

THE same imbecility of the Salisbury Ministry appears to United Ireland as a burlesque. "The great Council of the nation" which might have Mr. Gladstone as its leader, is led by Smith. Taken ten shopkeepers from Cheapside and nine at least of the poor will be as intelligent, as eloquent, and as cosmopolitan as the leader of the English House of Commons. England will not long be able to support this Government of dullards and bigots who might well the dullards and bigots of the world. It is long time that the error

Despite the encouragement given it by the special organ of the government and the active propaganda carried on by leading Ontario and Maritime provinces Tories the Imperial Federation had makes no headway in Canada.

The miseries and imbecilities of Downing street rule are not forgotten, and we do not believe any respectable number of our people would be found willing to permanently annex this country to the European system, vote to burden themselves with taxes to support foreign wars and make their country a prospective battle field and recruiting ground for the tyrannies of the old world. Opposed to Imperial Federation in Canada are the whole body of the Liberal party, the entire French

It may seem very chivalrous to some people to prate about loyalty, but the true idea of loyalty is Canada first, Englishmen never dream of questioning how the policy of their Government may be regarded by Canadians. Their first and last thought is for their own country. When they do condescend to consider the colonies they do so solely from the point of self interest and with the one view as to how they may be made of use to England. Nobody blames them for that, because it is right and natural. Then why should Canadians not do the same? It is a matter of fact they do, and all the mouthings of such loyalists as Dr. Beare find refutation in the policy of the Tory Government which has managed to retain power by

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Such luxury would be beneath notice, were not for the prominence given it by the personal organ of Sir John Macdonald. We are not surprised, for we have long known that the sentiments very like his are instinctive in the every heart and form the moving principle of the party led by Sir John Macdonald. Thomas Ward, late of Sandy Row, Belfast, is also deserving of attention, inasmuch that he represents an element which has worked untold misery in Ireland. At home he was enslaved by bigotry and prejudices to a foreign yoke and preferred to leave his native land governed in the interest of England rather than in her own. In command he is incapable of realizing his own degradation and would reduce this country to the same abject condition to which he, and such as he, have reduced Ireland. By the writings of such fanatics we can see what the

The movement now going on in this city for the suppression of the liquor traffic is one which ought to have the active support of all good citizens. The number of drinking places is altogether out of proportion to the population, and, sad to say, the poorer the neighborhood the more numerous these places are. This fact, however, is no indication that the poor drink more than the well-to-do. Their restricted means compels them to go to the saloons when the better class go to their own sideboards or to the club. Coarse, scanty food and bad liquor demoralize the poor quickly and completely, while lack of comfort, the depression of cheerless surroundings, the precariousness of the means of existence for men and women, too, to the litter of drunkenness. Any organized effort to arrest this fearful torrent of destruction must have our strongest sympathy and best assistance, and we devoutly hope that the present efforts of our temperance people will succeed in turning our popular feeling to the extent of compelling the constituted authorities to take action in the direction of reform. As the evil is great, the effort to overcome it must be great.

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