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THE COMBINES.

Everybody is laughing at the declaration of the subsidized Toronto Empire that it is impossible for combines to exist in Canada. The Empire is practically owned by the

combines and the politicians who have recently ruled at Ottawa by their favor. They chip in their annual subscriptions to keep it alive, and boss its policy, and it says just what they dictate. Its evidence cannot be accepted as altogether disinterested. But he is an awful fool who believes the Toronto Empire's declaration that it is impossible for combines to exist here. It is scarcely necessary to give an illustration of how combines do work here, fostered as the sugar, cotton, rubber, binding twine, parbed wire and other combines are by high taxation. But we shall give one, related by a London wholesale dealer the

The traveler of a combine established to raise the price of agricultural tools called on the wholesale dealer. This conversation

ensued:

Traveler—What can I do for you?

Wholesaler—Oh, you have been charging so high price that I have managed to get a supply on the other side as cheap, after paying the duty.

Traveler—You have, have you? Then, (with the emphasis of a Rykert on being found out) he added, "Pil take d—d good care you don't do it again."

"Sure enough," said the dealer, reciting the experience the other day, "he had me. His bosses went dewn to the Government and get it to put 15 per cent. additional

and got it to put 15 per cent. additional duty on the wares, making the duty now collected from 50 to 75 per cent. on the value of every soythe, manure fork, hay fork, garden rake, spade, shovel, pick, etc. Then prohibition of imports was complete. mbine had no competition, and they were as happy as the Ottawa recipient of their subscription to a fund for the con-

tinuance of the system."

When next the combine traveler re turned this conversation ensued:

Teaveler-Do you want anything in my

line to-day?
Wholesaler—I cannot tell on short notice; can't you wait an hour or two?
Traveler—Well, I'm going to dinner now. I'll be back in half an hour for your order. If you cannot give it then, you can send it to the factory. You must, you know, he added with a knowing wink, retailing his previous threat.

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The farmers are equally good witnesses as the men who act as middlemen between the combines and the consumers. A year ago the Central Farmers' Institute of Ontario passed the following resolution, only four members dissenting in a largely-at-tended meeting composed of men who up to that time belonged to both political

parties:

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"The Central Farmers' Institute of Ontario do memorialize the Dominion Government that:

"Whereas, we consider the present high tariff is very injurious to the agricultural interests, imaking what we buy proportionately dearer than the products we sell; and whereas, the present high tariff as given us to the combine system, by which competition is to a great extent prevented, and whereas, the agricultural interest is suffering under serious depression and unanable to bear the strain occasioned by the tariff and the combine system aforesaid, and as the agricultural interests represent the large majority of the population; that,

"Therefore, this, the Central Institute, do respectfully ask the Government to reduce the tariff on articles of prime necessity to the farmer, such as iron, steel, coal, cottons, woolens, rubbers, sugars, corn and sait, to such an extent as to relieve the agriculturist of the unequal burden under which he is now laboring."

The response to this request is the impu-

The response to this request is the impu-ent assurance from the Ottawa Governdent assurance from the Ottawa Govern-ment that as between the farmers and the combines it means to stand by the com-bines. There can be no doubt that it is de-termined to hold to that position. But we cannot believe that the people are with them.

They would be traitors to their own best interests if they were.

ISAAO BUCHANAN'S ADVICE. Frederic Nichols, the chief agent of the

combines in this Province, writes a letter to workingmen and farmers telling them how much benefit the system which his employers wax fat under is giving them. Hon. Isaac Buchanan's advice comes in pat

Hon. Isaac Buchanan's advice comes in pat here. That veteran politician used to give this counsel as infallibly sound:

"Find out what your enemies wish you te do, and go in the opposite direction."

Combine advice should be treated like combine dawnation. If followed it is sure to extend the power of the grasping monopolies that have done so much to retard olies that have done so much to retard olies that have done so much to retard olies that have done so much to retard of the country and reduce employment of gressive manufacturers, merchants and farmers will join with them and our progressive manufacturers, merchants and farmers, to obtain it.

It is the way to talk. Mr. Dryden is a representative farmer, and can speak for the staple industry of the country as few men can.

The workingmen know better. They demand a change, and the tax-oppressed farmers will join with them and our progressive manufacturers, merchants and farmers, to obtain it.

WE SECOND THE MOTION. There is a strong desire to have the Hon. H. Blake enter the Dominion Parliament

notion. Mr. S. H. Blake made the best speech delivered in Ontario during the late Provincial campaign. He would be a tower of strength in Parliament and on the plat. Tory leader credit for being astute, but form. We second the motion.

We have a gratifying piece of information to make public respecting our gifted young townsman, Paul Peel, the artist. His celebrated picture, "After the Bath," has been purchased by the Hungarian Government tor the National Gallery. This additional recognition of Paul Peel's genius will give satisfaction to every Londoner and every Canadian.

States. These men, now to all intents and purposes, except in the matter of formal allegiance, citizens of the United States, can come back to Canada and vote in the coming elections. In many a constituency votes as a whole may turn the country one way or the other.

Is not the practical outcome of the oters' list outrage even worse than at first apparent? One hundred thousand young men qualified to vote are swindled out of their franchise. Fifty thousand dead men have their names on the lists, though they will be unable to exercise their undoubted right to vote. And, as we have pointed out, former Canadians, whose intere now solely in the United States, can legally ome back by the thousands and settle the elections for us.

Can a Government be trusted that would perpetrate such an outrage on a free people. They should be driven from power for this attack on the most sacred rights of the populace, if for nothing else.

THE ONTARIO LEGISLATURE. It is understood that the Ontario Legisature will meet next Wednesday, and after a day or two adjourn until after the Doninion elections. This is a proper course. On the eve of a great national contest, it would be difficult to keep members in their places, and it is not advisable that legisation should be proceeded with in a slim House. The Liberal members will doubt-less take off their coats and share in the great national triumph which united action now seems to assure.

THE CANADIAN PRESS ASSOCIA-TION MEETING.

Circulars are out for the annual meeting of the Canadian Press Association at Toronto on the 13th and 14th of February. When the date was selected the Dissolution was not contemplated. The meeting should now be postponed. Otherwise it will be a failure.

SPECIMEN BANNERS. Hon. Mr. Laurier, addressing a meeting

at Halifax last December, said: "We have nailed the banner of freedom of trade to the topmast.

Brethren, is it not a lovely banner? What would patriotic Canadians say to the motto of the Conservative leaders: "We have nailed the banner of the bines and high taxation to the topmast."

THE ELEVENTH HOUR DODGE They can no longer say that the Government is opposed to freer trade relations with the United States. The Government stands committed to send delegates to Washington when the now Congress shall have come into recognized life after March 4.—[London Free Press.

And the leaders of both political parties in the United States have unhesitatingly asserted, since the Ottawa Government

professed to make this offer, ten days ago, that under no circumstances will they be prepared to treat with any Government in Canada for jug-handled or restricted reciprocity.

As well cry for the moon as to ask the neighboring Government to give what for over twenty years it has refused, be-cause it knows that its people desire allround reciprocity in trade or nothing.

The Macdonald Administration is fooling

with the people of Canada in adopting their present tactics, and many men, hitherto supporters of that Government, have no hesitation in saying so.

NO BENEFIT TO THE PEOPLE. Hon. David Mills asked at Collingwood "Is there any one present who seriously believes that Canada has derived any ad-

vantage from a 'protective' tariff?"

And there were hundreds of "Nos." Even the restrictionist leaders admit the failure of the high taxation policy. They profess, in the tricky proposition on which they go to the country, to be willing to throw down one half of the N. P. wail. They profess to be willing to abolish the duties on farm products, but they refuse to do anything for the suppression of the com-

How do the farmers of Canada like this jug-handled proposition?

A CHANGE DEMANDED. We suppose the Tory orators will come to London and assert that prosperity reigns. Short time in some factories, partial collapse in others, and a total suspension in

A HUMPTY-DUMPTY SHOW. The New York Tribune, which generally

oices the views of Mr. Blaine, the leader at the present time. We second the in the present Administration at Washing. ton, plainly tells Sir John Macdonald that his eleventh hour expedient to avoid defeat cannot deceive anyone. It gives the

adds:

"It is equally safe to say that his appeal to the constituencies at this time and on the humbug issue he has presented, is a reflection, and a gross one, upon the intelligence of the Canadian electors. Why, he might just as well ask them to approve a railroad to the moon as a scheme of partial reciprocity with the United States. He knews he is engaged in nothing more dignified than a humpty-dumpty show. Mr. Blaine has told him in plain English that he could not draw up a schedule of partial exchange which this country would accept, and yet he coolly tells his people that he entertains such a scheme and is going to send commissioners to Washington to treat about it, and wants to secure their consent. MAY BE DECIDED BY THE STATES.

Since last revision of the Dominion voters' lists, now approaching three years, many thousands of Canadians have crossed the border, and become residents of the clares he won't make? As is the case with the devices of most persons who are more clares he won't make? As is the case with
the devices of most persons who are more
artful than good; when one picks his way
through Sir John's tangled policy he sees
that after all it runs between two points
which could as well be reached by a straight

And yet the Tory leaders go to the their votes may turn an election. Their country with the declaration that the United States Government is ready and willing to treat on this basis!

They cannot be honest it seems, for their organ, the Empire, is to-day laboring to nake the farmers believe that they get better prices for their produce than would be possible were the duties on natural products thrown off. Yet the essence of the alleged proposal now made is that the duties on farm products shall be taken off and the taxes on manufactured aken off and the taxes on manufactured eccessaries of life shall be maintained at lecessaries of life shall be maintained at Canadian Parliament with the idea that any such arrangement will be carried out, they probable increase if the people are foolish might as well abstain from voting." their present enormous height, with a probable increase if the people are foolish nough to again trust the men who have held power through the money of the combines, the gerrymander and the miserably incomplete voters' lists.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL. -The greatest bore in Canada, next to the St. Clair tunnel, is a speech apologizing for the high tax policy.

-Ex-Mayor McIntyre, of St. Catharines, will likely be the Liberal candidate in He is a strong man. It is a correct of the control of th

-Liberty to buy in the cheapest and sell n the best markets is what the opponents of the Tory high-tax policy are fighting for. -Unceasing work is the price of victory.

For a candidate such as they will nominate

to-night the opponents of the high tax policy will work with a will and achieve victory. -Rykert is to be made a judge, if he retires from Lincoln, and allows a more

reputable Conservative to take his place. Rykert a judge! Have the Tory leaders gone clean crazy?

-The Montreal Trade Bulletin announces that the bringing on of the elections has caused general stagnation in business. What is business to the panicstricken manipulators at Ottawa?

-In many constituencies partisan revising barristers refuse to sell voters' lists to Liberals, though bound by law to do so. Unfortunately there is no penalty. The infamous law finds no favor among minded men.

111 -"The Grits are on the run!" exclaims the Brantford Courier, with commendable honesty. We heard that last year. We know how they ran then. They have taken to the same pace this year. They are running to victory, and if they do not receive a well doing they will determine the same that they want to be same they will be

weary in well-doing they will attain it on

-Canadians will take notice that the Con-rvative platform for the coming fight is utirely of home manufacture. There are no anks supplied from Washington in it.—[Mon-Is that so? What about Sir John's reci procity commission that is to sit at Washington?—[Hamilton Times. Oh, that is not a plank; it is only

scantling. -The farmers used to be told by the Conservative stump orators that the high tax policy was a great benefit to them because it kept out foreign produce. The policy of the Conservative leaders is now declared to be "protection" for the com-bines, reciprocity for the farmers. If good

for one class, why not for the other? 1:: -There is sound logic for political cam-

—There is sound logic for political campaigners in the following poetical effusion:
It doesn't pay to do much talking when you're mad enough to choke,
Because the word that stings the deepest is the one that's never spoke;
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ttt -The man who will now go on a high tax platform and tell the wage-earners that a high tariff either raises wages, decreases the cost of living, or supplies steady work would be laughed at by every workingman in the city. High taxation never did and

never can add to the remuneration or sun

ply steady work to the wage-earner. It

ertainly has not done so in London. ::: -Hon. John Dryden, Minister of Agriculture for Ontario, addressing a mas meeting in Ontario county, said that it was the duty of every patriotic Canadian to do what he could "to reverse the most foolish

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A Miraculous Medicine,—Mr. J. H. Car-peau, St. Camille, writes: "Send me at once three dozen Northrop & Lyman's Viceraria Discovery. It is a miraculous medicine and has

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have Dyspepsia. Ma. R. H. Dawson, of St.
Mary's, writes: "Four bottles of Vegetared Discovers entirely cured me of Dyspepsia; mine was
one of the worst cases. I now feel like a new man."

It have be stimedicing in the market for the stomach
and system generally."

MR. Geo. Toler, Druggist, Gravenhurst, Ont.
writes: "My customers who have used Nogrinop's
Lyman's Vegetare Discovery say that it has done
them more good than anything they ever used."

cumbent, being placed on the superannuated list. We condole with Mr. Brown's late colleague, who, having achieved fame throughout Barton and Saltfleet townships as a silver-tongued orator, deserved a bet wons ter fate than is apparently in store for him. -Referring to the fool's message of which the panic-stricken Ottawa authorities allege they will send a commission, the Buffalo Express says:

THE TAILORS.

which he knows will not be accepted at We open the season to-day with the greatest Washington, or even looked at, merely as a value in But the people here see it as easily as de

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CURTLY CHRONICLED.

Eleven Lives Lost by the Sinking of a Steamer-Patti Arrested. CANADIAN.

Mr. Jas. McLaren's saw mills at Ottawa ere burned Sunday morning. Loss over \$125,000.

The Y. M. C. A. convention at Kingston concluded its work, and the next meeting is fixed for Quebec.

It is learned that Rev. W. W. Carson, of Kingston, will leave for Detroit, Mich., on March 6, prior to accepting church pastorate there.

ate there.

The vital statistics of Toronto for the past week are 79 births, 68 deaths and 14 marriages. The death rate is considerably above the normal rate.

At Keswick, near Newmarket, on Fridanight, a man named Connell was felled with a bootjack, it is alleged, by one Lepard His skull was fractured.

His skull was fractured.

Mr. Houliston, a lawyer of Three River Que., who went to England for the purpos of taking the trip on the Empress India, died suddenly of heart disease whi visiting in Edinburgh.

Provincial Detective McKee is going Mexico, to bring back to Canada J. I Henry, formerly a commission merchant Chatham, who is held there on account frauds on the Bank of Montreal committee in Ontario prior to Dec. 13.

Mr. Richard Hunt, of Summerside,

In Ontario prior to Dec. 13.

Mr. Richard Hunt, of Summerside, E. I., chairman of the Census Comm sioners, says that the only important meature in the work this year will be taking of the statistics in relation to temigration of Canadians to the Unit States.

At Pierre, S. D., Saturday the 27th lot for United States Senator was cast a

Fire in Jacoby & Son's cigar factory, Thirty-eighth street, New York, cause Thirty-eighth st loss of \$100,000. Gen. John B. Newton, of New York,

Gen. John B. Newton, of New York, been chosen consulting architect of Chicago ship canal at a salary of \$10,00 Dispatches from South Dakota descri general and severe snow storm through the State. A foot of snow has fallen in Mowhawk Valley, N. Y.

Mowhawk Valley, N. Y.

Eleven prisoners were lashed in Passet (Del.) jaik Saturday morning and stood in the pillory for an hour. See hundred people stood in the rain watched the punishment inflicted.

The Ladiana of the Real Lab Passet. The Indians of the Red Lake Reserve

The Indians of the Red Lake Reservare still carrying on their orgies. Judis, on the Rosiau Qiver, the settler building a stockade and have organivalunteer company to defend thems. Between 300 and 400 people have left homes, most of them in a very dest condition.

A new Italian Cabinet has been funder the premiership of the Marq Rundini.

The Parnell Leadership Committee agreed to dissolve, in view of the acc of Mr. Dillon.

Signor Crispi, ex-Premier of Ita Sunday took farewell of the officials Interior and Foreign Offices.

The Speaker, the new Liberal week.

The Speaker, the new Liberal wee London, has a severe article on Si Macdonald's two-faced policy.

Madame Patti was arrested at Be an order from St. Petersburg, issued ground of breach of contract.

The Research particular and said. The Russian authorities are said using torture to extract information political prisoners in Poland.

political prisoners in Poland.

There was a revolt by the negroes Island of St. Thomas, in the Gulf of belonging to the Portuguese. The quelled the uprising.

News has been received at Londerevolt by the negroes on the Island Thomas, in the Gulf of Guinea, but to the Portuguese. The garrison the uprising.

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