

..The Planet..

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BRITISH LIBERALS.

There is much magazine discussion in the Old Country at present over the way in which the Liberal party might be rehabilitated if the leaders would only pursue certain courses which the writers indicate, says the Toronto News. They might as well discuss plans for a junction of the high Tories and the extreme Radicals. The differences between Lord Salisbury and Mr. John Burns are no more insurmountable than those between Mr. Asquith and Mr. John Morley or the other members of the party who would drag the country into the mire of humiliation by a cowardly withdrawal from South Africa. The party lost its ablest and most influential men when the Duke of Devonshire, Mr. Chamberlain, and Mr. Goschen seceded, with their followers, rather than endanger the integrity of the Empire by assenting to Gladstone's Home Rule scheme. The present issue is not less vital, and there is as little possibility of Mr. Asquith or Lord Rosebery reuniting with the men who wish to sell their country in Africa, as there was of the return of the Liberal-Union leaders under the banner of those who wanted to sell it in Ireland. The Liberal party is hopelessly smashed in the verdict of all impartial observers. And, worst of all, it has not gone down fighting bravely for some great principle, interwoven with the freedom or prosperity of the nation, but has brought about its own demolition by leaguing itself with the bitterest enemies of England and declaring a policy which would make her a by-word and a mockery in the mouths of the nations of the world.

"ENGLAND'S NEW PERIL."

Russia may properly be called the mischief-maker of Europe, comments the St. Thomas Times. (Ever since the seventeenth century, when Peter the Great led away, she has had her agents intriguing in many parts of the world, and especially in the far east, and stirring up strife. Year by year she has been encroaching southward towards China, Afghanistan and India, and further west towards Turkey, the object, of course, to secure a preponderant influence and dominate the whole Eastern Hemisphere. It was, indeed, the announced policy of Peter the Great to secure possession of Constantinople, but Great Britain was always in the way. With the Turkish capital and its fortresses in the hands of Russia, it would be an easy matter for the Czar's government to swallow up the "Sick Man's" country and dictate terms to Europe. John Bull, however, has always been on the alert and Russian aggression has been checked.

The last Afghan war, which cost Britain so much, was a result of Russian intrigue. The "Amoy" was co-opted with, and it was thought he would break his compact with Great Britain and go over to Russia. The energy of Britain in suppressing the revolt, however, brought from Abdurhaman Khan a renewed declaration of loyalty, and the trouble was suppressed. The latest disturbance in Northern India was another outcome of Russian intrigue, which cost England much in loss of life and money.

Now comes a report by way of Washington diplomatic circles concerning England's new peril. The "Amoy" is again said to be wavering in allegiance. He has been increasing the strength of his army, and while Britain has a right to suppose it was to resist Russia, the fact is said to be that he is preparing to assist the latter in a raid on India. This, in conjunction with the large increase in the Russian army contemplated for this year, is taken to mean that India is menaced. However, India is probably able to take care of herself. The Boer war has demonstrated that an army of 100,000 men, acting on the defensive, can keep in check an offensive force of half a million men. India has a regular army of nearly 73,000 men, which would easily be raised to a strength of 250,000, and with this available the actual invasion of India would be a difficult matter. Besides, Russia is always crippled financially and would not be able to sustain a lengthy campaign, whereas Britain, now stronger than ever before, and with unlimited credit, could play a defensive game until her adversary was exhausted. Thus "England's New Peril" need not cause alarm. Russia has so many internecine troubles that she must do something to avert a civil war, and a foreign war is one way of getting dissatisfied subjects out of the country, by sending them to the battlefield. Defeat by a foreign power would be preferable to rebellion and disruption at home. Russia, however, keeps encroaching

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in the far east, and practically controls Tibet already, while China's northern Province of Manchuria will, according to appearances, soon be under her domination.

AN OPENING.

Woodstock Express. With Rosebery plowing his own furrow and Salisbury drifting with the tide there ought to be a grand opportunity for a real statesman in Great Britain just now.

SOMETHING LACKING.

Ottawa Citizen. In figuring out a comprehensive title for Edward VII. the fact seems to have been overlooked that Britannia also rules the sea as well as the dominions beyond the sea.

THEY ARE GETTING IT.

Goderich Signal. It's strange but true, the same people who were shouting for warm weather a few weeks ago are now wanting to sit on ice, with an electric fan working overtime.

SOUND SENSE.

Bobcaygeon Independent. The determination to have but one language taught in the schools in South Africa is a wise course. It would be sowing the seed of future disaster to allow the slightest spark of sympathy to enter into the African policy. The political existence of the Transvaal has ended. The policy to be adopted, in the best interests of peace and the country, is the one that will most effectually extinguish the Boers as a people, and in the shortest time.

IT COST MONEY.

Many a man has spent all his earnings in trying to get rid of rheumatism. It cost Mr. James Devison, Oshawa, Ont., between \$1,000 and \$2,000 before he tried Dr. Hall's Rheumatic Cure. He was a helpless invalid for six years but suffered from sciatica in his hip joint for ten years. Six bottles cured him completely and he is now working his farm. This great blood purifier is put up in bottles containing ten days' treatment. Price 50 cents at all drug stores or The Dr. Hall Medicine Co., Kingston, Ont.

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A DECISION IN ADVANCE.

Vankleek Hill Review.

How is it that as soon as a man is appointed to a position of trust or responsibility that all the newspapers suddenly find out that he has a brilliant record and is "just the man for the position he has been called upon to fill"? We are strongly of the opinion that the newspapers know nothing whatever about him and publish a deal of trash which ought not to be published. Let every man prove his fitness for the position and then say the nice things about him.

HOT STUFF.

Laurel Era.

As a sample of how a man can write on politics when he feels like it we give an extract from a correspondent to the Weekly Sun of July 17: "Clean out the Aegaeon stables of unfulfilled promises, wilful and deliberate deceptions; throw out Laurier and his silver tongue; French Tarte and his tri-color; Society Sift, arm in arm with his handy-legged dancing-master. Shovel them into the storm-tossed Atlantic, or where the laughing, rollicking Pacific lags the crazy ledges of rock-bound British Columbia."

SMIFF KNOWS HOW IT IS.

Bobcaygeon Independent.

The Duke of Orleans is said to be out on a cruising trip in the Mediterranean, and posing on board as Emperor of France. But that need not cause the republic any alarm. When the Kaiser gets out on a cruise he talks about what "I and Gott" are going to do, and as Smiff, when he is out on a fishing toot, land sakes, you would think he owned the earth, and most of the sky. All the republic has to do is to see that the duke is provided with a bottle of pickles and a few red herrings as soon as he lands.

BIG CELEBRATION

One Will be held at Dresden on the First of August.

Program, 10 a. m. The program will be inaugurated by a grand street parade at 10 a. m. in the following order: The Mayor in a carriage, Dover brass band, from 50 to 100 horseback riders, citizens and others in carriages, Wabash brass band, 25 to 50 boys in uniform, uniformed Masons, citizens and others on foot. After parading the principal streets the Mayor will tender an address of welcome to the visitors at the Fair grounds, at 11.15. A baseball game will be played between Chatham and Buxton on Dawn Valley. To satisfy the hunger of the immense crowd, a monster barbecue will be provided, at which a whole roast beef, a whole hog, dozens of chickens, vegetables and all usual refreshments will be served. Speeches appropriate to the occasion will be delivered by Geo. Stephens, M. P. and 'N. H. Stevens, Chatham; Rev. P. Henderson, M. A., Chatham; Rev. I. Smith, Grand Rapids; James Houson, Dresden, and others. At 3 p. m. there will be a sham battle, bicycle races, foot races, and other interesting events, the proceedings meanwhile being enlivened by choice musical selections from Dresden, Dover and Wabash brass bands. In the evening the three bands above mentioned will give a grand concert, all to conclude with a grand display of fireworks.

Half fare on the L. E. & D. R. R. has been granted to Dresden from Walkerville, London, Cleveland, (via Str. Urania to Dresden), Blenheim, Sarnia, and all intervening stations. Train will leave Blenheim for Dresden at 8.40 a. m., and Chatham at 9.11 a. m.

Admission, adults, 15c. Children, between 8 and 12 years, 10c.; Dinner from 15c. to 25c.

Committee of arrangements—H. Baynard, Wm. Green, A. Kersey, A. Eady, J. Lucas, J. Ritchie, marshal of the day. T. H. Morris, Manager.

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