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God's in His heaven, All's right with the world.

-[BROWNING. London, Wednesday, August 3. BRUMMAGEM JOE'S DILEMMA. Our English correspondent gives a graphic sketch of the political situation as it exists on the eve of the meeting of Parliament. It seems to be reasonably certain that the Salisbury Administration will be voted out of power within the next ten days, and then will come the tug of war. Can Gladstone hold power with a majority

side and a full House on the Tory side. Already the Tories are angling for the Parnellite vote. Yet the case I have suggested is an exceedingly improbable one. The comparative statement below will make the situation clear to your readers: Can Gladstone hold power with a majority of 40? His Conservative opponents tell him that the work which he has set before him cannot be accomplished with a majority of less than 70 or 80. Those who make that assertion forget that the greatest Conservative leader of the age, Mr. Disraeli, considered himself equal to the task of forming an administration when the general election of 1874 gave him a majority of something over 40, and that, starting with that majority, he remained in office for six years. Sir William Vernon with that majority, he remained in office for six years. Sir William Vernon Harcourt, speaking in Eastbourne a fortnight ago, illustrated what could be done with a small mejority by recalling that, after the Tory Government of 1879 had, on the motion of Lord Hartington (the Duke of Description head deated and an appear) Devonshire), been defeated and an appeal to the people followed, the incoming to the people followed, the incoming Cabinet was supported by a majority of 13: That was a small advantage apparently, and one might fancy that such a Government would prove short lived. Nevertheless, strange to say, that Government survived for six years and a half. It was his experience that the last thing a new parliament desired was another dissolution, and this feeling had a solid effect on political operations. The prospects are that the home rule measure will be first introduced. Then, while it is passing

are that the home rule measure will be first introduced. Then, while it is passing through its stages, measures establishing "one man one vote," providing for parish municipal councils to be elected by popular vote, and possibly for the payment of mem-bers of Parliament will be proceeded with in the intervals of time necessarily left while the Home Rule Bill is passing through its various stages. These measures will either bring a signal triumph to the tiberal followers of Mr. Gladstone, or utter confusion on Mr. Chamberlain and those Liberal dissidents who support Salisbury in his refusing to grant local self-gov-ernment to the Irish. Mr. Chamberlain and his adherents profess to be Liberal, and his adherents profess to be incerti-evon Radical, on all subjects but home rule. How can they, Mr. Gladstone, asks, refuse to support these measures even if they fail to indorse home rule? It is a dilemma from which Chamberlain does not extricate his followers by the characteristic declaration that "Mr. Gladstone will give us his axe to grind in order that he may afterward cut off our heads with it." Assuredly Chamberlain and his colleagues cannot long continue to oppose Liberal measures with-out entirely forfeiting the confidence

seriously injured by jumping from the windows of the burning knitting factory might have escaped if they had promptly left the building. If this statement is well founded, it shows the necessity which exists for continuing in our large factories the fire drill that is a feature of our public school system. In how many of the factories of London would the employes make their way out promptly and ployes make their way out promptly and orderly if an alarm of fire were given? Persistent fire drill is just as necessary in the average factory as it is in the public schools or on beard ship.

A DISTINGUISHED VISITOR. Baron Hirsch, the Jewish philanthropist who has done so much to promote the welfare of his race, is now completely restored It is said that he will soon to health. It is said that he will soon cross the Atlantic and visit Canada and the United States. He would have a most

hearty welcome from all classes. PROOF OF THE EXODUS. There are over 45,000 Canadian voters in

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Why Gladstone's Majority is Not Much Larger Than It Is.

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Hon. Edward Blake's Election Likely to Produce Good Effects.

[From the ADVERTISER Special Correspondent.]
LONDON, Eng., July 24, 1892.
The last of the elections are over, and the Liberals, under the leadership of that wonderful octogenarian, Mr. Gladstone, have a majority of but 40. This is a grave have a majority of but 4). This is a grave disappointment and inconvenience. The Parnellites' 9 and the so-called Labor candidates' 9, are included in this majority; and the Irish Nationalists' 72 are reckoned and the Irish Nationalists' 72 are reckoned as Liberals. The Parnellite and Labor M. P.'s are not very reliable, and if the whole 18 were to go against Gladstone in any critical division, as they would count 36 on a division, the case would be one of peril to a Liberal Government with so small a working majority especially if there were a few absentees on the Liberal side and a full House on the Tory side. Already the Tories are angling for the

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Full House 670 The Conservatives have lost 34 seats, the Dissentient Liberals 21 seats, and the Farnellites 21 seats. The Conservatives and Dissentient Liberals have combined against Dissentient Liberals have combined against home rule for Ireland under the pretext of maintaining the union under the one Imperial Parliament, and are, therefore, conventionally designated Unionists. With this clearly understood, we may make another comparative statement, viz.:

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London respectively was as follows: Tories and Dissentient Liberals 48, now they are

Thus you will see that though the general election has resulted in a majority for the Liberals, that majority is not obtained in England, where Tory M.P.s. obtained in England, where Tory M.P.s outnumber Liberals by 71; nor in England, Wales and Secoland combined, in which Tories outnumber Liberals by 16. Mr. Gladstone is indebted for his majority to Ireland. The English boroughs give 96 Tories and 69 Liberals; the English counties give 131 Tories and but 103 Liberals, while the universities of England (5), Sootland (2) and Ireland (2) go against Gladstone. If two universities were established in Wales and empowered to elect M.P.s. this would be an advantage to the Liberal party, for the Welsh are soundly Liberal. This analysis, which I have carefully prepared from the recent election returns, will give the readers of your excellent journal, a bird's eye view of the exact strength of political parties in the United Kingdom.

If I were asked how it comes to pass

continue to oppose Liberal measures without entirely forfeiting the confidence which a section of the Liberal party has reposed in them. If they favor the classes under apprehension of what the masses may do when the House of Lords carries out Salisbury's threat to reject the home rule measure as passed by the popular chamber, they can no longer lay claim to the title Liberal. No Liberal can indorse the view that a known and recognized wrong shall be perpotrated in order that a problematic evil may be avoided.

FIRE DRILL IN FACTORIES.
The report from Strathroy is to the effect that the young women who were seriously injured by jumping from the seriously injured by jumping from the seriously injured by jumping from the windows of the burning knitting factory etc.; (2) all the publicans, for they anow that the Liberal party adopts the temperance platform in reference to the direct veto and local option, and (3) most of the ciergy of the Established Churches of England, Wales and Seotland, as they know full well that the Liberal party is piedged to Disestablishment in Wales and Seotland primarily and in England ultimately. Canadians will easily understand, in view of these facts, what a terribity uppill fight the Liberals have had in the late election; and if they take into further consideration that there are thousands of voters in London, and indeed all over our country, who do not eare a rap for home rule, but are vexed at Mr. Gladstone for putting it in the forefront, and are mainly anxious for democratic reforms in England, they will marvel with me that the Liberals have after all gained so great a success at the polls. Then again, while the Torics usually maintain a solid phalans, the Liberals being more intelligent are more independent, and oftentimes carry their independence further than is politically convenient, and by hard riding of bobbies introduce confusion and weaken the force of the party attack.

Moreover, without a very strong maority, a Liberal Government cannot carry any great Liberal measure through the There are over 45,000 Canadian voters in New York State. Annexation has been going on in the last decade at a brisk rate, and the end will not be fill the trade relations of Canada and her neighbor are decidedly improved.

The content of the this property of the things and the conservative and the content of the things and the content of the thing The general impression is it will take several years to accomplish it, and that it may involve one or two general elections yet. Meanwhile the English democracy is yet. Meanwhile the English democracy is getting very restive about legislation for England. They say Ireland must not block the way; but instead of getting it out of the way by bold and wise legislation, they insist upon a whole lot of reforms being carried for England before home rule for Ireland is fairly grappled with, at the risk of disappointment, disaffection, and it may be terrible agitation in Ireland. I have not the slightest doubt that the quickest way to English reforms is to magnanimously and promptly concede home rule to Ireland. If the Liberals do not or cannot give it the Tories will, and chuckle over an ignoble triumph.

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magnanimously and promptly conceue home rule to Ireland. If the Liberals do not or cannot give it the Tories will, and checkle over an ignoble triumph.

Perhaps the most interesting thing to Canadians—by the way I had four Canadians sitting at my table yesterday—about the late general election in Grest Britain is the fact that Hon. Edward Blake from Canada has been elected M. P. for South Longford, Ireland, and by an overwhelming majority. He is classed as a Nationalist. In one of his able speeches he said, that if England only knew bow well home rule worked in Canada she would not hesitate to grant it to Ireland. Yet in that statement he overlooked the political (or rather the millitary) difficulty which leads so many in this country to oppose home rule for Ireland for the same reason that they offer the strongest objection to the proposed Channel tunnel. If Ireland were as far off a Canada, the very next session of Parliament would unhesitatingly give her home rule—indeed, it would have been granted long ago. But with France on one side and a practically independent Ireland on the other—England sandwiched between—what would become of England in case of a European war? I Ireland might be utilized as a base of operations against England. The Irish leaders of to-day might protest against any such idea, but they could not give any guarantee for the future. There might be a great form Ireland on the other—England could not interfere, for her hands would be tied behind her. In many another contingency there might be even greater difficulty—na invasion from France on the one side and astrous to England. That is how many, not wise but otherwise, talk. They conveniently forget that no Irish Legislature would pervent this. They forget, too, that before France on the one side and from Ireland on the other would be diaastrous to England. That is how many, not wise but otherwise, talk. They conveniently forget that no Irish Legislature would prevent this. They forget, too, that before France on the one side and from Irela

admired Mr. Blake have high expectations of his career in our Parliament. The Daily News says of him: "Seldom, if ever, since News says of mini-the days of Gratton, has such a distin-guished stranger entered the British House of Commons. His presence may perhaps induce Mr. Chamberlain to fight a little more shy of those Canadian analogies which have led him, through ignorance, into so many scrapes." The fact is, that whenever in home rule debates Canada has been referred to as furnishing a splendid illution of the success of home rule, Chamberlain has insisted in rejoint that there was no fair analogy, and

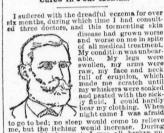


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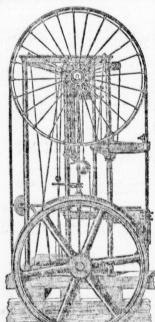
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