A HOLLOW VICTORY.

Col. Prior had the proud satisfaction to-day of being a practically beaten The other day he openly made the statement that if he did not get a It has not benefitted the Uitlanders, majority of at least 500 he might as well retire from politics. His actual majority is 107, and therefore judging by his own standard he is utterly discredited as a politician. When he could do no better than that, with all the peculiar advantages he enjoyed, he certainly could not take any great amount of gratification out of his victory, and the subdued tone of the "rejoicings" indicates what he and his supporters really feel on the subject. Yesterday's very modified success was a sure forerunner of defeat at the general election, which must come on within a few weeks. On that occasion Col. Prior and his colleague will not have on their side some of the peculiar influences which greatly affected the result yesterday. Moreover, the opposition organization, which failed at a few points yesterday, owing olic education" would be to the conto lack of time, will be perfected, and that will mean a large number of votes. Those who examine the returns will observe that in the portion of the city which is free from the direct interfer-Templeman received a large majority. The other portions of the city would ly for the interference spoken of, and for the influence of certain allies of the tolli, the representative in America of be clipped" next time. 'The Liberals is the best authority on this point, are disappointed, but they have every of the contest. The most disagreeable feature is the failure of Victoria to send officially to Manitoba the message which should have been sent to strengthen and encourage her in her fight against wrong, but we have no doubt Manitobans will discern the fact that though nominally the verdict of house of commons have taken refuge Victorians was against them, virtually it was in their favor. Beyond a doubt, Northumberland, N. B.; Baker, of Miss. tawa is hopelessly broken up. Look out the great majority of the intelligent citizens whose votes were untrammeled pronounced against coercion and against the course which the Dominion govern- appointed an inspector of customs, and ment has followed. Manitoba may be Mr. Bain, of Soulanges, has become a quite sure from yesterday's vote that Victoria's sympathy is actually with to shelter of government members is & Smith, will explain.

PUNISH THE REPEATERS.

It appears that in spite of the warnings given, some persons yesterday voted more than once. One Government street merchant was heard to boast last evening that he had thus repeated his vote for Col. Prior, and inquiry to-day, has shown that he did vote at least twice, at the court house and in Victoria West. At the latter place he took the oath It is well known that there were that electors were deliberately advised by an officer of the Conservative association, and by other prominent workers for Col. Prior, that they could vote as often as their names appeared on the list. These advisers were of course as guilty as the men who actually committed the offense. It is evidently necessary that the men who thus violated the law should be prosecuted and punished in order that the practice may be stopped. It is of course an unpleasant duty to proceed against a fellow citizen, but in a case of this kind it is a plain duty to do so. It would be a most unfortunate thing for the community if any set of men within it were left under the impression that they can set the law at defiance.

BROKEN UP.

There is not much comfort for the lying. government party to be found in the Ottawa situation. Sir Mackenzie Bowell cannot have any chance of re constructing his ministry, and it is the Conservative side can form a new ordinary observer, and that is the calland said the seven ministers had re- half by the minister of finance:signed because they could not longer follow Sir Mackenzie Bowell's leadership. Sir Richard Cartwright seems to mistaken in his policy, but he did not idle to entertain the idea that these men are likely to receive any consideration at the hands of the Governor-General. They can have no pretension to command the confidence of the country.

AN UNFORTUNATE RAID.

It is unfortunate that Dr. Jameson and his men should have so rashly invaded the Transvaal and precipitated the present South African trouble. The Uitlanders, as they are styled—are most outrageously treated by the Boers, but the invasion by the South African Comtrying to find a remedy. The Boers are people, and the men who have done so much to develop their country have un-

the dispute was but secondary at the best. The almost certain result of such a raid might have been foreseen. and it has brought serious trouble on all parties concerned, including the mother country. If Dr. Jameson is executed, as to-day's dispatches seem to show he will be, the situation in South difficulty. The possible complications are too many and too formidable to be contemplated without disquietude. It will be.

PECULIAR STATEMENTS.

Rev. Canon Beanlands makes these rather astonishing statements in a let-

ter to the Colonist:-Now, it is perfectly well known that "entirely unsectarian" education is abhorrent to the Roman Catholic conscience; as abhorrent as "entirely Cathscience of the framers of that statute.

I say, then, that it is as great an injustice for a temporary majority to force upon the Roman Catholics in Manitoba such an education, as would be for the Roman Catholies of ence of officialdom, and is in a position | Quebec to control the state education in to cast a free and independent vote, Mr. that province upon purely Roman Cath-

In the first paragraph the reverend to interfere with the liberty of conscience of Catholics in any way.

DESERTING THE SHIP.

The following members of the present Bowell wing. in the senate: Messrs. Adams, of isquoi, Que.; Boyle, of Monck, Ont.; and for another election in a few weeks. White of Shelburne, N.S., Mr. McKay, one of the Hamilton members has been the best possible evidence that there is a general expectation of a complete collapse on the government side. The Bowell ministry can hardly be recon-Tupper the Elder could have no prospect of any better success.

A COLONIST FALSEHOOD.

The Colonist this morning says. "Several days have elapsed since the been called in."

It is needless to say that the Colonist's insinuation as to "manufacturing and circulating" a telegram is a direct falsehood. Many of the Colonist's readers have seen the original the telegram referred to. of which is still preserved in the Times office. Any who chooses can see it at any time And if any person should still entertain a doubt he can refer the matter to Mr. Christie, manager of the C. P. R. telegraph office, who will readily certify to its genuineness. It might have been thought that while the Colonist considered falsehood a useful weapon during the contest, there was no good reason for employing it afterwards. Unfortunately our neighbor's bad habit of lying has become so much a part of

THE REAL REASON.

Minister Foster's statement in regard equally certain that no other man on to the government trouble at Ottawa shows to a certainty that the latter is ministry. There is only one method of an occurrence unparalleled in the hissolving the difficulty apparent to the tory of any country constitutionally governed. Only last Thursday the ing in of Mr. Laurier. The endeavor Governor-General addressed to parliato patch up the rents in the government | ment the speech put into his mouth by party could succeed by nothing short of his advisers, giving declarations on varia miracle. No such spectacle has ever ous matters of policy to which all those before been seen in connection with advisers had subscribed. On Saturday Canadian polities as that presented half of the ministers resigned, and this when Mr. Foster stood up in his place was the explanation offered on their be-

"There is no disagreement between ourselves and the premier upon any question of public policy, trade or the constitution with regard to which achave been right when he said Premier tion had been already taken or in re-Bowell's part in the affair had been the spect to which an attitude had been asonly honorable one. The old man was sumed by the government under the present premier. We retain our firm belief in the principles and policy of which we in common with others remain exponents so far as our ability admits. We have lost none of our confidence in the sound and healthy condition of the Liberal-Conservative party policy which a majority of the electorate consider essential to the continued welfare and progress of the country; or leadership it will come back triumphant

at the polls. "Though with many misgivings we finally agreed to enter the government foreign population of the republic-the under Sir Mackenzie Bowell, in succession to Sir John Thompson, we have merely a party organ. nevertheless unitedly and loyally striven to the best of our ability to make it pany's force was a very unwise way of with growing regret that we have seen strong and efficient, and it has been our efforts result in a measure of suca narrow-minded, bigoted and selfish cess less than that for which we had hoped and striven. We are of opinion that the Liberal-Conservative party ought to be represented by the strongdoubtedly suffered grievously under ought to be represented by the strong-est government possible to be secured From whatever point these figures are their tyranny. No one can justly find from its ranks. That necessity was viewed there can be no questioning the fifty of the taxpayers in this district with a seat in the cabinet—when they

force of outsiders, whose interests in a government can be formed without This we have repeatedly urged we found ourselves face to face with satisfactorily complete it "Under the circumstances we thought

it our duty to retire and in this manner pave the way, if possible, for the formation of a government whose premie Africa will be one of great danger and could command the confidence of all his colleagues, could satisfy the Liberal-Conservative party that its strongest elements were at its head, and impress the country that it had a government is hard to say what the end of it all which was united and had power to govern. We affirm with the utmost sincerity that the action we have taken has sprung from no personal feeling of dislike or of personal ambition, but has been solely dictated by our own wish to sink minor considerations in the presence of our great desire that the best interests of our party and country should be duly conserved.

Those who had any idea that the Bowell ministry as it was constituted this country should carefully study this had no confidence, and only found that governor-general had laid the minister- times could have been brought out by ial programme before parliament. They the Liberals, we are told, but their orhave likewise given him a majority on- gentleman makes assertions directly knew all that was stated by Mr. Foster contradictory to those of Cardinal Sa- long before parliament opened; it should have been left at was therefore their duty to retire home. The handwriting is on the wall government party whose "wings will the head of the Catholic church. Who earlier if they felt bound to retire at all. and when the contending parties next It is easy to supply the real reason for test their strength it is quite safe to pro Mgr. Satolli or Rev. Canon Beanlands? the ministers' action, which they do not reason to feel encouraged by the result As to the second paragragph, it is only give. They gave up their positions necessary to say that the "temporary solely and simply because the bye-elecmajority" in Manitoba has not proposed tions were going against the govern-

> Col. Prior ought to say whether he belongs to the Bowell wing or the anti-

The Conservative government at Ot-

Very little work has been done on the new postoffice during the past month. What is the reason? Probably our rep- relative to the vote polled, recorded postoffice inspector. This great flight resentatives or the contractors, Elford against the Liberal candidate in Vic-

The Uitlanders of the Transvaal have come out of the "ruction" with a very practice of Victoria district, and of the poor reputation. They seem to have whole province for that matter, since led Dr. Jameson and his men into trou- ever we had representation at Ottawa. structed out of the present wreck, and ble on their account and then left membering that Col. Prior, the governthem in the lurch in the most cowardly ment candidate, came before the elecmanner. The Boers have many claims tors of this traditional Tory and Ministo admiration when compared with the terial, and most ambitious and acquisi-

It is now said that if the Bowell gov-lalleged, on the authority of the premier "Several days have elapsed since the exigencies of election day required "the ernment is reconstructed Col. Prior will himself, to be full and undoubted cabmen who supported Mr. Templeman" to be appointed minister of militia. In inet representation—in view of all these manufacture and circulate the above that case nobody will be inclined to things, it required great co doubt his being a cabinet minister, but courage than prudence, as was expresshis chance of promotion seems very re- red in this paper at the outset, for the mote, and in any event the people of gage of contest as they did. We hards.

> ing a joke at the Colonist's expense when he wrote to the editor of that paper as follows: "The paper has been this, again, it is to be remembered that it did everything it could to forward the Conservative interests it never in any way can have wounded the feelings of my opponents, being always free from lish the government. When everything personalities and abuse." The state ment could not well have been further have abundant reason to congratulate But the Colonist fans itself into a perfrom the truth.

In a letter which appears elsewhere. some very natural questions are asked its nature that it cannot live without in regard to the conduct of the road su- than as another very significant hand perintendent for the Victoria and Saan- writing on the wall, another unmistakich district. A road superintendent's duty is to superintend the roads and keep them in order, not to do political scav- the balance and found wanting, and enging for any party or combination of that, when the grand weighing day of politicians. The fact that in places the nearly approaching general the roads have been allowed to go to ruin while this official was off electioncering is a nice commentary on the way in which our lands and works department is conducted. Where do the pro- over 600 which stood against vincial government find warrant for taxing the people of this province to provide political agents for the vile combination at Ottawa?

Nelson Tribune: The Colonist maintains that British Columbia will be represented in the Dominion cabinet by the appointment of E. G. Prior to the entering upon the general election concontrollership of inland revenue; that a controller of inland revenue will have "as much say" in cabinet meetings as a minister of finance, or a minister of public works. In 1887 the department that is certainly matter for sincere and or not, it is certain the men voted, and deserve such scurvy treatment as he the Liberal-Conservative party, with of inland revenue and the department hearty congratulation.—New Westminhas received from the bolters. It seems which we are in entire accord, and of of customs were merged in that of trade and commerce, and from that time have been in charge of controllers, who are under the general instructions of the minister of trade and commerce. They or of our belief that it embodies the are merely officers, not ministers, and dent defined. Does he draw his salare removable at pleasure. Mere ord- ary from the treasury of this province ers-in-council can not give them authorof our faith that under firm and prudent ity that is not given them in the act creating the offices. Were the Colonist an upright newspaper it would be above defending such absurd contentions; but it is not an upright newspaper; it is time given, and as such he is undoubted-

THE CONTEST IN VICTORIA.

The result of the polling in the Dominion election at Victoria on Monday placed Hon. Col. Prior at the head of the poll by a majority, so far as can be learned, of 107 votes, the total polled be fault with them, however, for defending never greater than under the existing fact that the Liberals scored a mag-

their republic against an attack from a circumstances, and we believe that such nificent victory,, and further that the would Mr. Snider if he were thrown on commercial metropolis and capital of his own resources. British Columbia is now a Liberal city. upon the premier, with the result that We saw the seeds of Liberalism planted lars' worth of damage have been done there in 1886, but the stalwarts grew to our roads which might have been parliament having a government with from about a baker's dozen to about avoided had the ditches and culverts its numbers incomplete, and with no assurance that the present premier could the history of the constituency the Liberals raised the Reform standard on the one of the hills on the West Saanich Tory stronghold. But still the seed kept | road, where part of our money was ex on increasing in its growth and in 1891 pended in graveling, a work that was the vote increased to 449. Then there were two Tories, Thos. Earle and Col. impassable as the time. The ditche Prior in the field; the former receiving however, were not kept open, and as 1061 and the latter 1049; whilst the result a good deal of the money expend Liberals Messrs. Templeman and Mar- ed has been thrown away, for the water chant, polled respectively 449 and 409 overflowed and ran down, the centre o The seed of Liberalism was good and the road, carrying away the gravel, leav sound; the soil was a fertile one, and in ing a deep water course and the hill al 1896 the city proper gave the Liberal most as impassable as ever. candidate, Mr. William Templeman, a majority-that which elected his rival, have ben saved by five minutes work the Controller of Inland Revenue, be- in opening the ditch. And thus it is From a Liberal vote of 499 to 1.457 in less than five years is assuredly a big the main West road to Saanich was stride. The gain is over 1,000 votes. For the Tory member there was a gain and at the present time it is unsafe to of 485 votes, Mr. Templeman thus leading Col. Prior in point of fresh strength was a fit and proper body to govern by over two to one. This is indeed an encouraging outlook for the Liberals of statement and find how poorly their Victoria as well as for Liberalism all last summer? faith was founded. These men say that over the province. Col. Prior was backthey had been serving for more than a ed by the prestige of his being a minisyear under a premier in whom they leading representative men of great ter of the crown; and also by many weight, and yet, if 100 more votes had ganization was not as complete as it should have been-the new minister of phesy a complete Waterloo for the Tor-We cannot but congratulate our Liberal friends at the capital upon the taxpayers' endurance will not last for noble fight they made for their principles, and although our old friend and felment and they saw thew were losing low-worker in the Reform vineyard was not entirely successful there is every reason for believing that when the general election comes round he will be able to scale the enemy's citadel and be one of the Liberal contingent from the far west, who will see to it that British Columbia receives that measure of justical working itself into a fever heat of conto which she is fully entitled. Victoria has spoken and there can be no nocent remark: "with no personal ends mistaking the voice of her people.-Van-

> Considering the enormous majority, toria, at the last general election, 1891, which had to be overcome; considering that the traditional policy and tive constituency with the unwonted. but long coveted bait or bribe in his posing the few voters not already pledged, to cast their votes for the Liberal candidate. But, as an offset to Colonist, put the very best face on the Ottawa crisis, and even made out, with a fair show of plausibility, that its effect would be to strengthen and establits opponents. This is the first joke 1 is considered, therefore, the Liberals and it is really good enough for Punch. themselves over the result; while the fect glow of conscious virtue this morn-government and their supporters, on the ing, and really thinks it has been the other hand, whatever their public protestations of thankfulness may be, can paper cannot fail to be a source of not honestly view the result otherwise strength to the party or man it supable intimation, added to the many they have received recently, that, all over the Dominion, they are being weighed in tions comes round, they will kick the beam-out of sight. When the Liberals, at a bye-election, with such odds against them, have all but wiped out that principle by a fair and gentlemanly the former Conservative majority of what can they not do at the general election, when the people have the opportunity of voting a broken and discredited administration out of power? people of the Dominion. What is the The fine show of strength that the Libcrals have made at the bye-election, in wiping out the huge Conservative majority which formerly stood against them, almost to the vanishing point, must add greatly to their prestige in little instance will suffice. The Liberal test. The Victoria Liberals may, other words, be said to have practically in the back room of a certain saloon demonstrated, in this bye-election contest, that they can and will win, hands down, in the general election. And ster Columbian. NEGLECTED ROADS.

To the Editor:-Many of the people of this district would very much like to to look after our roads or is it his duty to aet as eanvasser for votes not only at the local but at the Dominion elections? If the latter is his duty we cannot complain, for the most critical would fail to find any lack of energy displayed or ly a most faithful servant and deserves every praise.

If, however, it is, as some of us have the audacity to think, his duty to attend standing their army of paid heelers, the to tour roads as his title indicates, then little local band who poured money inwe as taxpayers have reason to be uis- to the election fund and what came in satisfied. To see \$125 monthly paid out from the east. Victoria has adminis to a man who does not do his duty is tered a crushing blow to this little famrather rough on those who have to pay, ily compact that has been running afmore especially as this is principally a fairs for many years. who begins to make that amount. Nor ask him to sit-and that is the end of

greatly needed, as the place was almos

In this instance all this waste could

During the forest fires last summer blocked for two days by fallen timber, drive at night owing to the small tree which have been borne down by snov and are overhanging the road. Where was our road superintenden

In the first case he cannot say that he did not know, for it was brought to his knowledge, but still the road remain ed blocked. In the second there is n excuse, for it was his duty to attend t these matters No doubt there was on thing he did not neglect, and that wa to draw his salary.

How long will we have to stand pass ively by and see our hard-earned mone washed away in the floods and our road ruined through the incompetency and negligence of our road boss? And how long will we have to pay \$125 a month for the privilege? But let him beware for there is an end to all things and th

Victoria District, Jan. 7th.

COLONISTIC ORIGINALITY. To the Editor:-You will excuse m smiling at the editorial paragraph in this morning's Colonist headed "Honesty the Best Policy," where that paper, after scious virtue gives expression to the into attain and no personal ambition to gratify" etc, Really that is on a par with the equally self-laudatory remarks of the Colonist on the anniversary of its last birthday when it innocently declared it had never been "nursed," in face of the fact that to-day, in its thirtyeighth year, it is found clinging eagerly to the government breasts from which it has obtained its chief support all along There are several other very original things in that extremely funny editorial.

LIBERAL. THE ELECTION. To the Editor:-The Liberals lost yesterday, but they lost in a good cause and put up a splendid fight, with fearful odds against them in the shape of heaps of money, a strong party vote, and the adoption of every unfair device Cure for the he rt will always relie that unprincipled opponents could adopt, this trouble with a the first half how pers that it has ever been the misfortune nmunity of fair-minded people to Victoria Liberals to throw down the have inflicted upon them. The attitude of the Colonist throughout this campaign Victoria will not forget that the at-ply see how they could have expected to has been nothing more or less than that tempt was made to impose upon them win; or to come as near winning as of a paid party heeler (and there were they did, although, of course, the swarms of them around Col. Prior in events of the last few days at Ottawa this fight) in one of the lowest Ameri-Col. Prior must have been perpetrat- would naturally have the effect of dis- can precincts. Such a thing as a fair reference to its opponents is something that Liberals will look for in vain through its columns, because the management never thought of such a thing conducted in such a manner that whilst the Victoria Conservative organ, the themselves. Col. Prior in his letter to paper must have had a great laugh to spatches! says the New York World himself when he penned the lines con-

> ever heard of the Colonel perpetrating, soul of honor. Dear me! If such a into couriers may seem something of ports, I am of opinion that that party or man has not much of are putation to

gratulating it on its fairness to his and

Col. Prior evidently has changed his opinion since he took stock in the former attorney-general's paper, the Daily News, which was started for the sole purpose of having in Victoria a "fair and impartial newspaper.'

The Liberals went into the fight for a good principle; they have established fight, and the Colonist and its heelers cannot prove otherwise. The cabinet minister bauble was dangled before the eyes of the people with the idea of befogging a great principle affecting the result? Col. Prior has come out of the fight badly battered and his party scared terribly. It has cost the party an immense sum to procure by fair means and foul the election of the man. One noon that there were twenty-five voters which could be had for \$2 apiece. The Liberals told the messenger to go to some one. Whether the messenger went it transpired that the party who voted them raised the price by four bits a head. It was not the Liberal party that voted these men.

American citizens were brought from all parts, and nothing was stopped at to secure a victory . Dead men and "repeaters" were brought to the polls, especially in the outside districts. thanks to the energy of the Liberal scrutineers the crooked Conservative work, lannehed on a gigantic scale, was narrowed down somewhat. Obstruction tactics were commenced by the Conservatives, who started out by swearing voters quite unnecessarily, and when they were retaliated upon, they grumbled like whipped schoolboys.

Taken altogether, the Tories have come out battered and bruised, notwith-

it. Perhaps we shall now get a eabinet minister" when there is such lemand at Ottawa, according to the LABERAL

VICTORIA MARKETS. Retail Quotations for Farmers' Pro duce Carefully Corrected.

52200	■数据用现代的数据现代的对象对象的数据数据数据数据数据数据数据数据数据数据数据数据数据数据数据数据数据数据数据
t	The usual dullness after the holida-
S	has been noticeable in the rotati
a	during the past week Prices war market
	same with the exception of these tan
	butter and eggs, which owing to the
r	The usual dullness after the holiday tradhas been noticeable in the retail market during the past week. Prices remain the same with the exception of those for freshotter and eggs, which, owing to the mixed weather, have been coming in rather freely causing a reduction in prices.
F	causing a reduction in prices
	Retail prices are:
39-57.8	Oglivie's Hungarian Flour 5 25 to 5 5 Lake of the Woods Flour 5 to 5 2 Rainter 5
	Lake of the Woods Flour. 5 to 5
	Rainier
d	Superb
	Plausifter
k	Snow Flake
s	Olympic
	XXX 4
	Wheat, per ton \$25.00 to \$30 0
ľ	Dats per ton
s	Midlings for ton
٠,	Bran nor ton 20 00 to 25
0	Ground Wood non ton
S	Corn whole per ton 25 00 to 27
	racked 45
V	Cornmeal, per 100 lbs.
	Oatmeal, per 10 lbs.
t	Rolled Oats, per lb
	Potatoes, locai
	Cabbage
t	Hay, baled, per ton\$8 to
0	Chron Per bale
-	Oglivie's Hungarian Flour 5 to 5 5 take of the Woods Flour 5 to 5 2 take of the Woods Flour 5 to 5 2 take of the Woods Flour 5 to 5 2 take of the Woods Flour 5 to 5 2 take of the Woods Flour 5 to 5 2 take of take 4
0	Spinach por Ib
	Lemons (California) to
(•	Bananas35 to
4	Apples, Island
S	Apples, Oregon, per box. \$150 to 1
	Pears
;-	Pine Apples 25 to
	Granberries, Cape Cod, per gallon
y	Web S-1
s	Smoked Plant per ID.
d	Kinnered Horring per 15
v	Eggs Island per doz
h	Eggs. Manitoba
	Butter, Creamery per th
е,	Butter, Delta Creamery per In
e	Butter, Fresh 30 to
r.	Cheese, Chilliwack
	Hams, American, per lb
	Hams, Canadian, per lb
	Pages, Boneless, per lb.
	Pacon, American, per Ib 14 (a)
	Racon Long close per lb
	Bacor, Canadian
	Shoulders Shoulders
e	Cranberries, Cape Cod, per gallon
S	Sides, per lb 7 to 71
e	Meats-Beef, per lb 7 to 121
	Veal

Palpitation of Tue Heart Defined. Palpitation of the heart is perhaps most common symptom of heart diser and is defined as pulsations that perceived by the patient. It comes in paroxysms, with intervals of more less freedom from attack. The he may begin to beat violently; it m pound against the walls of the che the vessels may throb in the neck; t eyes become suffused and the b aches; or on the other hand, the he may be very rapid and very feeble, that the pulse maj consist only of series of rapid and almost impalpal

Those suffering from palpitation fluttering of the heart, should not dela treatment a sing e hour. Dr. Agnew and for this reason is regarded by ply sicians generally his the greatest known remetly for the heart. Sold by drug gists! For safe by Dean & Hiscock and Hall & Co.

BEES FOR USE IN WAR A Theory That They Will Be Employe

to Carry Messages Between Armies It is more than likely that the ne great European war will be signaliz by some altogether remarkable innov tion in the way of carrying military The carrier pigeon of a quarter of a co tury back are certain to be superseded perhaps by storks, pe haps by sparrows Experiments have already been trie with both these birds, and with a fail degree of success.

While at first sight the turning of be joke, it is neverthle s regarded seriou ly throughout Engla id. The man w suggested it took a few bees from own house to that of a friend miles away. He waited several days. that the bees might become family with their surroundings. He then let few of them loose in a room, in which was a plate of honey. The bees settle upon 'this, and while they were bus eating, mock dispat hes were fastene on them by the ap culturist's traine

hand. The thinnest of the ead bound the little packets, which were of the fimsiest paper, to the bees' backs. Great care was taken to leave the head and wing absolutely fee. The windows we then opened, and the bees thrown out is to the air. With the ertainty of carrie pigeons they started off at once f home, arriving there in an incredibl short space of time, with the package secure upon their backs.

Though this is the first time that bee have been suggested as an army mesenger, there have been many cases whe they have proved invaluable as defend ing forces. At one time, several centu ies ago, the city of Tamly, in the Spaish territory of the Xiatine, was h seiged by the Portuguese. The invade were winning bastion after bastion when the beleagured citizens wer struck with a brilliant project. The brought all the hives that they could find in the place an set them upon th city wall, building g pat fires underneat them. The smoke and the flames so it censed the bees that they rushed out i swarms and flew down upon the enem making a panic instanter and cause them to flee.

very much the same plan was tried and with equal success by a statesman of Thuringia, whose house was su rounded one day by a furious mob. H marched his servants out with all hi beehives and threw them one by one the midst of the crowd. A cannon bal would not have been half so effective as were those strange and unexpected weapons. It took but a moment clear the space around the statesman dwelling

ROYAL Baking Powder has been awarded highest honors at every world's fair where exhibited.

the Task of Form Has Failed and

inisters Are in Co. the Governor-Ge Afterno

nator Kaulbach Fe Floor of the S Afterno

Ottawa, Jan. 8.-Ir Adolphe Caron said further information to that the prime minist Excellency. Mr. Lau formation was satisfac ot agree to an adjour enzie Bowell will lik after making his stat

Premier Bowell is trying to patch up hi cannot succeed. Ther political rumors afloat been accomplished. Sir Mackenzie Bowell s the sole subject o Mackenzie Bowell is with his appointees a and when this is done Senator Kaulbach d floor of the senate to-Premier Bowell is J fects to-day in the p

partment, and it is und sign after making his senate to-night. He recommend anyone for the premiership. At one o'clock to-da except Premier Bowe Hall, and are now Aberdeen. Senator Kaulbach h

of the senate from 1872. From 1863 ti member of the Nova and he was one of advocates of confeder ince. His age was 62 at Lunenburg, N. S.,

IT HAD A FAVOR Reports of Quiet Be the Transvaal H London, Jan. 8 .-

here have been flat generally better on reporting that President handed over Dr. J. cers to England. There was no gene recovery in American with other markets, ousiness in them be covering. It is report cial syndicate will ye in subscriptions for States loan, but in t cate will probably their original o gold is expected to go the Cape and So Paris bourse was ste closing firm, as was The general outlo the continental bour

The amount of from the Bank of to-day was £77,000. New York, Jan. market to-day cut le influences that have The speculation wa erish than heretofo of business showed The London cables sion in European fractional declines ties at that centre.

TWO SALMON To Be Built in Al Steam Whal

San Francisco, steam whaling con more canneries in A will be at Hunter' ward's sound, and The necessary bui canning machinery soon as the spring work can be satis The steamer Gold repaired at Alamed purchased and will der at the cannerie ted to meet the nee THE OLD, MI

> Are One and All Trouble by Sou Cure.

Kidney troubles those of any age. fer, and keenly s in the vigor of 1 marred by distress parts. Much of th due to disorde American Kidney ly those of any age relief is secured of listressing cases re than six hours. It cine for this one purpose. . Sold by by Dean & Hisco

RISKS ON TI Another Catastroj Little Girl's

Cleveland, O., J across Tinker's Cre city, on the Cleveland electric neath the 'electri