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It is stated in legal circles that a treaty on disallowance and the veto is shortly to appear from the pen of Sir Cook Sparrow Thomson.

THE only way the difficulties between Canada and the United States can be permanently settled is for the Dominion to become independent and form a treaty of unrestricted reciprocity with the Republic.

MARSHAL BAZAINE is dead. It is hard in his case to observe the Latin admonition about how we should speak of those who have past away.

ACCORDING to Kazoot logic, there is a strong affinity between Toryism and Radicalism. It holds up Chamberlain's alliance with the Salisbury government as a proof of its position.

THE present state of Ireland is sadly depicted by Mr. Labouchere in Truth. He writes: "With regard to Ireland the case is very plain. She is in the position of a patient who is dying, not because the doctors differ but because they help the disease."

THERE are many instances which go to show that the path of a millionaire is not always strewn with roses. Jay Gould, Russell Sage, Cyrus Field and Robert Garrett are four men who would probably give a million apiece for a new digestive apparatus.

THE Waterloo Advertiser takes the correct view of the veto question. "The duty of the Federal Government," it says, "is not to see whether a provincial law is right or wrong in itself, but whether it is unconstitutional or not."

that prerogative? The laws and legislation of this province, under the operation of such a reading of the constitution, would in effect be made at Ottawa by men not amenable to the people of this province in the constitutional way. It would mean the end of responsible government."

AN anti-confederation league has been formed in Newfoundland which the St. John's Colonist says, is "bound to fight confederation to the death." The demonstrations against the proposed union held all over the island account for the abandonment by the delegates of their proposed visit to Ottawa to discuss terms.

SIR CHARLES TUPPER, before he was elevated to the baronetcy, had to satisfy the British court officials that he had a clear, fixed income of £2,600 sterling a year. Like the late Sir John Ross, he was able to show that much and more. Now, the question arises—Where did he get it?

The French government seriously contemplates an abandonment of the protective policy on cereals which was adopted last year at the demand of the farmers who claimed that they were being ruined by the competition of American and Russian grain.

THERE is good sense in some of the reported expressions of the London Spectator on the destiny of Canada. This country can get along by itself if certain difficulties are removed. These are:— 1st. Liability to be involved in European wars through British connection.

THAT FELLOW, CHAMBERLAIN has been spitting venom again. At the reported conference of alleged Radical-Unionists in Bradford, England, he is called as saying:—"He did not see why Irishmen should not have local government, though experience showed that whether in Dublin, New York or Boston, Irish government was always inefficient and corrupt."

THE British lion making love to the American eagle would furnish a good subject for a caricaturist. A cable from London appeared in the American press the other day which says:—"There is a tendency with many members of the British Cabinet to let the whole fisheries matter drop for the present, with a view to an eventual resumption of negotiations on the far lines, but there is another section of the Cabinet which would be glad to see an effort made to effect a general commercial treaty with the United States covering every point that now is, or is likely to be, in dispute between the two countries, their dependencies, colonies and protectorates."

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The second is equally plain and to the point. It reads:—"Whereas, No expression of a wish to enter the Dominion of Canada has come from the people of this colony; And whereas, The last public expression of the people of Newfoundland was a distinct and emphatic refusal to do so; Be it therefore resolved, That a deputation from this colony under the present circumstances would be an unwarrantable reversal of the true situation of affairs, and would prejudice and misrepresent the attitude of this colony on the question of Confederation.

The idea of this continent going back under

the tutelage of the Tories of England is too rich altogether. Let those Tories first show they have a sense of decency and justice before they talk of a reunion with America.

The Halifax Recorder takes exception to Sir Charles Tupper's puff of Chamberlain in the following downright and truthful fashion:—"Sir Charles's speech is worth looking into. The Baccant's brasseries and ease of preparation have been his most important characteristics from boyhood up. In old age these qualities are seemingly more and more an integral part of the man. One or two passages from his speech will suffice to prove this. In speaking of Mr. Chamberlain's appointment as Chief Fisheries Commissioner, Sir Charles Tupper said:—"It would have been impossible for the Government of England to have selected a man better qualified for the position, or one who could have discharged the duties with greater tact and ability. No man could have been sent from this country more acceptable to the United States or who could better serve the interests of England. For concrete misrepresentation and willful misstatement this question is facile princeps of all the Tupperian falsehoods bunched together. Let us see how many untruths it contains: (1) The English Government could not have made a better appointment. (2) No man could have discharged the duties with greater tact and ability. (3) No man in Canada could have been more acceptable to the people of the States. (4) No man could better serve the interests of England in the Fisheries matter.

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NEWFOUNDLAND AND CONFEDERATION. From files of the St. John's, Nfld., Colonist, lately to hand, we are enabled to estimate the strength of popular feeling against Confederation in Newfoundland, and the influences which suddenly compelled the delegates to abandon their proposed trip to Ottawa at the last moment before the vessel, on which they had secured berth, sailed. They had arranged to sail on the 13th inst., on the 11th a great public mass meeting was held at St. John's, at which the indignation evoked by the attempt to carry the island into the Dominion without first submitting the question to the people, was so intense and forcibly expressed that the proposed conference was at once dropped. The confederates were thoroughly frightened. But they are not credited with having definitely abandoned the scheme, and the Colonist calls upon the people to organize for the election next fall will be run on Confederation lines. The speeches made and resolutions adopted at the meeting indicate the most determined opposition to union. Mr. E. P. Morris, member of the House of Assembly, in moving the first resolution, urged the people to grapple with Confederation, kill it, "attend the funeral and bury it so deeply that it will never rise again." The resolutions show the spirit with which the proposal for union is opposed. The first reads as follows:—"Whereas, In March last His Excellency the Governor-General of Canada invited this Colony to send a deputation to Ottawa with power to negotiate terms for the admission of Newfoundland into the Federal Union; And whereas, No legislative sanction nor approval of the people, either by petition, public meeting or otherwise, has been given to the despatch of any such deputation for that purpose; Be it therefore resolved, That the meeting protests against the departure of any deputation to Ottawa to negotiate terms for the admission of this Colony into the Dominion of Canada.

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were beaten. In the present case a majority of the Executive of the government party of both branches of the legislature were opposed to Confederation, and still the delegation was going. No preparation had been made of the statistics of the colony which would have been absolutely necessary in arguing its case in Canada. Thus it will be seen that the new move in favor of union was hurriedly arranged and had all the appearance of a job put up by politicians to get over popular disapproval by a trick like that which Dr. Topper played on the Nova Scotians.

More alert for the preservation of their liberties, the Newfoundlanders obstructed the schemers at the beginning of their game and saved their country from being gobbled by the sharks and combiners who excited two rebellions in the North west and have robbed the old provinces of everything they could lay hands on. It is also fortunate for the Islanders that the constant struggles of Ontario, Manitoba and Quebec to maintain the rights, guaranteed them by law and the constitution, against the dishonest and illegal encroachments of the Tory clique at Ottawa, should have been so well advertised.

Newfoundlanders could see in those struggles what they would have to endure or undergo should they weakly, foolishly enter Confederation under Macdonaldite auspices. They could also see in the gigantic debt, the excessive taxation, the robbery by combines, the monopolies, the squandering of national mineral, timber, agricultural and grazing lands among political favorites and old world aristocrats, the future of their own resources should Sir John Macdonald and his horde of grabbers, hummers and bootlers once get their hands upon the island.

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No more beautiful and useful handbook for the business interests of our city has yet appeared than that entitled "The Commerce of Montreal and its Manufactories," issued by the George Bishop Engraving and Printing Company. The letter-press is excellent throughout, while the illustrations are a credit to the skill and workmanship of the engravers. All Montreal's leading business houses find places in the volume. It is a book which should be in the offices of all our merchants and professional men.

### PARNELL DEFENCE FUND.

A large and representative meeting was held on Sunday afternoon in St. Patrick's Hall, H. J. Cloran, president, in the chair. The minutes of the preceding meeting having been read, confirmed and adopted, the chairman congratulated the meeting upon the satisfactory progress made up to the present, and having briefly reviewed the proceedings of the Parnell commission, he concluded by strongly urging those present, who had not done so, to obtain from W. D. Burns, the secretary, a collecting sheet. He knew their own thousands in the city who would cheerfully contribute if they were approached, and also would the workmen in one of their shops take a sheet. The following additional sums were handed in:—  
Amount brought forward \$62 50

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| Dennis Coghlan.....             | \$ 4 00 |
| "Affiliated.....                | 1 00    |
| John Butler.....                | 2 00    |
| Martin O'Leahin.....            | 5 00    |
| L. Lynch.....                   | 1 00    |
| Mr. D. Sweeney.....             | 2 00    |
| T. Cunningham.....              | 1 00    |
| Patrick Hammell.....            | 1 00    |
| Michael Madigan.....            | 2 00    |
| Jac. Collins.....               | 5 00    |
| COLLECTED BY JAS. BURKE.....    |         |
| Jas. Burke.....                 | \$ 2 00 |
| Thos. Price.....                | 2 00    |
| Michael McMahon.....            | 1 00    |
| P. Lynn.....                    | 2 00    |
| James McGinn.....               | 5 00    |
| Michael Savage.....             | 2 00    |
| COLLECTED BY M. FITZGIBBON..... |         |
| E. Elliott.....                 | \$ 3 00 |
| COLLECTED BY JOHN CLEARY.....   |         |
| John Devaney.....               | \$ 1 00 |
| Joe. Kane.....                  | 1 00    |
| Mich. Harty.....                | 1 00    |
| J. J. Carmody.....              | 1 00    |
| COLLECTED BY JNO. POWER.....    |         |
| Jno. Power.....                 | \$ 5 00 |
| Ed. Power.....                  | 2 00    |
| Lawrence Power.....             | 1 00    |
| James Power.....                | 1 00    |
| John Power.....                 | 1 00    |
| A. Welford Power.....           | 1 00    |
| Lawrence Power.....             | 1 00    |
| Jno. Gleason.....               | 1 00    |
| Jno. Searles.....               | 1 00    |
| Jas. Merriman.....              | 1 00    |
| Matt O'Connor.....              | 1 00    |
| Thos. Kinnell.....              | 1 00    |
| Wm. Brennan.....                | 1 00    |
| Jas. Connors.....               | 1 00    |
| Richard Wickham.....            | 1 00    |
| Jas. Connolly.....              | 1 00    |
| Jno. Price.....                 | 1 00    |
| Mike Mullins.....               | 1 00    |
| Patrick Cash.....               | 1 00    |
| Nicholas Hayes.....             | 1 00    |
| Hugh Toole.....                 | 1 00    |
| Geo. Higginbottom.....          | 1 00    |
| Jno. L. Gleason.....            | 1 00    |
| E. Sheridan.....                | 1 00    |
| James Downey.....               | 1 00    |
| Michael Conlin.....             | 1 00    |
| Michael Hannan.....             | 1 00    |
| Chas. Pegnam.....               | 1 00    |
| Thos. Lovitt.....               | 1 00    |
| Jas. Cannon.....                | 1 00    |
| P. O'Brien.....                 | 1 00    |
| Thos. Finlay.....               | 1 00    |
| Jas. Walsh.....                 | 1 00    |
| Jas. Shiel.....                 | 1 00    |
| Jno. Furlong.....               | 1 00    |
| Jno. Cassidy.....               | 1 00    |
| Peter Burns.....                | 1 00    |
| Jno. Connolly.....              | 1 00    |
| Michael Kavayagh.....           | 1 00    |
| Francis Plante.....             | 1 00    |
| Patrick Hayes.....              | 1 00    |
| Jno. Callahan.....              | 1 00    |
| Jas. McNamara.....              | 50      |
| Jas. Long.....                  | 50      |
| Thos. Farrell.....              | 50      |
| Jno. Heelan.....                | 50      |
| Wm. Bennett.....                | 50      |
| Murphy Toke.....                | 50      |
| Jno. Donnelly.....              | 50      |
| Jac. McCarthy.....              | 50      |
| Daan Erwin.....                 | 50      |
| Maurice Hussey.....             | 50      |
| Michael Brophy.....             | 50      |
| Martin Dempsey.....             | 50      |
| Alex. Foran.....                | 50      |
| Michael Jones.....              | 50      |
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The Mowat government has long enjoyed the confidence of the majority of the electors of East Northumberland. With the exception of the one session during which Dr. Willoughby held a seat in the House, the government since its formation in 1872 has been supported by the representative of this constituency. Nothing that they have done, and since Parliament can possibly have alienated or intimidated or cast his ballot for the late lamented Richard Clark. Honest, economical, and courageous, Oliver Mowat can well ask for one more vote of confidence in him and his administration.

Vote for Mowat, Mallory and Provincial Rights.

### BOURGET COLLEGE.

Two hundred and seventy-five students are already registered at Bourget College, Rigaud, P. Q., one hundred and seventy at the college are boarders. The complete English course of Bourget College has a very large attendance this year, and is under the skillful direction of Rev. O. Joly, C.S.V., Rev. C. E. Doroche, C.S.V., Rev. P. J. Kelleff, Rev. J. Harkin, C.S.V., Rev. D. F. Brady and Rev. L. Blondin. The staff of Bourget College consists of twenty six professors.

### A SIGNIFICANT FACT.

It is a very significant fact that the two largest subscriptions to the Parnell Defence Fund yet announced in Canada came from gentlemen neither of whom is a Catholic. Mr. Mercier in Quebec and Mr. Patterson of Essex in Ontario each gives to the fund for the vindication of Ireland's leader from the Times' atrocious charges the sum of \$100. Where, we ask, are our wealthy Irish Catholics in this crisis?—Canadian Freeman.

### A MUNIFICENT GIFT.

The Ottawa Free Press notes with commendation the gift of a magnificent sanctuary lamp, donated by Mrs. John J. Macdonald to the newly erected chapel of the Sacred Heart of Jesus attached to the Rideau Street Convent, Ottawa. It is indeed pleasing to find Catholic ladies of distinction and position thus honorably remembering the institutions wherein they received their mental training and religious instruction which makes them ornaments of the circles wherein they move.

### POPULAR SCIENCE NOTES.

Scientists say there is no plant that does not serve as food for some animal, but the only article used as food from the mineral kingdom is common salt.

Dr. J. W. Porter of Kansas City claims to be the originator of the standard time system. He says the subject was first brought to his mind in 1875, when he was in the Coast Survey, by noting the variation of clocks and watches. He finally marked off a standard time zone, and his theory was unanimously adopted.

It is said that vessels built of African teak wood have lasted 100 years, to be then broken up because of faulty models. Its weight is from 45 to 55 pounds per cubic foot; it works easily, but wears the tools rapidly on account of the quality of the oil which it contains, an oil which prevents the iron in contact with it from rusting.

KEEPING FISH ALIVE.—A New York investigator has announced that fish can be kept alive a considerable time without change of air or water by placing them in a receptacle partly filled with water and hermetically sealed. They are, he says, unaffected by changes of temperature, and quite healthy at the end of several years from the jar, while others, placed in jars open or exposed to the air, or quite full of water, died in a short time.

Professor Elliott Gray, of Highland Park, Ill., has obtained a patent, dated July 31, 1888, for a combination of instruments called the scale.

A grand banquet was given at which a great many clergymen, alumni of Bourget College were present.

In the evening a literary entertainment was given by the students in a noteworthy manner, in honor of Rev. W. Desrochers, D.D., alumnus of Bourget College and Doctor in Divinity of the Propaganda College in Rome. Eloquent speeches were delivered by Dr. Deguire, Priest, Rev. A. A. Labelle and Rev. P. Belanger. The College band rendered several choice selections. The Rev. St. Viateurs have the direction of Bourget College since the year 1882.

### THE EAST NORTHUMBERLAND ELECTION.

[Cobourg World.]  
Our sister riding has had its full share of elections during the past year. The present vacancy in its parliamentary representation, however, has arisen from an unexpected cause, the death of the late Richard Clark, M.P.P.

In the present contest, Mr. Caleb Mallory, the Reeve of Ferry and Warden of the counties, carries the Liberal standard, while Dr. Willoughby is again the Conservative candidate. During the February election, Dr. Willoughby prophesied that East Northumberland would go with the Government, and that Dr. Willoughby would be decisively beaten. This prediction was received by the Conservatives of both Ridings with the utmost scorn. Nothing could be stronger and more positive than the assertions that he was sure to be re-elected by an increased majority. In spite, however, of the prestige of a former victory and the popularity of their candidate, they were badly beaten. Now they go into the fight with their old candidate, who, it is revealing no secret to say, has lost a large share of that popularity. He is, however, in the mind of the public. If Dr. Willoughby fails to succeed in February, with all the odds in his favor, what possible chance has he now when everything is against him? We have always said and still say that we have nothing against Dr. Willoughby, with him on the line of principles and not of persons, still we consider that his action in forcing a contest on the present occasion is most reprehensible. The great body of Conservatives in the East Riding are heartily tired of elections, and would willingly avoid going to a hopeless fight, in order to save the strength for the next general election. If the Conservatives, however, were "aching for a fight," there must be some excuse for his conduct, but when they are anxious that there should be no contest, he is not only acting the part of a poor general, he is also that of a factious obstructive.

It is understood that Dr. Willoughby has alienated many of his devotees by the ill-grace with which he took his own part in the matter of being it like a little man, he became extremely early to all who differed from him. In the past, his easy good nature had won friends for him in every direction. He was a light jolly good fellow, and, no doubt, he is yet as cheerful as a child. But now, his ill-humour and his annoyance get the better of himself, he is most unhappy result. In addition to his own defeat, he will have to contend with the fact that he is an opposition candidate, and even if elected, would not have the slightest influence of any kind or description in the House. His name there and in numbers, weak in debate and weaker in ability, he will be utterly absurd for East Northumberland to send him to Toronto for the sole purpose of increasing the opposition by one.

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The Mowat government has long enjoyed the confidence of the majority of the electors of East Northumberland. With the exception of the one session during which Dr. Willoughby held a seat in the House, the government since its formation in 1872 has been supported by the representative of this constituency. Nothing that they have done, and since Parliament can possibly have alienated or intimidated or cast his ballot for the late lamented Richard Clark. Honest, economical, and courageous, Oliver Mowat can well ask for one more vote of confidence in him and his administration.

Vote for Mowat, Mallory and Provincial Rights.

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### POPULAR SCIENCE NOTES.

Scientists say there is no plant that does not serve as food for some animal, but the only article used as food from the mineral kingdom is common salt.

### DR. J. W. PORTER OF KANSAS CITY CLAIMS TO BE THE ORIGINATOR OF THE STANDARD TIME SYSTEM.

He says the subject was first brought to his mind in 1875, when he was in the Coast Survey, by noting the variation of clocks and watches. He finally marked off a standard time zone, and his theory was unanimously adopted.

It is said that vessels built of African teak wood have lasted 100 years, to be then broken up because of faulty models. Its weight is from 45 to 55 pounds per cubic foot; it works easily, but wears the tools rapidly on account of the quality of the oil which it contains, an oil which prevents the iron in contact with it from rusting.

### KEEPING FISH ALIVE.—A NEW YORK INVESTIGATOR HAS ANNOUNCED THAT FISH CAN BE KEPT ALIVE A CONSIDERABLE TIME WITHOUT CHANGE OF AIR OR WATER BY PLACING THEM IN A RECEPTACLE PARTLY FILLED WITH WATER AND HERMETICALLY SEALED.

They are, he says, unaffected by changes of temperature, and quite healthy at the end of several years from the jar, while others, placed in jars open or exposed to the air, or quite full of water, died in a short time.

Professor Elliott Gray, of Highland Park, Ill., has obtained a patent, dated July 31, 1888, for a combination of instruments called the scale.