the new voters are nearly all young men who are known to be largely in sympathy with the rising party. The increase in Ottawa word, which is mostly French, and the remainder Irish, is also favorable to the Liberals. Quite a number of the new voters belong to the civil service, which has been enormonaly increased within the last two years. But the Civil Service is not as safe as it used to be, for the old hands are much disgusted with the way they have been treated in regard to pay and promotion. Despotism and tavorit-ism have been rampant, and the statement of ministers that they advance half a month's pay because the clerks are financially embarrassed is resented as

difate is a 1 what be given to be used to be given another week to work up his candi-accept the nomination. I am certain he would to be given another week to work up his candi-cover himself with glory, and in tackling Sir stature. But, as the convention appeared to be unanimous against him, he would TAKE HIS HAT AND GO.

He left the ball accordingly. Mr. E. Devlin strongly condemned M. M. Pougal's conduct,

who had canvassed the orlegates during the day and knew that be had not chance of petting the nomination. He (ι ealin) had nominated most of the del g-tes in By Ward, and was certain that nothing like packing was attempted. Mr. McIntyre's name was put to the c nven

ion and carried with a standing vote and three cheers. Speeches were then made by the candidates, Mr. Belourt and Hon, R. W. Scot , and the convention adjourned after three cheers for the Queen, Blak-, McIntyre and St. Jean. MB. M'DOUGAL'S HUFF

was excedingly childish. He badn't the ghost of a chance of getting the nonmation. whom he consulted made no tames of telling him that his backing and filling in regard to Le nomination for the Ontario House had put him out of the race, Besides, the Liverals of the ciy have all along feit the melves in honor bound not to go block on McIntyre an a

Mr. McDougal could only get the comination 1882. Mr. McDougal could only get the comination in piace of Mr. McIntyre, and that could not be thought of. Mr. Mc-Intyre has been the whole heart and som of the Liberal party here for years. As president of the Literal Association, he has third theorem and head an out in the toi ed through good and bad report, in the darkest days of adversity as well as in the days of victory. Personally he is held in the the advancement of the Liberal cause, and it was felt that no man deserved better all the

honors that could be bestowed by THE LIBERALS OF OTTAWA.

When Mr. McDougall comes to consider his conduc he must see in what an inv dious posi-tion he has placed himself. He said he had the Liberal cause at heart. If so, he should have united with his party when he found his personal claims were allowed as a bis natter of courtesy, and that he had not even asconder out of 153 representative citizone, with all of whom he was personally ac-quainted. I trust he will not be so foolish as o enter into the con est, as the Oit icn, in its auxiety to make a split among the Liberals, anys he will. But there is yet the slightest fear larger vote of his making a diversion in that way.

THE PARTY WAS NEVER MOBE CNITED,

solid and determined to send two supporters of Mr. Blake to pulliament from the carifal. No personal ambii ns, piques or predilections will be tolerated The city has to be redeened, and if Mr. McDougel attempts to play into the hands of the Tories he will be suffed out as effectively as ever was a man who thicks mo e of himself than of the great cause now agitating the public mind. The people now know what is at stake. Every vote not given to McIntyre and St. Jean will be a vote against Bake and Laurier. That is the point they have in view and they make no mistaice.

Unrold friend, J. L. P. O'Hauly, is out with an address as "An Advanced Independent Libe al" candidate. This has created a great deal of sumement. Mr. O'Hauly has often run before on that ticket, but never succeeded in polling enough votes to make an m pression. Sh.uld he go to the poll-he will not save his deposit. Any pression. Sh.uld he he will not save man pretending to be a Liberal coming out not will be rigarded simply as a tool in the hands of

the Tories to draw off votes from the regular candidates. But they will fail ignobly. The demand of the people is for BLAKE AND HONEST GOVERNMENT ! BLAKE AND HOME RULE !

Down WITH THE POODLERS, BRIDERS, BIGOTS AND BLOODSUCKERS |

OUR QUEBEC LETTER.

RIDEAU.

(From our own Correspondent.)

into d cility in the way I have indicated. Cer- hy his ward. It was not till affer and corruption. What would be the it only proves how shallow is their claim to the nly Mr. Devia would make a strong car he requested to be put on that a genule-dedate as d I would be gad to see him man sett die his favor. He the gat be ought be otherwise ? What would he the use of fatter but would be the set of a "majority." It is a fiction, all a be otherwise ? What would be the use of going through all the turmoil and expense of an election contest if the voice of the majority of the people, pronounced through the franchier, did not prevail ? If the methods tried by Taillon auccreded it would lead to insurrection, and barricades in the streets would troune the popular refuge against ministerial treachery. The people are not to be cheated out of their franchise now-a-days, either by renegado representatives or by ministerial brib ry. It may be all right for members of the House of Commons to change sides when questions of gneat moment arise after their tuin to Parliament. Such things are probsble enough. But for members of Parliament to change sides without good public reasons, and simply to benefit themselves, would be an outrage on the liberties of the people, and such an outrage would inevitably lead to pepular pprisings which, while they would undenbtedly remove the wrong, yet could not fail to seriously endanger the commercial

prosperity of the state. THE OLD COUNTRYMEN.

As I told you some time ago, old country settlers in the district of Quebec live in clusters in the different counties all over the district. In Dorchester there are about one hundred tamilies, in Lothiniers about two hundred, in the County of Quebeo there are perhaps three hundred, in Portacuf about one hundred and fifty, in Montmorency about forty, in Drummend and Arthabaska about one hundred, parliament. To be sure ne was have if as of victory. Personally he is held in the and both. But in source, if as bad, as Mackintosh. Perhaps Sir John high at esteem. He has ever been found old couptry settlers at all. For instance, in thought this was a good way of killing two and willing to give a hond to Kamouraska there are none, in Bellechasse thought this was a good way of killing two a lawbo needed his help or advice. His time there are only two, and in other counties there are none, in Bellechasse there are only two, and in other counties there are none. are none either. As a rule these old countrymen are all Irish, and they form quite a study in their way. They retain the old accent in all its purity, and although surrounded by French-Canadians who do not speak English, a great many of the old countrymen connot speak a word of French. They are, in fact, a people within a people. At election times the "old countrymen" become an interest. ing feature in the contest. As a rule they used to voto Conservative, but there has been a great change of late, and it is now generally believed that the "old country vote will go strong for Blake and Home Rule. Even the Protestant old conuntrymen around here are known to be bitter spainst the Popery " cinsade, because they fear that if it was successful that, they might find themselves in the lions den. For many years past the Catholic and Protostant old countrymen around here lived on good terms with each other. They have been good peighbors and good friends for a long time. Nothing has happened to disturb the harmony, and nothing will unless indeed Orangeism continues to keep up its noisome presence in the Cabinet of the Do minion and in the House of Commons by the success of Macdonald, Bowell, O'Br en and the Teries, and if that happens I would not le surprised to hear the Orange parade in the district of Quebec as of old, and a return to the days of party tunes, "wooden shoes an i

LATER -- 10 P.M

poor money."

I am in a position to tell you that the Hon. Mr. Taillon is not premier of this province. He has not been sworn in, and is not likely to be. All the Lieutenant Governor did was to accept the resignation of Fremier Ross and then give Taillon the chance of forming a new government. That is all. I know, too, that the efforts made to secure the Hon, Mr. Garneau have failed. He is immoveable. Nothing can change his hostility to the present party. All overtuics have fallen through, and Garmeau, Garmin, Tessior, Bourbonnais, Larochelle and all the rest are staunch. They resent all imputations to the contrary as personal insults. I know, too, that the Hon. Mr. Flynn played a foity part in the whole business, and that the National-Ists on I Liberals applaud him for his conduct. All these thisss point to the approaching end of the Government. Four or five days in all QUEBRO, Jan. 22.-Rumor says that conspiracy is on the wing again in Quebec. It is now alleged by L'Electeur, on what it says is undoubted authority, that Tai I n will ask the Lieutenant-Governor to prorogae the Legislature on the 27th. The game to be course, no election for speaker. That would be the usual course, but it is now said that Tuillon will try and get the Lientin int. Gorernor to say something like this .- " The new Government not having had time to prepare the speech from the Threne the Huuse stands abjourned until this day aix weeks in order to give the incoming premier an opportunity to prepare for the session." At least this is the situation as it is underscould to day. That such a proceeding would be procentitu tional counts for nothing. It is party and not constitutional usages that Tailli n and his friends serve. Sir John fours that with Mercier in nower the chances would be that the Province of Quebec would give a tremendous majority for Blake. To avoid that, Mercier must be kept out of power at all hazard, legal or illegal, right or wrong. hinges if necessary if, by doing so, Sir John can be saved. It is a terrilly dangerous experiment. If successful it will weaken the corlidence of the people in the elective syshave mentioned Mercier's or MoShane's. To tem and tempt the bolder minds among them Will of the Many must be the law of the land. To say "no" is despotism pure and

they have here, and then-Exit.

a "majority." It is a fiction, all a fiction. They have been beaten, badly beateu; heaten "ont of their boots," it you like to put it that way, and all these "claims" are air in motion—that is all. Garneau repudiates it ; Gagnon is insulted at the insinuation about it; Tessier denies them; Bouchonnais pokes fun at them; Turcotte won't touch them : Larochelle gives them the cold shoulder; Trudel will not have them, and they are lost; lost beyond redemption. They must go.

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QUEBEC, Jan. 21.-I am in a position to tell you, on the highest authority, that the Hon. Mr. Mercier will have a majority at his back, when the House meets on next Thursday. Now I nast you to make no mistake about that. The resizes and the Hon. Dr. Ross amounts to little authing. It will not seriously, if at all, the result. Mercier's majority, is assured. The Government may double-shuffle as much as they please, but you will find that my words will come true. I am not at liberty to tell all I know, but I can tell you this much-Mercier is coming in, and he is coming in to stay. It would be a betrayal of confidence on my part to say more, but if the public know the strength behind the Hon. Mr. Merciar offers that have been made to him and the mea he can rally to his side, the opicion I express here would be accepted without a nurmer. And remember this—if there is any tirachery on the part of the mon with whom the Hon. Mr. Mercier has been loyal, then you will bear be instantiated by the start of the second start of the second start with surprise you. All this may be instantion. It may be stid that "there is nothing in it," but no matter. I am willing to let t me speak for itself, resting satisfied with the prediction that Mr. Mercier is stronger than be is surpressed to be and that he is converging into he is supposed to be, and that he is coming into power and coming in to stay.

QURBEC WEST.

Nothing has been eccided about Queb c West as yet. The same old candidates on the Liberal side are still mentioned, but no choice has been made. There is, however, a general belief that McGreevy's days are numbered. The Home Itule business has injured him among the Irish. His boodle transactions have hurt him with the marchants. His at itude on the Riel question has damaged him among the French, and between them all the general belief is that he will be obliged to pack up and go. He will buy his way into power if he can. In inct, he always does that. He has spent as much \$25,000 on one contest, and when he stands he scatters the boodle about with prodigal indifference. The constituency is a poor one. In winter a great many people are out of employment, and McGreevy then goes in to win by the aid of the dimes. But what does he care for a few thousands. If his party is sustained ha will have his finger in the pie, whether he is auc-cessful himself or not. That is where the moral comes in. A few thousands are nothing when boodle is at stake, and so the sprat will he thrown to catch the salmon overy time. Look, for instance, at the

BALE DESCHALEURS RAILWAT CO. McGreevy has an interest in that. He is mis dop with Secator Robitaille, Mr. Riopel, Mr. Armstrong, who is a relative of Sir Hector Laegevin, and other Tories. The Government gave that company \$620,000, every cent of which was given to the company breause, mark you, BECAUSE, the promoters were Tories. And how much cash do you think these Tory contractors invested in the coterprise? For so large a grant as 8620,000 of the people's money you would naturally fancy that the company would have been ferced to invest a good round sum of their own. Of course you would. But that is just where you would be mistaken, for all the such the contractors invested was about \$10,000 ! Just think of that. Is not that "boodle," and does not one, even one, "boodle," and does not one, even one, venture of that kind pay Mr. McGreevy for bis expenditure during an elec-tion. And this is only one of many, very many, similar transactions m which the Hon. Tor has had a hand. Indeed I give it to you only as a simple copy. But "they all do it." Mc-Greevy only does in the Base des Chalours what Sir Adolphe Caron does in the

QUEBEC AND LAKE ST. JOHN BAILWAY.

Here again we have the same old story, but this time it is the Minister of Militia whose lingers are in the money bugs. The Quebeo & Luke St, John had, previous to list session. received enorm us subventions from the Government. But the directors wanted "more," Of course they did. Why not. But re-member that here too the pail up capital is only \$10,0.0. Mark that : only \$10,000. This is not denied remember. On the contrary, it is admitted. At best, when Mr. Blaky put the admitted. At 0 st, when Mr. Diaks put ing question in the House of Commons he made the statement that there were only \$10,000 paid up, and it was not denied then, and that was equivalent to an admission. Well, what do we see? Why, pothing leasthan the Minister of Militia, Sic Adolphe Car. m, the M D for Onabae County here made one of the M.P. for Quebec County, beirg made one of the members of the Constituction Company? Does any same man believe that members of Parliament can boucstly discharge their duties when they devote their thoughts to schemes and dodges to start railways for their own especial benefit? Members of Parliament are supposed to be the guardians of the peoples purse, but they take very good care to guard it so that its spans to their own requirements and demands. With them it should be "hands off" in all such speculations ; but, on the contrary, their policy is "hands all round," for boodle is the cry. is "bands all round," for boodle is the cry. Of course it was all right to open the Lake Sr. John county. No one objects to the railway; but what the people object to is that members of the House of Commons, and Tory members at that, should be the head and front of all these speculations. It is a bribe off-red by the government for a continue bazard, legal or illegal, right or wrong, unce of this support. Such men are deaf to rea-The constitution will be wrenched off its soo. Their less is covered with a golden fless and they hear not, and heet not, the voice of Righteousness And it is the same atory in the Gatineau Valley, where another member of parliament, Mr. McIntosh, is predant of a projective rolling company; it is the same thing in the Pontiac and Pacific Junction railway where the Hon. Mr. Chiphan is one of the chief directors; it is the is one of the chernational railway, where smao thing in the International railway, where the Hon. Mr. Pope, Mmister of Railways, is a large proprietor, the Northern Pacific and others as well. It is the same story all over the county, the many are cushed for the benefit of the few, and boodle reigns while the people starve.

eringing subserviency to the Orange-Tory, No-Popery party. Mr. Jones said :--

Thompson stood beside those men, lauded and put forward by the Toronto Mail, the organ of the Tory party and of the Orange party in the west. Mr. Thompson heard all the statements they made. He heard the eminent prelates of the Roman Catholic Church. of which he is a member, attacked by the speakers of his party, and by the Toronto Mail, and he stoud there without a word to the Pacific in tranking Mr. Blake for his to say in their defence. Look at the Toronto Mail to day, the paper which has upheld every supporter of Sir John A. Micupned every supporter of Sir sonn A. BLC-donald and the Tory party, and we find it teeming with abuse of the Irish and the French people and sying that the French in certain events will be swept into the sea and Mr. Tassé would ever age in be elected for this certain events will be swept into the sea and the Irish taught their place. Mr. Thompson heard all this, yet he had not a word to say in defence of his co-religionists. So outform, attended the meetings in the interest of Mr. Mowat and denounced the attemnts of the Tory paper and party to raise the **'** no popery' cry and to excite the hatreds of the race and creed in this country teday. When Mr. Thompson comes to this province again, as he may, I think he should hide his head for shame, because he had not the munliness when he was in places where Protectants predominate to say a word in favor of the Chu ch or creed to which he belongs. A man who will pander to party opinion is an uncofe man, he is an unsound man, he is not a reliable man, he is not the man for the province of Nova Scotia to, day.

That is the indictment, eloquently expressed, which the Liberals bring against Mr. Thompson on behalf of the Catholic people of Canada. And the same charge applies to the other ministers who have been as if their topgues were cut out during all these months the Catholic Church, Catholic institutions and the Catholic people. The same charge applies equally to the Catholic Tory followers of Sir John Macdonald, who, when ever they did speak, and they never spoke on any great occasion, always apologized for the organs and sought to excuse the Government. And these are the mon who have the audacity to come before the Catholic electors and ask to be returned to parliament !

alluded in scathlog terms to Mr. Thompson's was then appointed to wait on Mr. Blake, who was then appointed to wait on bir. Diake, who informed them that his mind was made up. The following day he introduced his resolution. I may add, that a further illustration of Costigan's treachery, as well as his subservincy

"He (Thompson) has lately been through the Province of Ontario with Sir John A. Macdonald, and with Mr. Meredith and the Hon. Mr. White, during the provincial elec-tion contest. What did the contest turn on? It turned on the 'No Popery' ory. Mr. the meantime and decide on a resolution that would n est with the approval of bota sides of the House. Thursday came and Mr. Blake had not been o neulted as proposed. But when Mr. Cos igan rose to proposed his emaculated amendment his reason for breaking his word became evident.

These additional facts sustain all I have formerly reported and fully justify the action taken by every Irish society from the Atlantic action, and of many of them in answering Mr. Oostigan.

WITH BECOMING MODESTY

bir. Tasse would over again be elected for this city. I may confess that I strongly desired to see them replaced by better men, and I worked with that object in view. I did not anticipate, however, that I would have succeeded so well rageous were these attacks upon the Catholics that leading Protestant gentlemen who had in politics felt constrained to come to the had not previously appeared on a public plat-had not previously appeared on a public plat-have been the case bad they secured norma-tion the they appeared on a public plat-have mathematic course in advance have been the case bad they secured norma-tion for the city. But the Conservatives have anticipated the verdict of the electors and gave them their congé in advance even of the Convention which has been called for next Tuesday. However, I will have the pleasure of seeing Mackinton jolly well tronneed in Russell. I know that constituency presty well and can say it would take

A MUCH BIGGER AND BETTER MAN

every way than the rejected of Ottawa to make beadway against Mr. W. C. Edwards in the present state of feeling in that county. Under what stress of circumstances the Tories hope to elect a political adventurer, clever though he be, who has not oven a nodding sequaintance with the farmers, and no stake whatever in the country, against a man running an enormons business, employing several hundreds of hands, a resident with great local interests, popular, able and of high personal character, I cannot conceive. Mr. Edwards will poll tully as large s French vote as was given to Mr. Alexauder Robillard, and a much larg:r English vote. I regard Russell as perfectly safe, but of course there must be hard work, for the Boodle party is desperate, and Mack-intosh is a Boodler of the first water. It may that the Tory press has been assailing be, however, that he is sent there to be got rid of. At any rate I don't think the people of Russell will feel too highly complimented at having been given a candidate who was not thought respectable enough for Ottawa.

CARLETON

will not be allowed to go by default. Nomiration there has been offered to Mr. Edward Devlin, a wealthy cattle d-aler, highly respected for his many sterling qualities by a I classes in the county. He is a sound speaker, of rare power, ready wit and intimate knowledge of public questions. He could beat Sir John if the Catholics and Libera's vote united for him. In any case he would krep him busy to dispose of his argu-ments, and I do not think he could injure his PERSONAL, Rev. J. T. Archambault, parlsh priest of St. Andrews East, left Monday hight for relatives he hes not seen for years. The relatives he hes not seen for years. The reverend gentiliman will babyeat for about three weeks,

AN INSULT,

In this part of the world Orangemen who are Liberals in politics are very rare birde, but you will meet one occasionally. They are generally m n of strong individuality who bitterly resent what they consider the prostitation of "the Order" to party political purposes. With one of these I had an interesting conversation to-day. He assured me that every lodge in the country was an active Tory electioncering machine; that the politician had full control and were running the Orange Society for politics and nothing else. The Orangemen, he said, were a mass of ignorant fanatics-men quite sineere in their fana-ticism, bat led by the nose by

A GANG OF TORY WIRE-PULLERS,

wh se only prejudice was to secure advantage and advancement for themselves. This gentleman also told me that the lodges had determined to carry polities into every thing, and would only vote for Orange-Torics as municipal councillors and school trustees. This attempt of a scoret society, controlled by irresponsible self-seeking political hacks, contains a dungerous moral to free institu tions and the rights of all citizens to the free exercise of their franchise. The Mail has very often, of lite, abused the Catholics for voting as it alleged in solid colume. What does it say to the Orange solid column ? 1 have as yet failed to find a word in its columns condemnstory of the use to which the Torics put the secret, exclusive, aggressive, fanatioal and blindly obedient association of Ocangeism.

AN ORANGE SOLID COLUMN

supporting Sir J. Im is a most acceptable thing, no doubt, but a Cathelie column forced into solidity by Orange Tory heaving and aggressivesomething too wicked for anything, and 1e84 i must be put down, cost what it may.

THE LIBERAL CONVENTION

held here last night, consisting of three delacity, was the best representatives of our citi-M.P.P., was elected consirtuan, and Mr. P. J. Coffey scoretary. On the roll being called all the delegates answered to their names. all the delegates answered to their members. A motion was put to the convention pledging all present to rive a united support to the candidates nominated, It was declared carried unanimously by a stand-ing vote. Attention, was called to the fact that ex-Mayor McDougal was the only one present who do not stond up. On the university of who did not stand up. On the suggestion the Chairman, the French delegates nominated their condidate first. Mr. Belmont, President of the Cub Nationale, then nominated Dr. St. Jean, whose name was eccived with loud and longcontinued applause, and carried with ringing cheers. Mr. F. X. Chrysler, President of the forward and nominated Mr. A. F. McIntyre, whose name was received with Young Men's Liberal Association, next came

THUNDERS OF APPLAUSE.

The chairman was about to put the motion, which was seconded by a number of leading Liberals, when Mr. E. Devlin asked permission, as a matter of courtesy, to nominate ex-Mayer McDougal. The nomination was received

QUEBEC, Jan. 20 .- Don't believe them Taillon cannot succeed. The double-shuffle will fail. The followers of Mercier will remain practically true, and he is coming into power. Tessier, M.P.P. for Portneuf, one of the gentlemen who was said to have gone over, denies the story. There is, he says, played is this. When the House mets there not a word of truth in it. He is for Mer will be no speech from the Teruse, and, of cier and for Mercier only. To night he sent the following tel gram to Montreal, Read it and judge for yourself. Here it is :--

QUEBEC, Jan. 21, 1887. To the Montreal Herald.

You are right in your appreciation of the rumor regarding me as joining Mr. Taillon. The report is entirely unirue.

JULES TESSIER, M.P.P., Portneuf.

That settles the matter so far as one of the "rumors" is concerned. And then as to Gagnon, the M.P.P. for Kamouraska. Why, Gagnon is one of the most pronounced Liberals in the Province. His political life has been a struggle against Toryism in Quebec. He is an out-and-outer----carnest, fiery, elo-quent and indefatigable. When his name was mentioned as one of those who were going to abundon Mercier, the Liberals hughed. It only proved to what straits the Tories are reduced when Gagnon's name was mentioned at all. They might just as well "approach" Gaguon was like whistling jigs to a milestone. Nodoubtabontis. Gaguonis zound, The people will not be rabbed Tessier is sound, and they are all sound, of their franchise now-a-days. The a milestone. No doubtaboutit. Gagnonis sound, Tessier is sound, and they are all sound, Nationalist; and Liberals, every one of them. Taillon will fail as Ross failed. You may make up your mind to that. These "rumors are given out in despair. The Government is tumbling. Its doom is sealed, and on the 27th they will be kicked out of office. Better for them, far better, if they had all resigned, They should have followed the manly course taken by Ross and Flynn. Bat Taillon determinon to try his hand. Well, he has tried, and he will fail, lamentably, ignomiciously fail. I can tell you, too, that Laro-chelle, the Nationalist bl. P. P. for Dorchester, tonsly fail. I can tell you, too, that Laro-chelle, the Nationalist M. P. P. for Dorchester, is as sound as a bell for Mercier. To night threatens it. On his shoulders at 1 rest the he authorized a friend to telegraph to Mr. Marcier to that effect. And so it goes, one after another of the men "claimed" for Taillon remained firm with Mercier, and next Thursday will prove it. The M.P.P.'s will not be bought. All honor to them ; but Taillon must bear the obloquy of attempting to buy them all the same. Anything for power. It is now binted at that he will try and

POSTFONE THE MEETING OF THE HOUSE :

that is if he can. Of course he has no precedent for such a preceding, but what does he care for precedent. It is power he is after, and if constitutional asage stands in the way, then constitutional usage must suffer. That is the way they act down here. But we are confident, that Governor Masson will not postpone the meeting of the House even if Taillon recommends it. Indeed the

chances are that Masson may cry a halt now. If ro;, then his reputation as a fair minded men will be blasted forever. But we have no light to assume that he will yield any

simple. Treason to the popular will and the constitution is to endanger the place of the state. It may encourage the belief chat barricades become a virtue when loyally becomes a crime. But men who think this way, and there are many of them, must rause, First of all, Taillon may fail. The The Lieutenant-Governor may refuse to be a party to such a dangerous scattere. He responsibility. It he yields to Taill n, then his name will be remembered as that of a man who was a partizin before he was a patriot; and it will be fortunate if it ends there. If he acts illegally it is difficult to say to what extrems means the people may be driven. In any case an injury will be done to the men whe have been brought to believe in the ballot, and constitutional government in Quebec will receive a knock-down blow.

INDIGNANT LIBERALS.

Just as I told you. Gagnen is indignant at the rumors that have been circulated about him. On Saturday the Hon. Mr. Mercier received the following telegrain from his faithful lieutenant :---

"The rumor that I was to onter the Taillos Government is the greatest insolt which I ever received.

E. GAGNON, M.P.P."

This is just what I expected, and what every one who knows Gagnon expected, too. And if you heard him in the L-gislature st.

THE HON. MR. FLYNN.

The Hon. Mr. Flynn has, I be it ve, resigned. I told you all along that the flow. Mr. Fiynn hat backbone. He wanted to re-sign many weeks ago, and that he was willing to accept defeat when defeat first came. But he has now gene, and with him goes the ablest of the Cabinet ministers. Mr. Flyon is a student and a worker as well. Its did more hard work in the Cabinet than any two of its members. He was in a great measure the brains of the Ministry. For my part, I can never forget his attitude on the Home Role question. On that occasion he behaved with manly resolution. Although Dr. Ross told him that if he voted for Home Rule he would do so rgainst his wishes. Yet the Hon. Mr. Plynn no' only voted for Home Rule but spoke for it and pleaded for it, and helped to carry it, while Tailion had a "headache" and Dr. Ross furned Tailon had a "location" and Dr. Roks inned about the Senate. I will always like Flyna for the stand he took on that occasion and in his apparent fallen fortunes, he can find consolation in the assurance that the Irish people, if I understand them, will not forget the good turn he did the Old Cause and the descriptions with which he averaged he chewfulness with which he expressed hus willingness to sacrifice himself to the great principle involved. If Costigan and Curran and Bergin and the rest of the Irishmen in the House of Commons had only done like wise they, too, would now be honored among their own people, instead of which they are politically despised.

MONTGOMERY.

