The Adbertiser

London, Monday, July 23.

Gods in his heaven, All's right with the world.

-The Berlin News (Conservative) leans to the belief that Sir Oliver Mowat will remain Premier. The News has a good deal more sense than some of its contem-

-Sir Oliver Mowat passed his 74th year yesterday. Ontario's Grand Old Man is in excellent health and is enjoying his holidays. Apparently he has yet a good spell of working years ahead of him. Sir Oliver is eleven years younger than Gladstone, ten years younger than the Pope, and five years younger than Bismarck. The Queen is just a year older than the Premier who has broken the record in point of long service to the public. Long may her Majesty and the veteran Premier of Ontario reign!

-The Boston Transcript says that the death of Dr. Pagani, of that city, brings to mind the brief furore over Dr. Brown Sequard's "elixir vitae," which was in full tilt five years ago, and which counted Dr. Pagani among its most sanguine advocates. The doctor experimented with the elixir in assured faith of its efficacy, and for a time at least the results of his practical tests seemed fully to justify his hopes and expectations. But the revivifying effect of the elixir upon consumptive patients was not lasting, and death as aforetime claimed

-A correspondent insists that the "yellows" on peach trees, which has caused so much injury to fruit growers, is primarily due to an impoverished soil. He says that he had a peach tree which one year bore a very heavy crop-so heavy that the principal branches were split at their intersection from the weight. Soon after blossoming the following spring the tree developed "yellows." He dug the earth all round and gave it a liberal dressing of ordinary manure. During the following month the tree put on a healthy appearance and the "yellows" entirely disappeared; and, moreover, the peaches which it bore were much improved in davor and were larger though not so abundant as the year before. Does this experience prove that an ill-fed soil is the cause of the disease? If it does, the remedy is certainly easy.

We do not doubt that the progressive people of the Northwest will extend to Hon. Wilfrid Laurier and his companions a most hearty reception. Their message regarding the Liberal policy, which we believe will be shown to be the policy of the majority of the people when a verdict is recorded in the near future, is one of cheer and of hope to the tillers of the soil. What the Northwest requires, like every other same rate of taxation as they were before part of the Dominion, is fair play for the Mr. Foster announced his first budget. energies of the people-immunity from The [tariff, as stated in the budget speech, every tax and restriction on interchange of commodities that can be thrown off-the the old or original "N. P." tariff are given: promotion of those British ideas of trade that have made the motherland mistress of the seas and has enabled her to become leader in the world's commerce. Mr. Laurier will be accompanied by Hon. L. H. Davies, M.P., Liberal leader in Prince Edward Island; Mr. Choquette, M. P. for Montmagny; Mr. J. Sutherland, M. P. for North Oxford, the chief whip of the Liberal party, and Mr. S. A. Fisher, ex-M. P. for

THE PLAGUE CAUSED BY DIRT. It is announced by cable from Hong Kong that Dr. Kitasato, of the Japan Imperial Medical Commission, has discovered the true bacillus of the plague which has slain its thousands in Canton and Hong Kong. Kitasato studied under Koch and is the foremost biologist of Japan. He declares that the bacillus of the plague, which develops in all patients after the second day and ravages the internal organs, is distinct from any ever found before in human blood. It resembles the "Milzbrand" and "huhner cholera" bacteria heretofore found in animals only. The bacillus consists of slender, short, straight filaments. Kitasato bred these bacilli and inoculated several animals with the virus. Every animal developed plague symptoms and died.

The experiments showed clearly that the bacillus were generated in filth, and that patients who led cleanly lives recovered. One doctor wore clothes of an infected patient but escaped the disease. Kitasato and his associate, Prof. Aoyama, are experimenting with bactericides which may expel this deadly bacillus from the human system before it once secured firm lodgment, when the patient is doomed. The doctors agree that the Hong Kong plague is identical with the great plague of London of 200 years ago, and with the Astrakhan plague of five years ago.

The one significant revelation in these experiments is the confirmation of the view that this terrible scourge, like cholera, diphtheria, typhoid fever and many other maladies is caused by filth. When men and women keep their bodies clean, when they maintain pure minds within the "earthly tabernacle," when they scrupalously observe natural laws with regard to their surroundings, they need have little fear of suffering from pestilential diseases. The "black death" experiences but emphasize the lesson that every breach of nature's laws brings its punishment. The worst of it is that at times the innocent are made to auffer, though, as has been proved recently in China and Hong Kong, even in the center of a plague-spot the cleanly person enjoys comparative immunity. When the nations of the earth learn the simple old, \$1 per dozen and 25 per cent. esson so clearly emphasized in these 15 per cent; old, 15 per cent. perrible experiences ?

ONE WAY OF GETTING RICH! One of the results of mutual banishment f trade is seen in a recent order of the United States customs. This year the Port Huron and Detroit line of steamers ist" has discovered that at times holidaymakers on the islands in the St. Clair flats have found it convenient to order their vegetables from Sarnia dealers. So serious a state of affairs having been represented to the customs authorities of the United States, orders have been issued for the appointment of two new officers, to be placed on the pleasure boats, at a salary of \$840 a year each. The exclusive sale of vegetables to the St. Clair settlers must be retained at all costs. Nor are the Canadian customs laws more civilized. A Canadian spent some time in the United States. While he lived there he met with an accident that compelled him to buy an artificial leg. Then he moved back to Canada. Being concealed by his nether integuments, the new limb escaped the lynx-eyed Canadian customs house officer at Windsor, but not for aye. Five years have elapsed since then, and we are told that the artificially-legged man has become a leading politician, and very sensibly opposed to the present Ottawa Administration. Hence, probably, the order issued that the duty on the artificial limb must now be collected. Under pains and penalties \$100 has been paid, the majesty of the nation has been maintained, and the fat purse of the men who squander the hard-earned money of the populace has been replenished at a time when it was getting decidedly low. We must all get rich by being prevented from buying and

PARLIAMENT AND THE TAX LIST. This afternoon the Dominion Parliament adjourned, after sitting for several months, and transacting the greater portion of its more important business in the last ten days of the session. The hurry and scurry in the midst of which millions of money was voted at the bidding of Sir John Thompson is the direct result of calling Parliament at a late date and the keeping back of important measures till members

we can. Can we?

When the changes in the tariff were brought in it was announced that their announcement had been delayed in order that the tax list might be fully considered. No sooner were the changes published, however, than Finance Minister Foster was besieged by beneficiaries of the "protective" system, and the process of changing back the duties was begun. Before it was finally passed, the muchheralded tariff, as compared with the measure amended in committee of the House, at the instance of the Government. was scarcely recognizable. The following is a partial list of the articles that underwent double, triple, or quadruple "revisons," and are now subject to much the as in the bill finally passed last week, and Lard and cottolene, budget, 25 per cent; bill passed last week, 2 cents per pound;

old, 3 cents per pound. Oatmeal, budget, 50 cents per barrel; bill, 20 per cent; old, 11 cents per pound. Rice, cleaned, budget, I cent per pound; bill, 12 cents per pound; old, 14 cents. Rice, uncleaned, budget, 5-10 cents per pound; bill, 3-10 cents per pound.

Cocoa, shells and nibs, etc., budget, omitted; bill, 25 per cent; old, free. Cocoa, paste and chocolate, budget, 4 cents per pound; bill, 25 per cent; old, 5 cents per pound.

Albumenized paper, budget, 30 per cent; bill, 35 per cent; old 25 per cent. Wall paper, budget, 35 per cent; bill, cents per pound and 25 per cent; old,

m 2 to 8 cents per roll. Tarred paper, budget, 20 per cent; bill, 25 per cent; old, ½ cent per pound. Coal oil, budget, 7 1-5 cents a gallon;

oill, 6 cents a gallon; old, 7 1.5 cents a Demijohns, churns and crocks, budget, 2 cents per gallon; bill 3 cents per gallon; old, 3 cents per gallon.

Plate glass over 70 feet square, budget, cents per foot; bill 9 cents per foot; old, 9 cents per square foot. Plaster of Paris, calcined, budget, 20 per

cent; bill, 40 cents per barrel; old 15 cents Slate pencils, budget, 20 per cent; bill, 25 per cent; old, 25 per cent.

Roofing slate, budget, 20 per cent; bill 30 per cent; old, 80 cents per square, about 17 per cent. School slates, budget, 20 per cent; bill 30 per cent; old, 1 cent each and 20 per

Upper leather, dongola, cordovan, etc., budget, 15 per cent; bill 17½ per cent; old.

Rolled iron or steel angles, budget, 35 per cent; bill, 35 per cent; but not less than \$10 a ton; old, 1 cent per pound and 10

Ferro-Silicon and Spiegeleisen, budget \$4 per ton; bill, 5 per cent; old, \$2 per ton. Ferro-Manganese, budget, 10 per cent: oill, 5 per cent; old, \$12 per ton. Additional duty on all iron or steel bars,

cold hammered or polished, budget, 5 per cent; bill, & cent per pound. Railway fish plates and tie plates, budget, 30 per cent; bill, \$10 per ton; old,

Axles, springs and axle bars, budget, 35 per cent; bill, I cent per pound and 20 per cent; old, 14 cents per pound. Axles, springs and axle bars for railway

vehicles, budget, 35 per cent; bill, \$20 per Wire nails, budget, 3 cent per pound, bill, I cent per pound; old, 35 per cent. Cut tacks, budget, 10 cents per 1,000; bill,

14 cents per 1,000; old, 2 cents per 1,000. Forgings of iron and steel, budget, 35 per cent; bill, 35 per cent, but not less than \$15 a ton; old, 35 per cent. Iron bridges, budget, 30 per cent; bill 30 per cent, but not less than I cent per pound; old, 14 cents per pound. Adzes, hatchets, hammers, etc., budget,

30 per cent; bill, 35 per cent; old, 35 per Shovels and spades, budget, 35 per cent; bill, 50 cents per dozen and 25 per cent;

Copper wire, budget, 10 per cent Brass and copper vails, etc., budget, 25 | WM. TRAFFORD, 95 and 97 King street,

per cent; bill, 30 per cent; old, 30 per cent. Lead pipe and lead shot (new item), 4-10 cent and 25 per cent; old, 11 cents per

Enameled iron or steel ware, budget, 30 per cent; bill, 35 per cent. Salt in bulk, budget, free; bill, 5 cents calls at Sarnia, and some sharp "protective | per 100 pounds; old, 10 cents per 100 Salt in packages, budget, free; bill, 71

cents per 100 pounds; old, 10 cents per 100 Wood pulp (new item), 25 per cent; old,

Democrat wagons, budget, 35 per cent; bill, \$5 and 25 per cent; old, \$10 each and

Cordage, budget, 30 per cent; bill, 13 cents per pound and 10 per cent; old, 14 cents per pound and 10 per cent. Yarns, woolens and worsted, budget, 271

per cent; bill, 20 per cent; old, 10 cents per pound and 20 per cent. Blankets, flannels and cloths, budget, 30 per cent; bill 5 cents per pound and 25 per cent; old, 10 cents per pound and 20

per cent. Hosiery, budget, 35 per cent; bill, 10 cents per dozen and 35 per cent; old, 10 cents per pound and 20 per cent. Shingles (new item), 20 per cent; old, 20

Two-ply and three-ply carpets, budget, 30 per cent; bill, 3 cents per vard and 25 per cent; old, 5 cents per yard and 20 per

Two-ply and three-ply carpets, wholly of wool, budget, 30 per cent; bill, 5 cents per yard and 25 per cent; old, 10 cents per yard and 20 per cent. Ready-made clothing, budget, $32\frac{1}{2}$ per cent; bill, 5 cents per pound and 30 per

cent; cld, 10 cents per pound and 25 per Blasting and mining powder, budget, 25 per cent; bill, 2 cents per pound; old, 3 cents per pound.

Condensed milk, budget, 30 per cent; bill, 3 cents per pound; old, 35 per cent. Chicory, budget, 3 cents per pound; bill, 4 cents per pound; old, 4 cents per pound. Oatmeal, budget, 50 cents per barrel; selling where we find it benefits us--if bill, 20 per cent; old, ½ cent per pound. Eggs, budget, free; bill, 5 cents per dozen;

ESSEX. John Graham will establish a big cheese factory and fruit evaporating works at Kingsville. On Saturday he bought the fair grounds, which were owned by the village Joseph Truski, who attempted to commit suicide after he murdered Constable Lindsay at Comber, told a fellow-prisoner Satur day that he intended to avoid the gallows by killing himself. The authorities are guard-

ing him closely.

Lewis Wilkinson, an employe of the Buf-Why should the public interests be thus off Learnington which weighed 200 pounds and measured eight feet in length. It sold for \$16, and is said to have been the largest sturgeon ever taken out of Lake Erie.

Joseph Evans, of Woodstee, fell while walking in "Wonderland," Detroit, and broke his leg. He may lose it. Adolphus Martin, of Maidstone, brother of ex-Ald. Martin, of Windsor, and one of the wealthiest farmers in the county, was charged at the Windsor Police Court Saturdow with cutting out the ever of nice t had invaded his property. Michael Koffiski of the animals at Martin's bidding, while the latter cut out its eves with a knife. He alleges that Martin then put salt into the sockets and said he would leave the animal without food for some time. Joseph Komenski, another witness, said he helped to hold a pig which had broken into a crop and was caught after being chased, and said that Martin cut the brute's eyes from their sockets with a knife and then put a quantity of salt into them. The case was adjourned Horne, the Mattawas Summer Resort Company, had an easy victory over the Kings-ville Council. The assessment was reduced from \$71,300 to \$50,000. Manager Coleman states that with rigid methods of economy the hotel may pay in the course of a few years, but that at present it does not. ELGIN.

William Matthews, laborer, St. Thomas, was thrown by a broken plank on the side walk Saturday, and both bones of his left arm broken. Daniel McIntvre. father of J. H. Mc-Intyre, of the McIntyre House, Dutton, died very suddenly Saturday.

For the past six months there were registered in Blenheim 12 births, 7 marriages C. J. O'Neil, one of Chatham's ablest bar-

risters, is seriously ill. Vester Maynard, a young man near Kent Bridge, was attacked by a skin disease, and the Chatham doctors supposing it to be smallpox, telegraphed to Mr. McCully, who went out and put up a red card. It was found not to be smallpox later on. The Chatham medical fraternity were greatly

worked up about the case. James Miller, of Thamesville, met with a distressing accident while riding a reaper on one of the Ferguson farms in Howard, near Ridgetown. He was thrown from the machine and the ground being hard his arm was broken.

A case of peculiar interest under the Liquor License Act was heard at Chatham Friday. Wm. Heyward was charged with contravention of the act. The gravamen of the charge lay in Mr. Heyward's acting as agent for the Walkerville Brewing Company, and delivered lager to city hotelkeepers in the original packages. The magistrate reserved judgment.

LAMBION. The first oil well at Thedford proved a dry hole. Another is being put down about two miles from the first. Early Thursday the residence of Geo. Iden, lot 20, con. 10, Dawn township, went up in smoke. About \$1,000 loss; insured for \$600. The building and contents were completely destroyed, the family barely escap-

ing with their lives. An old resident of Oil Springs named Cooper, who had his leg broken last fall, and who had just commenced to getaround, attempted in a fit of despondency last week to end his life by cutting his throat.

MIDDLESEK. Another old settler passed away last Wednesday in the person of Mrs. Orange Clarke, on the town line of Blanchard and Nissouri in her 92nd year.

OXFORD. Woodstock's handsome new opera house has been leased for three years to C. J. Whitney, of Detroit, and will be included in the circuit, Marie Tempest will open it Sept. 17, as "The Fencing Master." PERTH.

Many citizens of Stratford are exercised over the Collegiate Institute. Judge Woods withdrew from the school board owing to the charges of extravagance, which are strongly repudiated.

WEILINGTON. The other morning as Allan Mann, of Eramosa, was about to hitch his team to draw hay, one of the horses kicked him with terrible force on the chin. The jawbone was broken, several teeth knocked out, an ugly gash sustained on the chin and a number of painful bruises. It is just three years this week since Mr. Mann had his ankle fractured, and that accident interfered with his farm work for six weeks or

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