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Britain, believing that such a status would
be best for Canada, best for Great Britain,
and promotive of the best attainable rela-
tions with the United States. As to im-
perial Federation, sometimes spoken of,
the Advertiser as yet has seen nothing
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cability, and in any case infinitely prefers
the grander and more really hopeful scheme
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peoples of the world.

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pedient general legislation and persuasion
in the meantime.

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equal rights for women, whether as regards the franchise,
or equal wages for equal work.

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tian Union, and con-
sidering the time has come when the various
Christian denominations should come closer
together. Those bodies which are now
nearest should unite first. Under the pres-
ent system there is an unjustifiable waste of
time, money and effort. The ADVERTISER
will endeavor to promote the movement for
Christian union not alone by direct appeal
and argument, but by seeking to present
the best rather than the worst side of each
denomination.

"The Advertiser" advocates Obligatory
Voting as both neces-
sary and practicable. Nothing would so
much purify electoral contests. Nothing
would so much enforce the idea that the
franchise is a duty, not a chattel.

God is in His heaven,
All's right with the world.
—[BROWNING.]

London, Thursday, Dec. 24.

KINGSTON election, which might have taken
place last August, is delayed, according
to the News, because the new voters'
lists are not ready. That is a very
thin excuse for a Government that held
an election in every constituency in the
Province last March on an antiquated
voters' list.

The Departments at Ottawa are still being
splendidly by clerks imported from the
old country. An Ottawa correspondent
asserts that "Canadians have no show
while the old country dunces are in
power." Of course, the sons of Tupper's
well friends must have first choice for
government positions.

The Quebec Legislature has been dissolved.
The new Ministers, who at the instance
of Governor Angers and his Ottawa
backers have arbitrarily been given con-
trol of public affairs, dare not meet the
Legislature and defend the act. They
will try to bribe the constituencies in the
concomitant un-British tactics. The
Montreal Witness, who is no friend of
Mr. Mercer, holds that the course of
Mr. Abbott's agent, Angers, will "stand
the test neither of constitutional usage
nor of political wisdom."

EAST ELGIN.

Dr. Wilson has again been nominated for
the seat in the House of Commons, rendered
vacant by the unseating of Mr. Ingram.
While Dr. Wilson sat for the constituency,
It was well represented. The doctor was
one of the ablest M.P.s in the House, and
he was always alive to the best interests
of the people. He lost his seat by the non-
resident voters, through the corruption of
the electorate by unscrupulous opponents,
and by the unweariness of friends at a
distance who believed he was safe. In the
coming by-election it is announced, the
non-resident vote will be much reduced,
the agents of the enemy will be well looked
after, and there will be no apathy in any
section of the doctor's friends. The small
minority in which he found himself can
easily be turned into a majority.

VOTERS' LISTS OBJECTION REVELATIONS.

The Much-Canvassed London Objection Paper Con-
trasted with Those in Other Constituencies.

Less Complete Notices Used by Conservatives in Kingston and Fron-
tenac, and Held To Be Ample by the Judges.

The Decision of Judge Davis on the Delaware Appeals Not Upset by
the Queen's Bench.

As the attempt to have over 200 bad
names put on the London voters' lists, be-
cause of an alleged technicality, has caused
such widespread interest, the ADVERTISER
has deemed it wise to show from the law and
decisions in other municipalities how un-
warranted the steps recently taken by a few
Conservatives in this city really are.

THE LAW ON THE SUBJECT.
The Franchise Act, in form "D," gives a
form for the guidance of those who wish
to object to names on the roll, to add names,
or to in any way amend the list. Its pro-
visions are in the following terms:

NOTICE OF OBJECTION, COMPLAINT OR AP-
PLICATION.
I, of the in the electoral
district of Province of
hereby give notice that I will apply to have
the list of voters for polling district No.
of the said electoral district, for the year
as preliminary revised, amended,
added to or corrected, as the case
may be, then state the name or names
of the persons or names desired to be added,
with full particulars of their residences,
addresses, occupations, qualifications, and
if real property, where situated, and the
grounds for applying to have them added,
or the nature of any proposed amendments
or corrections to the list and the grounds
therefor, at the court (or sitting) to be held
by the revising officer for the said electoral
district, at o'clock in the noon
on the day of at
in the said electoral district.
To the revising officer for
the said electoral district
(or portion of the said
electoral district), (or to
the person whose name
is objected to),
Vic., c. 40, sec. 7, Form E.
Name of complainant.
Postoffice address.
Dated, 18

EXPERIENCE IN LONDON.
The Liberals of London appealed against a
large number of names on the city voters'
list, giving the names, postoffice address,
occupation, qualification, description of
property or residence, of the person whose
right to vote was attacked, and stating the
ground of amendment to be "not qualified."
When the time for final revision arrived,
the Conservative lawyers took the objection
that "not qualified" was not sufficiently ex-
plicit. Revising Officer Fraser coincided
in this view, and adjourned the court to give
time to have the grounds amended. He had
that option by virtue of the provision of
the Act which gives him wide scope of
action, in order that "justice
may be done to all parties." Before the
court resumed, the Conservative lawyers
appealed to Judge Elliot. They could not
claim that any injustice had been done to
anyone by the adjournment. If anyone
should have complained it was the
Liberals who had been put to much ex-
pense by the raising of this technical ob-
jection which, if successfully maintained,
could only result in hundreds of bad names
being left on the voters' list. Judge Elliot
held that the notice was not a proper one,
but declined to pronounce upon the right of
the revising officer to give time to amend it.
The ground that he could not pro-
ceed to deal with the names. The Liberal
agents then appealed to the Court of
Queen's Bench, which unanimously held
that the Liberal notice was in every sense
a proper one, each of the three judges—
Chief Justice Armour, Mr. Justice Street
and Mr. Justice Falconbridge—maintaining
that the notice was amply sufficient. The
judges then issued a mandamus to com-
pel Mr. Fraser to proceed with the re-
vision, though one can scarcely believe
that in the absence of that instruction from
the High Court he would have been pre-
pared to shirk the duty of fully revising
the voters' lists, so as to "do justice to
all parties," as the law stipulates.

The voters' lists were revised. Nearly
400 bad names were scored off, and so far
as we have heard not one of the persons
whose names have been so dealt with have
any right to complain of the action of Re-
vising Officer Fraser. But a few Conserva-
tives, for reasons best known to their
selves, and alleged to be instigated in their
course from Ottawa, are still determined,
if possible, to keep over 200 of the bad
names on the lists. They have appealed to
the Court of Appeal, and will endeavor,
by the urging of all the legal technicalities
at their command, to have the decision of
the Court of Queen's Bench reversed, and the
200 odd bad names put on the voters' list.
We do not believe that the Court of Appeal
will so decree, but if it did, what would be
the effect of its decision? Nothing more
and nothing less than the stuffing of the
voters' lists with the names of over 200
men who have no moral right to a vote, and
who could only be put on the lists by the
agency of a miserable quibble.

THE DECISION OF JUDGE DAVIS.
It has been said that the decision of
Judge Davis on the Delaware appeals was
not upset by the Queen's Bench, but
this is not the case. Judge Davis never
pronounced upon the question of whether
or not the words "not qualified" was a
sufficiently explicit objection to the notices
of objection. What he decided was
the validity of the list of objections pre-
sented to him. Wherein it was deficient
in best shown by contrast with the similar
list presented to the revising officer in this

his name, at the meeting to be held by the
revising officer for the said municipality of
Storington, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon,
on the 14th day of October, 1891, for the
final revision of the list of voters for the
said polling district, No. 2, at town hall,
Sunbury, in the municipality of Storington,
on the 28th day of September, 1891.
WILLIAM STOKES, Complainant.

PERSON OBJECTED TO.

No. on List of Voters.	Name.	Grounds of Objection.
79	Lyons, Herbert.	Not Qualified.

This notice must be delivered to the
person or sent by registered letter to his
last known postoffice address.

It will be observed that in each of these
constituencies, where the lists were revised
by judges a form far less complete than
that sent out by the Liberal agent in Lon-
don was accepted from Conservative
agents as amply complying with the pro-
visions of the act. Moreover, these notices
of objection gave the grounds for objection
in the majority of cases in the same terms
as those contained in the London notice,
viz., "is not qualified," or "not qualified."
In other cases the ground given was
"ceased to be qualified."

A correspondent of the ADVERTISER who
attended the courts for revising the lists in
both Kingston and Frontenac informs us
that in Kingston Judge Wilkinson ruled
that he "had the right to amend and
would and did strike names off the
lists, no matter what the ground
of objection stated was, if it were
shown that the voter, for any reason,
should be struck off." Our correspondent
further points out that Judge Wilkinson
and Judge Price (revising officer for Fron-
tenac) "allowed every form of objection
application to be amended, or rather
amended themselves, for either party,
without the slightest hesitation. Their
action seemed to be to put on every voter
entitled in any capacity, and to strike off
every name not entitled." Their view is
entirely different from that of the few
Conservatives of this city who have
resorted to the Court of Appeal in
order if possible to kill good voters on the
list by the insertion of names struck off by
Revising Officer Fraser as undoubtedly
bad!

There is no equity in the proposition. If
200 admittedly bad names were put on the
voters' lists to-morrow, by the quibble of
legal hair splitters, their act would be
resented by the electorate with a unanimi-
ty that would surprise the plotters. The
fair-minded men in the Conservative party,
we are convinced, will never be consenting
partners to upholding any such attempt.

"August Flower"

How does he feel?—He feels
cranky, and is constantly experi-
menting, dieting himself, adopting
strange notions, and changing the
cooking, the dishes, the hours, and
manner of his eating—August
Flower the Remedy.

How does he feel?—He feels at
times a gnawing, voracious, insatiable
appetite, wholly unaccountable,
unnatural and unhealthy—August
Flower the Remedy.

How does he feel?—He feels no
desire to go to the table, and a
grumbling, fault-finding, over-nice-
ty about what is set before him when
he is there—August Flower the
Remedy.

How does he feel?—He feels ir-
regular bowels and peculiar stools—
August Flower the Remedy.

"How are you?"
"Nicely, thank you."
"Thank you?"
"Why the inventor of
SCOTT'S
EMULSION
Which cured me of CONSUMPTION."
Give thanks for its discovery. That it
does not make you sick when you
take it.
Give thanks. That it is three times as
efficacious as the old-fashioned
cod liver oil.
Give thanks. That it is such a wonder-
ful flesh producer.
Give thanks. That it is the best remedy
for Consumption, Scrophulous
Bones, Bronchitis, Wasting Dis-
eases, Coughs and Colds.
Be sure you get the genuine in Salmon
color wrapper; sold by all Druggists, at
50c. and 10c. per bottle.
SCOTT & BOWNE, Belleville.

THE KINGSTON NOTICE.
In Kingston city, Judge Wilkinson is
revising officer, and he accepted a much
less complete notice than that used by the
Liberal agent in this city. It was drawn up
and sent out by the Kingston Conservative
Association, and was in the following
terms:

In the Matter of the Electoral Franchise
Act and Amendments Thereto.
PERSONAL NOTICE OF COMPLAINT.
I, James Minnes, merchant, of the city
of Kingston, in the County of Frontenac,
in the Province of Ontario, under the
"Electoral Franchise Act," an elector of
the said electoral district of the city of
Kingston, hereby give notice that I will
apply to have the list of voters for polling
district No. 7, in the municipality of the
city of Kingston, of the said electoral dis-
trict of the city of Kingston, for the year
1891, as preliminary revised, amended by
the person mentioned hereafter, upon the grounds set
opposite to his name, at the court to be held
by the revising officer for the said electoral
district, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon on
the 28th day of October, 1891, for the final
revision of the list of voters for said polling
district No. 7, at the council chamber, city
hall, in the municipality of the city of
Kingston, in the said electoral district.
Dated this 3rd day of October, 1891.
JAMES MINNES, complainant.

PERSON OBJECTED TO.

No. on List of Voters.	Name.	Grounds of Objection.
22	Dick, W. R.	Is not qualified

This notice must be delivered to the per-
son, or sent by registered letter, to his last
known postoffice address.

THE SAME IN FRONTENAC.
In Frontenac, where Judge Price is re-
vising officer, the following form, issued by
the Conservative agents, was held to be in
every sense complete:

In the Matter of the Electoral Franchise
Act and Amendments Thereto.
PERSONAL NOTICE OF COMPLAINT.
I, William Stokes, of the township of
Storington, in the County of Frontenac, in
the Province of Ontario, under the "Electoral
Franchise Act," an elector of the said elec-
torial district of Frontenac, hereby give
notice, that I will apply to have the list of
voters for polling district No. 2, in the munici-
pality of Storington, of the said electoral
district of Frontenac, amended by striking
therefrom the name of the person mentioned
hereafter, upon the grounds set opposite to

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cated at all the principal points in
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promoted a healthy growth.

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Makes hair soft and Pliable.
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