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Evening Mercury

SATURDAY EVENING, JAN. 13, 1872

BRITISH POLITICS.

We notice by the old country papers that her leading statesmen now and then indulge in the wholesome practice of discussing public questions to their constituents, or to gatherings of the people in some other important sections of the country. Not long ago Mr Gladstone electrified his constituents at Greenwich by a masterly speech, in which he ably and effectually defended the policy of his Government, and indicated its nature and scope in the approaching session. Since then we have perused the speeches of other members of the Government, as well as members of Parliament, including that of Mr Dilke, whose republican utterances do not appear to have found much favor outside that small band of levelers who are found in London, and a few of the other large cities in England.

We were much interested in reading the other day a speech delivered by Mr Grant Duff, Under Secretary of State for India, to his constituents in Elgin, Scotland. This gentleman is one of the most enlightened and advanced Liberals in Britain—talented, honest and outspoken. In the course of his speech he touched on almost every question which is now being agitated, or is likely to be, during the coming session. He deals fearlessly with the difficult question of reforming the House of Lords, and urges its necessity both as a measure of justice and expediency. It is clearly evident that public opinion is tending that way. The Conservative element in Parliament and out of it, may for a time prevent any change being made in the constitution of the House of Lords, but it must come before long, and it will be well for the Lords Spiritual and Temporal if they gracefully yield to the demands of the people and the pressure from without, before these changes are forced on them.

While Mr Duff is in favour of every rational and wholesome reform, he is not by any means a visionary. He first ascertains whether these reforms are based on right and justice and true liberty, and if they are he advocates them. If they are but the day-dream of revolutionists he at once rejects them. Thus he speaks of the doings and objects of the International Society, the French section of which played so conspicuous a part in the Communist outbreak in France, and which is now seeking through its various ramifications in Britain and in other countries, to subvert the present order of things, and to effect a complete revolution in our social life, our politics and our religion. Of this Society he says:—"We hear much talk now-a-days of the new organization called the International Society, which is to pull down all that stands upright. In so far as this Society represents anything except anarchy, it represents a vast amount of perfectly reasonable dissatisfaction at the present unreasonable state of things in Europe, where every nation is standing with the sword in one hand and a protective tariff like a target in the other. The schemes of the so-called International Society, for regenerating the world, are based on absolute ignorance or disregard of the economic laws by which the world is governed. That being so, we know that the end of them must be to perish and come to naught, after, no doubt, causing more or less bloodshed and destruction in this or that place; but if one diplomatist in ten understood the capabilities of his art as well as Mr Russell, you would have the diplomatic body throughout the world a ready-made old International Society, whose action would gradually sweep away all these anomalies and absurdities against which the doings of the new International Society are a sort of blundering protest."

EDITORIAL ITEMS.

THE boys of St. Louis, in order to vary the fun, snow-balled Alexis the other day on the streets.

It is asserted that Sir John A. Macdonald and Sir G. E. Cartier have been made Knights of the Order of Charles III by the King of Spain.

THE Ottawa Cabinet continues to hold daily sittings; but neither the result of the deliberations nor the subjects under consideration are made known to the public.

Mr. E. T. Haynes, the man who conducted two hundred women and children to a place of safety during the Peshtigo fires, died a few days since from the effects of hot air inhaled at that time.

DEATH OF GEN. HALLECK.—This officer died at Louisville on the 9th. None of the leading Generals of the great war had occupied so little place in public eyes since the beginning of peace, and yet there was probably none of equal intellectual gifts and acquisitions.

A SPECIAL despatch from Berlin to the London Echo states that the representatives of Great Britain have delivered to the Emperor of Germany—the arbitrator agreed upon by England and the United States under the treaty of Washington—the memorandum of the British Government relative to the San Juan boundary question.

THE Government of Prince Edward Island, despite the non-conf-

dence memorial of a majority of the Legislature, have determined to hold on to office until the House meets and expresses its opinion on their policy. They die as hard as the axe-grinder's Cabinet died, but die they must, and probably as ignominiously as the late Ontario Cabinet.

SHIPBUILDING IN THE PROVINCES.—The New York Post alluding to the shipping interest of Canada and of the United States says:—"The St. John's Telegraph gives a glowing account of the shipbuilding interest in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, which is tantalizing to our long suffering and patient shipbuilders. In 1871 twenty-seven thousand tons of shipping were built in St. John's harbour and its immediate neighborhood. The profit of the business has been so great that extensive preparations are making for an increase of the business the present year. The Telegraph publishes a list of thirty-three new vessels already contracted for in the neighborhood of St. John's and in Nova Scotia."

The Canadian Railway System. In 1836 the first crude attempt at a railway in Canada was put in operation. In 1841, thirty years ago, there were scarcely twenty miles in the four Provinces; in 1847 thirty-eight miles more were added; in 1850 the number was increased by twelve; and thenceforward the progress has been steady and uninterrupted, until at the commencement of 1871 we find the country has nearly, if not quite, three thousand miles in operation, with about as much more in course of construction or projected. Noticing these facts the London Spectator says: "From two small Provinces, Canada has extended its boundaries to both oceans; from a population of a few hundred thousands it has climbed well up in millions; from no commerce at all, it has strode forward to a prominent place among the great commercial nations of the earth; from a few small steamboats and still smaller sailing vessels, her navy has increased until now fourth only in size in the world; from here and there a mill, most primitive in its construction, her manufactures have sprung up on every hand, and from an importer of nearly every article required for use in the country, she has turned exporter, sending abroad large quantities of the products of her handwork to find purchasers in the markets of the world."

There is never a man so bad, says a celebrated writer, but some woman loves him and has faith in him.

THE CENSUS OF LISTOWEL.—Not satisfied with the report given by the Government census of the population of Listowel, the council instructed Mr John Benning to re-take it. He has just completed his task and finds the population to be 1214. The government enumeration gave us but 675, being a difference of 238. This is another specimen of the utter worthlessness of the Government census.—Listowel Banner.

Small-pox is frightfully on the increase in Montreal. The deaths are not restricted to the poor, but to the wealthy, and chiefly those living in the good part of the City. Active sanitary measures are being effected.

Dr. Sterry Hunt has resigned his position in McGill College, and has accepted a chair of Geology in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Week of Prayer.

Saturday, January 13.—PRAYER.—For a larger outpouring of the Holy Spirit; for the increase of Christian love and holy zeal, and the union of believers in prayer and effort for God's Glory.

Sunday, January 14.—SERMONS:—"Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is done in heaven."—MATTHEW VI. 10.

MARRIED.

STURT—HORNELL.—In Hamilton, on the 10th inst., by the Rev W. J. Hunter, Mr Walter Sturt to Miss Hattie L. Hornell, late of Guelph, both of Hamilton.

HEWITT—HOOD.—In Galt, on Thursday the 11th inst., by the Rev. Richard Beatty, Mr. William Hewitt, of Guelph, to Miss Mary Hood, of Galt.

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