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THESDAY, MAY 13.

THE FIRST GUN.

Under the above caption, the local "Liberal" organ purports to give an account of the meeting held at Pain Court in Mr. Pardo's interest.

And its report of Mr. Pardo's speech -even allowing for the fictions it introduced-occupied just twenty-five lines of single column matter, and requires just one-half minute to be read through.

After listening, for eight long years, to the burning eloquence of Hon. G. W. Ross; after associating during claim to have discovered and developed New Ontario; after hearing the debates on ballot switching in West Elgin, and ballot burning in the House of Parliament; after drinking in, year after year, debate after debate, on that mythical surplus, the school book monopoly, and the scrap iron assessment; after coming almost directly from the debate on the loaded porters with only one-half minute's reading. Poor Pardo!

stewardship that either Mr. Pardo or his friends have reason to feel proud

THIS DISTINGUISHED G. H. J.

Were it not for its inherent modthis Great Home Journal-with capital letters this time, if you please -might be tempted, after laboriously perusing the double column editorial department of the local "Liberal" organ last evening, to secure a chapeau of increased dimensions and travel forth with a well-developed strut. The Planet was the whole "It."

The vituperative vocabulary of the Banner was worked overtime and epithets were plastered upon us coming and going, above and below, inside and out. The three "leaders" were all devoted, with a delightful abandon, to our complete annihilation and paraded forth under the fascinating headlines, "It Continues Crawling," "It Garbles as Usual" and "The Planet's Parallel," respectively. Of the seven minor squibs, which were appended thereto, five were designated to our interests.

Altogether, the local "Liberal" organ seems to have thoroughly and effeetually convinced itself that it cannot really support this great home journal in its candidature.

But however flattering all this attention may be, our modesty-before mentioned-causes us regretfully to relieve the mind of the "Liberal" organ of the impression that The Planet is a dangerous candidate for parliamentary honors or an aspirant for the Premiership. Our broad spirit of philanthropy takes us a step further, and we crave the privilege of delicately imparting the suggestion that the space, which the Banner so lavishly spends in bestowing bad words and naughty names upon us, might be devoted, with equal force and possibly greater aptitude, to a discussion of the matters of public import now before the electors, or even an elaboration of Mr. Pardo's eight-year parliamentary record and an account of his services to the people of Kent, all of which have thus far been entirely denied them.

SHALL WE PROTECT THE BALLOT?

Public liberty and the sanctity the ballot go together.

That under the machine system established by the Ontario Government, the ballot is in danger all the evidence

The machine has in its service force of experts who instruct in the art of stuffing, switching, and spoiling, that a verdict may be drawn from the ballot boxes wholly different

to that registered by the people.

ovincial, and municipal elections. Cornwall, West Huron and Brock-ville were assailed by the official ballot box stuffers in federal contests. West Elgin, South Ontario, North Waterloo, West Huron were ballotboxes stuffed for the local govern-

ment. London suffered from ballot-box stuffing in its last mayoralty election. The offence is now a regular branch of the election service.

If the guilty parties had been pursued and the heads of the machine had been deposed the country would have had some guarantee that the ballot would not be violated in future. But no offender has been punished and the men under whom the worngs were perpetrated still control the

machine. There is neither repentance for past crimes, nor promise of reform. What can we do under such cirumstances?

Shall we endorse the machine and give it renewed authority to do wrong in contests yet to come? Or shall we destroy its power for evil and restore freedom to the people !- Mail and Empire.

DEATH OF PRINCIPAL GRANT.

The death of Principal Grant, of Queen's University, Kingston, will cause the people of Ontario to forget party politics for a time and unite in sorrow for the loss of a great and good man, who had won for himself a high position in the esteem of his fellow countrymen, points out the Hamilton Spectator.

The Very Reverend George Munro Grant, D. D., was born at Stellarton, two Parliaments with the men who N.S., of Scottish parents, Dec. 22, 1835. He received his education at Pictou academy and at the West River seminary of the Presbyterian church in his native province. At the latter, at the age of 18, he won a bursary, which entitled him to a collegiate course in the University of Glasgow, the bursary being awarded by the synod of the Old Kirk in Nova Scotia. During his university course at Glasreferendum-after all this, to have gow he won academic distinction, his opening speech to the electors of taking the highest honors in philosohis own constituency occupy just phy at his examination for M. A., the twenty-five lines and furnish his sup- lord rector's prize for the best essay on Hindoo literature and philosophy, and other prizes and scholarships. Surely this is not an account of his On his return to Nova Scotia he spent some time as a missionary in the maritime provinces, and became pastor of St. Matthew's church, Halifax, a position which he held until his acceptance, in 1877, of the principalship of Queen's University. In 1872 he published Ocean to Ocean, an interesting diary of a tour across the American continent, in connection with a surveying expedition to locate the line of the Canadian Pacific railway; and, in 1884, he published Picturesque Canada, an elaborate work, illustrative of the scenery, the industries and the social life of the Canadian Dominion.

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A BAD DAY FOR 'EM. Ottawa Citizen. weeks from to-day will Black Friday for the late lamented

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RIGHT OR WRONG.

Exchange. Archbishop Ryan, of Philadelphia, recently visited a mining parish for the purpose of administering the sacrament of confirmation. He asked a nervous little girl what matrimony was and the child said it was "a state of terrible torment which those who enter it must undergo to prepare them for a brighter world." "No, no," said the local priest, "that's the definition of purgatory." "Leave her alone," was the archbishop's ob-

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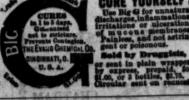
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